

PLEDGE SUNDAY

29 de octubre / October 29, 2023 | 10:30 a.m.

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Alabando | Worshipping

Música | Prelude

Andante Religioso
Felix Mendelssohn (1809 - 1847)
Laura Henderson, organ

La Bienvenida | Welcome

Pastor Sally

*Cántico de Alabanza | Opening Hymn

Gather Us In, #284

Please sing all 4 stanzas.

*Palabras de Alabanza | Call to Worship

John Appiah-Duffell, Deacon

We gather for worship today to celebrate our gifts.

We are celebrating the gifts we give to this church, the pledges we are making for the upcoming year.

We gather for worship today to celebrate our community.

We are celebrating the love and support that we give to one another; the constant quest that we are on to be united by God's grace.

We gather for worship today to celebrate our future.

We are celebrating a future full of outreach, a future full of service, a future full of worship and a future full of growth. We are celebrating a future with hope.

We gather for worship today to celebrate our visions.

We are celebrating the visions of those who have come before us, the visions that brought us to where we are today and the visions that we see today for the future.

Let us gather in celebration!

Let us worship God!

-Sarah E. Weaver, 2011

*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.

Comunión | Communion

Pastor Maria

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

Para traducción del servicio en español, por favor hablar con un ujier.

Ofrendas | Offertory

Now Thank We All Our God
Georg Friedrich Kauffmann (1679-1735)
Laura Henderson, organ

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

John Appiah-Duffell, Deacon

Meditación Musical | Scripture Refrain

Sanctuary | Santuario

**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.**

Lectura y Reflecciones | Scripture and Stewardship Reflections

Juan | John 6:4-13
Celia Thomas, Liturgist

⁴ Now the Passover, the festival [of the Judeans], was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹ "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets.

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⁴ Y estaba cerca la pascua, la fiesta de los judíos. ⁵ Cuando alzó Jesús los ojos, y vio que había venido a él gran multitud, dijo a Felipe: ¿De dónde compraremos pan para que coman estos? ⁶ Pero esto decía para probarle; porque él sabía lo que había de hacer. ⁷ Felipe le respondió: Doscientos denarios de pan no bastarían para que cada uno de ellos tomase un poco. ⁸ Uno de sus discípulos, Andrés, hermano de Simón Pedro, le dijo: ⁹ Aquí está un muchacho, que tiene cinco panes de cebada y dos pececillos; mas ¿qué es esto para tantos? ¹⁰ Entonces Jesús dijo: Haced recostar la gente. Y había mucha hierba en aquel lugar; y se recostaron como en número de cinco mil varones. ¹¹ Y tomó Jesús aquellos panes, y

habiendo dado gracias, los repartió entre los discípulos, y los discípulos entre los que estaban recostados; asimismo de los peces, cuanto querían. ¹²Y cuando se hubieron saciado, dijo a sus discípulos: Recoged los pedazos que sobraron, para que no se pierda nada. ¹³Recogieron, pues, y llenaron doce cestas de pedazos, que de los cinco panes de cebada sobraron a los que habían comido.

Música Especial | Special Music

Let us Break Bread Together

Desmond Thompson, soloist

Laura Henderson, organ

Sermón | Sermon

Rev. Mahogany Thomas

***Himno | Departing Hymn**

All Are Welcome

**Let us build a house where love can dwell
And all can safely live
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive
Built of hopes and dreams and visions
Rock of faith and vault of grace
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions
All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place!**

**Let us build a house where love is found
In water, wine and wheat
A banquet hall on holy ground
Where peace and justice meet
Here the love of God, through Jesus
Is revealed in time and space
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us
All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place!**

**Let us build a house where hands will reach
Beyond the wood and stone.
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
And live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
Bear the image of God's face.
Let us bring an end to fear and danger;
All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place!**

***Bendición | Blessing our Pledges and Benediction**

Pastor Sally

Música | Postlude

Sicilian Mariners

Russell Schulz-Widmar

Laura Henderson, organ

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UPCOMING VIRTUAL SUNDAYS— Sunday, November 29 (Thanksgiving weekend)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY- Pledge Sunday and Quarterly Business Meeting— Join us
today immediately following worship for our Quarterly Business Meeting.
Fill out your pledge form at adjacent QR code.



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

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 kingdom, 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.

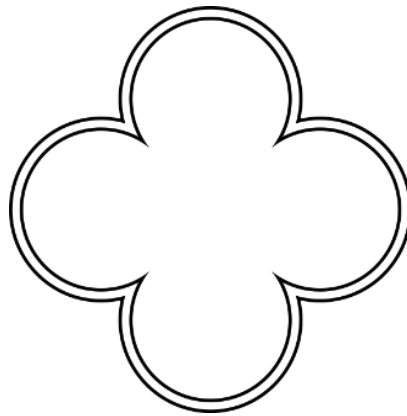
OUR HOLY IMAGINATION | A Vision Statement

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: Friends and family of Angela Ortiz Vda. De Evangelista, mother of Doris Evangelista.

Friends and family of Cora Jean Combs Goodman, mother of Rick Goodman; Ashlee Fahey, Karla Fahey's niece; Alice Bartlett; Eleonora Settels; 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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