WELCOME!!

Welcome to this Worship Service! Our vision at Calvary is "To See Lives Transformed by Christ". We pray that the service today will help you to go deep in your walk with Him as He is the one constant in our lives; to live out authentic faith as we navigate these uncertain times; and to make disciples - to be willing to step out in faith to tell others about our awesome God!

EASTER SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP Sunday, April 17th, 2022

Worship in Song

Scripture: Mark 16:15-16

Message: "Easter Changes Everything".................Pastor Ben

Closing

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

After both services, please allow parents to leave the sanctuary first so they can quickly go downstairs to pick up their children.

If you would like to visit with your church family, please plan to do so before the 9 a.m. service, or after the 11 a.m. service. Between the services, staff and volunteers need time to clean and set up for the second service. We also need to have vehicles removed from the parking lot before 10:45 so there is room for those who are coming to the second service! Thank you for understanding!

NOTE TO PARENTS

Thank you Calvary Kids' families for patiently handling the reintroduction of our check in/out system. At check in, parents are provided with a notification number, and children with a name tag, helping identify kids and allowing for a safe check out process. We remind parents to keep this sticker with them or adhere it to themselves for 1) easy access to your child's notification number during the service, and 2) easy check out, as children will not be released to parents until a "match" is made between child and parent. We understand that this step to your Sunday morning is new, but our goal is to provide you with the assurance that your children's safety is a top priority to us.

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY April 18th - 24th, 2022

- **Mon** Calvary Youth will not be meeting tonight so youth families, and leaders, can enjoy Easter Monday with their families.
- **Thu** All are encouraged to join us from **9-10 a.m.** for a powerful time of **Prayer** for our church, and our world.
- **Fri Calvary's Ready Men** meet from 6:30 8:00 p.m. For more information, see "Upcoming Events".
- Sun Sunday Morning Worship services are at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. This will be a "Family Service". There will be no Children's Ministries, so children will be joining their parents upstairs as we worship together as a church family. Following the second service, we will be having a **Newcomers Lunch** a time for those who are "new" to Calvary to get to know us better! See below for more info.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ready Men

On **Friday, April 22**nd, from 6:30 – 8:00 pm, men aged 16 and older are invited to join Pastor Benjamin and other Calvary men to build each other up to "be ready". You will hear man-focused Bible teaching from Pastor Ben, then break into groups to eat a great meal, discuss, encourage, and pray for one another. If you plan to come, please **register** at: **www.calvarygravenhurst.com/readymen** so we know how many to prepare for! (Even if you attended the previous gathering of "Ready Men", you will still need to register.)

Newcomers Lunch

We encourage anyone who is "new" to Calvary Gravenhurst to register for our Newcomers Lunch on **Sunday, April 24th** from 12:15 pm - 1:30 pm (after the second service) downstairs in the Fellowship Hall!

This is a free event designed for you to get to know us better. You will enjoy a finger-food lunch with some of the leadership followed by a short presentation designed to help you know more about who we are, what we do & why we do it. Children are welcome!

Registration is necessary so we can prepare the proper amount of food. You can sign up after the service at the Welcome Desk or at: www.calvarygravenhurst.com/newcomers-lunch.

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

Intentional Parenting: Youth

We are going to be running a 3-week parenting course on **Monday nights** starting April 25th. The course will run at the same time as Calvary Youth (from 7:00pm - 8:30pm). The youth will stay upstairs and the course will be run downstairs. The course is open to parents of youth and anyone else who is interested!

Even if you are not a parent of someone of youth age you are still more than welcome to attend! Maybe you are a grandparent who wants to better understand what youth are going through or wants some additional knowledge or perspectives to be able to offer advice to your own kids who are raising youth. Join us!

Or maybe you will have youth aged children in a couple of years and you want to start preparing yourself and your parenting techniques now for what you will face in a couple of years. We would love to have you! For more information, or to register, go to: https://www.calvarygravenhurst.com/intentional-parenting-youth-1

Baptismal Service

We are planning to have a Baptismal service as part of our Morning Worship Service on **Sunday, May 1**st. If you are interested in being baptized, or in finding out more about what is involved, please speak to one of our pastors or elders.

Go Deep: Biblical Courses to Grow Your Faith

On **Tuesday nights** in May and June (May 3 – June 28), we will be offering courses designed to help you go deeper in your faith. For more information or to register, see the info on the back table, or go to: www.calvarygravenhurst.com/biblical-courses.

New Horizons

Our next "New Horizons" gathering will be **Monday, May 9**th. This program for Seniors runs from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on the second Monday of each month, and includes a full meal with singing, fellowship, and teaching aimed at pursuing our vision at Calvary, which is "to see lives transformed by Christ". The program is free, but we need you to sign up so we know how many to prepare for. Tickets are available at the Welcome Desk after the service or by calling the church office.

SPECIAL MEMBERS MEETING

We will be holding a Special Members Meeting on **Sunday, May 15**th starting at 6 p.m. Only members can vote, but all are welcome to attend! We will be voting on acceptance of new Members, new Elders, some Constitutional amendments, and the final recommendations of the Building Expansion Committee.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

If you are interested in becoming a member at Calvary Gravenhurst, and you have been attending here regularly for at least 6 months, we encourage you to take a copy of our membership covenant "Biblical Reasoning and Obligations for Church Membership at Calvary Gravenhurst" (on the back table) and prayerfully read it over.

If you decide you would like to make a commitment to be more involved in this local church, please sign the covenant and return it to the church office (Jeanette Leach) by **April 25**th and one of the elders will contact you. There will be a list of those who are requesting membership in the bulletin on May 1st, and current members will vote on accepting new members at the Special Members meeting on May 15th.

ELDER NOMINATIONS

With the growth we have been experiencing here at Calvary, the current Elders are finding they do not have the time to do all that they would like to do as Elders, and so they are hoping to add 2 more Elders to share the leadership load.

If you are a member at Calvary, and you would like to nominate someone who fulfills the qualifications of an Elder and has been a member at Calvary for at least 6 months, there is important information at the Welcome Desk, including information and scripture regarding Elder Duties and Qualifications; questions to ask yourself before you nominate someone; and a nomination form. Please take this information home, and consider it prayerfully before filling out the nomination form.

Nominations need to be returned to the church office or to one of the pastors or elders by **next Sunday, April 24**th, so the current elders will have time to interview the nominees. There will be a list of qualified candidates in the bulletin on May 1st. Voting to choose new elders will take place at the Special Members meeting on May 15th.

COMMUNITY NEEDS

Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions has an URGENT need for foster homes in the area so that children and youth will not need to leave their community. This is an excellent way for us to serve Christ and give Him glory in our communities.

If you are interested, or would like more information, please go to: www.fosterconnexions.ca.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you would like to know more about our services, or anything else to do with our church ministries, you can find information on our website: **www.calvarygravenhurst.com**, or by calling or emailing the church office (see above). On the website you can access a variety of resources, including the sermons in audio or video format, links for the worship songs, resources for children, the bible reading plan, and links to sign up for online giving and RightNow Media.

We also have a weekly Prayer Update that is sent out by email on Saturday mornings. It includes prayer requests for our congregation and our world. If you would like to receive this update in your inbox, please email the church office. There is also a paper copy of this update available on Sunday mornings. If you have any prayer requests you would like to have added to the Prayer Update, please call or email the church office.

