

Calvin University: From Seminary
Prep to Liberal Arts Hub

Calvin University in Grand Rapids, Michigan, originated not as an independent college, but as a preparatory school for the CRCNA's Theological Seminary. This initial focus highlights the denomination's primary goal of preparing its future leaders.

* 1876, The Beginning:

The institution began in 1876 as the Theological School, established by the CRC Synod to train ministers. It was originally composed of two departments: the Theological Department (which became Calvin Theological Seminary) and the Preparatory Department.

* 1894, A Separate Identity:

The Preparatory Department, realizing the need for a broader education, officially became Calvin College in 1894. The school was named after the great Reformation theologian, John Calvin, signifying its deep roots in Reformed theology.

* A "Whole World" View:

The CRCNA's goal for Calvin was to foster an education that viewed all of life and learning through a Christian, Reformed lens. This is the origin of the school's enduring motto: that there is "not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign overall, does not cry, 'Mine!'" (often attributed to Abraham Kuyper, a major influence on the CRC).

The CRC's commitment was not just to train pastors, but to equip educated laypeople—teachers, doctors, scientists, and artists—to serve Christ in every sector of society.

Church Calendar

This Week November 16

Door Monitor- Julanna Klaasen
Sound- Paul Cusack
Video- Dan Grimm
Projector- Phil Verrengia
Nursery- Kelly Delaney, Janet Jacobs, Jack Delaney
KidsChurch- Barb Belanus, Sue Grimm
Coffee- Craig & Ginny Hoogstra
Prayers Of The People- Krissy Vande Vrede
Children’s Message- Pastor Moses
KidSpace- Cheryl Cusack
Chosen- Emily Lotz

Next Week November 23

Door Monitor- Dave Ruitenberg
Sound- Paul Cusack
Video- Paul Cusack
Projector- John Belanus
Nursery- Cheryl Cusack, Renee Kobovitch
KidsChurch- Dana Miller, Mary van der Meer
Coffee- Lynn Walker, Bev Bentley
Prayers Of The People- Bob Jacobs
Children’s Message- Pastor Moses
KidSpace- Barb Belanus
Chosen- Dan Grimm



Second Collections:

November 16- SNL Youth Group

November 23-Lighthouse

November 27- Madison Ave

November 30- New Hope



Rev. Moses Kang
Rob Flim, Worship Leader
November 16, 2025

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GATHERING SONGS- “TEN THOUSAND REASONS”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD’S GREETING & MUTUAL GREETING

* OPENING HYMN- “TO GOD BE THE GLORY”

CALL TO CONFESSION- “COME, YOU DISCONSOLATE”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE- “I WILL BE THERE”

OFFERING

SPECIAL COLLECTION- SNL YOUTH GROUP

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

*SONG OF PREPARATION- “BE STILL AND KNOW”

PRAYER FOR THE LIGHT OF THE SPIRIT

SCRIPTURE- EXODUS 20: 16, JOHN 14: 5-7

SERMON- “DECALOGUE: WHAT IS TRUTH?”

*SONG OF RESPONSE- “I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF LIGHT”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*CLOSING SONG- “LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS”

*BENEDICTION

*DOXOLOGY- “MY FRIENDS, MAY YOU GROW IN GRACE”

POSTLUDE

TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

EVERYONE IS INVITED FOR A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP IN THE BARN.

*Please rise, in body or in spirit

~ Deep Roots, Fresh Growth ~

TODAY, November 16,

- Is the twenty third Sunday after Pentecost

NEXT SUNDAY, November 23,

- Is the twenty fourth Sunday after Pentecost

FAITH COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
SNL is meeting tonight at the Faith Community Barn — for high school students and their friends! We'll have food, games and discussion from 6-8pm. Come join us! Reminder to parents: money for the Snow Retreat is due now!

Choir has begun! Besides singing for our Thanksgiving service, we will be singing for Lessons and Carols on December 14th. We started practicing for this service, as well. Even if you cannot sing with us on Thanksgiving, please join us for the next four weeks as we prepare for Lesson and Carols.

The Supper Club (20s,30s, 40s+ group) will host our annual Friendsgiving at Pastor Moses and Gloria's on Saturday, November 22nd at 5 pm. Please see Kelly with any questions.

Please join us in the Barn following morning worship on Sunday, November 23rd for cake, honoring Karel de waal Malefyt's 98th birthday.

We join with the many churches and houses of worship in Wyckoff for the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 23rd at 4:00 pm. This year, the service is held at Cornerstone Christian Church (580 Wyckoff Ave, Wyckoff, NJ). Pastor Moses will be sharing a short homily. There will also be refreshments after the service.

Save the date! We will be hosting a cookie swap in the Barn on December 6th - more details to follow!

Our annual Christmas luncheon will be held on Sunday, December 14th following morning worship. Please sign up in the narthex or Barn and see Trudie with any questions.

Men's Bible Study will meet on Thursdays at 9:30 am. They meet in the room next to the nursery. The group is studying the Ten Commandments. Please see Bob Jacobs to sign up or with any questions.

Ladies: Join us each Thursday at 10 am in the church basement (blue room) for an hour of fellowship and Bible Study. If you need a ride, contact Linda Van Lenten at 973-432-3783.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Cathedral Choir will present their 81st annual performance of *Messiah* by George Frederic Handel December 6th at 7:00 PM. The *American Chamber Orchestra* will again accompany the *Cathedral Choir* with a quartet of soloists and Robert F. Davis conducting.

- Next Events at Windmere:**
- **Senior Safety: Staying Safe from Scams**
Come to an informative presentation by Passaic Co. Sheriff's Dept. on how to protect yourself from getting scammed! Wednesday, November 19th at 3 pm at Windmere. RSVP to Lori @ 973-427-4087, ext. 667.
 - **Employment Opportunity:**
Part-time Receptionist needed at Windmere. The hours are Monday-Friday from 3:30 pm – 8 pm. We are looking for an outgoing, organized person with some computer skills. Contact Lori Westerhoff 973-427-4087 ext. 667

Looking forward:	
Thanksgiving 11/27	Thanksgiving Service
Sunday, 11/30	Advent begins , Rev. Jim Bushoven preaching, we will celebrate communion
Sunday, 12/7	Decalogue as Emmanuel
Sunday, 12/14	Lessons & Carols, Christmas Luncheon
Sunday, 12/21	Children's Christmas Program
Christmas, 12/25	Emmanuel: God With Us
Sunday, 12/28	Old Year Service, Rev. John Sideco preaching, we will celebrate communion
Sunday, 1/4	New Year Service, we will celebrate communion

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY
John Butler remains at Care One in Ridgewood recovering from a broken wrist. The phone number to reach John is 201-652-1950. Please keep John in your prayers.

Please pray for *Carrie Johnson* (wife of Rev. Michael Johnson of Cedar Hill Church) as she undergoes cancer treatment.

Charlie Ackerman has been moved to Oakland Care Center for rehab. Please keep Charlie in your prayers.

Happy Birthday!
11/17 Sally Ruitenber
11/18 Mike Tolsma
11/19 Alyssa Morin
11/20 Catherine Belanus

Second collections recap:
11/9/25- New Hope, \$790

- Save the dates:**
- 11/17- Council Meeting
 - 11/30- Elder's Meeting
 - 12/15- Budget Council Meeting
 - 1/4- Congregational Meeting to approve budget