

# VIRTUAL SUNDAY

1 de septiembre / September 1, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.

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**\*Himno | Opening Hymn**

**All Praise to You, Creator God, #43**

**All praise to you, Creator God,  
For all your blessings giv'n with love;  
For friends and food, for life renewed,  
We give you thanks, O God.**

**\*Palabras de Alabanza | Call to Worship**

*Pastor Sally + Pastor Maria*

God's Table is a joyful place.  
*(Wave your hands in the air.)*  
**Our presence together is an act of celebration!**

God's Table is a quiet place.  
*(Offer a moment of silence.)*  
**Our presence together is more than enough.**

God's Table is an honest place.  
*(Hold your hands out as a gesture of openness.)*  
**Our presence together offers space for truth-telling.**

God's Table is a sacred place.  
*(Place your hands on your heart.)*  
**Our presence together offers healing and hope.**

**\*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.**

**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.



“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup> And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? <sup>28</sup> And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup> yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?

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Por tanto os digo: No os afanáis por vuestra vida, qué habéis de comer o qué habéis de beber; ni por vuestro cuerpo, qué habéis de vestir. ¿No es la vida más que el alimento, y el cuerpo más que el vestido? <sup>26</sup> Mirad las aves del cielo, que no siembran, ni siegan, ni recogen en graneros; y vuestro Padre celestial las alimenta. ¿No valéis vosotros mucho más que ellas? <sup>27</sup> ¿Y quién de vosotros podrá, por mucho que se afane, añadir a su estatura un codo? <sup>28</sup> Y por el vestido, ¿por qué os afanáis? Considerad los lirios del campo, cómo crecen: no trabajan ni hilan; <sup>29</sup> pero os digo, que ni aun Salomón con toda su gloria se vistió así como uno de ellos. <sup>30</sup> Y si la hierba del campo que hoy es, y mañana se echa en el horno, Dios la viste así, ¿no hará mucho más a vosotros, hombres de poca fe?

**Reflecciones | Guided Reflection***Pastor Maria*

*Breathe in...and out...*

What joy do you bring to God's Table today?

*Breathe in...and out...*

What quiet does your soul long for at God's Table today?

*Breathe in...and out...*

What truth might you share at God's Table today?

*Breathe in...and out...*

What sacred word would you offer at God's Table today?

*Breathe in...and out...*

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**Next Virtual Sunday is Sunday, September 1—**Labor Day Weekend

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VIRTUAL Sundays and In-Person Regional Potluck Picnics**— This summer, we'll gather for virtual worship three times (twice for federal holidays and once as a churchwide summer break of sorts.) As we've been exploring ways for those of us in different parts of the DC Metro area to get to know our neighbors, we're thrilled to invite you to three summer in-person potluck picnics! Each of these virtual Sundays, we'll meet on Zoom at 10:30 a.m. for a brief time of meditation, prayer, and connection. Then at noon, you can plan to catch the picnic nearest you at least once this summer, or by all means, join all three!

- Sunday, September 1 in DC— Join us for an end-of-summer celebration at Rock Creek Park, Picnic Grove 24. (Near 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Tennis Center.)

Fill out the RSVP form at adjacent QR code for more details and info! You can also email Shiwei Cheng ([scheng@calvarydc.org](mailto:scheng@calvarydc.org)) directly to stay up to date.



**Congregational Retreat: Sunday, September 29**— Mark your calendars for our annual day of retreat at Camp Fraser!

**Bilingual Engagement Survey**— We are planning to pilot some organized activities to bridge language barriers between our Spanish and English speaking members. If you are interested in participating, please fill out form at adjacent QR code.



## Special Gatherings Up Ahead

**Sunday, September 1**— VIRTUAL Sunday and Summer Potluck Picnic

**Sunday, September 8**— Special Service of Blessing for our Children

**Sunday, September 15**— Shalom Scholars Fundraiser Luncheon

**Sunday, September 29**— Congregational Retreat Day at Camp Fraser

## 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

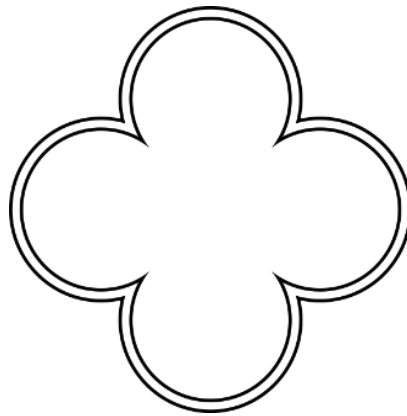
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We believe that Jesus identifies particularly with oppressed and marginalized people and invites us into radically inclusive community. As a historically white church with the sacred gift of now being a multiracial Christian community, we hear the 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.

# REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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George Brummett-Wudel, Will Brummett and Grace Boone's niece; Diego Torres-Siclait, Manuel Torres Anjel's grandson; Ed Renfrow, Phil Renfrow's brother; Alice Bartlett; Eleonora Settels; Carrie Dale, mother of Amy Dale; Bradley Sims, friend of Carter Vaughn; Marlene Shambaugh, Courtney Miller's aunt; Luis Campos, Daniel Alcazar-Roman's uncle; 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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