

# VIRTUAL SUNDAY

8 de octubre / October 8, 2023 | 10:30 a.m.

# CALVARY+

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# Alabando | Worshipping

La Bienvenida | Welcome

*Pastor Maria*

\*Cántico de Alabanza | Praise Song

**Si Tuvieras Fe**  
*sung by Tim Shaw*

Si tuvieras fe como un grano de mostaza, eso lo dijo el Señor  
Si tuvieras fe como un grano de mostaza, eso lo dijo el Señor  
Tú le dirías a esa montaña: Muévete, muévete  
Tú le dirías a esa montaña: Muévete, muévete  
Esa montaña se moverá, se moverá, se moverá  
Esa montaña se moverá, se moverá, se moverá

\*Palabras de Alabanza | Call to Worship

*Bren Elliott, Deacon*  
*Amanda Hunt, Liturgist*

When I think of God's presence in the world, I am grateful:  
**Grateful for the presence of hope; grateful for the gift of life.**

When I think of God's presence in my life, I am humbled:  
**Humbled by the gift of grace; humbled by the invitation to begin again.**

When I think of God's presence in this community, I am glad:  
**Glad to be surrounded by holy people worshipping our Holy God.**

Thank you all!  
**Thank you, God!**

*-Beth Merrill Neel*

\*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.**

Tiempo con los Niños | Time with Children

*Pastor Maria*

## Ofrendas | Offertory

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

*Bren Elliott, Deacon*

### Lectura y Reflecciones | Scripture and Stewardship Reflections

Números | Numbers 9:15-23

*Amanda Hunt, Liturgist*

<sup>15</sup> On the day the tabernacle was set up, the cloud covered the tabernacle, the tent of the covenant, and from evening until morning it was over the tabernacle, having the appearance of fire. <sup>16</sup> It was always so: the cloud covered it by day and the appearance of fire by night. <sup>17</sup> Whenever the cloud lifted from over the tent, then the Israelites would set out, and in the place where the cloud settled down, there the Israelites would camp. <sup>18</sup> At the command of the Lord the Israelites would set out, and at the command of the Lord they would camp. As long as the cloud rested over the tabernacle, they would remain in camp. <sup>19</sup> Even when the cloud continued over the tabernacle many days, the Israelites would keep the charge of the Lord and would not set out. <sup>20</sup> Sometimes the cloud would remain a few days over the tabernacle, and according to the command of the Lord they would remain in camp; then according to the command of the Lord they would set out. <sup>21</sup> Sometimes the cloud would remain from evening until morning, and when the cloud lifted in the morning, they would set out, or if it continued for a day and a night, when the cloud lifted they would set out. <sup>22</sup> Whether it was two days or a month or a longer time that the cloud continued over the tabernacle, resting upon it, the Israelites would remain in camp and would not set out, but when it lifted they would set out. <sup>23</sup> At the command of the Lord they would camp, and at the command of the Lord they would set out. They kept the charge of the Lord, at the command of the Lord by Moses.

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<sup>15</sup> El día que el tabernáculo fue erigido, la nube cubrió el tabernáculo sobre la tienda del testimonio; y a la tarde había sobre el tabernáculo como una apariencia de fuego, hasta la mañana. <sup>16</sup> Así era continuamente: la nube lo cubría de día, y de noche la apariencia de fuego. <sup>17</sup> Cuando se alzaba la nube del tabernáculo, los hijos de Israel partían; y en el lugar donde la nube paraba, allí acampaban los hijos de Israel. <sup>18</sup> Al mandato de Jehová los hijos de Israel partían, y al mandato de Jehová acampaban; todos los días que la nube estaba sobre el tabernáculo, permanecían acampados. <sup>19</sup> Cuando la nube se detenía sobre el tabernáculo muchos días, entonces los hijos de Israel guardaban la ordenanza de Jehová, y no partían. <sup>20</sup> Y

cuando la nube estaba sobre el tabernáculo pocos días, al mandato de Jehová acampaban, y al mandato de Jehová partían. <sup>21</sup>Y cuando la nube se detenía desde la tarde hasta la mañana, o cuando a la mañana la nube se levantaba, ellos partían; o si había estado un día, y a la noche la nube se levantaba, entonces partían. <sup>22</sup>O si dos días, o un mes, o un año, mientras la nube se detenía sobre el tabernáculo permaneciendo sobre él, los hijos de Israel seguían acampados, y no se movían; mas cuando ella se alzaba, ellos partían. <sup>23</sup>Al mandato de Jehová acampaban, y al mandato de Jehová partían, guardando la ordenanza de Jehová como Jehová lo había dicho por medio de Moisés.

## **Meditación Musical | Musical Meditation**

**Sanctuary | Santuario**  
*sung by Rhea Naomi Williams*

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
Just and holy, tried and true,  
With thanksgiving,  
I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

**Haz de mi, Dios, un santuario,  
Justo, santo, y verdadero,  
Con mis gracias, te doy mi vida,  
Y por siempre te alabaré.**

## **Sermón | Sermon**

*Rev. Morgan Caruthers Fletcher*

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher (she/her) currently serves as Pastor at Calvary Baptist Church of Denver and has been with this community since June 2014. She lives in Littleton, CO with her husband Ian, two children Julian and Mavis, and pup Otis. Morgan's journey to ordained ministry has meaningful roots with Calvary DC as she served as their Social Work Pastoral Intern in 2011 and ordained there July 8, 2012. In addition to parish ministry, Morgan teaches at the Diana Garland School of Social Work in their MSW online program. An anchor in her life is the belief that the world is changed through stories and finds it to be a vital practice of communal change and peacemaking.

## **\*Himno | Departing Hymn**

**Great is Thy Faithfulness**  
*sung by Desmond Thompson*

**Great is Thy faithfulness, God our Creator,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Great is Thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

## **\*Bendición | Benediction**

*Pastor Sally*

## OUR LABOR TOGETHER | A Mission Statement

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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

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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

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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.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Calvary+ October Stewardship Series**— Using the imagery of the tabernacle, a symbol of God’s presence that moves and flexes with us, we’ll spend stewardship month reflecting on how the Spirit moves among us in different ways and in all sorts of sacred spaces. This month, we’ll be **Calvary+**, a people on the move, shifting and flexing alongside God.

October 1- IN-PERSON Retreat Day at Camp Fraser

October 8- VIRTUAL Worship w/Rev. Morgan Caruthers Fletcher

October 15- IN-PERSON Worship

October 22- IN-PERSON Shalom Sunday w/luncheon to follow

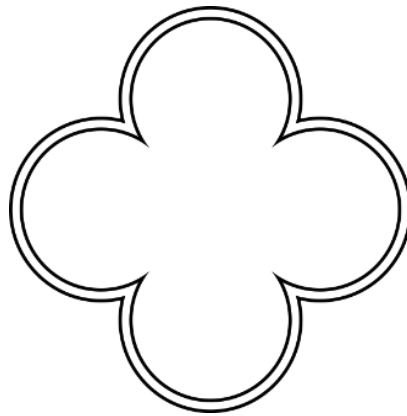
October 29- IN-PERSON Pledge Sunday and Quarterly Business Meeting

**In-Person Theology on Draft, Wednesday, October 11 @ 7 p.m.**— Join us as we kick-off the fall season with ToD at Pastor Sally and Pastor Maria’s house. Email Rev. Mahogany ([mthomas@calvarydc.org](mailto:mthomas@calvarydc.org)) to be added to the distribution list, so you can stay updated!

# REMEMBER IN PRAYER

New this week: Friends and family of Cora Jean Combs Goodman, mother of Rick Goodman

Ashlee Fahey, Karla Fahey's niece; Alice Bartlett; Family and friends of Hugh R. White, brother of Gretchen White; Family and friends of Ruth Flokstra, Bianca Flokstra's grandmother; Family and friends of Mariame Touré Sylla, teacher at Dora Kennedy French Immersion school in Greenbelt, MD; Eleonora Settels; Mariame Touré Sylla, teacher at Dora Kennedy French Immersion school in Greenbelt, MD; Samuel Escamilla Evangelista, Doris Evangelista's nephew; Carrie Dale, mother of Amy Dale; 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; Luis Campos, Daniel Alcazar-Roman's uncle; Rena Jirack; Brian Scott, Yolanda Appiah-Kubi's brother and Salima Appiah-Duffell's uncle; Ruby Shepherd; Harold Walker, Jackie Wright's stepfather; For peace to prevail in Ukraine, Palestine, Afghanistan, and Yemen; 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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