

THE PEOPLE OF CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH GATHER

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

OCTOBER 29, 2017

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
REFORMATION SUNDAY

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.



GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Variations on "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
Tune: Martin Luther
Arrangement: Jim Lucas

WELCOME

Reverend Lea

🕒 HYMN 65

"A Mighty Fortress"
Author: Martin Luther
Translator: Frederick H. Hedge

**A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing,
Our present help amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foes do seek to work us woe,
With craft and power great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth without an equal.**

**Castillo fuerte es nuestro Dios, defensa y buen escudo;
Con su poder nos librar , en todo trance agudo.
Con furia y con af n, ac sa la maldad,
Por armas deja ver, astucia y gran poder; cual  l no hay en la tierra.**

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🕒 Congregation standing. La congregaci n se pone de pie.
Congregational responses in **bold**. Audio enhancement devices available for use during worship. Please ask an usher for assistance. Respuestas congregacionales en **negrita**. Para Biblias en espa ol o traducci n del servicio en espa ol, por favor hablar con un ujier.

Esa palabra del Señor, que el mundo no apetece,
Por el Espíritu de Dios, muy firme permanece.
Nos pueden despojar, de bienes, nombre, hogar,
El cuerpo destruir, mas siempre ha de existir, de Dios el reino eterno.

God's word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours, through Christ, who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also.
The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, God's reign endures forever.

☉ CALL TO WORSHIP

Jose Gonzalez-Alfaro, Deacon of the Week

O God, it is so difficult to believe that you call us good.
We want to trust that you are making us whole.
Help us bear witness to the wholeness being formed within us.
Haznos uno, uno en Ti. Holy Spirit, make us One.

O God, it is so difficult to believe that you call the world good.
We want to trust that you are making the world whole.
Help us bear witness to the wholeness being formed around us.
Haznos sano, sano en Ti. Holy Spirit, make us Whole.

O God is so difficult to believe that you call the Church good.
We want to trust that you are making the Church whole.
Help us bear witness to the wholeness being formed between us.
Haznos uno, uno en Ti. Holy Spirit, make us One. Amen.

☉ MORNING PRAYER

Jose Gonzalez-Alfaro

☉ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Jose Gonzalez-Alfaro

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

☉ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"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.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Reverend Zehyoue

MUSICAL MEDITATION

"Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil"
Handt Hanson

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

HEBREW LESSON

Deuteronomio/ Deuteronomy 34:1-12
David Pereira

¹Subió Moisés de los campos de Moab al monte Nebo, a la cumbre del Pisga, que está enfrente de Jericó; y le mostró Jehová toda la tierra de Galaad hasta Dan, ²todo Neftalí, y la tierra de Efraín y de Manasés, toda la tierra de Judá hasta el mar occidental; ³el Neguev, y la llanura, la vega de Jericó, ciudad de las palmeras, hasta Zoar. ⁴Y le dijo Jehová: Esta es la tierra de que juré a Abraham, a Isaac y a Jacob, diciendo: A tu descendencia la daré. Te he permitido verla con tus ojos, mas no pasarás allá. ⁵Y murió allí Moisés siervo de Jehová, en la tierra de Moab, conforme al dicho de Jehová. ⁶Y lo enterró en el valle, en la tierra de Moab, enfrente de Bet-peor; y ninguno conoce el lugar de su sepultura hasta hoy. ⁷Era Moisés de edad de ciento veinte años cuando murió; sus ojos nunca se oscurecieron, ni perdió su vigor. ⁸Y lloraron los hijos de Israel a Moisés en los campos de Moab treinta días; y así se cumplieron los días del lloro y del luto de Moisés. ⁹Y Josué hijo de Nun fue lleno del espíritu de sabiduría, porque Moisés había puesto sus manos sobre él; y los hijos de Israel le obedecieron, e hicieron como Jehová mandó a Moisés. ¹⁰Y nunca más se levantó profeta en Israel como Moisés, a quien haya conocido Jehová cara a cara; ¹¹nadie como él en todas las señales y prodigios que Jehová le envió a hacer en tierra de Egipto, a Faraón y a todos sus siervos y a toda su tierra, ¹²y en el gran poder y en los hechos grandiosos y terribles que Moisés hizo a la vista de todo Israel.

¹Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. ⁸The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. ⁹Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses. ¹⁰Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. ¹¹He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, ¹²and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

☉ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia”
Jacques Berthier

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

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

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and all your mind.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! (*Matthew 22, adapted*)



³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

³⁴Entonces los fariseos, oyendo que había hecho callar a los saduceos, se juntaron a una. ³⁵Y uno de ellos, intérprete de la ley, preguntó por tentarle, diciendo: ³⁶Maestro, ¿cuál es el gran mandamiento en la ley? ³⁷Jesús le dijo: Amarás al Señor tu Dios con todo tu corazón, y con toda tu alma, y con toda tu mente. ³⁸Este es el primero y grande mandamiento. ³⁹Y el segundo es semejante: Amarás a tu prójimo como a ti mismo. ⁴⁰De estos dos mandamientos depende toda la ley y los profetas.

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

☉ HYMN 633

“Lead On, O Cloud of Presence”

PRAYERS FOR CALVARY AND LORD’S PRAYER

Reverend Sarratt

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.

SERMON

Where Do We Go From Here?
Reverend Maria Swearingen

MUSICAL REFLECTION

GIVING AND SERVING

INVITATION TO GIVE AND TO SERVE

Yolanda Appiah-Kubi

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
Words: Thomas Chisholm
Music: William Runyan
Choral Setting: Cindy Berry

Please bring your offering and pledge cards forward to the altar table. Pledge cards can be found inside your worship bulletin. If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand and an usher will come to you.



⊗ HYMN

"We Are an Offering"
Chris Christian

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,
Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be,
We give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

⊗ DEDICATION LITANY

It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view.
The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision.
We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.
Nothing we do is complete, which is a way of saying that the Kingdom always lies beyond us.
No statement says all that could be said.
No prayer fully expresses our faith.
No confession brings perfection.
No pastoral visit brings wholeness.
No program accomplishes the Church's mission.
No set of goals and objectives includes everything.
This is what we are about.
We plant the seeds that one day will grow.
We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise.
We lay foundations that will need further development.
We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities.
We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.
This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning,
a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.
We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker. We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own. Thanks be to God, Amen.

BECOMING DISCIPLES

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Reverend Swearingen

⊗ HYMN 273

"Built on the Rock"

⊗ AFFIRMING GOD'S CALL

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

⊗ BENEDICTION

Reverend Zehyoue

POSTLUDE

"The Lord Bless You And Keep You"
Tune: Peter C. Lutkin
Arrangement: Jim Lucas

Be sure to join us in Woodward Hall, left as you exit the Sanctuary, for refreshments and a time of fellowship during Coffee Hour. Visitors, we look forward to meeting you!

Families with babies and young children: for your convenience, you'll find changing tables in the Parents' Room, balcony level on the right side, and also downstairs in the nursery.

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Scripture Passages for November 5, Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, are
Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Kwaku Appiah-Kubi, Salima Appiah-Duffell's father; Sara Bermúdez, Lorena Pereira's mother; Sue Bollinger, Michelle Harris-Love's mother; Luis Campos, Daniel Alcazar-Roman's uncle; Dylan Canfield, Laura Canfield's nephew; Mamunah Embree, Pastor Elijah's cousin; Berniece and Bill Harward; Rena Jirack; Lucy Johnson, Jackie Wright's grandmother; Fernando Leonzo, father of Jose Leonzo, friend of Calvary; Jessica Long, Beverly Fahey's daughter-in-law; Carmen Myers, Theresa Beaton's cousin; Amelia Powell, Andrea Powell's mother; Paul Rice; Harold Ritchie; Melo dos Santos, Raimundo Barreto's mother-in-law; Ruby Shepherd; Baron Alexander Steiner, son of Erik Steiner, on staff with St. Elizabeth's and Downtown Social Club; Harold Walker, Jackie Wright's stepfather; Earl and Jenna Wright, Isaac Wright's parents. 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. Peaceful transfer of power during the Liberian presidential election.

SPECIAL GIFTS have been made in honor of Sarah Settels-Palacios' 15th birthday and Quinceañera to the Shalom Scholarship Fund by Julie Moeller, and Jorge and Bessy Granados; and to the Fellowship Fund for disaster relief by Harry Montes, and Barbara Hoffer; and in memory of Betty Mein to the Shalom Scholarship Fund by Barbara Hoffer; to the Mission Fund by Jane Johnston; by Amy Butler in memory of Betty Mein, and to the Music Fund by Robert Hanson, and Claudia Moore.

A WHOLE CONGREGATION. As we re-enter the lectionary and re-enter the sanctuary together this September, we find ourselves walking with the people of Israel as they flee Egypt, wander in the desert, and make sense of how to be a new people in a new land. And while these enslaved people are under the shadow of Egypt's empire, God asks Moses to gather "the whole congregation." Before they are "the people Israel," before they have made it out of bondage or out of the wilderness or out of anything at all for that matter, God already calls them a "whole" congregation. And as we follow them on their journey together, we learn some things about what it means to become a whole congregation together, too. Throughout these two months, and more directly during the month of October as in years past, together we will press into the importance of stewardship, giving, and acts of commitment to the life of the church. If "stewardship" feels like a real churchy word, think of it this way. Stewardship is, very simply (but not so simply), the task of taking care of, properly tending for, and addressing honestly the needs of an institution or community. Good stewardship always involves the act of becoming, much like becoming a whole congregation. It takes honest conversation about our past and any trauma or pain we've endured from it, it takes intentional care and formation of leaders, it takes giving and serving in ways that are not rooted in fear or anxiety. It takes a group of people who have chosen whole-hearted living to make a whole-hearted congregation. So, during the months of September and October, we will focus in on our community, on stewardship, and on what it means to be a "whole" congregation, together.

TODAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL. The English-Speaking Adult Sunday School class meets each Sunday at 9:45 in the library. Join us for some stimulating conversation and study as we use *The Work of the People Series: Called to Community*. In the midst of radical shifts in our society and within Christianity itself, we will be revisiting the question "What is the role of the Church?"

MUSIC NOTES. Today Chris Urquiaga joins us in worship at the piano, and Zain Shariff leads us as cantor. Sanctuary Choir is back in session! If you love to sing, join us at **9:45 a.m. each Sunday** in the Music Suite, and sing with us in worship. All are welcome!

DISASTER RELIEF OFFERING. Calvary's Deacons have requested October's Communion Fellowship Offering to support our denominational partners' responses in Mexico, Florida, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands as workers, volunteers and communities respond to significant damage from recent natural disasters. Please give your designated gift as generously as you are able.

OCTOBER SPIRITUAL FORMATION FIELD TRIP. Have you ever seen an icon and wondered why some Christians use this sacred visio divina as a prayer guide? You are invited to a brown bag lunch and conversation about icons in Butler Hall, 1:00 p.m. Then, the group will visit St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral [3500 Massachusetts Ave NW] to learn from Father George Kokhno about praying with icons. If there are not enough cars/drivers for carpooling, Calvary will cover the cost of Uber Pools to St. Nicholas.

PLEDGE SUNDAY. Bring your completed 2018 Pledge Cards to worship on **October 29**. Plan now to give regularly via automatic draft. Visit <http://calvarydc.org/serve/stewardship/> for more information.

COMING UP

THEOLOGY ON DRAFT. Currently we are reading Bryan Stevenson's award winning book, *Just Mercy*. Stevenson argues that justice and mercy are needed in criminal justice and in our broader society. Join us **Tuesdays** at 6:30 p.m. as we study this book and apply its lessons to our faith. Contact Pastor Elijah.

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST. Join us for a community breakfast. **November 5**, 9:30 a.m. in Woodward Hall.

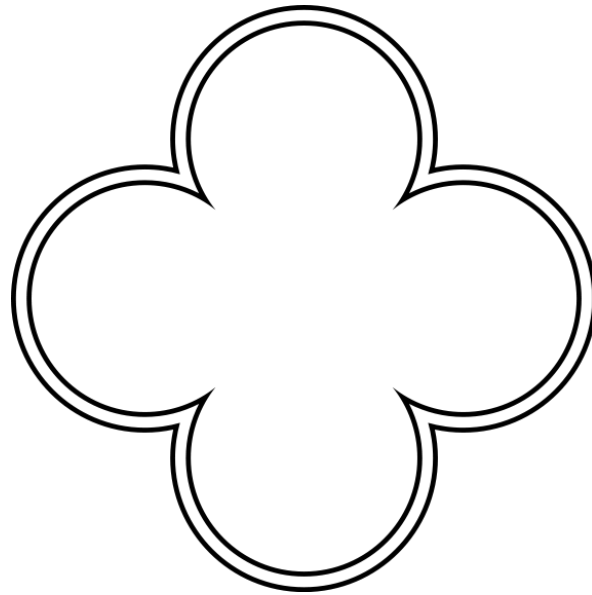
PASTOR ERICA'S LAST SUNDAY before moving to Albuquerque, New Mexico to serve as the pastor of Albuquerque Mennonite Church will be **November 5**. Be sure to be here to celebrate Pastor Erica!

REMEMBERING BETTY MEIN: We will honor our sainted Betty Mein **November 5** in a memorial service at 1:15 p.m. in Palacios Chapel. Join the Calvary community and Mein family as we remember and celebrate Betty's life.

FALL FELLOWSHIP: Mark your calendar for Fall Fellowship on Saturday, **November 11**, 6:00 p.m. at the home of Becky Vaughn, 225 Whittier St. NW. Bring a side dish, dessert, or beverage to share. Come for the barbecue, stay for the fire pit and s'mores! Questions and RSVP: Becky@BeckyVaughn.org

WMS SERVICE PROJECT. WMS is collecting nonperishable food for DCBC to distribute for Thanksgiving. There is a list in the office and on the welcome table with suggested items. There will be a grocery cart in the narthex every Sunday, and outside the church office during the week. Please bring all donations by **November 19**.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY SERVICE. WMS is also collecting toiletries to fill shoeboxes to be distributed by So Others Might Eat for Christmas gifts. We will assemble the boxes Sunday, **December 10**.



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