

CONNECTING WITH CALVARY CHURCH

October 2026 | Citizens of the Kingdom

Updates on life at Calvary Church
in Williams Lake, B.C.

Weekly Events

NEW SERVICE STARTING! - Sunday Morning Worship - 9am Starting Oct 18th, second service starts at 11am!

Join us Sunday mornings for our weekly worship services. Pre-service prayer starts at 8:20am. Everyone is welcome!

Awaken Kid's Ministry - During our Sunday service

All children ages 2 - Gr. 6 are invited downstairs to worship, learn & have fun together! **Starting this fall, watch for a new pre-teen class for grades 4-6!**

PARENTS: Please make sure to register your kids at the kiosk in the lobby before sending them downstairs!

Monday Night Bible Study - 7pm - church basement

Starts Mon, Sept 14th. We will be going through the book of Acts.

"Shield" Youth Ministry - Tues 6:30-8:45pm - church bsmt

For more information & to get a copy of the youth summer calendar, contact Pastor Brad at the church or check out our website.

High School Lunch - Wednesdays 11:30am - church bsmt

STARTS SEPT 16th - Every Wednesday, we offer a free lunch to the high school students. If you'd like to help out with this amazing program, contact Pastor Brad or the church office.

Young Adults - 6pm every 2nd Wed - offsite

Young Adults this month will be **Oct 7th** and **21st**. For more information, contact Cher at the church office.

Weekly Prayer Night - Wed 6:30pm - church basement

Our prayer group meets in the basement. Everyone welcome.

Thoughts to Consider

One of the most recognizable verses in the Bible is Matthew 6:33: "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." (ESV) This passage comes on the heels of Jesus teaching his listeners not to be anxious and to stay focused on what is eternal. But what exactly is this "kingdom of God" that Jesus is referring to?

Some argue it refers to heaven, which is understandable since just a few verses earlier Jesus spoke about storing up treasures in heaven. Others throughout history have claimed it represents "Christendom," or the world under Christian influence. However, both of these interpretations have problems and fall short of the full picture.

In Matthew 4:17, Jesus says, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." This means the kingdom of God is not merely a future reality we wait for; rather, it was inaugurated with the coming of Christ. King Jesus is the center and the source of this kingdom. At the same time, the kingdom of heaven is not of this world. As Jesus answers in John 18:36, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world."

So, what is the kingdom of heaven? It is a reality that is both "already" and "not yet"—it is here now, and it is still to come.

It is here now because those of us who call Jesus "Lord" are the embodiment of his kingdom on earth. The kingdom lives within our transformed hearts when they are submitted to Jesus above all else. Yet, it is also still to come, because there is a promised physical realization that will be fulfilled at Jesus' second coming.

What does this mean for us today? It means we are called to live as citizens of the kingdom of heaven right now, with hearts fully submitted to King Jesus. We are to be obedient to him above all else, transformed daily by his Spirit. But it also means we must remember that this world is temporary. We are on a mission to introduce others to King Jesus, so they too can experience a transformed heart and hold fast to the hope of an eternity spent with him.



Things to Ponder

"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers."

– Lucy Maud Montgomery

"The trees are about to show us how lovely it is to let things go."

– Unknown

"And all at once, summer collapsed into fall."

– Oscar Wilde

"In October any wonderful unexpected thing might be possible."

– Elizabeth George Speare

"Autumn is a second spring where every leaf is a flower."

– Albert Camus

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful."

– Colossians 3:15

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever."

– Psalm 107:1

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

– 1 Thessalonians 5:18

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

– Philippians 4:6

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change."

– James 1:17



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News & Notes

Community Dinner

Join us on **Wed, Oct 7th** at **5:15pm** for our free Community Dinner. Everyone is welcome!

Second-Service Focused Prayer Meetings

In preparation for launching our 2nd service in October, we are having some specifically focused prayer meetings. Our last meeting is **Wed, Oct 7th** led by Josephine Nunoo. Prayer starts at **6:30pm**.

Calvary Church 75th Anniversary

The 75th anniversary of Calvary Church is here! **Oct 9-11th**, we are hosting different events here at the church. Check out our website for more info on the specific events. We look forward to seeing everyone!

Thanksgiving Monday

The church will be closed on **Mon, Oct 12th** for Thanksgiving. Have a wonderful & enjoyable long weekend!

Women's Ministries Presents - Drop-In Vintage Games

Ladies, come out for an afternoon of vintage games on **Sat, Oct 17th** from **2-5pm**. Bring your favourite classic games, a snack to share and invite a friend.

SECOND SERVICE LAUNCH!!!!!!

Ready or not, here we go! Our Second Service Launch is happening right here at Calvary Church on **Oct 18th**! First service starts at **9am**, with the second service starting at **11am**. For more info or to see how you can be involved, contact the office.

Project Build Fundraiser

Join us on **Sat, Oct 24th** at **5:30pm** for a fundraising dinner & auction. Tickets are \$30/person and proceeds go to the Indonesian Children's Home. Tickets will be on sale after Sunday services. For more info, contact Jim or Terry Hathaway or the church office.

LATEST UPDATES

CALVARY CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Up to June 31, 2026

General Fund	Actual	Budget
Income:	\$186,883	\$179,106
Expense:	\$189,399	\$188,241
Missions Fund	Actual	Budget
Income:	\$13,941	\$7,200
Expense:	\$7,200	\$7,200

Ways to Give

e-transfer: giving@calvarychurchwl.com

in person: debit, cash, cheque