

IN-PERSON SUNDAY

27 de octubre / October 27, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.

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Mes de Mayordomía | Stewardship Month

Música | Prelude

At Calvary
Chris Urquiaga, piano

La Bienvenida | Welcome

Pastor Maria

*Himno | Opening Hymn

This is the Day, #286

This is the day, this is the day,
That the Lord has made,
That the Lord has made,
We will rejoice, we will rejoice,
And be glad in it, and be glad in it,
This is the day that the Lord has made,
We will rejoice and be glad in it,
This is the day, this the day,
That the Lord has made!

Este es el día, este es el día
Que Jesús nos dio,
Que Jesús nos dio,
Sed feliz, sed feliz,
Y celebrad hoy, y celebrad hoy,
Este es el día que Jesús nos dio,
Sed feliz y celebrad hoy,
Este es el día, este es el día,
Que Jesús nos dio.

*Palabras de Alabanza | Call to Worship

John Appiah-Duffell, Deacon

We gather as God's beloved children –
However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.
We come together as a people whom Jesus calls into community –
So this becomes a place where all are welcome.
We have come to give thanks, to pray and sing, to be with each other –
Let us worship God.

*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

Gather Us In, #284

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.



*Congregation stands. *La congregación se pone de pie.*
Para traducción del servicio en español, por favor hablar con un ujier.

Canción | Scripture Refrain

Draw the Circle Wide

**Draw the circle, draw the circle wide,
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide,
No one stands alone,
We'll stand side by side,
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.**

**Como círculo es la comunidad,
Como círculo es la comunidad,
Nadie solo,
Siempre en unidad,
Como círculo es la comunidad.**

Reflecciones | Stewardship Month Reflection

Lorena Pereira

Canción | Scripture Refrain

Draw the Circle Wide

Please sing refrain in English and Spanish.

Lectura | Scripture

Mateo | Matthew 7:24-27

Jeremy Fretts

²⁴ “Everyone, then, who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵ The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall because it had been founded on rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!”

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²⁴ Cualquiera, pues, que me oye estas palabras, y las hace, le compararé a un hombre prudente, que edificó su casa sobre la roca. ²⁵ Descendió lluvia, y vinieron ríos, y soplaron vientos, y golpearon contra aquella casa; y no cayó, porque estaba fundada sobre la roca. ²⁶ Pero cualquiera que me oye estas palabras y no las hace, le compararé a un hombre insensato, que edificó su casa sobre la arena; ²⁷ y descendió lluvia, y vinieron ríos, y soplaron vientos, y dieron con ímpetu contra aquella casa; y cayó, y fue grande su ruina.

Música Especial | Special Music

We're Gonna Have Church

words and music by Pepper Choplin
Desmond Thompson + Chris Urquiaga

Sermón | Sermon

Pastor Sally

***Himno | Departing Hymn**

God is Here! #280

Please sing all four stanzas.

***Bendición | Benediction**

Pastor Sally

Música | Postlude

How Firm a Foundation, #618

Chris Urquiaga, piano

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with your cares and concerns.

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Next Virtual Sunday is December 1 —Thanksgiving Day Weekend

*Call to worship written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, ‘Hold Fast to What Is Good.’
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHOOSING CHURCH: Stewardship Month at Calvary— During the month of October, we invite you to reflect on your involvement at Calvary and consider how you might give and serve in the coming year. As we prepare our hearts and minds for an upcoming presidential election in the United States, terms like “Project 2025,” “the evangelical right,” and “Christian nationalism” are front and center. As a progressive congregation deeply rooted in the work of social justice around the world and in our communities, it can definitely feel challenging to articulate why we still choose church. What better time than during our Stewardship Month to try?

Why do you attend a place like Calvary? When it can feel like the heart and soul of our faith has been co-opted and contorted to the point of being nearly unrecognizable, why do you still *choose church*? Each week during the month of October, we’ll hear from one of our congregants, along with your pastors, about why they continue to *choose church* and what it means for us to keep supporting a space and a social imagination like the one Calvary offers.

TODAY: Quarterly Business Meeting— Please join us immediately following worship for a special QBM in which will vote on the nominations slate and budget.

Theology on Draft Fall Dates— Join us for Theology on Draft this fall at 7 pm! Please RSVP Rev. Mahogany Thomas (mthomas@calvarydc.org) for more details and mark your calendars with the following Wednesday dates—Nov. 13; Dec. 11.

Giving to Hurricane Relief Efforts— Calvary's Church Board approved sending just over \$500 from the Hunger Fund and Slater-Jacobs Interest account at their September meeting to World Central Kitchen (WCK) <https://wck.org/> to help feed people still struggling after Hurricane Helene. If you would like to donate through Calvary to help feed people please give to the Hunger Fund. Donations received through November 15 will be sent to WCK. Be sure to pick the Hunger Fund from the drop down menu if you give online. You can give at calvarydc.org/give.

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.

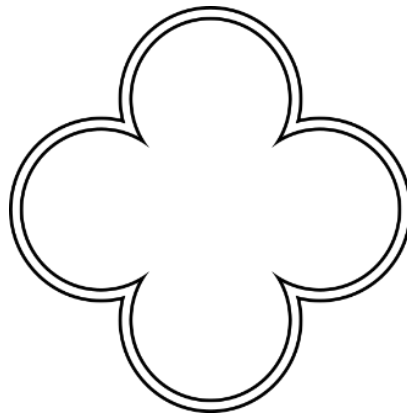
- We believe Black Lives Matter. Further still, Black Lives are precious and beloved by God. We are a church shaped by this profound theological statement. Until this is fully understood and expressed in the policies and practices of this nation's political and social life, it is essential for people 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

All those affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton; 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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