

The Community of Calvary Baptist Church Gathers for

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 16, 2015

Calvary Unplugged

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.



To them all Jesus said,  
“When the Holy Spirit comes  
upon you, you will receive  
power. And, you will be  
my witnesses!” - Acts 1:8

### Uncommon Voices

For six Sundays, August 2 to September 6, the Calvary community gathers to worship in a setting and style a bit more relaxed than our usual way of doing things. You could say our worship for these weeks is, for us, uncommon. And, on these Sundays, we'll be hearing from biblical voices that are uncommon, as well.

It is illusory, useless, even blasphemous to claim to bear witness to God without engaging in actions to heal this world. – Jon Sobrino

The way to holiness necessarily passes through the world of action. – Dag Hammarskjöld

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

MUSIC AS WE PREPARE

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH  
DIX / arr. Albin C. Whitworth  
Cheryl Branham, Keyboard

LIGHTING CANDLES

Acolyte

WELCOME

Pastor Joe

☉ SINGING AS WE GATHER

REJOICE IN GOD'S SAINTS

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days  
A world without saints forgets how to praise  
Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer  
Their depth of adoring, God, help us to share.

Some march with events to turn them God's way  
Some need to withdraw, the better to pray  
Some carry the gospel through fire and through flood  
Our world is their parish; their purpose is God.

Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown  
Who bear someone's cross or shoulder their own  
They shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares  
What patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days  
A world without saints forgets how to praise  
In loving, in living, they prove it is true  
The way of self-giving, God, leads us to you.

☉ Congregation standing; la congregación se pone de pie.

## ☉ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 146  
Lu Shan, Deacon of the Week

Praise the Lord! With all your heart, give praise!

**Yes! With all that we are, we'll shout praises to our God. For as long as we have breath we'll sing to the Beloved.**

Why trust in princes, in powers, in wealth? All these fade away. When we depart this life, we carry with us only the love God has imprinted upon our hearts.

**Blessed are those whose security is the Lord, the one who gave birth to all that is, the sure keeper of promises.**

Our God is good: opening blind eyes, setting free the bound, lifting up the poor, straightening those burdened and bent by life, and standing with all who walk alone and without voice.

**O Beloved, come, touch us with your grace and set us free. And, without ceasing we'll sing your praise!**

## ☉ PRAYER

Lu Shan

Holy God, whose name is not honored where the needy are neglected, where the weak are treated with contempt, and where the outcast are not welcomed: help us to be like Jesus—a people ready and eager to embrace with love all people, indeed, the whole world. May we stay true to our identity as followers of Jesus and, by our witness to him in our loving deeds, may others, even if they do not come to call him “Lord,” at least come to see him as Friend. **Amen.**

## ☉ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Lu Shan

La paz del Señor sea contigo. **Y contigo también.**  
The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

## ☉ SINGING CHRIST'S PEACE

PUT PEACE INTO EACH OTHER'S HANDS

**Put peace into each other's hands like bread we break for sharing  
Look people warmly in the eye: our life is meant for caring. (Repeat)**

## LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

### TESTIMONY

REMEMBERING DORIS VERMILYA  
Al Nielsen, Pastor Erica, Pastor Joe

### ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

ACTS/HECHOS 1:1-9  
Pastor Erica

<sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.' <sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' <sup>7</sup>He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

<sup>1</sup>En el primer tratado, oh Teófilo, hablé acerca de todas las cosas que Jesús comenzó a hacer y a enseñar, <sup>2</sup>hasta el día en que fue recibido arriba, después de haber dado mandamientos por el Espíritu Santo a los apóstoles que había escogido; <sup>3</sup>a quienes también, después de haber padecido, se presentó vivo con muchas pruebas indubitables, apareciéndoseles durante cuarenta días y hablándoles acerca del reino de Dios. <sup>4</sup>Y estando juntos, les mandó que no se fueran de Jerusalén, sino que esperasen la promesa del Padre, la cual, les dijo, oísteis de mí. <sup>5</sup>Porque Juan ciertamente bautizó con agua, mas vosotros seréis bautizados con el Espíritu Santo dentro de no muchos días. <sup>6</sup>Entonces los que se habían reunido le preguntaron, diciendo: Señor, ¿restaurarás el reino a Israel en este tiempo? <sup>7</sup>Y les dijo: No os

toca a vosotros saber los tiempos o las sazones, que el Padre puso en su sola potestad; <sup>8</sup>pero recibiréis poder, cuando haya venido sobre vosotros el Espíritu Santo, y me seréis testigos en Jerusalén, en toda Judea, en Samaria, y hasta lo último de la tierra. <sup>9</sup>Y habiendo dicho estas cosas, viéndolo ellos, fue alzado, y le recibió una nube que le ocultó de sus ojos.

🕒 **SINGING OUR HALLELUJAHS**

Congregation

**Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!**  
**Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!**  
**Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! (Repeat)**

🕒 **GOSPEL LESSON**

MARK/MARCOS 1:14-15

Pastor Edgar

<sup>14</sup>Después que Juan fue encarcelado, Jesús vino a Galilea predicando el evangelio del reino de Dios,  
<sup>15</sup>diciendo: El tiempo se ha cumplido, y el reino de Dios se ha acercado; arrepentíos, y creed en el evangelio.

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

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

🕒 **GOSPEL SONG**

SHARE HIS LOVE / DA AMOR

**1. The love of God is broader than earth's vast expanse  
'Tis deeper and wider than the sea  
Love reaches out to all to bring abundant life  
For God so loved the world His only Son He gave.**

*Refrain. Share His love by telling what the Lord has done for you  
Share His love by sharing of your faith  
And show the world that Jesus Christ is real to you  
Ev'ry moment, ev'ry day.*

**2. Aquel que confía en el amor de Dios  
Mejor tesoro no podrá encontrar  
Dirá al que vive angustiado y en error  
Fue por amor que Dios a su Hijo quiso dar.**

*Estribillo. Da amor contando lo que Dios hizo por ti  
Da amor viviendo por la fe  
Demuestra al mundo que Jesús es real en tí  
Cada día vive en ti.*

**3. We show the love of God each day we live  
Reveal Christ's presence in our lives  
And how the Holy Spirit guides us day by day  
For God so loved the world His only Son He gave.**

*Refrain. Share His love by telling what the Lord has done for you  
Share His love by sharing of your faith  
And show the world that Jesus Christ is real to you  
Ev'ry moment, ev'ry day.*

**4. Mostremos siempre que Dios es amor  
De Cristo la presencia reflejando  
Y que su Santo Espíritu nos guía hoy  
Por el amor que Dios en su Hijo vino a dar.**

*Estribillo. Da amor contando lo que Dios hizo por ti  
Da amor viviendo por la fe  
Demuestra al mundo que Jesús es real en tí  
Cada día vive en ti.*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Pastor Edgar

O God, all we have received from your good hand—blessings unlimited and grace unbounded—we are to extend to others. Send now your Spirit to give witness to the only thing that matters: a life of love and justice witnessing to your generosity and grace, without conditions, without reserve. **Amen.**

**UNCOMMON VOICES**

THE KINGDOM OF GOD AGAINST A WORLD IN CRISIS

AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES

Pastor Edgar

**MUSIC AS WE REFLECT**

Cheryl Branham

**GIVING AND SERVING**

**OFFERING OUR PRAYERS**

Pastor Joe

*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.**

**OFFERING OUR WITNESS**

Pastor Joe

Today’s witness is in the form of a prayer born of our confidence in God’s love for the poor and vulnerable among us, and in God’s call for us to serve them.

**Because scripture gives witness that in Jesus God came among us, born not in a palace but in a stable, to serve the poor, to suffer in humility, and to die on a cross, we pray:**

**So that children no longer be denied education, the sick no longer die from curable diseases because they cannot afford treatment, and, so workers no longer be refused a living wage to care for themselves and their families—may God’s kingdom of justice come quickly, and may we work to make it so.**

**So that persons not have to beg to survive hunger, so loved ones not be lost to violence and war, so women no longer have to flee terror in the home, and so young girls not be held in sexual slavery—may God’s kingdom of justice come quickly, and may we work to make it so.**

**And, so that the innocent walk free from prison, so minorities live without fear, so persons not be marginalized because of who they are, and so all people live in freedom—may God’s kingdom of justice come quickly, and may we work to make it so. Amen.**

**INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE**

Salima Appiah-Duffell

**MUSIC AS WE GIVE**

JESUS, THE VERY THOUGHT OF THEE  
ST. AGNES / arr. Whitworth  
Cheryl Branham, Keyboard

⊕ **SINGING OUR DEDICATION**

THOU ART WORTHY

**Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy O Lord  
To receive glory, glory and honor, glory and honor and pow’r  
For Thou hast created, hast all things created, Thou hast created all things  
And for Thy pleasure they are created: Thou art worthy, O Lord  
Thou art worthy, O Lord.**

⊕ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Salima Appiah-Duffell

# BECOMING DISCIPLES

## INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Pastor Edgar

*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.*

## ⊗ SINGING OUR INVITATION

SHAPING SPIRIT, MOVE AMONG US

**Shaping spirit, move among us; living leader, be our friend  
Source of our mysterious being, greet us at our journey's end  
Energy of new creation, work like yeast within the soul  
Human savior, heav'nly artist, in your service make us whole.**

**Many are the ways you seek us, great the joy when each is found  
Once your gift of faith ignites it, all the world is holy ground  
Shaping spirit, move among us; living leader, be our friend  
Source of our mysterious being, greet us at our journey's end.**

## ⊗ 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

## ⊗ SINGING OUR BENEDICTION

WEAVE

**Weave, weave, weave us together. Weave us together in unity and love.  
Weave, weave, weave us together. Weave us together, together in love. (Repeat)**

## MUSIC AS WE CONCLUDE

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS  
DIADEMATA / arr. Whitworth  
Cheryl Branham, Keyboard

Bravo! Thanks to today's worship participants and to the Unplugged Music Team: Kathy and Jac Whatley!

Following worship, please stay for refreshments and fellowship here in Woodward Hall. Visitors, we look forward to greeting you!

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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmen Angdisen; Demy Angdisen; Nardita (Edith) Angdisen; Maria Bensussen, Ryan Harvey's grandmother; Sara Bermúdez, Lorena Pereira's mother; Cristina Chacón; Roberta Clyburn, Janice Glover's sister; Megan DeWitt, Cheryl Branham's friend; Grace Evans; Bill Fahey; Brenda Fahey; Radost Fortunova, Liubov Russell's sister; Charles Gayflor, Elijah Zehyoue's family 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; Jerry Parr, Edgar Palacios' friend; Amelia Powell, Andrea Powell's mother; Paul Rice; Ed Smith, Paul Rosstead's brother-in-law; Jodi Smith; Joe Stout, Holly Miller's brother-in-law; Earl and Jenna Wright, Isaac Wright's parents; refugee, asylum seekers, and immigration reform; racial reconciliation and justice everywhere.

## TODAY

**COMBINED ADULT AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL.** This summer we're studying Marcus Borg's book, *Convictions: How I Learned What Matters Most*. Join us in the Chapel, Sundays at 9:45 a.m. Contact Pastor Edgar for information. All are welcome!

**August 16** Chapter 9: God is Passionate About Justice and the Poor

**August 23** Chapter 10: Christians are Called to Peace and Nonviolence

**August 30** Chapter 11: To Love God is to Love Like God

**September 6** No Sunday School due to the Labor Day holiday weekend. Enjoy conversation with friends over coffee and doughnuts in Woodward Hall!

**THE CALVARY BOARD** meets at 12:30 p.m. in Butler Hall. Board meetings are open to the congregation!

## COMING UP

**LATEST HAPPENINGS** is Calvary's weekly e-mail newsletter! 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/](http://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.

**CALVARY IS ON MEETUP.COM!** Check out our group page and invite your friends to see Calvary events, <http://www.meetup.com/Calvary-Baptist-Church-Downtown-DC-Small-Groups>.

**THEOLOGY ON DRAFT** is back! For the next month we will study *Convictions* by Marcus Borg and examine why we believe what we believe. You won't want to miss this awesome conversation about God, Jesus, the Bible, doubt, faith, and much more! See you on **Tuesdays** at 6:30 p.m. in Butler Hall! Contact Pastor Elijah.

**HOLISTIC HEALTH PROJECT.** Thursday, **August 20** at 6:00 p.m., we continue our series of Thursday yoga classes and other topics to improve our physical, mental and spiritual health; through October 1. For more information, contact Pastor Edgar.

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

**NO NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICE HOURS** this week. Mark your calendar for Pastor Erica in Columbia Heights on Wednesday, **August 26**. Each week, Pastor Erica is available in locations around the city for conversation, pastoral care, or whatever!

**ALL-COME CHOIR.** Singers of all ages, join us for All-Come Choir on the final Sunday of each summer month, rehearsing 10:00 a.m. in Music Suite and singing in worship at 11:00 a.m. If you love to sing, All-Come Choir is for you! Final session coming up **August 30**. Contact Cheryl Branham.

**CALVARY TO THE NATS GAME!** Sunday, **September 6**, 1:35 p.m. Tickets are \$25. See Salima Appiah-Duffell during Coffee Hour or contact Becky Vaughn to purchase a ticket and for more information.

**NADIA BOLZ-WEBER** returns to Calvary as a stop on her book tour on Thursday evening, **September 10**. Come hear from Nadia as she shares about her upcoming new book, *Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People*! Contact Pastor Erica if you are interested in volunteering at this event.

**QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING** following worship on Sunday, **September 13**. Plan to stay after Coffee Hour to hear more about Calvary's second quarter, upcoming events, and Calvary's financial health.

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

**WILLING WORKERS!** Do you have an hour or two during the week or on Saturday to help with painting, cleaning, landscaping? Contact Tim Shaw, [tnshaw21@gmail.com](mailto:tnshaw21@gmail.com), to help with Calvary's new "Willing Workers" group helping to keep Calvary beautiful, safe, and clean for our congregation and resident partners!



**RESIDENT PARTNER OF THE WEEK**

*Calvary's Resident Partners are organizations that share the building with Calvary through a mutually beneficial agreement. Resident Partners hold events, performances, and camps throughout the year. Resident Partners are diverse, focusing on children, adults, arts, nutrition education, and other areas. Calvary celebrates our Resident Partners!*

At Milestones Enrichment Center, we believe that every child deserves a warm and caring environment that is essential for the growth and developmental needs of young children. We believe that it is extremely important that we partner with families and the community. We believe our role is to work in concert with the home in transforming the child into a social being. We have created an environment that allows children to explore the world around them, to understand and feel good about themselves, and to learn to care about the people and society they must interact with. Find out our hours of operation, meal plans and more by visiting [www.mec123abc.com](http://www.mec123abc.com).

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