

THE

CALVIN CONNECTION

Your connection to the Calvin Church Community

February

- Tues 9th** Ladies Fellowship
(7:00 p.m.)
- Thur 11th** Bible Study begins
(1:00 & 7:30 p.m.)
- Sat 13th** Breakfast @ Jim's
(8:30 a.m.)

Bake Auction
(2:00 p.m.)
- Tues 16th** Property & Main.
Team Meeting
(7:00 p.m.)
- Sat 20th** Cong. Pot-luck
dinner (6:00 p.m.)

Annual Cong.
Meeting (7:00 p.m.)
- Mon 22nd** Ladies Guild
(1:30 p.m.)
- Sat 27th** Funeral planning
info session
(10:00 a.m.)
- Sun 27th** Maplestone
Service (2:30 p.m.)
- Mon 29th** Prayer Chain
(10:30 a.m.)

There is a lot going on this Lenten Season: Annual Meetings, Workshops, Social Events, and special Services of Worship. Here's but a small sample of some of the stuff going on.



Ladies Fellowship Bake Auction

Ladies Fellowship Bake Auction: will be held Sat., Feb. 13th beginning at 2:00 p.m. Entries cost \$1.00, and can be made in the categories of muffins, bread, loaves, cookies, squares, cakes and cheesecakes (with a special section for young people). Entries can be brought to the church between 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., to be registered and judged. Winning entries will be auctioned off, beginning at 2:00 p.m., with other entries being available for sampling as part of a desert buffet with coffee and tea following the auction. The buffet is free to those who have entered baking. If you have not entered an item, the cost of the buffet is \$4.00 per person. The entries are from Calvin Church but the buffet is open to everyone. If you haven't been to our Bake Auction before, come along and have some fun.

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Breakfast @ Jim's

You are invited to join us for this monthly tradition of getting together for breakfast at Jim's restaurant on the 2nd Saturday of the every month.

So make plans to join for breakfast on:

Sat. Feb. 13th

@ 8:30 a.m.

at Jim's restaurant
(243 Bedford Highway,
Halifax)

Everyone is invited to come enjoy good food, and great fellowship.

Bible Study: The Road to the Resurrection

The Road to the Resurrection is a journey which passes through the events of Holy Week – from Palm Sunday, to Jesus' eventual crucifixion, death and burial. It is a week that forever changed the world, and our understanding of God.

Through biblical study and travelogue you're invited to walk that spiritual road again, and to rediscover the events surrounding our salvation and depths of God's great love. This 6-part study (great for first timers) begins Thurs., Feb 11th with sessions at 1:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

- Feb. 11th** **"A welcome fit for a King"**
A look at the events of Palm Sunday.
- Feb. 18th** **"A dinner worthy of a Da Vinci painting"**
A look at the the Last Supper.
- Feb. 25th** **"A thorn in the Garden"**
A look at the betrayal, and arrest of Jesus.
- Mar. 3rd** **"Tried, tried, again!"**
A look at Peter's denial, and the trial of Jesus.
- Mar. 10th** **"A cross-words puzzle"**
A look at the events surrounding the crucifixion and death of Jesus.
- Mar. 17th** **"Some grave days ahead"**
A look at the burial of Jesus, his tomb, and the waiting for Easter Sunday.

Info Session for preplanning funerals

On Saturday Feb. 27th, Teresa MacTaggart (the Family Service Counselor, at J.A. Snow Funeral Home/Dignity Memorial here in Halifax) will join us for a information session and funeral-planning workshop.

This workshop will focus both on a number of associated details, costs, and procedures one might expect to encounter in preparing for a funeral, as well as thinking about the service itself as act of Christian worship - what that might entail, and why that might matter.

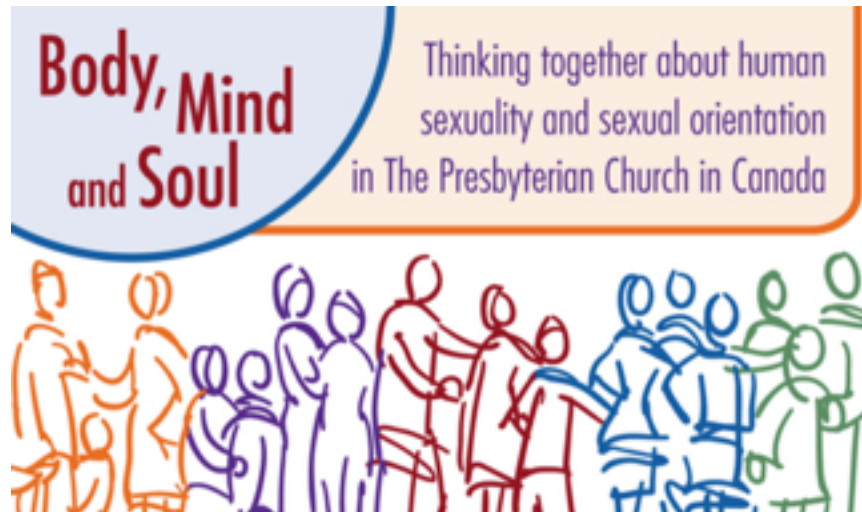
This workshop is free, with coffee provided, and everyone interested is welcome to attend!

March

- Sat 5th** Games Night
(7:00 p.m.)
- Tues 8th** Ladies Fellowship
(7:30 p.m.)
- Sat 12th** Breakfast @ Jim's
(8:30 a.m.)

Body, Mind & Soul
Workshop: Part 1
(10:00 a.m.)
- Mon 14th** Session Meeting
(7:00 p.m.)
- Tues 15th** Property & Main.
Team Meeting
(7:00 p.m.)
- Sat 19th** Body, Mind & Soul
Workshop: Part 2
(9:00 a.m.)
- Sun 20th** Palm Sunday
Communion
Service
(11:00 a.m.)
- Thur 24th** Maundy Thursday
Service (7:00 p.m.)
- Fri 25th** Good Friday
Cantata Service
(10:00 a.m.)
- Sun 27th** Easter Sunday
Service (11:00 a.m.)

MapleStone Service
(2:30 p.m.)



Body, Mind & Soul Discussion Workshop

The June 2015 meeting of the Presbyterian Church in Canada's highest court, the General Assembly, saw the subject of human sexuality and sexual orientation raised as a significant issue and has invited the greater church (Presbyteries, Sessions, congregations) to engage in discussion around the topic and to provide feedback to the working committees of the General Assembly.

The Assembly hopes that *'biblical and theological, honest and open conversation will continue to occur across our church so that we can better understand the Word of God and our brothers and sisters in Christ, and discern together the Holy Spirit at work in our midst.'*

To assist in this process, the PCC has produced the 'Body, Mind & Soul - A Study Guide on Human Sexuality' as a starting point for discussion.

Those interested are invited to come and be a part of that discussion over the course of a 2-session study being held on Sat. Mar. 12th (from 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon), and Sat. Mar. 19th (from 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon) with coffee and snacks being provided.

Those planning to attend are asked to please take the time to read through the study guide in advance. The guide is available free online through the PCC's website at <http://presbyterian.ca/sexuality>, with print copies being available through the office upon request.

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The Calvin Connection is a publication of Calvin Presbyterian Church aimed at keeping the community informed of events in and around the life of the church.

All ministry teams within the congregation are encouraged to submit information for publication, and those groups or individuals wishing to contribute are encouraged to have submissions into the office via email no later than the 25th of the month.

“Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, **encourage** one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.”

~ 2 Corinthians 3:11



just a friendly reminder...

Food Bank Donations:

A reminder that donations to the Halifax West Ecumenical Food Bank are always welcomed, and needed. If you'd like to contribute, donations can be placed in the shopping cart outside the sanctuary, and we'll be happy to pass them along.

Financial contributions can be made through the church, by simply earmarking your cheque 'Food Bank'.

Contribute Your News:

Help keep people informed. Share your faith story, an experience of God's, or your groups plans and activities with the congregation!