



# Calvary Baptist Church

*Open to all. Closed to none.*

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## Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 31, 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

*"When we are no longer able to change a situation...we are challenged to change ourselves."*

- Viktor Emil Frankl (1905-1997),  
Austrian neurologist & psychiatrist & Holocaust survivor

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

## Prelude

*Adagio in G Minor*

T. Albinoni

## Chiming of the Hour

## Extinguishing the Light

Jeanine & Dave Crane

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 worshipping 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

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*



1. There's a\_\_\_ wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;
2. There is\_\_\_ wel-come for the\_\_\_ sin - ner, and more grac - es for the good;
3. For the\_\_\_ love of God is\_\_\_ broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;
4. If our\_\_\_ love were but more sim - ple, we could take Him at His word;



there's a\_\_\_ kind- ness\_ in His\_\_\_ jus - tice, which is more than\_\_\_ lib - er - ty.  
there is\_\_\_ mer - cy\_\_\_ with the\_\_\_ Sav - ior; there is heal - ing\_\_\_ in His love.  
and the\_\_\_ heart of\_\_\_ the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.  
and our\_\_\_ lives would be more lov - ing in the like - ness\_\_\_ of our Lord.

## + Call to Worship

*based on Romans 8:35, 38-39*

Abraham Tuom

One: Who can separate us from God?

**Many: What can come between us and the love of God?**

One: Can troubles, hardships, persecution, hunger, poverty, danger, or even death?

**Many: The answer is no.**

One: For I am convinced that neither death nor life,

**Many: Nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come,**

One: Nor powers nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation—

**Many: Nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

One: There is nothing we can do to make God stop loving us.

There is no place we can hide where God will forget us.

**Many: God loves us, God forgives us, God calls us by name.**

**All: Let us worship our God who seeks us, finds us, and loves us! Amen.**

## + Hymn

### *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

1. What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine,  
2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way,  
3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,

lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms?

what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,  
oh, how have bright the path grows with from my day Lord to day,  
I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,

lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;  
Lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

## Word for God's Children

Rick Chapman

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

### Mission Moment

*America For Christ Offering*

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher

*Rev. Dr. Christine Roush, National Coordinator, Discipleship  
American Baptist Home Mission Societies*

### Offertory

*God's Mercy Medley*

arr. Tornquist/Fischer

Linda Fischer, piano

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. Morgan C. Fletcher

*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 15:1-3, 11b-32*

Marvel Fisher

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

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

*Yes, We Are Complex...And, God Is Compassionate*

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

### + Hymn of Response

*Amazing Grace*

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.

## Amazing Grace

1. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that  
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his  
 4. Thro' man - y dan - gers toils and snares, I  
 5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace hath brought me  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 sing God's praise than when we first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1779. Music: B. Shaw and C. H. Spilman's *Columbian Harmony*, 1829 Public Domain NEW BRITAIN

**Recognition of Ministry**

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

*Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson, Pastor – One Year Anniversary*

**Announcements**

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher

**Benediction**

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

**Postlude**

*Through Adam's Fall*

J. Langlais

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



## Service Notes

**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 **Fourth 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. Calvary’s Lenten theme is Challenge + Celebration: “Yes, life pushes you to your limits...and celebration can come in unexpected places.” **Please visit the ritual station in the narthex to participation in our Challenge + Celebration practices.**

The **image** on the cover of the Order of Worship is a black and white version of a painting by Clark Kelley Price.

**Leading music** today is Calvary member **Emily Crile**. Calvary’s Director of Music, Dr. David Farwig, is away this week for a professional singing engagement in Tucson, Arizona, where he will be performing Mozart’s Requiem, with True Concord Voices and Orchestra, a fully professional ensemble of singers and players from around the country. David has been a member of this organization now for ten years.

**Extinguishing the Light** is led by **Dave and Jeanine Crane**. Dave and his wife, Jeanine, have been members since 1974 and are part of the Caritas Class. Dave and Jeanine are actively involved in Monday Night Pub and Creativity and Conversation, respectively. Dave also serves on the Resource Management Committee and is part of the Men’s Group.

The **Call to Worship** is from rev-o-lution.org. It is read by **Abraham Tuom**. Abraham joined Calvary in 2008. He is married to Chol and they have seven children: Gaawar, Nyabuath, Tuom, Chudier, Nyamal, David, and Nyakai.

The **Word for God’s Children** is led by **Rick Chapman**. Rick and his wife Pam have been members since 1986. At Calvary, Rick teaches the Voyagers Church School Class, co-leads the Men’s group, and has been involved with Sing for Joy, Family Promise, Habitat for Humanity, and the Gathering. He enjoys golf, woodworking, and spending time with his family.

Today’s **Mission Moment** is given by the **Rev. Dr. Christine Roush**. Roush is invested in her ministry as National Coordinator of Discipleship for American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) because she wholeheartedly believes that, when organizations and individuals collaborate, they can accomplish so much more than they can accomplish alone. ABHMS’ aligned action networks, Roush explains, are designed to serve the priorities of people and churches in the geographical areas where the networks are formed. This grassroots approach ensures that solutions to challenges have the greatest potential for impact because the solutions are being driven by those who are living and working in that particular geographical area. Networks help individuals in the mission they care most about by connecting them with resources and partners who can help them succeed.

The **offertory** is played by pianist **Linda Fischer**. Linda became a part of Calvary in 1992 when she was affiliated with the Samaritan Counseling Center’s office at Calvary for nine years. She is now a psychotherapist in private practice working part-time. She and her husband Jim Armstrong are members of the Ribbons Class and are appreciative of their involvement with the Calvary community.

The **Gospel Reading** is read by **Marvel Fisher**. Marvel was born and raised in Iowa, and moved to Denver from Wichita, Kansas in 2012. She is a fan of music and the arts, and loves to oil paint, play piano, and play handbells.

Today’s **sound tech** is **Steve Jackson**. 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.



## Prayer

**VIP (“Very Inspiring Person”) of the Week** – Ruth Shanklin

**Student of the Week** – Derek Michel

**Congregational Mission Partner Prayer Focus** – Sarah Hatfield,  
Director of Human Resources, Habitat for Humanity

**In the Hospital** – John Pipe

**In Longterm Care/Rehab** – Andy Gibbs, Jan Taylor, Topsy Miller, Glenn Hill

**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, Les & Patty Redifer, Judy Tate, Kellona Bain Burke, Ken Pinkham, Gary Johnson, Jimmy Doolittle, Karen Chapman

**Prayer list additions and edits** may be sent to [ahornernelson@calvarydenver.org](mailto: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 any time of night or day for the latest prayer concerns/celebrations and current information about hospitalizations, deaths, births, etc.



**TODAY – 1:00 p.m. – Open House for Family Promise – Youth Lounge.** Current volunteers and all interested folks are welcome. We'll be showing what 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! Come learn more about this long-standing ministry that helps transform lives. Light refreshments will be served.

**Mon. April 1 – Changes to the King Soopers (KS) Reloadable Card Program.** KS is changing their community rewards program April 1. You will no longer use reloadable cards but will need to use your KS account card or ID to benefit Calvary and Bootstraps. You will also need to link your KS account with Calvary's account in order for us to receive the revenue from our members purchasing groceries from KS (we can help you do this). 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. Questions? Contact Pat Hagen, [pwestcotthagen@comcast.net](mailto:pwestcotthagen@comcast.net) or (303)-999-6230, or Nancy Hoffmaster, [nbhoff2003@msn.com](mailto:nbhoff2003@msn.com), 303-358-0605.

**Sun. April 7 – Senior Sunday.** Be there next Sunday as we honor and celebrate our graduating seniors at this special worship service highlighting the gifts of our youth.

**Sun. April 7 – 11:45 a.m. – Fellowship Hall - Celebration Game Day #2.** It's our second churchwide game day! Bring a favorite game, your competitive spirit, and \$5 for pizza and drinks.

**Tues. April 9 – 6:30 p.m. – Healing & Wholeness Service – Chapel.** We offer this service every other month for those who are carrying heavy burdens, or who may be experiencing anxiety, grief, or depression. Everyone is welcome.

**Sat. April 13 – 9:00-11:30 a.m. – Calvary Women & Girls Spring Brunch – Fellowship Hall.** All women and teenager girls are invited this festive spring brunch. Pastor Alice Horner-Nelson and Estela Schweissing will share their respective journeys in ministry, and we'll have fun with a hands-on activity. \$5 at the door. Please make your reservation by contacting the Church Office by April 8. Childcare will be available if requested when you make your reservation.

**Mon. April 15 – Calvary Art Show Submissions Due.** Wherever you are on the spectrum of creative expression, you are invited to share your art in **Calvary's Grand Opening art show** which will take place on **May 5th**. We will be having regular and subsequent art shows with varying themes, and this show's theme on May 5th will be: "landscapes, gardens, fruits, vegetables, flowers." If selected, the fee for entry is as follows: free for students (of any age); \$10 per show for up to 8 pieces (if more than 8 pieces are selected, entry fee for each additional piece is \$2); if cost is prohibitive, entry fees may be waived upon request. Submission forms are on the kiosk and in the E-News.

**Sun, May 5 – 12:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Calvary/New Hope "Covenant of Action" Lunch – New Hope Baptist Church** (3701 Colorado Blvd, Denver 80205). Join us for this important next step in our partnership with New Hope as we write a "Covenant of Action" together so that we can officially join the New Baptist Covenant (NBC). Learn more at [newbaptistcovenant.org](http://newbaptistcovenant.org). Writing this covenant together opens us up to grant opportunities with NBC and connects us to resources and relationships with other churches who are sharing in these same reconciliation efforts across the U.S. If you have yet to engage in this partnership – this is the time to join with us! It is perhaps our most important meeting to date. We will be sharing about new opportunities in how our two churches will be partnering with Stedman Elementary. Lunch will be provided by Calvary. Please RSVP to [cbc@calvarydenver.org](mailto:cbc@calvarydenver.org) or 303-757-8421.

**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.

**Needs for Bootstraps** – The Bootstraps & Blessings Ministry needs the following items for to-go food bags: packages of Capri Suns, Ritz Crackers, granola bars, peanut butter and cheese crackers. Place donations 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.

### Save the date!

**Sun, April 14 – Palm Sunday.** – Regular Sunday schedule

**Mon, April 15 – Holy Monday Service – 12:15 p.m. – Chapel.** 30-40 min. service. Silence begins at Noon.

**Tues, April 16 – Holy Tuesday Service – 12:15 p.m. – Chapel.** 30-40 min. service. Silence begins at Noon.

**Wed, April 17 – Holy Wednesday Service – 12:15 p.m. – Chapel.** 30-40 min. service. Silence begins at Noon.

**Thurs, April 18 – Maundy Thursday Service – 7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary.** 45-60 min. service.

**Friday, April 19, 7:00 p.m. – Joint Good Friday Worship on the “Seven Last Words of Christ” with New Hope Baptist (at Calvary) – Sanctuary.** Preachers from CBC and NHBC giving reflections; combined choral anthem.

**Sat. April 20 – Holy Saturday Service – 12:15 p.m. – Chapel.** 30-40 min. service. Silence begins at Noon.

**Sun, April 21 – Special Easter Sunday Schedule:** 4:45 a.m.: Sunrise Service at Red Rocks (RSVP to church office to ride in the van); No Church School or Common Table, Common Life; 9:30 a.m. – Churchwide Reception with Refreshments, Crafts, Piñata and Egg Hunt; 10:20 a.m. – Special Brass Prelude; 10:30 a.m. – Worship in the Sanctuary; 6:30 p.m. – The Gathering Contemporary Service



**Church Office Hours – staffed by volunteers**

**Mon-Thurs, 9:00am – 4:30pm**

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

#### **Sunday, March 31**

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. Family Promise Open House (YL)  
1:00 p.m. B&B Hygiene Packet Project (FP)  
5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)  
6:30 p.m. The Gathering (FH)

#### **Monday, April 1**

9:00 a.m. Bootstraps & Blessings (N)  
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group (Rm 119)  
6:30 p.m. GPS Monday Night Pub (Piccolo's)

#### **Tuesday, April 2**

9:00 a.m. Tuesday Prayer & Study Group (BR)  
9:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study (YL)  
12:00 p.m. GPS Group - Ukrainian Eggs (YL)

#### **Wednesday, April 3**

1:00 p.m. Inner Matrix GPS (L)  
5:45 p.m. CBC/New Hope Leadership Mtg (NHBC)

#### **Thursday, April 4**

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

#### **Friday, April 5**

9:30 a.m. Power Lunch Reading Program (Stedman Elem.)  
6:30 p.m. GPS Group- Game Night (FH)

#### **Saturday, April 6**

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

#### **Sunday, April 7 – SENIOR SUNDAY**

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. Celebration Game Day (YL)  
5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)  
6:30 p.m. The Gathering (FH)

### Giving At A Glance:

Last Week (3/17 to 3/23)	\$23,314
Weekly Goal	\$13,900
YTD Received Gifts (1/1 to 3/24)	\$188,852
YTD Goal for Giving (1/1 to 3/31)	\$180,717



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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