

# WELCOME!

Welcome to Calvary Gravenhurst! At Calvary, our vision is **To See Lives Transformed by Christ**, and not just our lives, but the lives of every person on earth. To see this vision completed, we've developed a simple three step mission: to **Go Deep in Christ; Live Out Authentic Faith; and Make Disciples**. We pray that the service today will encourage you in your walk with the Lord!

## SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Welcome & Announcements.....*Alyssa LaRocque*

Worship in Song

Scripture: Isaiah 48:9-11

Message: "The Chief End of God".....*Pastor Mark*

Closing

## SERVICE INFORMATION

Children's Ministries are available downstairs for **Nursery – Gr. 5** at the 9 a.m. service, until we reach capacity for individual classes. At 11 a.m. all ages worship together in the sanctuary. There are scribble cards in the chair pockets for children (or adults) to use during the service. The Nursery will be available during the 11 a.m. service, with a live feed of the service, for parents who would like to be in there with their own children. There is also a live feed of the service available in the entryway, if you need to step out of the service for any reason.

## SPECIAL MEETING THIS EVENING

We are excited to invite everyone (both members and non-members) to a special meeting **this evening** starting at **7pm** where we will lay out the vision, next steps, and things to pray about as it relates to our building and our desire for a larger and more functional space. We also want to present to you a very exciting opportunity that we believe God has brought before us.

In addition to this, we are excited that we will have the opportunity to vote in a number of new members. The following have requested membership and have been interviewed by the elders: **Rachel Bowman, Rob & Ashley Moody, Joseph & Michelle Simonetta, Isaac & Haley Speicher, and Janis White**. Please keep these brothers and sisters in your prayers as they make this deeper commitment to be involved in the ministry at Calvary.

## SERMON NOTES

"The Chief End of God"  
Isaiah 48:9-11

## THIS WEEK AT CALVARY September 11<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Thurs Prayer Meeting - 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.** All are welcome to join us in a time of prayer for our congregation, our community, and our world.

**Sun Worship Services** begin at **9 a.m.** and **11 a.m.** with Children's Ministries available during the 9 a.m. service for Nursery – Grade 5. We will be celebrating communion at both services, and there will be a baptismal service following the second service. (see below for details)

## BAPTISMAL SERVICE

We are planning another baptismal service next **Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>** at the Church Street Parkette, following the 11 a.m. service. All who would like to witness the baptisms are encouraged to walk/drive over after the service!

And if you are interested in being baptized, please speak with Pastor Mark or one of our elders!

## UPCOMING AT CALVARY


**Monday, October 2, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** will be our **New Horizons Seniors Ministry**. All seniors are invited to join us for a time of teaching, singing, fellowship, and sharing a **potluck meal** together. Please bring a main course, or salad, or dessert to share! Tickets are available at the Welcome Desk after the service today.

**Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30-8:30 p.m.** Men aged 16 and up are invited to join other Calvary men to build each other up to become "**Ready Men**" who are ready for the challenges we face in life. There will be man-focussed teaching, discussion, and fellowship over a great meal. For more information and to register go to: [www.calvarygravenhurst.com/ready-men](http://www.calvarygravenhurst.com/ready-men).

**Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30 p.m.** All women 16+ are invited to a **Women's Ministry** evening. Registration is necessary so we know how many to prepare for. You can register online at [www.calvarygravenhurst.com/womens-ministry](http://www.calvarygravenhurst.com/womens-ministry), or if you aren't online, call the church office and Jeanette will take care of signing you up.

**Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>** from 6:00-7:30 p.m. we will be holding our 7<sup>th</sup> annual **Trunk or Treat**. More information will be coming – start thinking about what theme you will have this year!

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**Average Weekly Income for August:** \$9,558.66



## TEACHING YOUR CHILDREN TO PRAY

On **Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**, Pastor Mark will be leading a one-hour “**Teaching Your Children to Pray**” seminar from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Teaching our children to pray is something that as parents we all know is important, and yet if we are honest, it can be really hard to do regularly and do it well. In this seminar we are going to answer these 3 simple questions.

- 1) Why Should I Teach My Children to Pray?
- 2) How Should I Teach My Children to Pray?
- 3) What Does Teaching My Children to Pray Do In Their Spiritual Life?

Then at the end there will be plenty of time for Q&A so we can dive into the specifics and nuances that each individual family is facing. So bring your questions, and we look forward to seeing you there! To register go to:

[www.calvarygravenhurst.com/teaching-your-children-to-pray](http://www.calvarygravenhurst.com/teaching-your-children-to-pray)

Childcare will be provided for children aged 18 months to Grade 5. Babies are welcome to join their parents in the seminar. If you need childcare, please enter your children’s names and ages/grades when you register. Childcare spaces are limited, so if you will need childcare, please register early!

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## FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you would like to know more about our church ministries, you can find information on our website, or by calling or emailing the church office (see Contact Information above). On the website you can also access a variety of resources, including current and previous sermons in audio or video format, resources for children, the bible reading plan, and links to sign up for online giving and RightNow Media.

We also send out weekly **e-newsletter** to all our regular attendees, if we have your email address. The newsletter contains information about upcoming programs and events with links for registration, as well as links to the sermon and worship resources. If you don’t already receive this newsletter, but would like to, please email the church office (see above).

## PRAYER

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



## “The Chief End of God”



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