As we join in worship today, we acknowledge that the land on which we gather is Treaty 6 Territory. We honour the Cree and Metis people for whom this place has been a homeland for thousands of years. We respect the sacredness of our home and the ground on which we walk, and we are grateful to gather here in peace and hope.

WE GATHER AS A COMMUNITY OF GOD’S PEOPLE

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TIME OF SHARING

LIGHT CHRIST CANDLE:
In this autumn season, we are grateful for glowing colours and mellow afternoons. Evenings shorten, sunset comes early, and with the night, the chill creeps in.

As we light the Christ candle, we remember and are thankful that, in all seasons, the light of Christ warms our hearts and homes.

HYMN: “And on This Path” (vs1, vs2, repeat vs1) MV8

CALL TO WORSHIP:
Here in this place, we gather to worship.

We gather to sing, to pray, to hear the Word of God.
As Christians have done for centuries before us, we do the same.

We gather to worship.
Let us worship with joy and in love!

PRAYER OF ADORATION:
God, the leaves turn, the world turns, our lives turn, but we gather here this morning to stop for one brief hour, to declare this time for you. Let us feel your presence here today. Let us feel you gathering us into the great love story of the universe... let us feel you within us, around us, through us, through all of creation. Let us experience you in silence and in song. Amen.

ANTHEM

CONFESSION:
God of mercy, in our impatience for answers, we sometimes turn to idols of our own making and forget our covenant with you. Passionate for what is right, we wrong those with whom we differ. Pleased at the invitation to your banquet, we fail to arrive with humility and thanksgiving. Forgive us when our faith is weak and our zeal too strong. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:
Do not worry; the Lord is near. God hears our prayers with compassion and with abundant, steadfast love.

Rejoice, for in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

DOXOLOGY: “Halle Halle Halle” 958

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY TIME:

HYMN: “Come In and Sit Down” (vs1, vs2) 395

STORY:

HYMN: “Come In and Sit Down” (vs3) 395
WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURES:
Philippians 4:1-9

REFLECTION

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN: “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” 664

OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN: “What Can I Do?” MV191

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:
Loving and gracious God, we offer up these gifts – that they may be used to make the world more kind, more loving, more like the kingdom Christ revealed among us. We offer them and we offer our lives in service to you, now and always. In Jesus’ name, amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:
Lord’s Prayer

THE SENDING FORTH

HYMN: “Rejoice in the Lord Always” 249

COMMISSIONING

BENEDICTION HYMN: “Take Up His Song” (2x) MV213

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CALVARY NEWS – October 15, 2017

OFFICE HOURS
Monday – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 9:00 am – 12 pm
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Thank you this morning to Debbie McPherson for reading scripture.

Welcome to all who are visiting with us this morning. Please sign our guest register in the entry. We hope you will feel free to come often. Please join us for refreshments following the service.

Scripture Readings for Sunday, October 22, 2017
Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; Isaiah 45:1-7; Psalm 96:1-9 (10-13); 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

In consideration of those who are sensitive to fragrances, Calvary United is ‘Fragrance Free’. We ask that you please refrain from wearing perfumes and colognes.

Calvary United Church supports and encourages the use of Fair Trade coffee. Fair Trade partnership involving producers, workers, traders and consumers, promotes social equity, economic security and sound environmental practices. Through Fair Trade, producers are paid a fair price for the coffee beans, which allows farmers to adequately support their families. Fair Trade coffee is available for purchase during coffee time. A 454 g package is $13.00. Both beans and ground coffee are available. There are several different varieties.
Care & Share  Items needed: Canned tomatoes, soup, oatmeal, powdered milk, macaroni and cheese.

Annual Fresh Christmas Wreath Sale is on from October 10 to November 5. The fresh wreaths are 20-22" wide and come with pinecones, red berries and a red bow. Cost is $30.00 each, all taxes included. Cash or Cheques made out to Calvary United Church please. Arrival will be early December. For more information or to place an order: Bev @ 306-922-5482 or bev.remai@sasktel.net. The Fellowship committee will also be taking orders in the upper hall at coffee time in October.

Upcoming events in the Presbytery:
Western Night Friday, November 3rd
Birch Hills United Church, tickets: $20, 12 & under free.
Advance Tickets only! For Info, call Sandra 749-3216

Old Time Christmas Nov. 17, 7 p.m., Melfort United Church Canadian Open Fiddle Champion Scott Woods & his band
Tickets: Adult $25, Child $10 available by calling the Melfort United Church, calling Gwendolyn at 306-752-1923, or order by phone with VISA or Mastercard by calling Scott Woods Band office at 1-855-726-8896.

“CHURCH – Sunday & Beyond” A workshop and coffee house, Tuesday, October 24, 2017, Trinity United Church, Preeceville. Registration due Oct. 16, 2017

Sunday School News – We are looking for small items to be donated for the Halloween Carnival fish pond. Any donations can be dropped off in the box marked “Fish Pond” in the Narthex.

Bible Study - Thursday, October 19, 2017, 10 a.m. in the library. Focus of study is “The New Testament”.

1,2,3 Play With Me - On Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Calvary, bring your preschoolers to 1,2,3, Play With Me. Moms, babies, and toddlers come for songs, snacks, and stories. Hope to see you!

Fall Treasures Trade Show - Saturday, October 28, 10-4
Admission $2.00 (12 and under free). Lots of vendors. Silent auction. Chili and a bun and beverages will be available to purchase. We will also have pie for sale and are hoping some of the good bakers in our congregation might bake a pie as we hope to have a very successful event for our church. For more information please contact Tara at tara_phaneuf@hotmail.com or see the poster in the church.

Our Affirm Journey – October 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
Mark your calendars and join the conversation. As we walk towards becoming an Affirming Congregation, we will be hosting a number of workshops. These safe and open sessions will offer us opportunity to ask questions, hear stories, and explore our faith together as we discuss what it means to truly be an open and welcoming church.
“Hearing from Affirming Ministries – What impact that decision has had on their ministry and what it might mean for our ministry” October 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

October Calendar available in the Narthex

Gentle Yoga – No class this week.

Tai Chi Chih - Wednesday, October 18, 2017, 1:30 p.m. in the upper hall
**Youth at the Ranch**
We have been offered an amazing opportunity for our kids grades 5-12 this fall. A 6 week program where kids will work in a team environment to build on the skills they need to thrive in life. Resiliency, Problem Solving, Self Esteem, Appropriate Assertiveness and more. Sounds great already…but what makes it better is their teammate will be a HORSE! With a faith base and the amazing Spirit of Horses we will have fun, grow in God, and build on our own characters. The program will start September 17th to December 3rd and runs every other week (exception to Oct 29th).

Group 1 6:00-7:00pm
Group 2 7:30-8:30pm

Location: Ranch Ehrlo
To be placed on the waiting list or to learn of future events, please email Nora at min1.calvuc@sasktel.net