

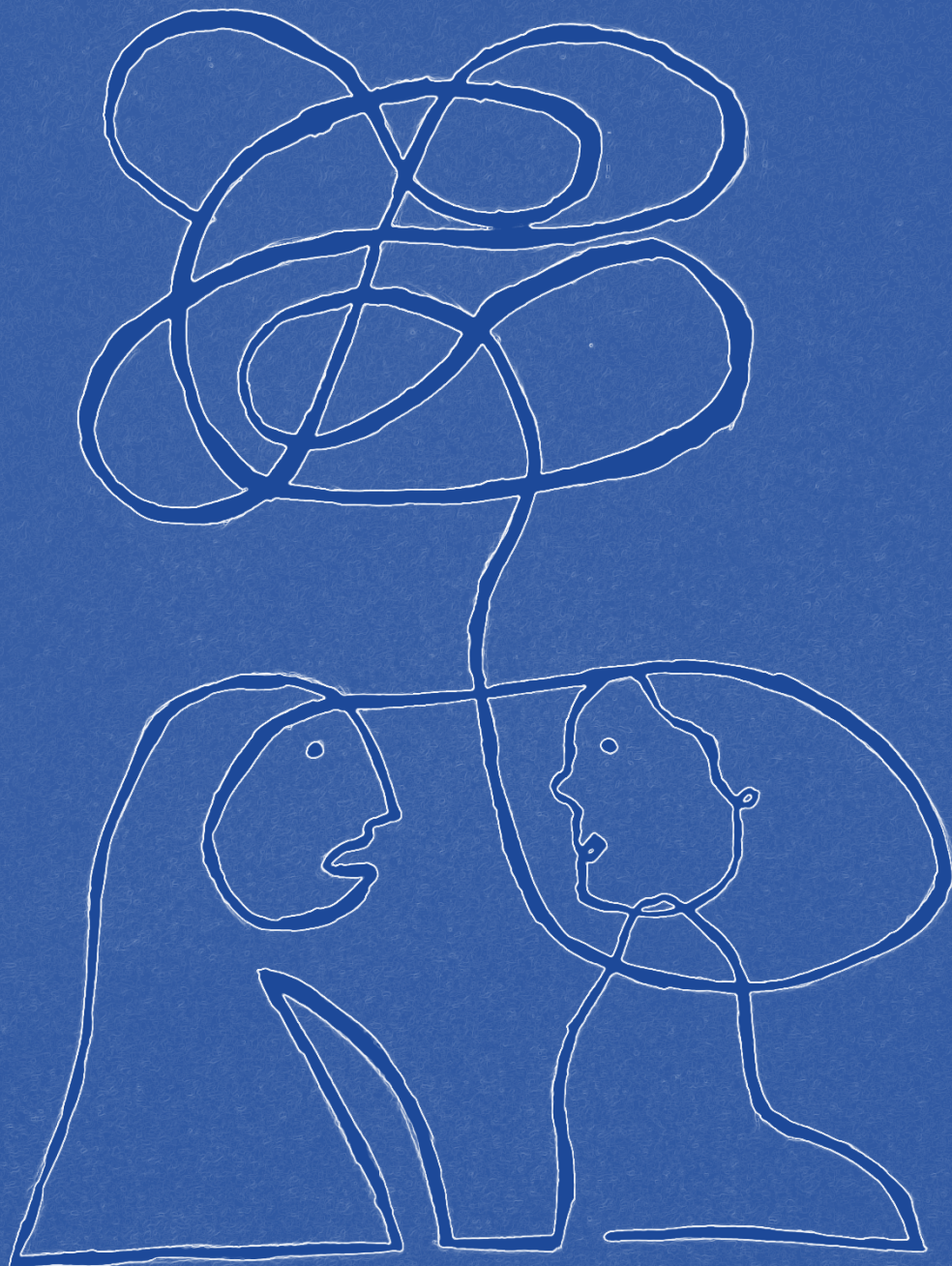
IN-PERSON WORSHIP

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Sacred Conversations: A Lenten Series



Alabando | Worshipping

Música | Prelude

This Little Light of Mine

Jeremiah Siochi, banjo

Chris Urquiaga, piano

La Bienvenida | Welcome

Pastor Maria

*Cántico de Alabanza | Song of Praise

Jesus Loves Me | Cristo Me Ama

Jesus loves me this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Little ones to God belong
They are weak but God is strong
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me,
The Bible tells me so.

Cristo me ama, bien lo sé;
Su Palabra me hace ver
Que los niños son de aquel
Quien es nuestro amigo fiel.
Sí Cristo me ama;
sí Cristo me ama;
Sí Cristo me ama;
La Biblia dice así.

*Palabras de Alabanza | Call to Worship

Victor Udoewa, Deacon

Friends of God, believe this – God loved the world,

God loves the world; we are the beloved!

May the truth of this great love story shine through our worship today.

So come... **With your tiredness, your frustrations and your discouragements;**

Come... **With your doubts, your fears, and your longings;**

Come... **To discover yet again how Jesus reveals God's love and mercy.**

Come... **In friendship to God and to each other,**

Come... **In friendship to the world,**

To listen for God's Word to us,

To offer our prayers,

And to renew our calling.

Friends of God, let us worship!

*La Paz de Cristo | Passing the Peace

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.

**Congregation stands. La congregación se pone de pie.*

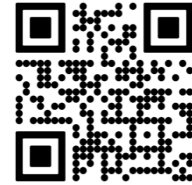
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Ofrendas | Offertory

What a Friend we Have in Jesus

Jeremiah Siochi, banjo
Chris Urquiaga, piano

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.



Escuchando | Listening

Oraciones del Pueblo | Prayers of the People

Victor Udoewa, Deacon

Música | Scripture Refrain

In the Garden

**And God walks with me and God talks with me,
And God tells me I am their own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.**

Lectura | Scripture

Juan | John 3:1-17
Jeremy Fretts, Liturgist

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person.” ³ Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?” ¹¹ “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses

lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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Había un hombre de los fariseos que se llamaba Nicodemo, un principal entre los judíos. ² Este vino a Jesús de noche, y le dijo: Rabí, sabemos que has venido de Dios como maestro; porque nadie puede hacer estas señales que tú haces, si no está Dios con él. ³ Respondió Jesús y le dijo: De cierto, de cierto te digo, que el que no naciere de nuevo, no puede ver el reino de Dios. ⁴ Nicodemo le dijo: ¿Cómo puede un hombre nacer siendo viejo? ¿Puede acaso entrar por segunda vez en el vientre de su madre, y nacer? ⁵ Respondió Jesús: De cierto, de cierto te digo, que el que no naciere de agua y del Espíritu, no puede entrar en el reino de Dios. ⁶ Lo que es nacido de la carne, carne es; y lo que es nacido del Espíritu, espíritu es. ⁷ No te maravilles de que te dije: Os es necesario nacer de nuevo. ⁸ El viento sopla de donde quiere, y oyes su sonido; mas ni sabes de dónde viene, ni a dónde va; así es todo aquel que es nacido del Espíritu. ⁹ Respondió Nicodemo y le dijo: ¿Cómo puede hacerse esto? ¹⁰ Respondió Jesús y le dijo: ¿Eres tú maestro de Israel, y no sabes esto? ¹¹ De cierto, de cierto te digo, que lo que sabemos hablamos, y lo que hemos visto, testificamos; y no recibís nuestro testimonio. ¹² Si os he dicho cosas terrenales, y no creéis, ¿cómo creeréis si os dijere las celestiales? ¹³ Nadie subió al cielo, sino el que descendió del cielo; el Hijo del Hombre, que está en el cielo. ¹⁴ Y como Moisés levantó la serpiente en el desierto, así es necesario que el Hijo del Hombre sea levantado, ¹⁵ para que todo aquel que en él cree, no se pierda, mas tenga vida eterna. ¹⁶ Porque de tal manera amó Dios al mundo, que ha dado a su Hijo unigénito, para que todo aquel que en él cree, no se pierda, mas tenga vida eterna. ¹⁷ Porque no envió Dios a su Hijo al mundo para condenar al mundo, sino para que el mundo sea salvo por él.

Música Especial | Special Music

Somos el Barco
Jeremiah Siochi, banjo
Chris Urquiaga, piano

Sermón | Sermon

Pastor Maria

Himno Final | Departing Hymn

Be Thou My Vision, #595

Bendición | Benediction

Pastor Sally

Música | Postlude

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus
Jeremiah Siochi, banjo
Chris Urquiaga, piano

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Our next VIRTUAL Sunday is April 16. *(While this is not a federal holiday, it's an opportunity to provide the staff and congregation rest the Sunday following Easter.)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Coffee Hour Convos— The spiritual texts guiding us through the Lenten season are a series of conversations Jesus had with specific individuals. As we delve deeper into these personal encounters, we have imagined opening similar spaces among us to encounter one another in a deeper way. At Calvary, we are honored to be a home for your spiritual community. Our hope is that we can strengthen this community this Lent so we can know, honor, and uphold one another.

With that, we are introducing Coffee Hour Convos for three weeks in March. During Coffee Hour, we will give you all an opportunity to pair up with a fellow Calvary goer and engage in conversation that will draw us deeper into connection. We will provide you with prompts to get the ball rolling, and space for you to gather.

We will be holding these Coffee Hour Convos on March 5, 12, and 19th. We will begin at about 11:45 a.m., giving everyone a chance to grab a coffee and touch base with others. Childcare will be provided until 12:30 each Sunday. The hope is that after these 3 weeks, you will have had the chance to connect with 3 other members of our community. Of course, this is a completely optional activity, but our invitation to each of you is to see the light of the Divine in one another as you courageously let others see you.

Theology on Draft—We will meet in-person March 8 at 7:00pm at church. The next meeting will be virtual on the 22nd. We will continue to explore the theme of Black Joy. Let Rev. Mahogany (mthomas@calvarydc.org) know you plan to join!

Upcoming Holy Week Schedule— Join us for all in-person services below!

April 2 at 10:30 a.m.— Palm Sunday

April 6 at 6:30 p.m.— Maundy Thursday Footwashing Service

April 9 at 10:30 a.m.— Easter Sunday (lunch to follow)

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.

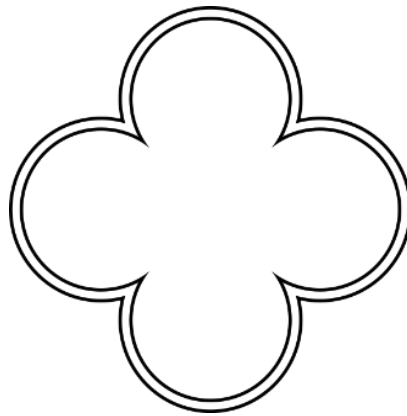
OUR HOLY IMAGINATION | A Vision Statement

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

New this week: Family and friends of Harry Ng; Family and friends of Martha Ferris

Carrie Dale, mother of Amy Dale; For peace to prevail in Ukraine, Palestine, Afghanistan, and Yemen; Bradley Sims, friend of Carter Vaughn; Brian Cook, friend of the Kosmidis family; Shalom scholar, Karla Giron, and members of the Baptist Association of El Salvador; Javier Dario Galindo, Nathalie Galindo-Lee's brother; Paul Lansing; Joe Taylor, Jessica Taylor's father; Marlene Shambaugh, Courtney Miller's aunt; Each and every one of us, particularly the most vulnerable among us as we face the effects of COVID-19 together; Luis Campos; Daniel Alcazar-Roman's uncle; Rena Jirack; Brian Scott, Yolanda Appiah-Kubi's brother and Salima Appiah-Duffell's uncle; Ruby Shepherd; Olive Tiller; Desmond Tio, friend of Karla Fahey; Harold Walker, Jackie Wright's stepfather; 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.



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