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# Order of Worship

# Fifth Sunday in Lent March 29, 2020

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

**Prelude** 

There Is a Balm in Gilead Denise Lanning, organ

Richard Billingham

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 this wilderness season of 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 uncertainty we are in now, and the darkness that is still yet to come,

All: we confess our own participation in that darkness

as people who sometimes fail to be the Light of Christ to the world.

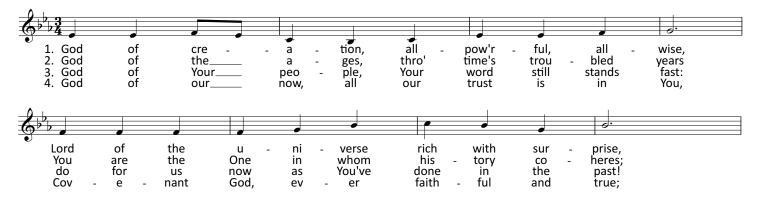
Welcome Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

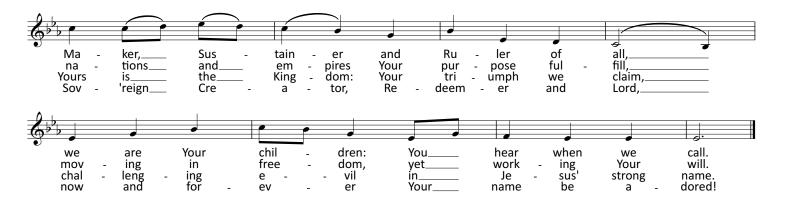
We are glad you have joined us for our vitual worship service this morning. Please let us know you are worshipping with us by posting pictures of you or your family worshipping in your home on Facebook or Instagram and tagging Calvary Baptist Church of Denver.

#### Hymn

# God of Creation, All-Powerful

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Call to Worship

Lorri & Mike Burck

One: We come to you, O God,

Many: to thank you for what is good.

One: We come to you, O God,

Many: to cry out for what is wrong.

One: We come to you, O God,

Many: to ask for help and healing.

One: We come to you, O God,

Many: with aching hearts and somber souls.

One: We come to you, O God, **Many: as a community.** 

One: Help us to hear your word,

to sense your presence,

and to journey together in spirit, even as we are physically far apart.

All: As we worship, draw near to us, O God.

Be a light unto our path.



Thy Word is a lamp un-to\_my feet and a light un-to my path.



Thy Word is a lamp un-to\_ my feet and a light un-to my path.



- 1. When I feel\_ a- fraid, and think I've lost\_ my way, 2. We will not for- get Your love for us,\_ and yet our
- still You're there right be- side me.
  hearts for ev er are wan der ing.



**Time of Prayer** 

Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

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.

#### Word for God's Children

**Evan Hicks** 

If your children are not already in the room, now is a great time to invite them to join you!

Call for Offering Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

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Throughout March, we are receiving the America For Christ (AFC) Offering, which supports American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS), which provides resources for cultivating leaders, equipping disciples, long-term recovery after natural disasters, and healing and transforming communities in Puerto Rico and the United States.

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Offertory Hope Michael Jonell, marimba

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.

**Gospel Reading** 

Mark 13:1-8, 24-37 New Revised Standard Version John Kron

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" <sup>2</sup>Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>3</sup> When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup> "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup> Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup> When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be

alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

- <sup>24</sup> "But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened,
  - and the moon will not give its light,
- <sup>25</sup> and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
- <sup>26</sup> Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup> Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.
- <sup>28</sup> "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. <sup>31</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
- <sup>32</sup> "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.
  <sup>33</sup> Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup> It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. <sup>35</sup> Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, <sup>36</sup> or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. <sup>37</sup> And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

#### **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 two minutes thirty seconds. The silence will begin and end with a chime.

Message

Living in the Time of Not Knowing

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

#### **Hymn of Response**

#### In the Bulb

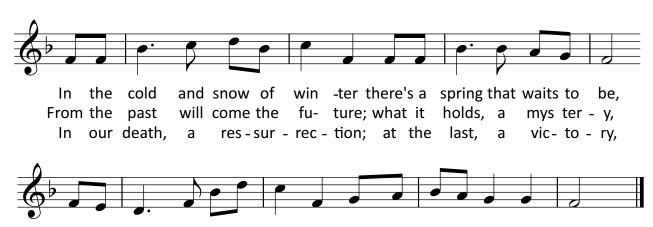
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- 1. In the bulb there is a flow -er; In the seed, an ap-ple tree;
- 2. There's a song in eve-ry si-lence, seek-ing word and mel o dy;
- 3. In our end is our be- gin- ning; In our time, in-fin-i-ty;



In co-coons, a hid-den promise: but-ter-flies will soon be free! There's a dawn in ev-ery dark-ness bringing hope to you and me. In our doubt there is be-liev-ing; in our life, e-ter-ni-ty.



un-re-vealed un-til its sea-son, some-thing God a-lone can see.

**Benediction** Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

**Postlude**Steal Away to Jesus
Denise Lanning, organ

Robert Powell



**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 **Pipe Organ** that our organist, Denise Lanning, is playing for our pre-recorded video worship services during the COVID-19 outbreak is an instrument in her home. It is a four rank, two manual (keyboard) organ with full pedalboard, and was built for her by Charles Ruggles of Conifer, Colorado.

The **Prelude** and **Postlude** are by two American composers and organists, Richard Billingham and Robert Powell. Billingham's "There is a Balm in Gilead" comes from his collection *Seven Reflections on African American Spirituals*. Powell's "Steal Away to Jesus" is found in *Great Day, Seven Spirituals for Organ*.

Today's **vocal & guitar leadership** is by **Rev. Matt Nelson**. Matt is a part of Calvary's staff, and can be seen leading The Gathering worship music every Sunday evening. He is filling in for Music Director, Dr. David Farwig, who is ill.

The **Call to Worship** is written by Beth Merrill Neel and is found on holdfasttowhatisgood.com. It is led by **Lorri & Mike Burck.** Lorri and her husband Mike, have been members at Calvary for several years and are members of the Koinonia Class and sing in the Calvary Choir. Lorri is a retired speech pathologist and teacher and now enjoys volunteering with Denver Hospice. Mike is a retired Cherry Creek Middle School teacher and medical research assistant at the University of Colorado Cancer Center and enjoys the Calvary Book Club, Tuesday Bible Study, volunteering at The Denver Hospice Finance Center, and playing the harmonica. Lorri and Mike have an adult daughter, Megan.

The **Word for God's Children** is led by **Evan Hicks**. Evan and his fiancé Cody have attended Calvary for the last two years. At Calvary, Evan is a youth church school teacher. He's worked at Chili's in Lone Tree as the head bartender for the past seven years. He enjoys running, playing video games, and spending time with his family and their dog Kohl.

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 American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS), which provides resources for cultivating leaders, equipping disciples, and healing and transforming communities. Through ABHMS, we serve neighbors in Puerto Rico and other places in the United States in long-term recovery after natural disasters. In 2019, the AFC offering supported the following ministries: "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. To give, please write "AFC" on your envelope or in the memo line of your check or in the memo line under online giving.

The **Offertory** is played by **Michael Jonell.** Michael has been at Calvary since he was born. Michael is a senior at Arapahoe High School and will be attending St. Louis University in the fall studying aviation. Michael enjoys percussion, hockey, and youth activities and mission trips. His mom and dad are Jennifer and Kevin Jonell, and his siblings are Chris and Alexandria.

The Gospel Reading is led by John Kron. John and his wife Kathy joined Calvary 45 years ago. John is a retired high school teacher. At Calvary, John is the Chair of the Stewardship Committee, serves on Council, co-teaches the Koinonia Church School Class, and is involved with the Men's Group. In his spare time he enjoys movies, music, theatre, and chairing his HOA Landscape Committee.

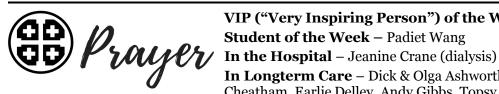
The Scripture for today comes from Year 2 (Mark) of the Narrative Lectionary (NL), a four-year cycle of readings for use in worship that provide an overview of the biblical story by focusing on a different gospel and different Old and New Testament texts each year. The NL follows the program year—Sept. 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 worship video was compiled by **Damon Scalfaro**. Sermons are usually uploaded to Calvary's Facebook page, YouTube page, and website within 24 hours following worship.

**Staff notes**: David Farwig is ill. Pastor Morgan is on parental leave.



VIP ("Very Inspiring Person") of the Week – Kim Lenz

Student of the Week - Padiet Wang

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

**In Hospice Care** – Jane Lehrmann

Congratulations to -

Love & Sympathy to -

- Becky Worford and family upon the death of Becky's husband Don on March 16
- Carol Willard and family upon the death of Carol's husband John Pipe on March 17

#### Newly Added/Updated under Friends & Family -

- David Farwig, ill with COVID-19 (tested on 3/19, confirmed diagnosis on 3/25)
- David Farwig's husband, Greg, ill with symptoms of COVID-19
- Rosemary White's daughter-in-law Gretchen is in the hospital with a blood infection.
- Update on Daniel Lind, Krysta Baglien's cousin in WA who has COVID-19: he has had a setback and is on a ventilator in the ICU again
- IM Global Servants Joyce & David Reed's son Aaron fell from a 20ft ladder while on a job washing windows in Flagstaff. He fractured his lower back, and broke a foot. He's awaiting his COVID-19 test results so they can proceed with surgery; in an isolated ward.
- Anne Scalfaro's friend, Rev. Amy Grizzle Kane (Greensboro, NC) in ICU in North Carolina (bacterial infection in lungs/pneumonia)

- Anne Scalfaro's friend, Rev. Julie Merritt Lee (Houstin, TX) Julie's husband, Michael (chaplain), and their 4 year old son, Sage, both ill with COVID-19
- Morgan Fletcher's Great Uncle Bob, protate cancer diagnosis

During the COVID-19 outbreak we pray for our medical professionals – Krysta Baglien (chaplain); Brooke & Nick Breitenauer (doctors); Rachel Chang (chaplain); Shu Chang (doctor); Katie Cornell (nurse); Dustin Frye (chaplain); Miranda Frye (nurse); Brenda Goodman (chaplain); Jordan Grohskopf (nurse); Janet Kerlin (nurse); Sarah Allexan Kline (doctor); Sarah Mather (chaplain); Sara Reynolds (chaplain); Lindsay Honeker Sullivan (nurse); Patti Thurman (nurse); Steve Zeiler (doctor)

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, Kim Lenz, Don Miller, Calvin Moore, Tom Moss, Diane Newcom, Lynette Pahs, Brad Porter, Les Redifer, Maya Sjoberg, Dena Stanton, Tut Wang

**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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#### Sun. April 5 - Prepare for Communion in Your Home Next Week

Sunday, April 5 is communion Sunday, Prepare to celebrate communion in your home with Calvary virtually by having some bread/crackers and wine/juice for you and/or your family as you begin to worship online with us next week.

#### Thurs. April 2 - Help us Create a Virtual Palm Sunday Processional!

We are going to create a virtual Palm Sunday Processional for our morning worship service on Palm Sunday, April 5. We invite you and your family to create your own Palm Branch and participate in our virtual processional by:

- 1. Using one of the patterns in Friday's enews to color and cut out (or use it as a pattern on construction paper that you cut out), OR drawing/creating your own palm branch, OR just grabbing a branch or leafy item of some kind from around your home or yard.
- Take a picture and/or 3-4 second video of you and/or your family waving your "palm branches."
- Text your photo/video to 303-884-4475 by Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Tune in to morning worship on April 5 to see yourself as part of our Calvary virtual Palm Sunday Processional!\*

\*By submitting a photo/video, you are consenting to having your photo/video put in the worship video, which is posted online on YouTube and Facebook and Calvary's website.

Mon. April 6 - Sat. April 11 - Virtual Holy Week Meditations/Services will come to you via you Calvary Enews. Make sure you check your spam/junk email if you are not receiving them. Avoid them going into your spam/junk email folder by adding cbc@calvarydenyer.org to your address book.

#### Wed. April 8 - Virtual Easter Garden

Because we won't be gathering together on Easter Sunday this year, we are working to create a Virtual Easter Garden for our Sunday morning service on April 12. Instead of purchasing an Easter lily this year, we are inviting you to give a \$10 gift to Calvary. These Virtual Easter Garden funds will be evenly split between our Operating Budget (to help us continue to pay our hourly and contract workers), the Calvary Family Emergency Fund (which helps Calvary families in need), and Family Promise and Bootstraps and Blessings (which helps those experiencing homelessness). To participate:

- 1) Go to www.calvarydenver.org/give to make your gift (choose "Other," type "Virtual Easter Garden" in the Memo Line)
- 2) After you make the gift on-line, submit the following information to cbc@calvarydenver.org:
  - Your Name(s)
  - "In Honor of" OR "In Memory Of" OR "With Gratitude For" (pick one)
  - Honorees Name(s)
- Optional: Take a picture of yourself/your family next to a flower or plant in your home or yard and we'll include that photo in our Easter Sunday morning worship service video. (Another option is to just take a picture of a flower/plant without your photo in it.)
- 4) Text your photo to 303-884-4475 by Wednesday, April 8th.\*

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**Volunteer to be a Care Team Contact -** We need folks willing to check in with a list of 10 people once every 2 weeks during this time where we are physically not able to present with one another. The check-in can be a phone call, text message, hand written note, or ZOOM/Facetime call - it's up to you. There is an online contact form that will guide you as you reach out to folks. It's easy to use. Help us stay connected during this time! Email <a href="mailto:cbc@calvarydenver.org">cbc@calvarydenver.org</a> to volunteer.

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Last Week's Gifts Received (3/15 to 3/21) \$8,284 Weekly Giving Goal \$14,478 YTD Gifts Received (1/1 to 3/21) \$207,444 YTD Goal for Giving (1/1 to 3/31) \$188,217



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