

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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#DontGiveUp

#Lent 2021



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# Alabando | Worshipping

## La Bienvenida | Welcome

### Himno de Alabanza | Hymn of Praise

### “She’s Got the Whole World”

*sung by Tim Shaw*

She’s got the whole world in Her hands  
She’s got the whole word in Her hands  
She’s got the whole world in Her hands  
She’s got the whole world in Her hands

She’s got the itty bitty baby in Her hands  
She’s got the itty bitty baby in Her hands  
She’s got the itty bitty baby in Her hands  
She’s got the whole world in Her hands

She’s got the wind and the rain in Her hands  
She’s got the wind and the rain in Her hands  
She’s got the wind and the rain in Her hands  
She’s got the whole world in Her hands

She’s got all God’s family in Her hands  
She’s got all God’s family in Her hands  
She’s got all God’s family in Her hands  
She’s got the whole world in Her hands

### Palabras de Alabanza | Call to Worship

*Nick Kuyers, Deacon  
Jay Mayfield, Liturgist*

O God, this morning as we gather to worship you, we hear you say to us, through your Word and through the courage and wisdom of those who’ve gone before us:

**“Don’t give up, Beloved.”**

We hear the Apostle Paul, likely imprisoned by State Power, say to us in Galatians, “Do not grow weary in doing good for at the proper time, you will a reap a harvest if you do not give up.”

**“Don’t give up, Beloved.”**

During these days of confession and reflection, we will commit to not giving up on the things that matter most.

**We will not give up on joy.**

We will not give up on each other.

**We will not give up on ourselves.**

We will not give up justice.

**We will not give up on today.**

And will not give up on tomorrow.

**Thank for you teaching us to not give up.**

### La Paz de Cristo | Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

La paz del Señor sea contigo. **Y contigo también.**

**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.**

## **Escuchando | Listening**

**Tiempo Con Los Niños | Time With Children**

*Pastor Sally*

**Dando en Linea | Giving Online**

Please visit [www.calvarydc.org/give](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.

**Scripture Refrain**

**Never give up,  
Never give up,  
Never give up to thy sorrows,  
Jesus will bid them depart;  
Trust in the Lord,  
Trust in the Lord,  
Sing when your trials are greatest,  
Trust in the Lord and take heart.**

**Nunca te rindas,  
Nunca te rindas,  
Nunca te rindas, amigo,  
Cristo lo tiene en control;  
Nunca te rindas,  
Nunca te rindas,  
Canta al pesar de la lucha,  
Cristo a tu lado está.**

**Lectura | Scripture Lesson**

**Isaías | Isaiah 43:1-2**  
*Jay Mayfield, Liturgist*

But now thus says the Lord, God who created you. Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

Ahora, así dice Jehová, Creador tuyo y Formador tuyo. No temas, porque yo te redimí; te puse nombre, mío eres tú. Cuando pases por las aguas, yo estaré contigo; y si por los ríos, no te anegarán. Cuando pases por el fuego, no te quemarás, ni la llama arderá en ti.

## Creciendo | Growing

### Una Reflección | A Musical Reflection on Joy

**“fetal position”**  
*composed by Rhea Williams*

I am safe and I am sound  
I am safe and I am sound  
Overwhelming waves surrounds  
I won't be drowned

I am safe and I am loved  
I am safe and I am loved  
As the ash settles at dusk  
I'm still enough

I am here and I'm alright  
I am here and I'm alright  
There is worth just staying alive  
I'm doing just fine

I am safe and I am here  
I am safe and I am here  
When I feel like nothing's clear  
When I feel suffocating fear  
When I feel the sting of tears  
I hold myself near  
Oh I am here

I am safe and I am sound  
I am safe and I am sound  
Not too high up from the ground  
When the sirens get too loud  
Not lost for long on the playground  
I won't let you down  
I am found

***Read Ed Wyatt's Lenten reflection on why we don't give up on ourselves:***  
<http://bit.ly/calvarydcdontgiveup>.

## Sermón | Sermon

Pastor Maria

## Himno | A Hymn-Postlude

Organ Reflection on "**Be Still, My Soul**"

Music: Jean Sibelius

Setting by David Christiansen

*David Simmons, organ*

***Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side...***

## Bendición | Benediction

Pastor Elijah

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Contact the Deacon of the Week Nick Kuyers, [nhkuyers17@gmail.com](mailto:nhkuyers17@gmail.com) with your cares or concerns.

### **Announcements:**

**TODAY after Coffee Hour**, there will be a special session of the Economic Justice Forum focused on the **COVID-19 Vaccines**. Several Calvary members with professional expertise in public health and health care will answer questions and address concerns about the vaccines, and will provide an overview of the impacts health and economics have on each other.

**Next Sunday, March 14**, join us after worship for a virtual memorial service for Rev. Victor Tupitza. (Same Zoom link as worship.)

## **Revised Mission/Vision/Values Statement Affirmed by the Congregation**

### **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**

Family and friends of Royce Rice, Courtney Miller's father; Celebrating the birth of Eleanor Mae Shaw to parents Amy and Tim Shaw; Family and friends of Victor Tupitza; Family and friends of Elizabeth Lott Thomas; Paul Lansing; Joe and Shirley Taylor, Jessica Taylor's parents; John Jorgensen, Eric Jorgensen's brother; Marlene Shambaugh, Courtney Miller's aunt; Loved ones of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and all who are unjustly taken from this life by the sin of white supremacy; Each and every one of us, particularly the most vulnerable among us as we face the effects of COVID-19 together; Gilles Bikindou, of Greenwood Forest Baptist Church in Cary, NC; Sue Bollinger, Michelle Harris-Love's mother; Maria Isabel Bueso; Luis Campos; Daniel Alcazar-Roman's uncle; Dorothy Dale, Amy Dale's aunt; Argentina Jiguan; Rena Jirack; Lucy Johnson, Jackie Wright's grandmother; The Langford Family; Rich Madigan; Carmen Myers, Theresa Beaton's cousin; Alison Peebles; Roxana Rodezno, Lorena Pereira's sister-in-law; Lilia Ross, friend of Liubov Russell; Brian Scott, Yolanda Appiah-Kubi's brother and Salima Appiah-Duffell's uncle; Jackie Sellers, Janice Glover's sister; Farooq Shabazz, Sakeenah Shabazz's brother; Ruby Shepherd; Dr. Lilia Stoycheva, friend of Liubov Russell; Olive Tiller; Desmond Tio, friend of Karla Fahey; Harold Walker, Jackie Wright's stepfather; Earl and Jenna Wright, Isaac Wright's parents; In light of the effect of the policy decisions that continue to be made by the current administration to challenge the dignity and worth of immigrant lives, we lift up prayer of lament-and-hope on behalf of Holy Families who seek justice, reunification, and basic human rights; We also lift up prayers of anger-and-hope that the hearts of elected and appointed officials would turn from stone to flesh for the sake of their souls and the soul of this nation; 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; Our Nicaraguan, Honduran, Haitian and Salvadoran brothers and sisters impacted by the decimation of Temporary Protected Status.

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