

Calvary Baptist Church

Open to all. Closed to none.

First Sunday After Christmas December 30, 2018



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

Blessed are the weird people – poets, misfits, writers, mystics, painters & troubadours – for they teach us to see the world through different eyes. ~ Jacob Nordby

The + symbol invites you to rise in body or spirit. In the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.

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Prelude

God Sent His Beloved Son

J.S. Bach

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

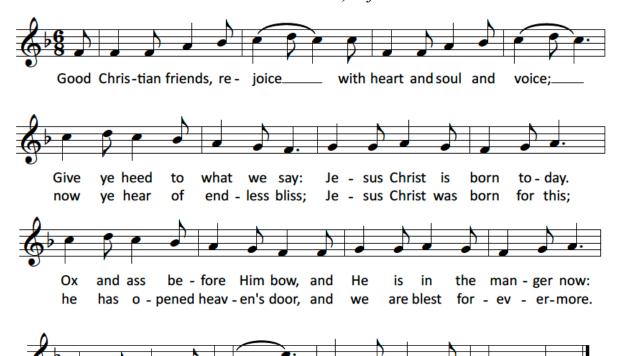
Welcome to Calvary! We are glad you have joined us for worship today. Please let us know you are here by filling out the Welcome Registry. Pass the registry along the pew and back again to the center aisle to see who is joining you in worship today and to learn a fun fact about them!

If this is your *first* time worshiping with us, we offer you a gift: 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 loaf of bread, when we stand to greet one another, please raise your hand to let our ushers know that this is your first time at Calvary.

+ Time of Greeting

+ Carol

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice



Text: Macaronic Carol, para. J.M. Neale. Music: Traditional German Melody, Public Domain.

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+ Call to Worship

Leader: When Jesus is born to Mary and Joseph,

People: God is there.

Leader: When Jesus is presented at the temple,

People: God is there.

Leader: When Simeon holds Jesus in his arms,

People: God is there.

Leader: When Anna recognizes Jesus in the temple,

People: God is there.

Leader: This very morning,

People: God is here.

Leader: In the future we cannot see,

People: God is there.

All: Let us worship God!

+ Carol

Jesus Came to Dwell Among Us



Text: B. Luttrell. Music: B. Harlan. One License #723084/Song #60147

Children of all ages are invited to come forward to the chancel steps.

Offertory

The Peace May Be Exchanged

D. Locklair

Calvary is a congregation supported church. Your tithes and offerings make all of Calvary's ministries possible, including this worship service. Your generosity inspires and uplifts lives. You may give to Calvary by cash, check, or via smart phone by texting open2all to 77977.

+ 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. Mary Hulst

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.
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

Luke 2:22-40

Rev. Mary Hulst

Sung Response

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel God with us, revealed in us His name is called Emmanuel.

Message

"Weird Is Wonderful"

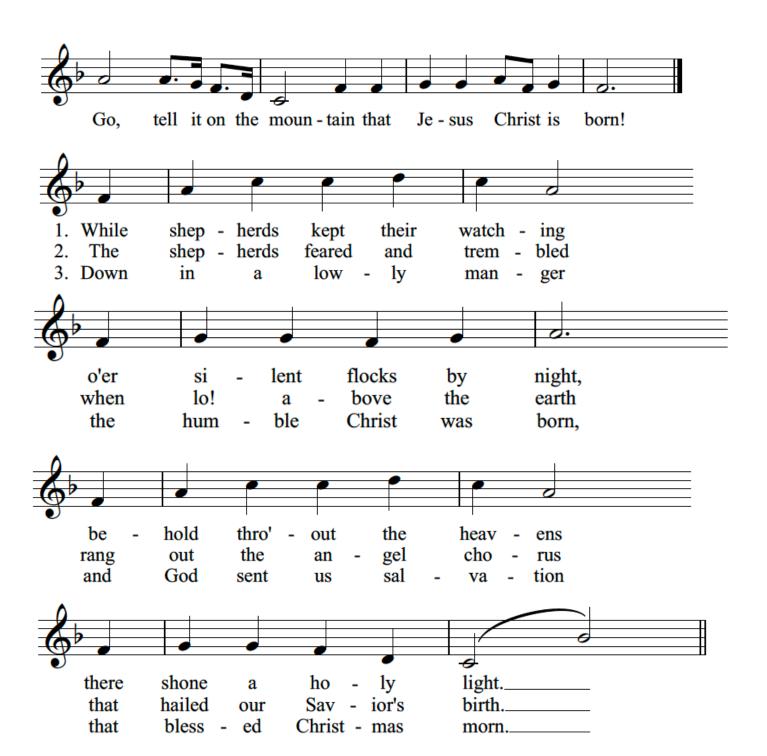
Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

+ Carol

Go, Tell It On The Mountain

During this song there are multiple ways you may respond. You may receive prayer and anointing in the back of the sanctuary. You may also 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.





Text: J.W. Work Jr. Music: Traditional Spiritual, Public Domain.

+ Benediction

Postlude

And All the Bells Rang Out the Good News

D. Pinkham



Childcare is available in the nursery for children up to age 5. Worship bags for older children are in the narthex.

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.

The **paraments** are **white for the season of Christmastide.** Christmastide continues for twelve days until Ephiphany.

The artwork on the front cover is "Simeon's Moment" by Ron Dicianni.

Dr. David Farwig is away for Christmas. Leading music in worship is **Emily Crile.** Emily, her husband Cory, and their daughters Lucy (12) and Carly (9) have been Calvary members for 10 years. Emily is the Associate Director of the Colorado Children's Chorale and serves as Secretary/Treasurer of CO American Choral Directors Association. Originally from Washington County, Iowa, Emily and Cory have called Colorado home for over 18 years. As a family they enjoy singing, performing, watching movies, and family game nights.

The **Call to Worship** is based on Philippians 4:4-7 (the Voice). It is read by **Maddy Newhouse.** Maddy has been a member at Calvary for 4 years. She is active in Calvary Choir and the Young Adult ministry. This past summer Maddy went on the Civil Rights Road Trip led by Pastor Morgan.

The **Word for God's Children** is led by **Maddie Hulst.** Maddie became a Calvary member in 2010 after being baptized by Calvary's Pastor Emerita Mary Hulst, who is also her grandmother. She's led Word for God's Children, sung in choirs, served in children's ministry, went on youth trips, and currently attends CSU.

Today's **sound tech** is **Steve Jackson**. Today's **worship videographer** is **Bill Warren**. Sermons are uploaded to Calvary's Facebook page, YouTube page, and website within 24 hours following worship.



VIP ("Very Inspiring Person") of the Week – Dick Ashworth **Student of the Week** – Andrew White Congregational Mission Partner Prayer Focus – Burke Curtis, Construction Manager, Habitat for Humanity

Recovering from Surgery -

In Longterm Care/Rehab – Andy Gibbs, Marie Rountree, Jan Taylor, Nelson Čox, Art Phurrough, Topsy Miller

In Hospice Care – Jane Lehrmann, Katherine Marcuson (Diane Newcom's mother)

Love and sympathy to the family of Francis Burch, who passed away on December 15, 2018. Frances' memorial service will be at Calvary on Thurs. Jan. 3, 2019 at 10:00 a.m..

The **love and sympathy** of the Calvary family is with the family of **Bettie Loughhead**, who passed away on December 26.

We continue to remember in prayer - Dick Ashworth, Olga Ashworth, Babu Bachu, Lakshimi Bachu, Edythe Berglund, Sarah Brooks, Nelson Cox, Harry Crandall, Pat Crandall, Jeanine Crane, Cory Crile, David Ferguson, Jack Fredericks, Andy Gibbs, Betty Goding, Allie Hulst, Margie Jonell, Beth Kieft, John Kimley, Andy Kowalski, John Kron, Kathy Kron, Kim Lenz, Tom Madden, Travis McManemon, Don Miller, Calvin Moore, Lynette Pahs, Kathryn Phurrough, John Pipe, Patty Redifer, Beatrix Elayne Shelar, Judy Tate, Decarious Wang

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



Holiday Church Office Hours

Monday, December 31: 9:00 a.m.-noon (volunteer staff only) Tuesday, January 1: Office Closed

Annual Reports Due January 6th - Our Annual Meeting is coming up on Wednesday, January 30th with a Potluck at 6 p.m. and the Annual Meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m.. We encourage all those who are chair, president, teacher, head, coordinator, etc. of any of our different groups to please submit your reports to Pastor Alice Horner-Nelson at ahornernelson@ calvarydenver.org by January 6th.

Monday, January 21- "Thanksgiving Meal" for Bootstraps & Blessings Clients - First Baptist Denver. In years' past, we have served a Thanksgiving meal for our Bootstraps & Blessings clients, but we decided to move it to Martin Luther King Jr. Day this year. We still need some volunteer help with cooking and cleaning up. Please see Rev. Mary Hulst or Pat Hagen to sign up.

Save the Date For These Upcoming Events!

Council - Wednesday, January 16th - 6:30 p.m. - Fireplace Room.

- "Thanksgiving Meal" for Our Bootstraps & Blessings Clients at First Baptist Denver Monday, January
- Annual Meeting & Potluck Wednesday, January 30th 6:00 p.m. Potluck; 6:30 p.m. Meeting
- Joint Worship Service with New Hope Baptist Church (at New Hope) Sun., Mar. 10th, 10:45 a.m.



Church Office Hours

staffed by volunteers

Mon-Thurs, 9:00am - 4:30pm

(lunch hour, 12:30-1:30pm)

Sunday December 30

9:00 a.m. Library Open (L)

Church School (EW, YL, WW) 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship Time (FH) 10:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Worship (S)

5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)

Monday, December 31

Office Open 9 a.m. to noon (volunteer staff only)

Tuesday, January 1

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, January 2

10:00 a.m. **Resource Management Meeting**

Thursday, January 3

Memorial Service for Francis Burch (S) 10:00 a.m

Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 5

10:00 a.m. Creativity & Conversation (Rm 316/320)

International Congregation 11:00 a.m.

(Rms 300/306)

Sunday, January 6

Nursery Open (EW) 8:45 a.m. Library Open (L) 9:00 a.m.

Church School (EW, YL, WW) 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship Time (FH) 10:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Worship

Threshold Taizé Service (C) 5:00 p.m.

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



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