



LOVING

“God’s love is meteoric, his loyalty astronomic,
His purpose titanic, his verdicts oceanic.
Yet in his largeness nothing gets lost;
Not a man, not a mouse slips through the cracks.
How exquisite your love, O God!
How eager we are to run under your wings,
To eat our fill at the banquet you spread
as you fill our tankards with Eden spring water.
You’re a fountain of cascading light,
and you open our eyes to light.
Keep on loving your friends;
do your work in welcoming hearts.”

Psalm 39:5-10 (MSG)

LEARNING

We are really excited to invite all teachers, but particularly our Learning Support/Special Ed teachers to attend a one-hour learning & collaborating session with 2 speakers from [All Belong](#), a Christian organization which “equips schools to glorify God through purposeful, innovative inclusion of persons with varied abilities.” This session is targeted for support services specialists and special educators at PCCE schools (but all teachers are invited to attend). Use this [link](#) for more information. The speakers will facilitate an interactive discussion addressing the unique needs posed by Covid-19 and troubleshooting the questions brought by attendees. If you’d like to attend, please indicate your interest [here](#). Calvin University is offering a wide diversity of [online courses](#) over the next few months under the umbrella of “Christian Witness in a Covid-Shaped World.” Here’s a sample:

- The Challenge of Technology and Christian Education (lead by David Smith)
- Play and Sport in a Time of Pandemic
- Mental Health, Trauma and Pastoral Care
- Christian Responses to Pandemics in Historical Perspective

Courses can be audited or taken for credit. The cost to audit a course is \$200, but Gayle can apply for one full-time teacher or administrator to have their audit fee reimbursed. If you are interested in this, contact [Gayle](#) by Friday, May 22.

LEADING

Board members: in these uncertain times, you may be wondering about your role and what you should be doing (or not doing) or wondering how best to lead your community through times none of us have experienced before. For those of you who have had a board workshop with Gayle, you may have heard the phrase “leading from the crow’s nest.” This [article](#) provides an updated Covid perspective and ends with several excellent questions boards may find helpful:

- What board policies need to be developed, revised, and implemented as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic? (Tuition Assistance Policy? HR Policy? Staff Layoff & Recall Policy? Teacher Evaluation Policy? etc.)
- Is now the time to consider extending term limits for certain board members? What new skill sets do we need around the board table moving forward? What ought to be the appropriate size of the school board in order to lead most effectively?
- Given the current off-site learning environment that schools have implemented, what future opportunities does this present for the long-term vision of our school?

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