

THE PEOPLE OF CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH GATHER

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

APRIL 12, 2015

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

11:00 A.M.

We are an ecumenical, multi-racial, multi-ethnic Christian body
that reaches out to the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ.
To that end we strive to be welcoming, responsive, trusting and prayerful in everything we do.



Thomas said, "Unless I see for myself and touch his wounds, I will not believe he has been raised." —John 20:25

By tradition, the Sunday after Easter is known as *Low Sunday*—because, compared to last Sunday, our attendance has taken a plunge, and without all the music and the *Alleluias* we are, well, a bit low.

On this Sunday, the Lectionary always assigns John 20 where Jesus comes to fearful disciples hiding behind closed doors. He then shows them his still-wounded hands, feet, and side—all in all, the perfect text for *Low Sunday*.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

During the Prelude, prepare for worship by centering your heart with this prayer from New Zealand Prayer Book.

Prelude in C Major, BWV 553
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
John Dautzenberg, Organ

Living God, for whom no door is closed and no heart is locked, draw us beyond our fear and doubt, until we see your Christ and touch his wounds, and believe. Amen.

LIGHTING THE ALTAR CANDLES

Osaremen Paul, Acolyte

WELCOME

Reverend Glaze

☉ LITANY OF ADORATION AND PRAISE

Psalm 133
Cheryl Branham, Cantor

Refrain. ¡Miren qué bueno, qué bueno es! O Look and wonder, how good it is!

God, our Beloved, what joy it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity. For unity is a cherished gift, a treasure of the heart—as the peace in one seeks peace in the other.

Unity is like a precious fragrant oil pouring down upon our heads, flowing down over our bodies, sinking deep into our souls.

Its beauty glistens like the early morning dew from Mount Hermon falling softly down upon the hills of Zion. It nourishes and delights all it touches.

For, Beloved, in the unity of your people you bless us with a taste of life as you have meant it to be—life full and forever. Refrain.

1. A deep and wide con - tent - ment, a joy - ful peace is found
 2. As sac - red oil's sweet fra - grance soon per - me - ates the air,
 3. But u - ni - ty's a trea - sure, a thing not eas - 'ly traced,
 4. With this gift grace us, Ho - ly God, to live as one in peace,
 5. Be - lov'd of God, sing out your faith in word, and help - ful deed,

When peo - ple live as fam - i - ly, by love and grace are bound.
 And morn - ing's gliss - 'ning dew - fall gives life to mea - dows fair,
 A gift of God's great mer - cy, a mea - sure of God's grace.
 A - bid - ing in the love of One in whom di - vi - sions cease.
 Be - fore a world not simp - ly swayed by doc - trine or by creed.

To live for self is lone - ly, anx - ious and wor - ry bound;
 So peo - ple one in pur - pose, in love and har - mo - ny,
 It's giv - en not for boast - ing, for just our lit - tle clan,
 For in our un - ion with your Son, we find our un - i - ty;
 Make ours a song shaped by God's love, by wel - come and em - brace,

But in the com - mon wel - fare a bless - ed rest is found.
 Give lone - ly hearts now bro - ken, a sign of what can be.
 But for the whole world's bless - ing, for those of ev - 'ry land.
 Our joy com - plete, we praise your name, we serve hu - man - i - ty.
 That all may know we are Christ's friends, the bear - ers of his grace.

⊗ MORNING PRAYER

Abbey Ammerman

God of all nations and peoples, savior of the poor and outcast, redeemer of all shut out and pushed aside, we praise you for calling all persons into your family as your beloved children. May we so live with our brothers and sisters in such unity and peace, in such mercy and love, that all those who still wander far from home might be drawn—drawn to the goodness and grace, the welcome and joy that await them with you and with us. In the name of Jesus, our crucified and risen Lord, we pray. **Amen.**

⊗ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Abbey Ammerman

La paz del Señor sea contigo. **Y contigo también.**
 The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**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.**

A TIME WITH CHILDREN AND BLESSING

Allyson Robinson

People of God, what is your prayer for these children?
**Our prayer is that they grow up to be like Jesus—strong and brave, full of grace and truth!
And, that we will help them.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Improvisation on NOËL NOUVELET
John Dautzenberg, Organ

LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts/Hechos 4:32-35
Reverend Palacios

32Y la multitud de los que habían creído era de un corazón y un alma; y ninguno decía ser suyo propio nada de lo que poseía, sino que tenían todas las cosas en común. 33Y con gran poder los apóstoles daban testimonio de la resurrección del Señor Jesús, y abundante gracia era sobre todos ellos. 34Así que no había entre ellos ningún necesitado; porque todos los que poseían heredades o casas, las vendían, y traían el precio de lo vendido, 35 y lo ponían a los pies de los apóstoles; y se repartía a cada uno según su necesidad.

32 Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. 33With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. 34There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. 35They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

EPISTLE LESSON

1 John/Juan 1:1-2:2
Pastor Elijah

1We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— 2this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— 3we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. 5This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. 6If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; 7but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; 2and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1Lo que era desde el principio, lo que hemos oído, lo que hemos visto con nuestros ojos, lo que hemos contemplado, y palparon nuestras manos tocante al Verbo de vida 2(porque la vida fue manifestada, y la hemos visto, y testificamos, y os anunciamos la vida eterna, la cual estaba con el Padre, y se nos manifestó); 3lo que hemos visto y oído, eso os anunciamos, para que también vosotros tengáis comunión con nosotros; y nuestra comunión verdaderamente es con el Padre, y con su Hijo Jesucristo. 4Estas cosas os escribimos, para que vuestro gozo sea cumplido. 5 Este es el mensaje que hemos oído de él, y os anunciamos: Dios es luz, y no hay ningunas tinieblas en él. 6Si decimos que tenemos comunión con él, y andamos en tinieblas, mentimos, y no practicamos la verdad; 7pero si andamos en luz, como él está en luz, tenemos comunión unos con otros, y la sangre de Jesucristo su Hijo nos limpia de todo pecado. 8Si decimos que no tenemos pecado, nos engañamos a nosotros mismos, y la verdad no está en nosotros. 9Si confesamos nuestros pecados, él es fiel y justo para perdonar nuestros pecados, y limpiarnos de toda maldad. 10Si decimos que no hemos pecado, le hacemos a él mentiroso, y su palabra no está en nosotros.

1Hijitos míos, estas cosas os escribo para que no pequéis; y si alguno hubiere pecado, abogado tenemos para con el Padre, a Jesucristo el justo. 2Y él es la propiciación por nuestros pecados; y no solamente por los nuestros, sino también por los de todo el mundo.

☉ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

Melchior Vulpius (c. 1560 – 1616)

Cheryl Branham, Cantor

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessed are those who have not seen, yet have come to believe.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

– John 20, adapted

☉ GOSPEL LESSON

John/Juan 20: 19-31

Pastor Erica

19When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' 24But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' 26A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 27Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' 28Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' 30Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

19Cuando llegó la noche de aquel mismo día, el primero de la semana, estando las puertas cerradas en el lugar donde los discípulos estaban reunidos por miedo de los judíos, vino Jesús, y puesto en medio, les dijo: Paz a vosotros. 20Y cuando les hubo dicho esto, les mostró las manos y el costado. Y los discípulos se regocijaron viendo al Señor. 21Entonces Jesús les dijo otra vez: Paz a vosotros. Como me envió el Padre, así también yo os envío. 22Y habiendo dicho esto, sopló, y les dijo: Recibid el Espíritu Santo. 23A quienes remitiereis los pecados, les son

remitidos; y a quienes se los retuviereis, les son retenidos. 24Pero Tomás, uno de los doce, llamado Dídimos, no estaba con ellos cuando Jesús vino. 25Le dijeron, pues, los otros discípulos: Al Señor hemos visto. El les dijo: Si no viere en sus manos la señal de los clavos, y metiere mi dedo en el lugar de los clavos, y metiere mi mano en su costado, no creeré. 26Ocho días después, estaban otra vez sus discípulos dentro, y con ellos Tomás. Llegó Jesús, estando las puertas cerradas, y se puso en medio y les dijo: Paz a vosotros. 27Luego dijo a Tomás: Pon aquí tu dedo, y mira mis manos; y acerca tu mano, y métela en mi costado; y no seas incrédulo, sino creyente. 28Entonces Tomás respondió y le dijo: ¡Señor mío, y Dios mío! 29Jesús le dijo: Porque me has visto, Tomás, creíste; bienaventurados los que no vieron, y creyeron. 30Hizo además Jesús muchas otras señales en presencia de sus discípulos, las cuales no están escritas en este libro. 31Pero éstas se han escrito para que creáis que Jesús es el Cristo, el Hijo de Dios, y para que creyendo, tengáis vida en su nombre.

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

☉ GOSPEL HYMN 229

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright
PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Reverend Glaze

Through our fear-locked doors, come to us, Lord Jesus. Come, open your word and breathe over us your Spirit until we have been filled—filled up with your grace, your courage, your peace, your love, your joy, your life—filled up, filled up with you. **Amen.**

SERMON

Forever Slain!
The Reverend Dr. Joseph Edgar Glaze

GIVING AND SERVING

OFFERING OUR PRAYERS

Reverend Palacios

After the Pastoral Prayer, we invite everyone to pray the Lord's Prayer in your native language.

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad, como en el cielo, así también en la tierra. El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy. Y perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores. Y no nos metas en tentación, mas líbranos del mal; porque tuyo es el reino, y el poder, y la gloria, por todos los siglos. Amén.

INVITATION TO GIVE AND TO SERVE

Becky Vaughn

MUSICAL OFFERING

Improvisation on ELLACOMBE
John Dautzenberg, Organ

☉ HYMN 50

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

⊕ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Becky Vaughn

BECOMING DISCIPLES

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Reverend Glaze

During the singing, we invite you to come forward if you wish to make a public commitment to follow Jesus or to express interest in joining this community of faith.

⊕ HYMN 496

Unidos / Together
UNIDOS

⊕ AFFIRMING GOD’S CALL

We give thanks that you have been guided by God to this moment. As a community of faith we pledge to love each other and to work together to grow into the fullness of Christ.

⊕ BENEDICTION

Reverend Glaze

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on UNSER HERRSCHER
John Dautzenberg, Organ

Following worship join us in Woodward Hall, left as you exit the Sanctuary, for refreshments and a time of fellowship. Visitors, we look forward to meeting you!

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Lectionary passages for April 19, Third Sunday of Easter, are
Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmen Angdisen; Nardita (Edith) Angdisen; Teddi Angelov, Liubov Russell’s friend; Maria Bensussen, Ryan Harvey’s grandmother; Sara Bermúdez, Lorena Pereira’s mother; Cristina Chacón; Roberta Clyburn, Janice Glover’s sister; Lucy Daris, Claudia Moore’s friend ; Megan DeWitt, Cheryl Branham’s friend; Brenda Fahey; Radost Fortunova, Liubov Russell’s sister; Gail Ousley Gipson, Ben and Natalie Barrens Rogers’ friend; Grace Glaze, Pastor Joe’s mother; family of José Gonzalez in El Salvador; Jenny Goon; Janet Grove; Berniece and Bill Harward; Rena Jirack; Lucy Johnson, Jackie Wright’s grandmother; family of John Klimko, Carly Kinney’s grandfather, who passed away ; Lynne Mayfield, Jay Mayfield’s mother; Robin Myers and family; Al Nielsen; Kyin Oo; Armando Pacheco, Amy Dale’s friend; Amelia Powell, Andrea Powell’s mother; Rochelle Powell, Eva Powell’s grandmother; Paul Rice; Jack Smith, Jodi Smith’s father; Joe Stout, Holly Miller’s brother-in-law; Victoria Sulerzyski, Ellen Sulerzyski’s sister-in-law; Lisa Tette; Doris Vermilya; Earl and Jenna Wright, Isaac Wright’s parents.; Pray also for racial reconciliation and justice everywhere.

Howard Ammerman celebrates his 100th birthday on Tuesday, April 14! Happy birthday, Howard!

TODAY

DIRECTORY PHOTOS DURING COFFEE HOUR. Calvary is updating our directory to include a picture of you! Karla Fahey is available to take a snap shot of you during Coffee Hour over the next few Sundays. Photos will be made in family groups and individually. We'll also ask you to confirm your contact info. Contact Paul in the office or Karla for more details. Be sure to participate in this important project!

MUSIC PROGRAMS. Special thanks and standing ovations to everyone who participated in music during Holy Week! Our Palm Sunday worship, Passion concert, Maundy Thursday worship, Good Friday worship, and Easter morning worship were so rich and wonderful because of your tremendous work. Thank you for sharing your time and talents here at Calvary! Now music programs are on a short break—Music for Kids and Sanctuary Choir resume on April 26. Contact Cheryl Branham.

SHALOM SCHOLARSHIP SHOPPES are exciting fundraising events for the Shalom Scholarship held throughout the year. Every second Sunday of the month during Coffee Hour there will be a bake sale. If you would like to be involved, contact Holly Miller, hollydotmiller@gmail.com. Don't forget to like the Shalom Scholarship Facebook page, too!

CALVARY BOARD meets today, 12:30 p.m. in Butler Hall.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LATEST HAPPENINGS weekly e-mail newsletter is back! Sign up on the Calvary website by clicking "sign up for updates" at the bottom of the home page.

CALVARY'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS. Visit www.calvarydc.org/events/ for a current listing, or stop by the church office to pick up a complete listing of Sunday School classes and Small Group programs.

SUNDAY SCHOOL will continue a study of Brian McLaren's *We Make the Road By Walking* this spring. Come to Butler Hall **Sunday mornings**, 9:45-10:45 a.m., for prayer and conversation centered on the Calvary community and Bible texts related to the liturgical year. Contact Pastor Erica.

VISITOR WELCOME TABLE Volunteer during coffee hour! This opportunity requires little time, but makes a real difference in the life of our church. Give just 15-20 minutes after worship on the Sundays you volunteer. Contact Jay Mayfield, mayfieldjay@gmail.com, or Pastor Erica for more information.

FOOD DRIVE SUCCESS! Special thanks to everyone who contribute toward the 272 pounds of food donated to the Capital Area Food Bank during the March green food drive.

THEOLOGY ON DRAFT meets **Tuesday** evenings in Butler Hall to reflect on events of the week, in our lives, the church, and the world. Bring your own dinner at 6:30 p.m. and catch up with others before our discussion at 7:00 p.m. Drinks are provided. Contact Pastor Elijah.

WEDNESDAY LECTIONARY LUNCHES. Interested in deeper conversation with the Lectionary texts? Come to Lectionary Lunch each Wednesday in the Calvary Library, 12:15-12:45 p.m., for open conversation about the week's lectionary texts. Contact Pastor Elijah.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORDS meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the church office suite! This week we will discuss *kiddushin*, weddings, from Lauren Winner's book, *Mudhouse Sabbath*. Join us as we study Jewish community practices in connection with Christian community practices. Contact Pastor Erica.

NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICE HOURS. Thursday, **April 16**, join Pastor Erica in **Takoma Park** at Busboys & Poets (235 Carroll St NW), **1:30-3:30 p.m.** (come & go). Each Thursday, Pastor Erica is available in locations around the city for conversation, pastoral care, or whatever!

ALLIANCE OF BAPTISTS ANNUAL GATHERING IN ATLANTA, April 17-19, Northside Drive Baptist Church. Interested in riding in a van? (Depart Thursday, April 16 and return Sunday, April 19) Email Carol Blythe, blythe-goodman@comcast.net. This year's theme: *We've A Story to Hear from the Nations*. We'll hear from ministry partners about racial and social justice for all persons, about drones, homelessness, the death penalty, education, classism, hunger, poverty, abuse of all kinds. *We've a Story to Hear*—a story of God's love and light. You're invited to be a part of that story!

FRIDAY MORNING MUSIC CLUB. Join us in the Chapel, **Friday, April 17 at 12 noon**, when Calvary's Resident Partners in FMMC continue their tradition of free recitals each week through May 15.

ZUMBA meets on **Friday evenings**, 6:00-7:00 p.m.; \$5 per person and scholarships available. Contact Katie Harvey, katherine.s.harvey@gmail.com.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING. Sunday, **April 26**, following worship.

SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL CROP WALK, Saturday, **May 16**. Join the Calvary team to raise money for The Hunger Fund. The team will meet at Calvary, 10:30 a.m. for the walk at 11:00 a.m. at Franklin Park. Contact Carol Blythe.

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