

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

JUNE 14, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00 A.M.

We are an ecumenical, multi-racial, multi-ethnic Christian body that reaches out to the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ. To that end we strive to be welcoming, responsive, trusting and prayerful in everything we do.



Jesus said: God's kingdom is like a tiny mustard seed. But once planted, it grows larger than any plant in the garden—even putting out branches big enough for birds to nest. — Mark 4:30-32

“If you truly understood a single grain of wheat, you would die of wonder.”

— Martin Luther

“There in the dark, where you cannot see and do not know how, the earth turns the death of your seeds into life, pushing them up through layers of dirt, through asphalt, through concrete if necessary—first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear.

Then it is your turn. You have watched and waited faithfully, knowing that while you cannot make the seed grow, you know who can. It is your turn simply to harvest the crop, and let your table be heaped with good things, and sit down at it, and eat.”

— Barbara Brown Taylor, adapted

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

During the Prelude, prepare for worship by centering your heart with this prayer from Julian of Norwich (c. 1342-1413), adapted:

God, our Beloved, from your goodness, fill me—anoint me—with yourself, for you are sufficient for me.

To be worthy of you I cannot ask for anything less.

If I were to ask less, I would always be in want, for in you alone do I have all. Amen.

Communion in D Major
Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)
John Dautzenberg, Organ

LIGHTING THE ALTAR CANDLES

Sarah Settels-Palacios, Acolyte

WELCOME

Pastor Erica

☉ HYMN 695

God of the Fertile Fields
ITALIAN HYMN

☉ Congregation standing; la congregación se pone de pie.

Congregational responses in **bold**. Page numbers refer to sanctuary Bibles. Audio enhancement devices available for use during worship. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Respuestas congregacionales en **negrita**. Las páginas se refieren a las Biblias en el santuario. Para Biblias en español o traducción del servicio en español, por favor hablar con un ujier.

Refrain. I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord, I will trust in the Lord 'til I die.

When the day of trouble comes and life's battle seems to go against us, the one we call
"Beloved" will work for good in us.

From God's fields of grace, a harvest of blessing will come and God's bounty will be ours.

And when love has blossomed, and peace has sprouted and grown, we'll shout for joy!

With thankful hearts we'll sing of God's provision and grace!

Some trust in their own power and cunning for security.

But we trust in God's goodness and love. Refrain.

⊕ MORNING PRAYER

Jackie Wright, Deacon of the Week

God, our Beloved, with the psalmist may we have such gratitude for your sure provision that we drop all attachment to those things that, while offering much, deliver little—things we think will make us happy, but which ultimately enslave us, making us fearful and anxious. Before your goodness may all these things lose their charm until, set free from their hold, we see ourselves as you see us—children, loved forever. And, then, filled with joy may we rise to sing your praise and to love as Jesus loved: freely, exuberantly, without reservation or reserve or judgment. And, in so doing, may we build a house of love in which all are welcome and are at peace. **Amen.**

⊕ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Jackie Wright

La paz del Señor sea contigo. **Y contigo también.**

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

⊕ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Make Us One
MAKE US ONE

Make us one, Lord, make us one; Holy Spirit, make us one.

Let your love flow so the world will know we are one in you.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN AND BLESSING

Yolanda Appiah-Kubi

People of God, what is your prayer for these children?

Our prayer is that they grow up to be like Jesus—strong and brave, full of grace and truth!

And, that we will help them.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Improvisation on ITALIAN HYMN
John Dautzenberg, Organ

HEBREW LESSON

1 Samuel/1 Samuel 15:34 – 16:13
Pastor Elijah

³⁴Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. ³⁵Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

¹The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' ²Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord."' ³Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall

anoint for me the one whom I name to you.’ ⁴Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, ‘Do you come peaceably?’ ⁵He said, ‘Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.’ And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.’ ⁷But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.’ ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ ¹⁰Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The Lord has not chosen any of these.’ ¹¹Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Are all your sons here?’ And he said, ‘There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.’ And Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.’ ¹²He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, ‘Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.’ ¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

³⁴Se fue luego Samuel a Ramá, y Saúl subió a su casa en Gabaa de Saúl. ³⁵Y nunca después vio Samuel a Saúl en toda su vida; y Samuel lloraba a Saúl; y Jehová se arrepentía de haber puesto a Saúl por rey sobre Israel.

¹Dijo Jehová a Samuel: ¿Hasta cuándo llorarás a Saúl, habiéndolo yo desechado para que no reine sobre Israel? Llena tu cuerno de aceite, y ven, te enviaré a Isaí de Belén, porque de sus hijos me he provisto de rey. ²Y dijo Samuel: ¿Cómo iré? Si Saúl lo supiera, me mataría. Jehová respondió: Toma contigo una becerra de la vacada, y di: A ofrecer sacrificio a Jehová he venido. ³Y llama a Isaí al sacrificio, y yo te enseñaré lo que has de hacer; y me unguirás al que yo te dijere. ⁴Hizo, pues, Samuel como le dijo Jehová; y luego que él llegó a Belén, los ancianos de la ciudad salieron a recibirle con miedo, y dijeron: ¿Es pacífica tu venida? ⁵El respondió: Sí, vengo a ofrecer sacrificio a Jehová; santificaos, y venid conmigo al sacrificio. Y santificando él a Isaí y a sus hijos, los llamó al sacrificio. ⁶Y aconteció que cuando ellos vinieron, él vio a Eliab, y dijo: De cierto delante de Jehová está su ungido. ⁷Y Jehová respondió a Samuel: No mires a su parecer, ni a lo grande de su estatura, porque yo lo desecho; porque Jehová no mira lo que mira el hombre; pues el hombre mira lo que está delante de sus ojos, pero Jehová mira el corazón. ⁸Entonces llamó Isaí a Abinadab, y lo hizo pasar delante de Samuel, el cual dijo: Tampoco a éste ha escogido Jehová. ⁹Hizo luego pasar Isaí a Sama. Y él dijo: Tampoco a éste ha elegido Jehová. ¹⁰E hizo pasar Isaí siete hijos suyos delante de Samuel; pero Samuel dijo a Isaí: Jehová no ha elegido a éstos. ¹¹Entonces dijo Samuel a Isaí: ¿Son éstos todos tus hijos? Y él respondió: Queda aún el menor, que apacienta las ovejas. Y dijo Samuel a Isaí: Envía por él, porque no nos sentaremos a la mesa hasta que él venga aquí. ¹²Envió, pues, por él, y le hizo entrar; y era rubio, hermoso de ojos, y de buen parecer. Entonces Jehová dijo: Levántate y úngelo, porque éste es. ¹³Y Samuel tomó el cuerno del aceite, y lo ungió en medio de sus hermanos; y desde aquel día en adelante el Espíritu de Jehová vino sobre David. Se levantó luego Samuel, y se volvió a Ramá.

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Corinthians/2 Corintios 5:6-10, 14-17

Pastor Erica

⁶So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For all of us must appear before the

judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹⁴For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. ¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

⁶Así que vivimos confiados siempre, y sabiendo que entre tanto que estamos en el cuerpo, estamos ausentes del Señor ⁷(porque por fe andamos, no por vista); ⁸pero confiamos, y más quisiéramos estar ausentes del cuerpo, y presentes al Señor. ⁹Por tanto procuramos también, o ausentes o presentes, serle agradables. ¹⁰Porque es necesario que todos nosotros comparezcamos ante el tribunal de Cristo, para que cada uno reciba según lo que haya hecho mientras estaba en el cuerpo, sea bueno o sea malo.

¹⁴Porque el amor de Cristo nos constriñe, pensando esto: que si uno murió por todos, luego todos murieron; ¹⁵y por todos murió, para que los que viven, ya no vivan para sí, sino para aquel que murió y resucitó por ellos. ¹⁶De manera que nosotros de aquí en adelante a nadie conocemos según la carne; y aun si a Cristo conocimos según la carne, ya no lo conocemos así. ¹⁷De modo que si alguno está en Cristo, nueva criatura es; las cosas viejas pasaron; he aquí todas son hechas nuevas.

☉ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

Melchior Vulpius (c. 1560 – 1616)

Cheryl Branham, Cantor

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

A mustard seed becomes the greatest of all shrubs,
so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! – Mark 4, adapted

☉ GOSPEL LESSON

Mark/Marcos 4:26-34

Pastor Edgar

²⁶Decía además: Así es el reino de Dios, como cuando un hombre echa semilla en la tierra; ²⁷y duerme y se levanta, de noche y de día, y la semilla brota y crece sin que él sepa cómo. ²⁸Porque de suyo lleva fruto la tierra, primero hierba, luego espiga, después grano lleno en la espiga; ²⁹y cuando el fruto está maduro, en seguida se mete la hoz, porque la siega ha llegado. ³⁰Decía también: ¿A qué haremos semejante el reino de Dios, o con qué parábola lo compararemos? ³¹Es como el grano de mostaza, que cuando se siembra en tierra, es la más pequeña de todas las semillas que hay en la tierra; ³²pero después de sembrado, crece, y se hace la mayor de todas las hortalizas, y echa grandes ramas, de tal manera que las aves del cielo pueden morar bajo su sombra. ³³Con muchas parábolas como estas les hablaba la palabra, conforme a lo que podían oír. ³⁴Y sin parábolas no les hablaba; aunque a sus discípulos en particular les declaraba todo.

²⁶He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' ³⁰He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' ³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to

hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

⊕ GOSPEL HYMN 714

For the Fruit of All Creation
AR HYD Y NOS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Elijah

Faithful God, send now your Holy Spirit that by her gentle moving among us we may learn to live, not cautious and calculating, but boldly, joyfully, and extravagantly. May we live neither in fear nor doubt, but in confidence and trust and, above all, in love. **Amen.**

SERMON

Jesus and Our Restrictive Pools
Elijah Zehyoue

MUSICAL REFLECTION

John Dautzenberg

GIVING AND SERVING

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Elijah

After the Pastoral Prayer, we invite everyone to pray the Lord's Prayer in your native language.

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad, como en el cielo, así también en la tierra. El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy. Y perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores. Y no nos metas en tentación, mas líbranos del mal; porque tuyo es el reino, y el poder, y la gloria, por todos los siglos. Amén.

INVITATION TO GIVE AND TO SERVE

Pastor Edgar

OFFERTORY

Improvisation on AR HYD Y NOS
John Dautzenberg, Organ

⊕ HYMN 50

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

⊕ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Edgar

BECOMING DISCIPLES

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Pastor Elijah

During the singing, we invite you to come forward if you wish to make a public commitment to follow Jesus or to express interest in joining this community of faith.

☉ **HYMN 292**

*We sing Spanish then immediately repeat in English
for each verse and each Refrain.*

¡Miren Qué Bueno! / O Look and Wonder

MIREN QUÉ BUENO

☉ **AFFIRMING GOD'S CALL**

We give thanks that you have been guided to this moment by the hand of God. As a community of faith we pledge to love each other and to work together to grow into the fullness of Christ.

☉ **BENEDICTION**

Pastor Erica

POSTLUDE

Nun Danket alle Gott
Max Reger (1873-1916)
John Dautzenberg, Organ

*Following worship join us in Woodward Hall, left as you exit the Sanctuary,
for refreshments and a time of fellowship. Visitors, we look forward to meeting you!*

*Families with babies and young children: for your convenience, changing tables are available in the Parents' Room,
balcony level on the right side, and downstairs in rooms next to the nursery.*

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Lectionary passages for June 21, Fourth Sunday after Pentecost/Nativity of John the Baptist, are
1 Samuel 17:3-11, 16-24, 32-50; Psalm 133; 2 Corinthians 6:3-13; Luke 1:57-66, 80.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Loved ones of Dorothy Allan; Charles Almond, Elijah Zehyoue's family friend; Carmen Angdisen; Demy Angdisen; Nardita (Edith) Angdisen; Teddi Angelov, Liubov Russell's friend; Maria Bensussen, Ryan Harvey's grandmother; Sara Bermúdez, Lorena Pereira's mother; Cristina Chacón; Roberta Clyburn, Janice Glover's sister; Lucy Daris, Claudia Moore's friend; Megan DeWitt, Cheryl Branham's friend; Grace Evans; Brenda Fahey; Radost Fortunova, Liubov Russell's sister; Gail Ousley Gipson, Ben and Natalie Barrens Rogers' friend; family of José Gonzalez in El Salvador; Jenny Goon; Janet Grove; Berniece and Bill Harward; Rena Jirack; Lucy Johnson, Jackie Wright's grandmother; Lynne Mayfield, Jay Mayfield's mother; Robin Myers and family; Al Nielsen; Kyin Oo; Amelia Powell, Andrea Powell's mother; Paul Rice; family and friends of Jack Smith, Jodi Smith's father, who passed on June 6; Joe Stout, Holly Miller's brother-in-law; Victoria Sulerzyski, Ellen Sulerzyski's sister-in-law; Lisa Tette; Doris Vermilya; Earl and Jenna Wright, Isaac Wright's parents. Remember all Calvary individuals and families; all refugees and asylum seekers; people of Nepal, Texas and Oklahoma dealing with natural disasters; pray for immigration reform, racial reconciliation and justice everywhere.

TODAY

SHALOM SCHOLARSHIP SHOPPES. Be on the lookout for Daniel Alcazar-Roman's homemade bread at today's Bake Sale in Woodward Hall, during coffee hour. As always, we'll have several sweet treats for purchase as well. Contact Holly, hollydotmiller@gmail.com; like our Facebook page, too!

PRISON MINISTRY INFORMATIONAL MEETING today, **12:30 p.m.** in Pastor Edgar's office. Want to make a difference in a local prison? If you are interested & want to hear more, this meeting is for you!

PRIDE FESTIVAL TODAY, 12 NOON TO 5:00 P.M. Calvary will be on Pennsylvania Avenue between 6th and 7th Streets. Come say hi or hang out and greet festival goers!

TODAY IS THE DEADLINE! Be sure to participate in the second Calvary Congregational Survey. Pick up a copy in the office or visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WhoIsCalvary>. We'll review the results in worship on Sunday, **June 28**, as we continue to walk our interim journey together.

SUMMER AT CALVARY

THEOLOGY ON DRAFT meets **Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** In June, we study *Texts of Terror* by Phyllis Trible. Theology on Draft is on hiatus in July, with a special Theology on Draft, Tuesday, July 14, to hear Rev. Dr. Jeff Hood talk about Queer Theology and his book *The Courage to be Queer*. Jeff is a pastor, activist, and theologian. You won't want to miss what is sure to be a compelling conversation..

ALL-COME CHOIR. Love to sing? Join us on the final Sunday of each summer month for All-Come Choir! We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Music Suite for a quick rehearsal, and sing in worship that day. Contact Cheryl Branham for info or give us a try: **June 28, July 26 and August 30.** All ages welcome!

COMBINED SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS JULY 5, 9:45 a.m., each summer Sunday through September 6.

BAPTIST PEACE FELLOWSHIP (Bautistas por la Paz) Peace Camp at Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA, **July 6-11.** Contact Pastor Erica.

WILD GOOSE FESTIVAL in Hot Springs, NC, **July 9-12.** Contact Pastor Elijah.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at Camp Fraser, **July 17-19,** \$15 per child; scholarships are available. Theme: *The Whole World in God's Hands.* Contact Daniel Alcazar-Roman or Eugenia Reyes.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LATEST HAPPENINGS weekly e-mail newsletter is back! Sign up on the Calvary website by clicking "sign up for updates" at the bottom of the home page.

CALVARY'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS. Visit www.calvarydc.org/events/ for a current listing, or stop by the church office to pick up a complete listing of Sunday School classes and Small Group programs.



PARKING PERMITS. Time to replace the old... New parking permits are available in Woodward Hall during fellowship hour, or from the church office during the week, see Paul Rosstead. Note that Parking permits are only valid for Church related functions and appointments.

A FAMILY FRIENDLIER CALVARY! Sometimes Calvary isn't the easiest place for parents with babies and young children. We need your help to change that. Send your ideas on how to make our building and events more welcoming to families! Contact Salima Appiah-Duffell, salimaya@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL continues a study of Brian McLaren's *We Make the Road By Walking*. Come to Butler Hall **Sunday mornings**, 9:45-10:45 a.m. Contact Pastor Erica.

THEOLOGY ON DRAFT meets **Tuesday** evenings in Butler Hall to reflect on events of the week, in our lives, the church, and the world. Bring your own dinner at 6:30 p.m. and catch up with others before our discussion at 7:00 p.m. Drinks are provided. Contact Pastor Elijah.

THURSDAYS' NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICE HOURS with Pastor Erica are on hiatus during June.

ZUMBA MEETS FRIDAY EVENINGS, 6:00-7:00 p.m.; \$5 per person and scholarships available. Contact Katie Harvey, katherine.s.harvey@gmail.com.

WASHINGTON INTERFAITH NETWORK ACTION TEAM MEETING, Thursday, **June 18**, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Holy Comforter St. Cyprian Church to plan for summer and fall, and welcome the new lead organizer, Jennifer Knox. Contact Drew Bongiovanni.

CRANES FOR PEACE. Come for crane folding and fellowship after worship on Sunday, **June 28**. No previous experience necessary. Paper & instructions will be provided! Bring a brown bag lunch! These origami paper cranes will join other groups' and church's cranes to commemorate the 150,000 people who died in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Pastor Erica will deliver the cranes at the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America (Bautistas por la Paz) Annual Conference/Peace Camp in July. Contact Pastor Erica.

5TH ANNUAL YARD SALE coming up, **September 16-18** in Kendall Hall. Donations of new or gently used items needed (no clothes or computers, please). Boxes of all sizes and tissue paper also appreciated! All profits benefit Shalom Scholarship Fund. Contact Gretchen White.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY (WMS) needs sturdy shoe & boot boxes. They will make boxes to support local homeless people through S.O.M.E (So Others Might Eat). Contact Gretchen White.