

Calvary Presbyterian Church
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Church Profile

History

Founded in 1936, Calvary has a rich history and stands as a testament to God's super abounding grace. She has been faithful for eighty years, under the leadership of competent, wise and winsome shepherds, to her original calling to stand on the inerrant word of God, to make disciples, and to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. She has never lacked for rich, Biblical teaching. Calvary is a loving congregation of earnest believers who know Jesus loves and rules his church as its Head and King.

Facilities

God has endowed Calvary with a lovely campus and highly enviable facilities. At opposite ends of a sweeping grass campus lie two manses. The enormous education building houses numerous classrooms, a lovely atrium, library, church offices and a large fellowship hall, which is served by a thoroughly equipped kitchen. Attached by a breezeway, the worship space seats 400, including a balcony, and has an organ and piano. Ample parking surrounds a gym with a spacious game room.

Pastors

Calvary has a history of long-term pastors, each serving approximately twenty years. Following founder Robert Strong, Richard Gray served until George Smith succeeded him. After four years as an associate pastor under Smith, Richard Tyson became Calvary's fourth pastor. He retired in April, 2016. Many men and women, including interns and seminarians, have come and gone to serve the church at home and abroad. In 2016, Jon Bonomo returned as an associate pastor after pastoring for five years in Indiana and then was elected senior pastor in 2017. Jon resigned the end of 2020. Angel Gomez joined the staff as associate pastor in 2018.

Worship

Calvary worship seeks to honor the spirit of confessional, historically-rooted, gospel-rich worship that is God-centered, reverent, joyful, participatory, and blended in musical style. We draw from the traditional hymnody of the faith and theologically rich contemporary songs, using a variety of instruments. The Lord's Supper is celebrated twice a month.

Staff

Presently, the church is served by a full time associate pastor, a part-time worship director, an office manager/children's ministry director, and a part-time youth worker.

Congregation

The congregation enjoys a strong sense of family. She longs to know the word of God, to worship, and to serve one another. Many members have worshipped at Calvary for decades.

Current Attendance and Giving

Calvary averages (pre-pandemic) 175 worshippers each week, and \$7,000 in tithes and offerings toward an annual budget of \$462,000. Roughly \$40,000 is added annually through facility rentals. Approximately 10-20% of the budget goes to missions, depending on giving levels.

Ministries

Calvary offers a variety of places to use spiritual gifts, to grow in grace, and to bless others. See the ministries described on the church web page: www.calvary-wg.org

Vision:

“To know and extend the transforming love of Jesus Christ”

Mission:

Living in awe of the love of Jesus Christ by:

Proclaiming his glory in worship;
Experiencing his love in community;
Extending his compassionate Lordship:

In ourselves;
In our homes;
In our church body;
In our community;
And in our world.