

VIRTUAL SUNDAY

31 de octubre / October 31, 2021 | 10:30 a.m.

CALVARY DC

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Making a Home in the Wilderness

Haciendo un hogar en el desierto



Worship at Calvary

Current COVID Plan

Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

In-Person Worship at Calvary will take place on the **First and Third Sundays** of the month. **Virtual Worship** will take place on the **Second and Fourth Sundays** of the month. *Fifth Sundays will be Virtual with a special afternoon Outdoor Gathering.*

In-Person Sundays, we will also livestream at facebook.com/CalvaryDC.

Virtual Sundays, you can join us on Zoom at bit.ly/ZoomCalvaryDC
or watch us at facebook.com/CalvaryDC.

The best way to stay connected and receive any updates or changes to this schedule is to visit www.calvarydc.org and sign up for our weekly newsletter.



Please read detailed COVID Entry and Exit protocols for In-Person Sundays which can be found at the end of the bulletin. While inside the building, we ask that you remain masked at all times. Restrooms are located below the sanctuary or near the registration table where you first entered.

Alabando | Worshipping

La Bienvenida | Welcome

Pastor Elijah

Cántico de Alabanza | Song of Praise

“Siyahamba”
sung by Chris Urquiaga

**Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkos, Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkos'
Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkos, Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkos'
Siyahamba Siyahamba oh oh, Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkos'
Siyahamba Siyahamba oh oh, Siyahamba ekukhanyeni kwenkos'**

**We are walking in the light of God, we are walking in the light of God
We are walking in the light of God, we are walking in the light of God
We are walking, we are walking oh oh, we are walking in the light of God
We are walking we are walking oh oh, we are walking in the light of God**

**Caminando en la luz de Dios, caminando en la luz de Dios
Caminando en la luz de Dios, caminando en la luz de Dios
Caminando, caminando oh oh, caminando en la luz de Dios
Caminando, caminando oh oh, caminando en la luz de Dios**

Palabras de Alabanza | Call to Worship

Nancy Renfrow, Deacon
Amy Shaw, Liturgist

God, we are sojourners in this world, but you invite us to be your guests.
You lavishly offer us your hospitality,
You lovingly welcome us into your family,
You invite us to share in the abundance of your kingdom.
For this and much more, we open our hearts to You and to one another.
We open our lives to offer a generous heart toward all.

~adapted from *A Litany of Hospitality* written by Christine Sine. Posted on Word Made
Flesh: <http://www.wordmadeflesh.org/argentina/2009/06/a-litany-of-hospitality/>

La Paz de Cristo | Passing the Peace

Nancy Renfrow, Deacon
Amy Shaw, Liturgist

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

Respondemos Juntos | Responding Together

Make Us One | Haznos Uno

**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.
Haznos uno, uno en ti. Haznos uno, Señor, en ti.
Y que el mundo vea en nuestro amor que somos uno en ti**

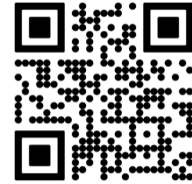
Escuchando | Listening

Reflecciones | Special Reflection on Stewardship

Calvary Community

During the month of October, we will hear reflections from Calvary members about why stewardship matters to them. Fill out your 2022 pledge forms at www.calvarydc.org/serve/stewardship.

Please visit <http://www.calvarydc.org/give>. Each Sunday, we have the opportunity to engage in a spiritual practice tracing back to the early church. As followers of Jesus began re-imagining their allegiance to God and not Caesar, they also chose to share their money, time, and resources in ways that disrupted systems of power and violence around them. As a community of faith shaped by this intention as we strive to be radically inclusive, progressive, and multicultural, we pray that our commitments might free you to give to this place both joyfully and intentionally.



Una Canción | Scripture Refrain

“We Give Big Things”
sung by Rhea Williams

**We give big things,
We give small things,
We give all things to You.**

**Damos poquito,
Damos mucho,
Damos todo a Ti.**

**In our giving
We are creating
We are sustaining**

**In our giving
We are creating
And we are making
A place for us all.**

Lectura | Scripture Lesson

Exodó | Exodus 39:42; 40:33-38
Amy Shaw, Liturgist

⁴² The Israelites did all of the work just as the Lord had commanded Moses.

³³ Moses set up the courtyard around the dwelling and the altar, and he hung up the screen at the courtyard’s gate.

When Moses had finished all the work, ³⁴ the cloud covered the meeting tent and the Lord’s glorious presence filled the dwelling. ³⁵ Moses couldn’t enter the meeting tent because the cloud had settled on it, and the Lord’s glorious presence filled the dwelling. ³⁶ Whenever the cloud rose from the dwelling, the Israelites would set out on their journeys. ³⁷ But if the cloud didn’t rise, then they didn’t set out until the day it rose. ³⁸ The Lord’s cloud stayed over the dwelling during the day, with lightning in it at night, clearly visible to the whole household of Israel at every stage of their journey.

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⁴² En conformidad a todas las cosas que Jehová había mandado a Moisés, así hicieron los hijos de Israel toda la obra.

³³ Finalmente erigió el atrio alrededor del tabernáculo y del altar, y puso la cortina a la entrada del atrio. Así acabó Moisés la obra.

³⁴ Entonces una nube cubrió el tabernáculo de reunión, y la gloria de Jehová llenó el tabernáculo.³⁵ Y no podía Moisés entrar en el tabernáculo de reunión, porque la nube estaba sobre él, y la gloria de Jehová lo llenaba.

³⁶ Y cuando la nube se alzaba del tabernáculo, los hijos de Israel se movían en todas sus jornadas,³⁷ pero si la nube no se alzaba, no se movían hasta el día en que ella se alzaba.

³⁸ Porque la nube de Jehová estaba de día sobre el tabernáculo, y el fuego estaba de noche sobre él, a vista de toda la casa de Israel, en todas sus jornadas.

Creciendo | Growing

Música Especial | Special Music

“Come out of the Wilderness”

sung by Chris Urquiaga

Tell me, how did you feel when you come out the wilderness,
Come out the wilderness, come out the wilderness?
Tell me, how did you feel when you come out the wilderness, leaning on the Lord?
Im'a leaning on the Lord,
Im'a leaning on the Lord.
Im'a leaning on the Lord, who died on Calvary.

Did you love ev'rybody when you come out the wilderness,
come out the wilderness, come out the wilderness?
Did you love ev'rybody when you come out the wilderness, leaning on the Lord?
Im'a leaning on the Lord,
Im'a leaning on the Lord.
Im'a leaning on the Lord, who died on Calvary.

Did you feel like shouting when you come out the wilderness,
come out the wilderness, come out the wilderness?
Did you feel like shouting when you come out the wilderness, leaning on the Lord?
Im'a leaning on the Lord,
Im'a leaning on the Lord.
Im'a leaning on the Lord, who died on Calvary.

Sermón | Sermon

Rev. Dr. Michelle McClendon

Senior Co-Pastors, Rev. Sally Sarratt and Rev. Maria Swearingen are currently on a mini-sabbatical recovering and restoring after many months of pandemic leadership. They are grateful to their mentor and pastor, Rev. Dr. Michelle McClendon for offering her leadership and care in worship.

Himno | Departing Hymn

“Come to Us, Creative Spirit”

sung by Chris Urquiaga

**Come to us, creative Spirit,
in this holy house;
ev'ry human talent hallow,
hidden skills arouse,
that within your earthly temple,**

wise and simple may rejoice.

Poet, painter, music-maker,
all your treasures bring;
craftsman, actor, graceful dancer,
make your offering;
join your hands in celebration:
let creation shout and sing!

Word from God eternal springing,
fill our minds, we pray;
and in all artistic vision
give integrity:
may the flame within us burning
kindle yearning day by day.

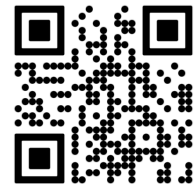
In all places and forever
glory be expressed
to Creator, Christ, our Brother,
and the Spirit blest:
In our worship and our living
keep us striving for the best.

Bendición | Benediction

Pastor Elijah

Sign up for our weekly newsletter, **Latest Happenings**.
Visit calvarydc.org and select "Sign up for Updates."

Contact the Deacon of the Week Nancy Renfrow,
nrenfrow@verizon.net with your cares and concerns.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stewardship Month and Senior Co-Pastors on Mini-Sabbatical

October is Stewardship Month, a special time where we reflect on how we wish to give and serve at Calvary! Before Pastor Elijah departs, Pastor Sally and Pastor Maria will be taking a month-long mini-sabbatical from October 4-31 to recover and recharge after this challenging year-and-a-half. Their mentor and pastor, Rev. Dr. Michelle McClendon will provide leadership on Sunday mornings. *The only change to our current in-person/virtual rotation is that October 17 will be virtual.*

October 3- In-Person Worship: Stewardship Month Begins! October 10- Virtual Worship
October 17- Virtual Worship (schedule change)
October 24- Virtual Worship
October 31- Virtual Worship + Outdoor Gathering (1-3 pm)
November 7- In-Person Worship: Co-Pastors Return and Blessing for Pastor Elijah

Pastor Elijah: Love Offering and Final Sunday Save the Date

Now through November when he leaves, we are going to be collecting a love offering to support Pastor Elijah in his transition to his new position. If you would like to contribute, you can do so through our usual giving avenues – through the [form on our website](#) or in Realm, marking the purpose for the love offering; or, by check or cash with a memo for its purpose.

Additionally, please make sure to mark your calendars for November 7th. This will be Elijah's last Sunday with us, and we will spend it offering thanks and celebrating his time with us and the bright future he is moving into. This service will be in-person, but if you are not comfortable being inside the building, then please know that you are still welcome to come attend coffee hour. This time together after service will take place outside, and we would love for you to still have the opportunity to see Elijah off in-person in a safer capacity if that is something that you would still want.

Supporting Diana Pliego and Family

If you would like to virtually support the Pliego family, they have set up a GoFundMe to help cover their expenses at this time. You can donate here: <https://gofund.me/a0aeb959>

Upcoming Quarterly Business Meeting

Join us on Zoom, Sunday, November 14 immediately following worship. We will be voting on 2022 Budget and Nominations Slate. Please make plans to join us as we prepare for the year ahead.

TODAY: Calvary's "5th Sunday Outdoor Gathering"

Sunday, October 31, 2021 -- 1:00 to 3:00 PM

With a focus on Children (of all ages!) and Shalom Scholarship

We will meet near Picnic Grove 24 in Rock Creek Park (please note - new location)
(enter from 16th Street, N.W. DC near the Tennis Center and Carter Barron)

Wear your costume – prizes awarded for Children and Adult Costumes!!

Bring savory treats (wrapped) for our trick-or-treaters.

Children's games and craft activities!!

Delicious baked goodies will be available for a donation to Shalom Scholarship.

Hot coffee, tea and lemonade

Solidarity Partners

Calvary Friends -- We have received reports from two Shalom Scholars. Please read these reports [here](#) -- and keep the scholars and their families in your prayers. Thanks to all who have donated to Shalom Scholarship this year. If you haven't had a chance yet -- you can donate at <https://calvarydc.org/give/> -- or by check to the church. Be sure to pick "Shalom Scholarship" or write Shalom Scholarship on the memo line of your check. Thanks for sharing your abundance as we emulate the Exodus community in the wilderness and take care of each other.

A RETURN TO IN-PERSON

Guidelines for Worship

Please read through these practices as we seek to ensure your safety.

When you enter:

Upon arrival, you will come through the Greene entrance by the church office. This will allow us to streamline our entrances and ensure that everyone, whether they are coming from the street or from the garage, is filtered through the same path.

When entering from the garage, please use the phone at the elevator doors to dial 0, which will connect you to the office where they will let you up. Once in the elevator, please select G1. We won't have the elevator set for open access for health and safety reasons, so we can ensure we're funneling everyone in through appropriate entry protocol.

At the entrance, you will be asked to sign in if you have not pre-registered, and your temperature will be taken to make sure you do not have a temperature.

In the building:

Once you have completed entry practices, you will make your way up to the Sanctuary entrance. Once there, the ushers will help you find a seat.

The pews will be cordoned off to half their length, alternating from row to row, to ensure we are able to social distance between pods of people while inside.

Masks will continue to be worn inside the building and during service, and hand sanitizer will be available.

After service:

We will exit the Sanctuary in an orderly, social distanced manner as we head outside for our Coffee Hour. We will be holding these outdoors to make sure we are properly social distanced and to mitigate the risks that are associated with masks being off indoors.

General Practices:

We ask that you follow all established COVID protocols: self-screen and stay home if you display any symptoms, maintain social distancing, wear your mask indoors, and wash your hands frequently and thoroughly.

OUR LABOR TOGETHER | A Mission Statement

We are a multi-racial, multi-ethnic community of Christ followers committed to the sacred work of anti-racism, social justice, and radical inclusion.

OUR BELOVEDNESS | A Values Statement

We affirm that God celebrates the creative diversity of God's kin-dom, loving people of every color, faith, nationality, immigration status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, physical and cognitive ability, and economic status. It matters that people who have been historically marginalized by the Christian church in America see themselves listed here as God's beloved. In other words, ***YOU*** are our values statement.

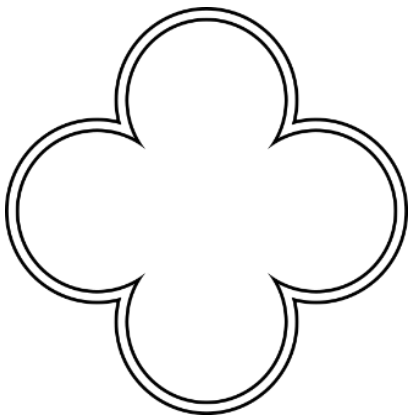
- We believe Black Lives Matter. Further still, Black Lives are precious and beloved by God. We are a church shaped by this profound theological statement. Until this is fully understood and expressed in the policies and practices of this nation's political and social life, it is essential for people of faith to keep saying, and living, this truth.
- We believe no human being is "illegal," and as a Sanctuary Church, we fully welcome and support people of all immigration statuses.
- We believe LGBTQ+ lives are sacred, beautiful, and ought to be fully included and affirmed in all aspects of congregational life and leadership.
- We celebrate that our worshipping life is multi-lingual and multi-dimensional, especially shaped by Latin American, particularly Salvadoran, traditions, and the Historic Black Church tradition.
- We value interfaith inclusion and welcome people of any and all faith traditions to find a home here.
- We value people for who they are and not for their role in an economy where wealth accumulates and people struggle to live.
- We acknowledge that we gather on the traditional land of the Piscataway, Anacostan, and Nacotchtank Peoples past and present, and honor with gratitude the land itself and the people who have stewarded it throughout the generations. We believe that the earth is sacred and that we must continue to learn how to be better caretakers of the land we inhabit.
- We value diverse theological voices which have long stood on the margins within the Christian tradition in America.

OUR HOLY IMAGINATION | A Vision Statement

We believe that Jesus identifies particularly with oppressed and marginalized people and invites us into radically inclusive community. As a historically white church with the sacred gift of now being a multiracial Christian community, we hear the clarion call to engage in the active and disruptive work of anti-racism and decolonization, both within ourselves and in the world. Ultimately, we commit to this labor as a *joyful* act of discipleship that leads us ever deeper into the Gospel of liberation and life.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Brian Cook, friend of the Kosmidis family; Shalom scholar, Karla Giron, and members of the Baptist Association of El Salvador; Liubov Russell; Javier Dario Galindo, Nathalie Galindo-Lee's brother; Paul Lansing; Joe and Shirley Taylor, Jessica Taylor's parents; Marlene Shambaugh, Courtney Miller's aunt; Loved ones of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and all who are unjustly taken from this life by the sin of white supremacy; Each and every one of us, particularly the most vulnerable among us as we face the effects of COVID-19 together; Gilles Bikindou, of Greenwood Forest Baptist Church in Cary, NC; Sue Bollinger, Michelle Harris-Love's mother; Maria Isabel Bueso; Luis Campos; Daniel Alcazar-Roman's uncle; Dorothy Dale, Amy Dale's aunt; Argentina Jiguan; Rena Jirack; Lucy Johnson, Jackie Wright's grandmother; The Langford Family; Rich Madigan; Carmen Myers, Theresa Beaton's cousin; Alison Peebles; Roxana Rodezno, Lorena Pereira's sister-in-law; Brian Scott, Yolanda Appiah-Kubi's brother and Salima Appiah-Duffell's uncle; Jackie Sellers, Janice Glover's sister; Farooq Shabazz, Sakeenah Shabazz's brother; Ruby Shepherd; Dr. Lilia Stoycheva, friend of Liubov Russell; Olive Tiller; Desmond Tio, friend of Karla Fahey; Harold Walker, Jackie Wright's stepfather; Earl and Jenna Wright, Isaac Wright's parents; In light of the effect of the policy decisions that continue to be made by the current administration to challenge the dignity and worth of immigrant lives, we lift up prayer of lament-and-hope on behalf of Holy Families who seek justice, reunification, and basic human rights; We also lift up prayers of anger-and-hope that the hearts of elected and appointed officials would turn from stone to flesh for the sake of their souls and the soul of this nation; Peace in El Salvador, refugees, asylum seekers, and immigration reform; Victims of gun violence, racial reconciliation and justice everywhere; people targeted with hate crimes; Peace in our world, especially those impacted by war, violence, and government turmoil; Our collective response to resisting white supremacy. Victims of terror everywhere; Our Nicaraguan, Honduran, Haitian and Salvadoran brothers and sisters impacted by the decimation of Temporary Protected Status.



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