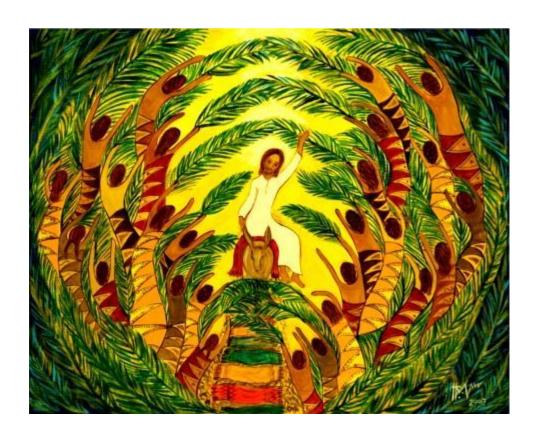


## Calvary Baptist Church

Open to all. Closed to none.

## **Palm Sunday**

April 14, 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

"Everyone in Jerusalem, celebrate and shout! Your king has won a victory, and he is coming to you. He is humble and rides on a donkey; he comes on the colt of a donkey. I, the Lord, will take away war chariots and horses from Israel and Jerusalem. Bows that were made for battle will be broken. I will bring peace to nations, and your king will rule from sea to sea, across the earth."

- Zechariah 9:9 (The Voice)

M. Burkhardt

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

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

**Chiming of the Hour** 

**Prelude** 

## **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!

All Glory, Laud and Honor

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. If you prefer, during the time of greeting you can cross your arms and offer a verbal greeting which acknowledges you do not consent to be touched.

+ Call to Worship Ian Fletcher

One: We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips;

we will travel through betraval and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts.

Many: Jesus leads us through this week,

and we will follow,

for he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us. We wave palm branches in anticipation.

One: We wave palm branches in anticipation, we lay our love before him to cushion his walk.

Many: Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:

modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

One: Blessed is he who comes in God's Name.

Many: Hosanna!

One: Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

Many: Hosanna!

All: Blessed are we to worship the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

## + Sounding of the Shofar

Rev. Brenda J. Goodman

+ **Processional Hymn** With Waving Palms and Shouts of Praise

Throughout the processional hymn, please wave your palm high in the air.

## With Waving Palms and Shouts of Praise



Text: J. McGuire, Music: arr. R. V. Williams.

## **Celebration of Baptism**

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher

Giselle Umutoni

**Musical Celebration** 

Joy in My Heart Children's Ensemble

G. W. Cook

#### Word for God's Children

Rick Chapman

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

Refrain:



We give thanks to You, O God, for You are kind; your steadfast Love endures forever! You opened the gates of truth and justice, that we might enter through them. Praise be to You, O Merciful One! This is the Door to Life; those who know Love shall enter through It.

#### Refrain

I give thanks to You, O Beloved, who answer our prayers and invite us to new Life. The stone which the builders rejected has become the foundation of our lives. This, O Eternal Listener, is your Work; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day which You have made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

## Refrain

Remain ever by our side, O Friend! We welcome You into our hearts as Loving Companion Presence! Blessed are all who enter through your gates! Blessed are all who dwell in the house of Love!

#### Refrain

For You lead the Way. You forgive our misguided ways, and You bring Light into darkness. You are my God, and I will give thanks to You; You are my God, greatly will I praise You! We give thanks to You, O Blessed One, for You are kind; your steadfast Love endures forever!

## Refrain

#### **Moment of Gratitude**

Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

Offertory

Hosanna to the Son of David Calvary Choir

D. Moe

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

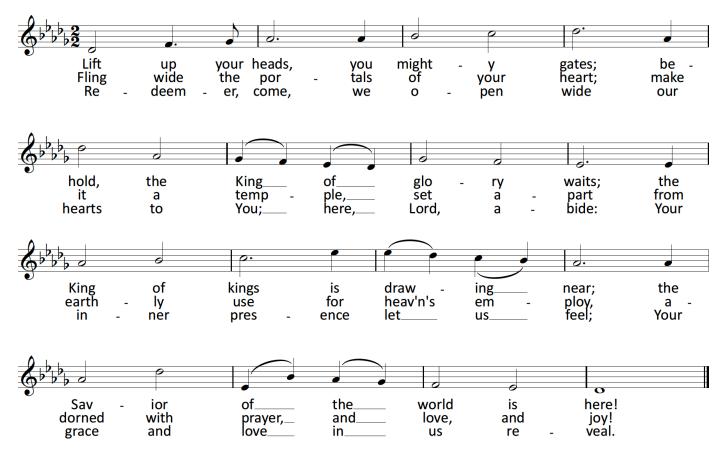
Luke 19:28-40
Contemporary English Version

Lori Grohskopf

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.



Text: G. Weissel, Music: T. Wiliams' Psalmodia Evangelica, Public Domain

Message Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

Yes, we live in challenging times...and we keep celebrating...why? Fifth sermon in Lenten series Challenge + Celebration:

"Yes, life pushes you to your limits...and celebration can come in unexpected places."

#### **Silence**

## **Extinguishing the Light**

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

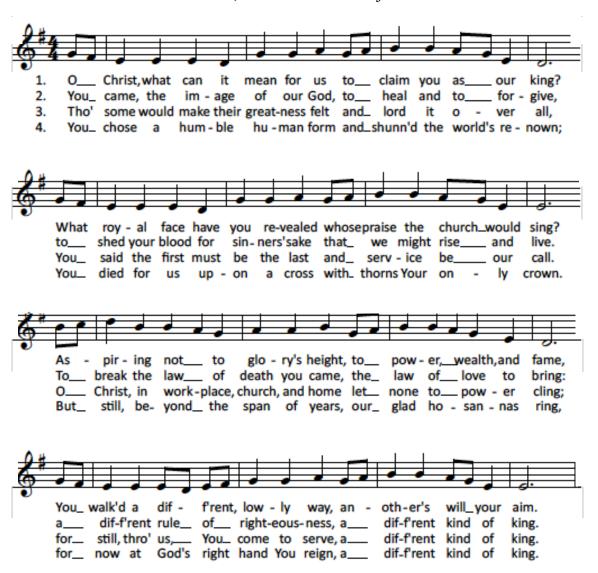
as people who sometimes fail to be the Light of Christ to the world.

#### + Hymn of Response

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

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.

#### O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us



Text: D. Dufner. Music: R. V. Williams. OneLicense #-723084/Song #94912

### Announcements

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher

#### **Benediction**

Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

#### Postlude

#### Hosanna! Hosanna!

D. Eliot

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 **image** on the cover of the Order of Worship is "Triumphal Entry" by Hannah Varghese.

The **paraments** are purple today for **Palm Sunday**. Palm Sunday is the first day in Holy Week, also known as Passion Week. Jesus, the long-awaited Messiah, rode into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey, not a symbol of power and prestige,

but rather of humility. The people rejoiced to see the great teacher and healer by laying palm fronds and cloaks in the street before him, a communal symbol of respect in the Ancient Near East. This event is in all four canonical Gospels (Mk 11:1–11, Matt 21:1–11, Lk 19:28–44, Jn 12:12–19).

The **Call to Worship** is led by **Ian Fletcher**. Ian has been a regular attender since 2017 and has led GPS groups on housing here in Denver. He works at Metro Denver Homeless Initiative, and has been there since October 2016; prior to MDHI he worked at Volunteers of America serving veterans experiencing homelessness. Ian is married to Pastor Morgan C. Fletcher.

The **shofar** ( שופר ) is a ram's-horn 'trumpet' of ancient Israel and modern Jewish worship. In both ancient and modern usage, this instrument is sounded to announce holidays (Ps. 81:3) and pronounce processionals (II Sam. 6:15).

**Baptism** is, in many ways, a living symbol of the resurrection for us today. When we are baptized, we are buried with Jesus in baptism, and we are raised to walk in newness of life. In baptistic tradition, baptism does not mark the beginning or end of our faith journey, but it is an expression of our public profession of faith in Christ. As followers of Jesus, we are commissioned to be "salt and light" to the world, spreading God's love (Matthew 5:13-14).

The **Children's Ensemble** is open to all children at Calvary. Speak with Angela Leonard or David Farwig for more information!

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, and Habitat for Humanity. He enjoys golf, woodworking, and spending time with his family.

The Calvary Choir is the main choral leadership body in worship and is open to all singers at Calvary age 18 and above.

The **Gospel Reading** is read by **Lori Grohskopf.** Lori and her husband Dean have been members for over 20 years. They have two daughters, Ashley (PhD, graduate research and teaching assistance at Auburn University) and Jordan (ICU nurse at Skyridge Medical Center). She enjoys reading and traveling.

Today's **sound tech** is **Sean Grant.** 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.



VIP ("Very Inspiring Person") of the Week – Delores Bowermaster Student of the Week – Megan Adams

Congregational Mission Partner Prayer Focus – Sarah Burns, Food Access Coordinator, Metro Caring

In the Hospital -

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

**In Hospice Care** – Jane Lehrmann, Marie Rountree

Congratulations to Chol Tuom who received her American citizenship on April 11th!

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, John Pipe

**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 any time of night or day for the latest prayer concerns/celebrations and current information about hospitalizations, deaths, births, etc.



Church Office Hours – staffed by volunteers Mon-Thurs, 9:00am – 4:30pm

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

Sunday, April 14 – Palm 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)

5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)

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

6:30 p.m. The Threshold Monthly Potluck (YL)

Monday, April 15

9:00 a.m. Bootstraps & Blessings (N) 12:15 p.m. Holy Monday Service (C)

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

7:00 p.m. Calvary Book Club

Tuesday, April 16

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

9:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study (YL)

10:00 a.m. Resource Management Meeting (L) 12:00 p.m. GPS Group - Ukrainian Eggs (YL)

12:15 p.m. Holy Tuesday Service (C)

Wednesday, April 17

9:30 a.m. Game Day (YL)

12:15 p.m. Holy Wednesday Service (C) 1:00 p.m. Inner Matrix GPS (L) 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Thursday, April 18

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service (S)

Friday, April 19

7:00 p.m. Joint Good Friday Worship on the

"Seven Last Words of Christ" with New

Hope Baptist (S)

Saturday, April 20

9:00 a.m. Choir Practice (MR)

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

11:00 a.m. International Congregation

(Rms 300/306)

12:15 p.m. Holy Saturday Service (C)

Sunday, April 21 – Easter Sunday

4:45 a.m. Sunrise Service at Red Rocks

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

9:30 a.m. Churchwide Reception with

Refreshments, Crafts, Piñata, and Egg

Hunt (FH)

10:20 a.m. Special Brass Prelude (S)

10:30 a.m. Worship (S)

5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)

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

Office Closed - Easter Monday on Monday, April 22



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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