



Calvary Baptist Church

Open to all. Closed to none.

Third Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020



Lent

A Journey
of
Sabbath
Moments

Calvary is a Christ-like community that experiences and shares God's love.

Calvary welcomes and affirms all people as children of God from every cultural and religious background, sexual orientation, family composition, physical and mental ability, economic means, race, age, and gender.

Order of Worship

*“Our perspective on the problem, not the problem itself,
usually determines our success or failure.”*

- John C. Maxwell, *The Difference Maker, Making Your Attitude Your Greatest Asset*

The + symbol invites you to rise in body or spirit as you are comfortable.

In the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Prelude

Prayer of St. Gregory

Alan Hovhaness

*Centering Prayer: Son of God, you spoke words to Jerusalem’s leaders that were hard to hear.
Give us ears to receive your word of life so that we can follow you faithfully. Amen.*

Chiming of the Hour

Extinguishing the Light

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

One: As we journey to the cross with Jesus throughout Lent,
we extinguish one candle each Sunday as we draw nearer to his death on Good Friday.

Silence as Candle is Extinguished

One: Acknowledging the coming darkness,

**All: *we confess our own participation in that darkness
as people who sometimes fail to be the Light of Christ to the world.***

Welcome & Time of Greeting

Jim Comstock

Welcome to Calvary! We are glad you have joined us for worship today. Please let us know you are here by filling out a Welcome card in your pew and place it in the offering plate!

If this is your *first* time worshipping with us, we offer you a gift: A Welcome Bag with information about Calvary and a loaf of bread, which is a reminder that Jesus is the “bread of life” that nourishes our life in community together. To receive your Welcome Bag, when we stand to greet one another later on during the Time of Greeting please raise your hand to let our ushers know that this is your first time at Calvary.

To prevent the spread of germs, as we greet one another this morning, please give a verbal greeting or a wave instead of shaking hands or hugging.

+ Hymn 295

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

+ Call to Worship

Aubrey Gangloff

One: Return to God,

Many: for God is gracious.

One: Confess to God,

Many: for God is merciful.

One: Repent to God,

Many: for God is slow to anger.

One: Praise God,

Many: for God abounds in steadfast love.

One: Worship God,

All: *for God meets us here in this place.*

+ Hymn 7

Worthy of Worship

JUDSON

Word for God's Children

Rev. Rachel Chang

Children of all ages are invited to come forward to the chancel steps. Children are invited to bring an offering forward with them to put in the children's offering box.

Moment of Gratitude

Rick Chapman

Offertory

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands
David Farwig, soloist

arr. Moses Hogan

+ Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God for all that love has done.
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

Time of Prayer

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

The Lord's Prayer

**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.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

+ Gospel Reading

Mark 12:1-17
New Revised Standard Version

Jim Comstock

Then he began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ² When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. ³ But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. ⁴ And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. ⁵ Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. ⁶ He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, "They will respect my son." ⁷ But those tenants said to one another, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours." ⁸ So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. ⁹ What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. ¹⁰ Have you not read this scripture:

"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;

¹¹ this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes?"

¹² When they realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went away.

¹³ Then they sent to him some Pharisees and some Herodians to trap him in what he said. ¹⁴ And they came and said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality, but teach the way of God in accordance with truth. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not? ¹⁵ Should we pay them, or should we not?" But knowing their hypocrisy, he said to them, "Why are you putting me to the test? Bring me a denarius and let me see it." ¹⁶ And they brought one. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." ¹⁷ Jesus said to them, "Give to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." And they were utterly amazed at him.

+ Sung Response

**What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?
Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.
To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.**

A Sabbath Moment

Silence

Throughout Lent our Sabbath moment will be silence. We began with thirty seconds of silence the first week, and are adding thirty seconds each week as we grow in our practice of sitting in silence as a community. This week we will hold silence for one minute thirty seconds. The silence will begin and end with a chime.

Message

Rev. Alice Horner Nelson

Fear and Greed: The Backseat Drivers of Emotions

+ Song of Response

Change My Heart, O God

During this hymn there are multiple ways you may respond. You may come forward to make public your profession of faith in Christ, request baptism, share that you would like to become a member of this church family, share how God is leading you to answer a call to ministry, or share any way that God is at work in your life. You may also receive prayer or communion at the back of the sanctuary.

1. Change my heart, O God, make it ev - er true.
2. Change our hearts, O God, make them ev - er true.

Change my heart, O God. May I be like You.
Change our hearts, O God. May we be like You.

You are the pot - ter. I am the clay.
You are the pot - ter. We are the clay.

Mold me and make me. This is what I pray.
Mold us and make us. This is what we pray.

Change my heart, O God, make it ev - er true.
Change our hearts, O God, make them ev - er true.

Change my heart, O God. May I be like You.
Change our hearts, O God. So we'll be like You.

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Benediction

Rev. Alice Horner Nelson

Postlude

Benedictus

Eric H. Thiman

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please leave the sanctuary quietly for those who wish to continue worshipping through the postlude.



Service Notes

Hospitality Notes:

• The **ushers** on the third Sunday of the month include **Karen Bennett, Mae Finney, Bill Leonard, Virg Musil, and Jim Dykes** with **Ken DeHate, Bill Warren, and David Ferguson** as alternates. The

ushers are happy to answer any questions you may have!

- **Childcare** is available in the nursery for children up to age 5.
- **Worship bags** for older children are in the narthex. See an usher for assistance.
- **Gender neutral restrooms** are located in the hallway east of the Welcome Kiosk.

- **Hearing Assistance:** If you need additional amplification, ask an usher for a hearing assistance device, which provides a direct feed into a headset or compatible hearing aids.
- **Larger print copies of the hymns** are available in the Coat Room.

Calvary's theme this Lent is *A Journey of Sabbath Moments*. Creating intentionality around keeping sabbath is an essential component of our life of faith, and yet, for so many of us – it is the last thing we give attention to because we're so busy or we think it won't fit into our way of life. Through our church-wide curriculum, we've studied the biblical and theological roots of Sabbath in January and February. Now we continue the journey of sabbath discernment this Lent by exploring what sabbath means for our individual lives and for our life together as a community of faith. For most of us sabbath may not come in large blocked off periods of time and/or in taking a whole day off at a time to rest or renew. Rather, sabbath might just be about finding Moments – moments where we can just be, breathe, re-center, and re-focus. These sabbath moments are about reminding ourselves that we are beloved children of God just as we are, and they're about releasing the responsibility of “producing and earning” and/or responding to the needs and desires of others. And over time, all these sabbath moments can and will create meaningful change in our lives. The **image** on the cover is an illustration by **Rev. Alice Horner Nelson**.

The **paraments** are **purple** today for the **Third Sunday in Lent**. Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *Lenten*, which means “spring.” The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring temptation and preparing to begin his ministry. Lent is a time of repentance, self-reflection, and preparation for the coming of Easter. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others. Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a “mini-Easter” and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

The **Welcome & Time of Greeting** and the **Gospel Reading** are led by **Jim Comstock**. Jim and his wife Anne have been members of Calvary since 2000. Jim is the Chair of the Safety & Security Ministry Team, helps coordinate the Men's Group, went on the Men's Mission Trip last summer, and enjoys helping out around the church whenever needed. Jim is retired from Comstock Communication Concepts (management consulting) and has five amazing grandkids. He enjoys music, theater, and his puppy Quincy.

The **Call to Worship** is written by Rev. Daniel Commerford at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Covington, GA and is led by **Aubrey Gangloff**. Aubrey has been attending Calvary for 5 years. Her parents are Kurt and Erin Gangloff and grandparents are Tim and Leigh Bessey. Her great-grandparents were also members, Lee and Fredda Starnes (both deceased), Delbert (deceased) and Mary Jane Bessey. By day, Aubrey is a preschooler at Indian Ridge Elementary and by night, she is a Disney Princess or character. She attends church school and children's choir at Calvary. She loves gymnastics, golf, rock climbing, and dance.

The **Word for God's Children** is led by **Rev. Rachel Chang**. Rachel has been a member at Calvary since 2016. She is an ordained minister and a chaplain at the Univ. of Colorado Hospital. At Calvary, she serves on the Stewardship Committee, helps with Family Promise, and helps lead *Common Table*, *Common Life* and *Healing & Wholeness* services. Some of her interests include reading, reflective writing, live music, traveling, exploring the Rockies through hiking and skiing, and spending time with family. Rachel and her husband Shu were married in May 2019, and are expecting their first child in June.

The **Moment of Gratitude** is given by **Rick Chapman**. Rick and his wife Pam have been members of Calvary since 1986. Rick teaches the Voyagers Church School Class, co-leads the Men's group, and enjoys worshipping at *The Gathering*. Rick has also been involved with Sing for Joy, Family Promise, and Habitat for Humanity. He enjoys golf, woodworking, and spending time with his family.

Throughout March, we are receiving the **America For Christ (AFC) Offering**, which is one of four annual denominational offerings with the American Baptist Church USA. The AFC offering supports ministries such as: Rebuilding, Restoring, Renewing Puerto Rico (rebuilding the island one church and one building at a time); Scholarships and Emerging Leaders (providing scholarships to students to help ease the debilitating effects of excessive student-loan debt); Immigration and Refugee Resettlement (partnering with organizations that have resettled more than 100,000 displaced persons from across the world); Rizpah's Children (partnering with agencies that provide support to children living in poverty); Disaster Response; Volunteer Mobilization; Prisoner Re-Entry; and Community Outreach Ministries.

The **Scripture** for today comes from **Year 2 (Mark)** of the **Narrative Lectionary (NL)**, a four-year cycle of readings for use in worship that provide an overview of the biblical story by focusing on a different gospel and different Old and New Testament texts each year. The NL follows the program year—Sept. to May—and is shaped by the church calendar:

- *Old Testament*: From Labor Day through Advent, Old Testament readings move through the story of God's interactions with Israel and culminate in Advent with the prophets' longing and hope for the coming Messiah.
- *Gospel*: From Christmas to Easter, readings from one Gospel tell the story of the birth of the Messiah at Christmas, the revelation of the Messiah during Epiphany, and Jesus' passion through Lent and Holy Week.
- *Early Church*: From Easter Sunday through the Day of Pentecost, readings from the Gospels, Acts, and Paul's letters reveal the power of the Holy Spirit in the early church's story.
- Summer Readings from the Sunday after Pentecost through the summer are flexible and include different miniseries on books of the bibles or topics such as The Ten Commandments or the Lord's Prayer, etc.

The **Sung Response to Scripture** (which we will sing throughout the season of Lent) comes from our hymnal, *Celebrating Grace*, and is based on the hymn tune, MOON.

Today's **sound tech** is **Matt Legge**. Today's **worship videographer** is **Damon Scalfaro**. Sermons are usually uploaded to Calvary's Facebook page, YouTube page, and website within 24 hours following worship.

Staff notes: Pastor Morgan is on parental leave.



Prayer

VIP ("Very Inspiring Person") of the Week – Don Miller

Student of the Week – Christopher Jonell

In the hospital – Jeanine Crane

In Longterm Care – Dick & Olga Ashworth, Lyle Baumgartner, Helen Cheatham, Earlie Delley, Andy Gibbs, Topsy Miller, Ruth Shanklin

In Hospice Care – Jane Lehrmann, John Pipe

Newly Added to Friends & Family – Daniel Lind, Krysta Baglien's cousin fighting for his life from COVID-19 and pneumonia

Congratulations – to Sandra Shreve, who received an honorary doctorate degree of Public Education by the Denver Institute of Urban Studies on March 7 and was also awarded A Lifetime Educator of the Year Award for her 33 years of service in many capacities including as a Principal and Assistant Superintendent of Aurora Public Schools.

We continue to remember in prayer – John Anduri, Babu Bachu, Edythe Berglund, Norma Briola, Mike & Lorri Burck, Cory Crile, Barbara Ford, Betty Goding, Bob Hoffmaster, Allie Hulst, Jack Hulst, Steve Hulst, Kim Lenz, Don Miller, Calvin Moore, Tom Moss, Diane Newcom, Lynette Pahs, John Pipe, Brad Porter, Les Redifer, Maya Sjoberg, Dena Stanton, Tut Wang, Don Worford

Prayer list additions and edits may be sent to ahornernelson@calvarydenver.org.

Calvary Prayer Phone – Want to connect with those needing prayer? Each Friday Judy Griswold updates the prayer phone, including a short devotional. Dial 303-756-1034, ext. 300.



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COVID-19 Update – Please check the website and watch your inbox for

special enews updates related to services, programs, and office hours at Calvary. If you are not subscribed to the e-news, please do so today; it is the best way to be kept informed about Calvary news:

Sign Up For Our Friday E-News! Our E-news is the main communication tool for our church. To subscribe, go to calvarydenver.org, scroll down to bottom section, fill in your email address, and click "subscribe."

TODAY – Sun. Mar. 15 – 4:45 - 6:00 p.m. – Taizé Worship with Brothers Emile and John from the Taizé Community in France – Calvary's Sanctuary. More information: www.thethreshold.us.

TODAY – Final Day to register for a GPS/Small Group! Check out our new offerings: Exploring Expressions of the Spirit and Flipping the Script! Register by emailing Deanna Geldens (deannabgeldens@gmail.com) your name, contact info, and class choice.

TONIGHT – The Gathering – 6:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall. Join us for a contemporary worship experience! Pastor Alice is preaching.

Weds. Mar. 18, 25 and April 1 – Lenten Sabbath Suppers – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Youth Lounge. Come to get to know other Calvaryites you may not know! Enjoy a fun craft (who doesn't love crafts?) while we discuss a Sabbath-related question. This is a great time to take a "pause" in your week, connect with others, and engage with our congregation-wide Sabbath focus and practice. Previous participation in the curriculum study not required. *RSVP to Pastor Alice so we can plan accordingly for food.*

Thurs. Mar 19 – 12:30 p.m. – Senior Adult Ministry Lunch Bunch – The Fresh Fish Company (7800 East Hampden Ave.) RSVP required to cswillard74@gmail.com.

Sun. Mar. 22. & April 5 – Connections Class for Those Considering Membership – 3:30-6:00 p.m. – Fireplace Room. If you recently joined the church or you're considering membership at Calvary, please join us for a series of two classes. Dinner is provided. Following these two classes, an afternoon reception will be held at Pastor Anne & Damon Scalfaro's home on April 19 at 2:00 p.m.

Fri. Mar. 27 – 11:00 a.m. – Men's Group March Madness: Basketball, Brackets, Pop-A-Shot! – Fellowship Hall. Join us! \$10 for wings, fellowship and March Madness fun!

Holy Week Schedule

- **Palm Sunday**, April 5 – Worship – 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall)
- **Holy Monday**, April 6 – Worship (30-45 min) – 12:00 p.m. (Chapel)
- **Holy Tuesday**, April 7 – Worship (30-45 min) – 12:00 p.m. (Chapel)
- **Holy Wednesday**, April 8 – Worship (30-45 min) – 12:00 p.m. (Chapel)
- **Maundy Thursday**, April 9 – Communion & Foot/Hand Washing – 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
- **Good Friday**, April 10 – “Seven Last Words of Christ” Service with New Hope Baptist Church – 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

- **Holy Saturday**, April 11 – Worship (30-45 min) – 12:00 p.m. (Chapel)
- **Easter Sunday**, April 12
 - All Church Reception, Crafts, & Egg Hunt – 9:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
 - Worship – 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. (Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall)

May 4 – Registration Opens to the Public Beyond Calvary for Southern Spain: A Pilgrimage into the Golden Age of Andalusia (May 4-14, 2021), a pilgrimage opportunity accompanied by Brad Berglund, experienced travel organizer and pilgrimage guide, and Anne Scalfaro, senior pastor of Calvary. Information is on the Kiosk or you may email Pastor Anne.

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 *Giving at a Glance*

Last Week's Gifts Received (3/1 to 3/7)	\$16,191
Weekly Giving Goal	\$14,478
YTD Gifts Received (1/1 to 3/7)	\$171,348
YTD Goal for Giving (1/1 to 3/31)	\$188,217

 *Calendar*

Church Office Hours – staffed by volunteers
Mon-Thurs, 9:00am – 4:30pm
 (lunch hour, 12:30-1:30pm)

Sunday, March 15

- 8:30 a.m. Common Table, Common Life (C)
- 8:45 a.m. Nursery Open (EW)
- 9:00 a.m. Library Open (L)
- 9:00 a.m. Church School (EW, WW, YL)
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (FH)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship (S)
- 11:45 a.m. Safety & Security Meeting (L)
- 12:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting (BR)
- 5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (S)
- 6:30 p.m. The Gathering (FH)

Monday, March 16

- 9:00 a.m. Bootstraps & Blessings (N)
- 6:30 p.m. GPS: Monday Night Pub (offsite)
- 7:00 p.m. Calvary Book Club (BR)

Tuesday, March 17

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer & Study Group (BR)
- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (YL)

Wednesday, March 18

- 9:00 a.m. Game Day (YL)
- 6:30 p.m. Lenten Suppers – Sabbath Series (YL)

Location Key		(L)	Library
(BR)	Boardroom	(MR)	Music Room
(C)	Chapel	(N)	Narthex
(EW)	East Wing	(PS)	Pastor's Study
(FH)	Fellowship Hall	(S)	Sanctuary
(FP)	Fireplace Room	(WW)	West Wing
(G)	Gym	(YL)	Youth Lounge

Saturday, March 21

9:00 a.m. Scrapbooking (BR)
10:00 a.m. Creativity & Conversation
(Rm 316/320)
11:00 a.m. International Cong. (Rms 300/306)

Sunday, March 22

8:45 a.m. Nursery Open (EW)

9:00 a.m. Library Open (L)
9:00 a.m. Church School (EW, WW, YL)
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (FH)
10:30 a.m. Worship
11:45 a.m. Staff Relations Meeting (BR)
5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)
6:30 p.m. The Gathering (FH)



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