

THE PEOPLE OF CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH GATHER

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

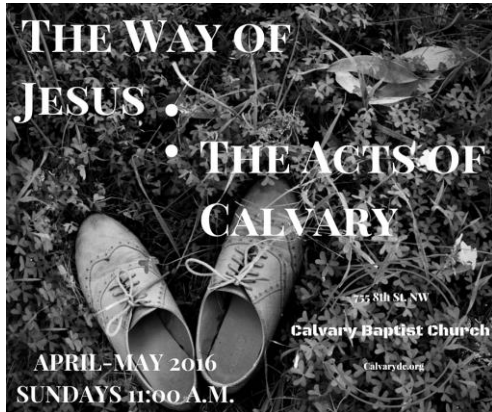
APRIL 3, 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.



The only things we hate talking about are the things we fear. -Gwen Ifill

Faith is a place of mystery, where we find the courage to believe in what we cannot see and the strength to let go of our fear of uncertainty. -Brené Brown

When there is a tendency to compartmentalize the spiritual and make it resident in a certain type of life only, the spiritual is apt gradually to be lost. -Flannery O'Connor

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Improvisation on W, ZLOBIE LEZY
John Dautzenberg, Organ

WELCOME

Reverend Zehyoue

☉ HYMN 222

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!
W, ZLOBIE LEZY

☉ CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 150

Yolanda Appiah-Kubi, Deacon of the Week

Your church gathers, Lord, in Washington DC and Mozambique,
in El Salvador and to the ends of the earth.

Your church gathers, Lord, in city and country, in suburbs and slums,
in sanctuaries and buildings, under trees and by streams of water.

Your people gather to praise you, Lord, in English and Spanish, German and Swahili,
with organ and guitar and drum,
with voices of young and old,
with song and with silence,
with dance and with prayer.

Your people praise you, Lord, for hope in the midst of despair,
for strength in times of weakness,
for justice in situations of oppression,
for courage in the face of fear, for life in the midst of death.

We are the people who call you Lord.

Let everything that breathes, praise you, Lord!

Let everything that breathes, praise you, Lord!

☉ Congregation standing; la congregación se pone de pie.

Congregational responses in **bold**. Audio enhancement devices available for use during worship.

Please ask an usher for assistance.

Respuestas congregacionales en **negrita**. Para Biblias en español o traducción del servicio en español, por favor hablar con un ujier.

☉ MORNING PRAYER

Yolanda Appiah-Kubi

☉ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Yolanda Appiah-Kubi

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.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

To follow the words as you listen, see hymn 223.

Woman, Weeping in the Garden

KAKIS

Miles Herr, Tenor

LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts/Hechos 5:27-32

Chuck Andreatta

²⁷When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.'
²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority.
³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

²⁷Cuando los trajeron, los presentaron en el sanedrín, y el sumo sacerdote les preguntó, ²⁸diciendo: ¿No os mandamos estrictamente que no enseñaseis en ese nombre? Y ahora habéis llenado a Jerusalén de vuestra enseñanza, y queréis hacer recaer sobre nosotros la sangre de ese hombre.
²⁹Respondiendo Pedro y los apóstoles, dijeron: Hay que obedecer a Dios antes que a los hombres.
³⁰El Dios de nuestros padres levantó a Jesús, a quien vosotros matasteis colgándole en un madero.
³¹A éste, Dios ha exaltado con su diestra por Jefe y Salvador, para dar a Israel arrepentimiento y perdón de pecados. ³²Y nosotros somos testigos suyos de estas cosas, y también el Espíritu Santo, el cual ha dado Dios a los que le obedecen.

EPISTLE LESSON

Apocalipsis/Revelation 1:4-8

Sarah Settels-Palacios

⁴Juan, a las siete iglesias que están en Asia: Gracia y paz a vosotros, del que es y que era y que ha de venir, y de los siete espíritus que están delante de su trono; ⁵y de Jesucristo el testigo fiel, el primogénito de los muertos, y el soberano de los reyes de la tierra. Al que nos amó, y nos liberó de nuestros pecados con su sangre, ⁶e hizo de nosotros un reino, sacerdotes para su Dios y Padre; a él sea la gloria y el dominio por los siglos de los siglos. Amén. ⁷He aquí que viene con las nubes, y todo ojo le verá, y los que le traspasaron; y todos los linajes de la tierra harán lamentación por él. Sí, amén. ⁸Yo soy el Alfa y la Omega, principio y fin, dice el Señor Dios, el que es y que era y que ha de venir, el Todopoderoso.

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. ⁷Look! He is

coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

⊕ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)/Leo Nestor

Amelia Taylor, Cantor

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

Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia *(John 20, adapted)*

⊕ GOSPEL LESSON

John/Juan 20:19-31

Reverend Zehyoue

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

¹⁹Al atardecer de aquel mismo día, el primero de la semana, estando las puertas cerradas en el lugar donde los discípulos estaban reunidos por miedo a los judíos, vino Jesús, se puso en medio y les dijo: Paz a vosotros. ²⁰Y, dicho esto, les mostró las manos y el costado. Y los discípulos se regocijaron viendo al Señor. ²¹Entonces Jesús les dijo otra vez: Paz a vosotros. Como me envió el Padre, así también yo os envío. ²²Y habiendo dicho esto, sopló, y les dijo: Recibid el Espíritu Santo. ²³A quienes remitiereis los pecados, les son remitidos; y a quienes se los retuviereis, les quedan retenidos. ²⁴Pero Tomás, uno de los doce, llamado el Mellizo, no estaba con ellos cuando vino Jesús. ²⁵Le dijeron, pues, los otros discípulos: Hemos visto al Señor. Él les dijo: Si no veo en sus manos la señal de los clavos, y meto mi dedo en el lugar de los clavos, y meto mi mano en su costado, no creeré de ningún modo. ²⁶Ocho días después, estaban otra vez sus discípulos dentro, y con ellos Tomás. Llegó Jesús, estando las puertas cerradas, y se puso en medio y les dijo: Paz a vosotros. ²⁷Luego dijo a Tomás: Pon aquí tu dedo, y mira mis manos; y acerca tu mano, y métela en mi costado; y no seas incrédulo, sino creyente. ²⁸Entonces Tomás respondió y le dijo: ¡Señor mío, y Dios mío! ²⁹Jesús le dijo: Porque me has visto, Tomás, has creído; bienaventurados los que no vieron, y creyeron. ³⁰Hizo además Jesús muchas otras señales en presencia de sus discípulos, las cuales no están escritas en este libro. ³¹Pero éstas se han escrito para que creáis que Jesús es el Cristo, el Hijo de Dios, y para que creyendo, tengáis vida en su nombre.

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

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Reverend Palacios

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.

SERMON

Questioning Thomas

Reverend Erica Lea

LISTENING IN THE SILENCE

SHARING COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN 421

We sing each verse in Spanish then English.

*Hasta Tu Altar
Unto Your Table, Lord
HASTA TU ALTAR*

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Reverend Lea

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Reverend Zehyoue
(Christian Reformed Church Prayer)

God of all peoples, whose reign extends around our world and beyond, we grieve that your church—which shares one Spirit, one faith, one hope, and one calling—has become a broken communion in a broken world. The one body spans all time, place, race, and language, but in our fear we have fled from one another and have fought one another. In our pride we have mistaken our part and our truth for the whole.

Yet, we marvel how, in your grace, you gather up the broken and scattered pieces to do your work, to give us hope, to bless us with joy. Forgive us our sin, and help us ever to seek the unity and peace of the body of Christ—for Christ's sake and that of this world. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Reverend Zehyoue
(Based on Ephesians 2:14)

Hear the Good News: Jesus Christ is our peace. Those who were divided, he has made one. By his death he has broken down the walls of separation, reconciling us into one people, making us one body. So, let us live as we were made to be—one people, reconciled.

Yes, we will live as Christ has made us—one people, one body, reconciled. Thanks be to God!

GIVING THANKS

Reverend Palacios

SHARING THE MEAL

To celebrate communion by intinction, approach stations using inside aisles. Return to your seat using outside aisles. A gluten-free option is available at the front, to your left. To receive communion where you are seated, raise your hand and we will be happy to serve you.

COMMUNION MEDITATION

To reflect upon the text, see hymn 392.

Improvisation on UNION SEMINARY

(Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether)

John Dautzenberg, Organ

GIVING AND SERVING

INVITATION TO GIVE AND TO SERVE

Amanda Butler & Soren Dayton

MUSICAL OFFERING

To follow the words as you listen, see hymn 429.

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

FINEST WHEAT

Amelia Taylor, Soprano

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

⊕ HYMN 50

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

Amanda Butler & Soren Dayton

BECOMING DISCIPLES

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Reverend Lea

⊕ HYMN 230

Now the Green Blade Rises

NOËL NOUVELET

⊕ AFFIRMING GOD'S CALL

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

⊕ BENEDICTION

Reverend Palacios

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on NOËL NOUVELET

John Dautzenberg, Organ

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

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

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Lectionary Passages for April 10, Third Sunday of Easter, are
Acts 9:1-6 (7-20); Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

New this week: loved ones of Grace Evans; Harold Walker, Jackie Wright's stepfather

Carmen Angdisen; Demy Angdisen; Theresa Beaton; Maria Bensussen, Ryan Harvey's grandmother; Sara Bermúdez, Lorena Pereira's mother; Dylan Canfield, Laura Canfield's nephew; Cristina Chacón; Roberta Clyburn, Janice Glover's sister; Beverly Fahey; Crystal Fahey, Bill Fahey's grandson's wife; Jenny Goon; Janet Grove; Berniece and Bill Harward; Ortence Henry, Matt Daley's grandmother; Megan Hughes, Kathy & Jac Whatley's friend; Sabrina Jawed's father; Rena Jirack; Lucy Johnson, Jackie Wright's grandmother; Carmen Myers, cousin of Theresa Beaton; Robin Myers and family; Tom Newcomb, Amy Shaw's grandfather; Al Nielsen; Kyin Oo; Mary Pat, Isaac Wright's friend; Amelia Powell, Andrea Powell's mother; Paul Rice ; Harold Ritchie; Ruby Shepherd; Sunny Soto's mother; Joe Stout, Holly Miller's brother-in-law; Rob Wilkinson, Cheryl Branham's friend; Earl and Jenna Wright, Isaac Wright's parents; peace in El Salvador; refugee, asylum seekers, and immigration reform; victims of gun violence; racial reconciliation and justice everywhere.

WELCOME BABY ZOE, born Monday, March 28, 9:18 p.m. Proud parents are Jasmine Hunt Dimitrou and Michael Dimitrou.

A SPECIAL GIFT has been made to the flower fund by Kyin Oo, in memory of Daw Khin Thein Han Oo.

TODAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES meet at **9:45 a.m.**; children, youth, and adults on level G3, and Latino Fellowship in the Chapel, level G2.

CALVARY MUSICIANS. Bravo and deepest thanks to John Dautzenberg, Miles Herr, and Amelia Taylor for serving in worship leadership today! Cheryl Branham returns to the office on Tuesday. Bravo and thank you to Calvary Festival Choir and organist Matt Daley for your beautiful music in Easter worship last Sunday! Sanctuary Choir is on a break today; we resume next Sunday, rehearsing at 9:45 a.m. Come sing with us!

CALVARY CHERRY BLOSSOM CRUISE. We meet today at **2:30 p.m.** for the 2:45 p.m. cruise. Purchase your discounted ticket online through Goldstar (\$17.50 + \$5 service charge), then meet up with the Calvary group at National Ferry Fleet, 1320 Maine Ave. SW, 15 minute walk from Metro Green Line. See *Latest Happenings* for information, or contact Becky Vaughn with questions, becky@beckyvaughn.org.

INTERFAITH SEDER. Today at **5:00 p.m.** in Shallenberger Hall, Calvary hosts the DC Metro Chapter of Jewish Voice for Peace Passover Seder, dedicated to freedom for all people. Please bring a vegetarian dish, dessert or soft drinks to share in the Passover tradition. No bread or baked goods made with flour, please. Suggested donation \$10 at the door; no one will be refused due to cost. Come experience a blend of traditional and contemporary readings, poems, and songs to shed a new light on the Passover story. Contact Carol Blythe or Rick Goodman for more information.

COMING UP

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CALVARY? Sign up on the Calvary website for *Latest Happenings*, *Calvary Caller*, and pastoral emails 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.

APPLE PAY AND ANDROID PAY. Calvary now accepts contributions and payments by 'Contactless' Apple and Android Pay, the new chip credit cards, as well as the traditional 'swipe' method. See Paul Rosstead.

THEOLOGY ON DRAFT meets each **Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.** in Butler Hall, for conversation about current events, theology, the Bible, and how our faith intersects with it all. Contact Pastor Elijah.

ARISE: A QUEER THEOLOGY COLLABORATIVE meets each **Thursday, 6:30-8:00 p.m.** in the Calvary Library, to discuss *Making Sense of the Bible* by Adam Hamilton. *Arise* is an ecumenical group for any LGBTQ-identified people. Contact Pastor Erica.

FRIDAY MORNING MUSIC CLUB. Join us in the Chapel **Friday, April 1 at noon**, when Calvary's Resident Partners in FMMC continue their tradition of free recitals each week.

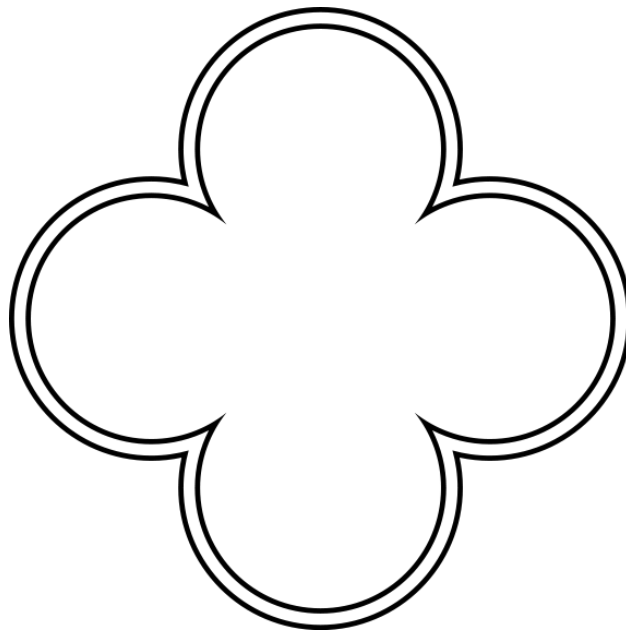
HOLISTIC HEALTH PROJECT is back! Join Pastor Edgar **each Friday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.** in Shallenberger Hall and gym (GB on the elevator), for a time of wellness, yoga, and soccer.

LATINO FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST! Everyone is invited for fellowship and food **Sunday, April 10, 9:00 a.m.** In the Chapel.

LABOR TRAFFICKING, A CALVARY CONVERSATION. Amanda Butler and Soren Dayton volunteered in India for 16 months, working on labor trafficking with International Justice Mission, a Christian human rights organization. Come to a Calvary Conversation, **Sunday, April 10**, following Coffee Hour to learn about their experiences in India, labor trafficking, and IJM, through pictures, stories, and discussion.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING, Sunday, April 24, following worship. Please plan to stay for this important congregational meeting!

PRIDE PLANNING & VOLUNTEERS. Pride will be here before you know it—**Saturday, June 11**, to be precise! But now is the time to plan, so be in touch with Pastor Erica **as soon as possible** if you'd like to participate. Do you want to show support for the LGBTQ community? Are you interested in volunteering for Pride Parade or Festival? Are you interested in co-planning Calvary's presence at Pride this year? Contact Pastor Erica!



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