

Open to all. Closed to none.

Second Sunday in Lent March 17, 2019



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

"We gain the strength of the temptation we resist."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson, essayist & poet (1803-1882)

"The biggest human temptation is to settle for too little."

- Thomas Merton, Trappist monk/theologian (1915-1968)

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

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

Prelude These Forty Days R. Lind

Chiming of the Hour

Extinguishing the Light

Sharon Murphy

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

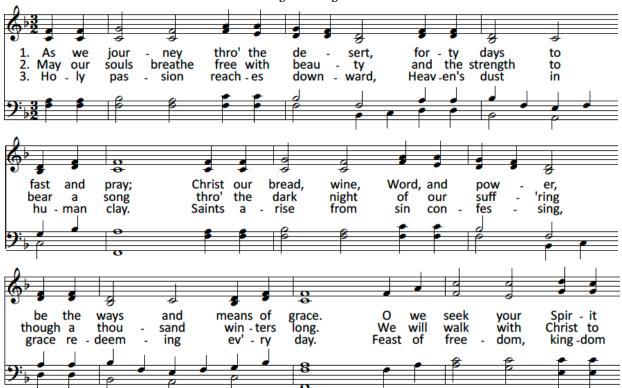
Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

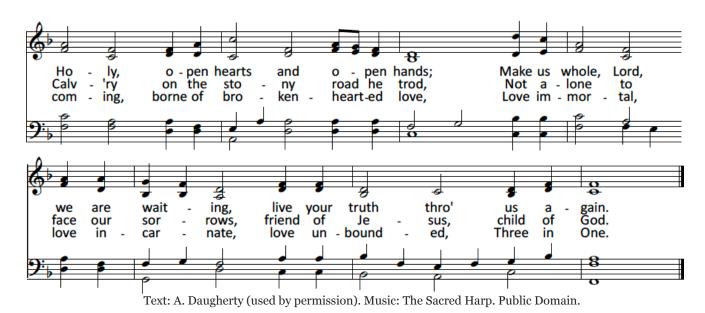
Welcome to Calvary! We are glad you have joined us for worship today. Please let us know you are here by filling out the Welcome Registry. Pass the registry along the pew and back again to the center aisle to see who is joining you in worship today and to learn a fun fact about them!

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.

+Hymn

As We Journey through the Desert





+ Call to Worship Ken DeHate

One: Jesus began his ministry to the world

led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

Many: As we begin our Lenten journey,

let us be led by the Spirit,

even into the uncomfortable places.

One: In those forty days, and in that place,

Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt, and temptation.

Many: As we seek to follow Jesus,

we would be led,

even into the uncomfortable choices.

One: Jesus left the wilderness,

faithful and obedient to God,

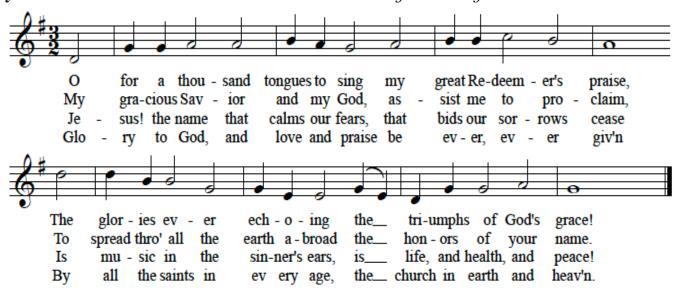
rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.

All: As we continue on our path to faithfulness,

we will be led by our Christ, rejoicing in the Lord our God!

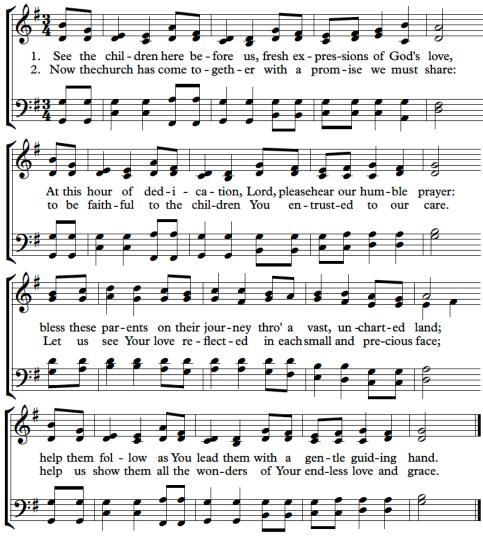


O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing



Natalie, Toby, and Hattie Ralston with Sebastian Baird Ralston

See the Children Here Before Us



Text: J. McGuire. Music: P. Choplin.

Word for God's Children

Becky Whitaker

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

Time of Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

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.

Offertory

On Eagle's Wings Calvary Choir

arr. D.E. Wagner

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.

+Gospel Reading

Luke 4:1-15

Sara Sieker

New Revised Standard Version

One: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us, *All: Thanks be to God*.

Message

"Yes, we Want...and we Wait"

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

First sermon in the Lenten Series "Yes, And...": Challenge + Celebration Yes, life pushes you to your limits...and celebration can come in unexpectedly places.

+ Hymn of Response

When We Are Tested

During this song there are multiple ways you may respond. You may receive prayer, anointing, or communion 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: R. Duck. Music: Trad. Irish. CCLI License #105571/Song#521783

Announcements

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

Benediction Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

Postlude

We Thank You, Lord Christ

J.S. Bach

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



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 **purple** today for the **Second 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 *lencten*, 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, 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. Calvary's Lenten theme is *Challenge + Celebration: "Yes, life pushes you to your limits...and celebration can come in unexpectedly places."*

Today's **flowers** are given in celebration of **Sebastian Baird Ralston** by his parents Natalie and Toby Ralston and his big sister Hattie.

Extinguishing the Light is led by **Sharon Murphy.** Sharon currently serves as Co-Moderator of Calvary, and she's been active in American Baptist Women's Ministries at Calvary for several years. She is a member of the Koinonia class. Sharon and Terry live in Castle Rock. They enjoy family activities with their four children and seven grandchildren.

The **Call to Worship**, written by Thom Shuman and posted on lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca, is read by **Ken DeHate.** Ken has been at Calvary, with his wife Cindy, for nine years. He is a member of Explorers Class, the Men's Group, and volunteers with Family Promise. He often can be found around Calvary performing much needed handyman tasks and is currently the Resource Management Chair.

The **Dedication of a Child** is an opportunity for us as a church family to covenant with the family of the child in raising that child in the faith and knowledge of God's love until they are old enough to answer Christ's call on their life for themselves. When we pledge our support to this family in raising their child in the faith that means praying for the child and family as well as giving hands-on support, such as volunteering in the nursery, teaching church school, or working with our youth. The **baby blanket** given to *Sebastian Baird Ralston* today was prayerfully knitted by our knitting group at Calvary.

The **Word for God's Children** is led by **Becky Whitaker.** Becky and her husband Bruce joined Calvary in 1981. At Calvary, Becky is a children's Sunday School teacher and on the New Hope-Calvary Leadership Team. In the metro community, Becky volunteers for Spellbinders Storytellers, Colorado Refugee ESL Program, Douglas County Libraries Book Start, the Learning Source Family Literacy program, and Reading Partners Colorado.

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 transformational ministries that embody the grace of God's love to neighborhoods and communities throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. To give, please write "AFC" on your envelope or in the memo line of your check.

The Calvary Choir, under the direction of David Farwig and accompanied by Denise Lanning, is open to all singers at Calvary.

The **Gospel Reading** is read by **Sara Sieker.** Sara is a retired teacher and has been a Calvary member for 45 years. She and Gordon raised their three sons here. Sara is a member of the Caritas Class and has been a Stephen Minister, a Sunday School teacher, and served on numerous committees at Calvary. She loves biking, skiing, hiking, reading, music, and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

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



VIP ("Very Inspiring Person") of the Week – Lynette Pahs Student of the Week – Owen Honeycutt

Congregational Mission Partner Prayer Focus – Lisa Biro, Office Manager, Metro Caring

In Longterm Care/Rehab – Andy Gibbs, Jan Taylor, Topsy Miller, Kit Trover

In Hospice Care – Jane Lehrmann, Marie Rountree

We continue to remember in prayer - Dick & Olga Ashworth, Babu & Lakshmi Bachu, Edythe Berglund, Harry & Pat

Crandall, Jeanine Crane, Cory Crile, Betty Goding, Debbie Honeker, Allie Hulst, John Kimley, Andy Kowalski, Kim Lenz, Don Miller, Calvin Moore, Lynette Pahs, Art Phurrough, Kathryn Phurrough, John Pipe, Les & Patty Redifer, Judy Tate, Kellona Bain Burke, Ken Pinkham, Gary Johnson, Jimmy Doolittle, Karen Bennett, Beth Kieft

Congratulations to Helen Cheatham and Art Weiss who will be married March 23 at Morningstar Residence.

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

Calvary Prayer Phone - Want to connect with those needing prayer? Pastor Alice keeps the list current and each Friday, Judy Griswold updates the prayer phone, including a short devotional. Dial 303-756-1034, ext. 300 any time of night or day for the latest prayer concerns/celebrations and current information about hospitalizations, deaths, births, etc.



Tuesday, March 19 - Easter Lily Orders Due (forms on kiosk). It's time to order your Easter lilies! Lilies adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday, and you may purchase one in honor or in memory of a loved one. You may also make a "Living Donation" in lieu of flowers by giving a gift to either our Calvary Family Emergency Fund or Bootstraps & Blessings. You may order by using the form off the kiosk or the link in the E-News.

Wednesday, **March 20 - 6:30 p.m. - Council Meeting - Fireplace Room.** All are invited to attend. Council minutes are uploaded to the website and posted on the bulletin board outside the office.

Sunday, March 24 - 4:00 p.m. - Finding Home Concert benefitting Family Promise of Greater Denver - Arvada United Methodist Church (6750 Carr St. Arvada, CO 8004). Come hear our very own Dr. David Farwig and organist Denise Lanning play and sing two Moses Hogan spirituals. Entrance donations of \$15 are suggested and all proceeds will benefit Family Promise of Greater Denver. There will also be a drawing for 3 fabulous prizes.

Wednesday. March 27 - 6:30 p.m.- Calvary Celebration Game Night - Youth Lounge. Come have some fun together as part of our Lenten *Challenge & Celebration* theme! Bring your favorite board game and a snack to share!

Friday, March 29 - 11:00 a.m. - "March Madness" Men's Group Meeting - Fellowship Hall. Super Wings and Nachos w/ fixin's will be served. The entertainment will be Jumbo Court, Great Moments in NCAA/Basketball History Video, Brackets for All. Come fellowship with the men of Calvary. Cost is \$10 per person, \$5 for newcomers.

Sunday, March 31 - 1:00 p.m. - Open House for Family Promise - Youth Lounge. Come one, come all to this Family Promise open house! We'll be meeting in the Youth Lounge at 1 p.m. to show just what all is involved in hosting families for a week. There will be demonstrations of how to pack a bedding bag, how to make up beds, and how to drive a 14 passenger van! Current volunteers and all interested folks are welcome. Come learn more about this long-standing ministry of Calvary's. Light refreshments will be served.

Changes to the King Soopers Reloadable Card Program- King Soopers is changing their community rewards program April 1st. You will no longer use reloadable cards but will need to use your King Soopers account card or King Soopers ID to benefit Calvary and Bootstraps. You will also need to link your King Soopers account with Calvary's account in order for us to receive the revenue from our members purchasing groceries from King Soopers (we can help you do this- see below). If you put money onto your reloadable card and spend it before April 1 it will benefit Bootstraps. If you put money onto your reloadable card after March 31, it will not help Bootstraps. Bootstraps volunteers will be available in the narthex before and after church through mid April to help you create an account and link it to Calvary. More information will be shared as we receive it. And please feel free to contact Pat Hagen, pwestcotthagen@comcast.netor (303)-999-6230, or Nancy Hoffmaster, nbhoff2003@msn.com, 303-358-0605, with questions.

Needs for Bootstraps- Our Boostraps & Blessings Ministry has a few needs for their to-go food bags. They need packages of Capri Suns, Ritz Crackers, granola bars, peanut butter and cheese crackers. Donations can be placed in the grocery carts in the coat room. Bootstraps also needs items for **Period Packs**, a new offering for our clients. See the specific list of items and more about the Period Pack Project in the E-News or on the Information Kiosk. Those items can be placed in the labeled tote bag in the coat room.

Every Sunday - 6:30 p.m. - The Gathering - Fellowship Hall. Please join us tonight for our contemporary worship service! It features great praise music, a thoughtful sermon, and a relaxed, informal atmosphere.

Save these dates!

Sun. April 7th, 12:00 p.m. - Calvary Celebration Game Day (Fellowship Hall - bring \$5 for pizza and drinks)

Sun. April 14th - Palm Sunday

Sun. April 21st - Easter Sunday Schedule: 4:45 a.m.: Sunrise Service at Red Rocks; No Church School or Common Table, Common Life; 9:30 a.m.: Churchwide Reception with Refreshments, Crafts and Egg Hunt; 10:30 a.m.: Worship



Sunday, March 17

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, YL, WW)

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

10:30 a.m. Worship (S)

12:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry (BR) 5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)

6:30 p.m. The Gathering (FH)

Monday, March 18

9:00 a.m. Bootstraps & Blessings

6:30 p.m. GPS Monday Night Pub (Piccolo's)

7:00 p.m. Calvary Book Club (BR)

Tuesday, March 19

9:00 a.m. Tuesday Prayer and Study Group (BR)

9:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study (YL)
10:00 a.m. Resource Management Mtg (L)
12:00 p.m. GPS Egg Decorating (YL)

7:00 p.m. Reed Circle (YL)

Wednesday, March 20

1:00 p.m. GPS Inner Matrix (L) 6:30 p.m. Calvary Council (FP)



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Church Office Hours

staffed by volunteers

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

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

Thursday, March 21

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Friday, March 22

9:30 a.m. POWER LUNCH Reading Program

(Stedman Elementary)

6:30 p.m. GPS Group Game Night (FH)

Saturday, March 23

10:00 a.m. Stewardship Committee Mtg (offsite)
10:00 a.m. Creativity & Conversation (Rm 316/320)

11:00 a.m. International Congregation

(Rms 300/306)

Sunday, March 24

8:45 a.m. Nursery Open (EW) 9:00 a.m. Library Open (L) 9:00 a.m. Church School (EW, YL, WW)

10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (FH) 10:30 a.m. Worship (S)

11:30 p.m. Georgia Trip Meeting (MR) 5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)

6:30 p.m. The Gathering (FH)

Location Key		(MR)	Music Room
(BR) (C) (EW) (FH) (FP) (G)	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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