

Calvary Baptist Church

Open to all. Closed to none.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 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

"God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

> - attr. to Reinhold Niebuhr, American Reformed theologian (1892-1971)

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

Prelude

Moonlight Blue (Taiwanese Suite)

Chelsea Chen

Chiming of the Hour & Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light the Christ Candle as a symbol of the living presence of Christ among us and within us today.

Welcome & Time of Greeting

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher

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. As we greet one another, which often includes shaking of hands, you are invited to cross your arms and offer a verbal greeting which acknowledges you do not consent to be touched.





Text: A. C. Hankey & W. G. Fischer. Music: W. G. Fischer. Public Domain

+ Callto Worship

Beverly Goertz

Creator God, thank you for the ones who gave us life and breath. One:

Thank you for their bodies and for our bodies. Many:

One: Thank you for

> new baby bodies, for young bodies, for middle-aged bodies,

for old bodies.

Thank you that we are somebody in your sight. Many: One:

Thank you for our church body gathered here today,

and the body of Jesus, broken for us, raised for your glory.

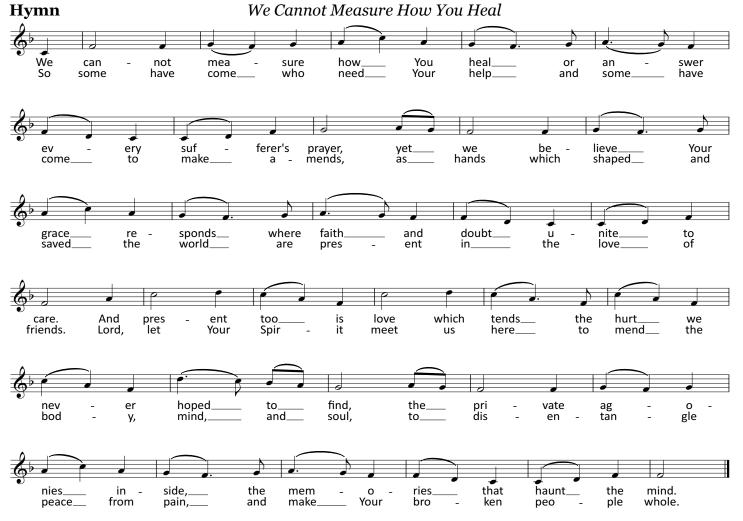
Many: Thank you for your Spirit,

embodied in each of us here today.

All: Where we are broken, bring healing.

Where we are healed, bring transformation.

With all of ourselves, we honor you. Bless our worship, and every body here.



Text: J. L. Bell & G. A. Maule. Music: Scottish melody. CCLI License #105571/Song #4751065/Verses 1a, 2b, 3

+ Gospel Reading

Luke 5:17-27
New Revised Standard Version

Chuck Goertz

+ Sung Response

Celtic Alleluia



Word for God's Children

Rev. Brenda J. Goodman

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

Offertory

Friends Calvary Choir Michael W. Smith

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 Jacob Goertz

On this Mother's Day we think of all the women in our lives who have nurtured us, and we give thanks for them. Our prayer will be focused on mothers, of all kinds, and at the end, when this is said:

"Hear now the first names of other women who have inspired us by their motherly examples..."

...you are invited to speak out loud the names of women in your life who have mothered you.

Adaptation of The Lord's Prayer

Our Mother, who are in all the earth, Holy is your truth.

May your wisdom come, your circle be one, uniting heaven and earth.

Give us today a nurturing spirit.

Heal through us, as we ourselves are healed.

Lead us into fullness of life and liberate all that is good.

For the wisdom, presence, and the goodness are yours, now and forever, Amen.

Message

"Yes, we improv...and we improve." Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro Fourth sermon in the seven-week series: Preparing + Improv-ing: "Yes, you can stick to a plan...... and you can improv(e) along the way"

+ Song of Response

Lean on Me

Bill Withers

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.

Sometimes in our lives we all have pain, we all have sorrow; but, if we are wise, we know there's always tomorrow.

Lean on me when you're not strong, and I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on; for it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on.

Please swallow your pride if I have faith you need to borrow; for no one can fill those of your needs that you won't let show.

You just call on me brother when you need a hand. We all need somebody to lean on. I just might have a problem that you'll understand. We all need somebody to lean on.

Lean on me, when you're not strong and I'll be your friend. I'll help you carry on. For it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on.

You just call on me sister when you need a hand. We all need somebody to lean on. I just might have a problem that you'll understand. We all need somebody to lean on.

If there is a load you have to bear that you can't carry, I'm right up the road, I'll share your load if you just call me. (Call me...)

Pilgrimage Blessing

Republic of Georgia

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher

19 total pilgrims including 10 from Calvary: Rita & Brad Berglund, Rob Daniel, David Ferguson, Michelle Honeycutt, Diana McGahan, Karen & Ken Pinkham, Anne & Damon Scalfaro

Announcements Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson

Benediction Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro

PostludeFughetta in C Major
George Frederick Handel
JuBellation

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.

Today is the **Fourth Sunday** in **Eastertide**. Easter is the oldest festival of the Christian Church. Easter is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus on the third day after his crucifixion. Throughout Eastertide, the **paraments** are **white**. White is used for all high Holy Days and festival days of the church year, especially the seasons of Christmas and Easter, as well as for baptism, marriage, dedications, and in some traditions for the ordination of ministers. It is also used for funerals as a symbol of the resurrection.

The **white Easter cloth** on the baptistry cross was created by Cindy DeHate, Robyn Warren, and Vonda Liming using monies from Barbara Alexander's memorial funds. Monies from Kelli Michel and Blake Sieker's memorial funds were used to refinish the baptistry cross in 2016.

The **image** on the **cover** of the Order of Worship is a grayscale version of a color painting by British painter John Armstrong (1893-1973) entitled *Healing of the Paralytic*.

The **Call to Worship** is written by Carol Penner and is led by **Beverly Goertz.** Bev is a farm girl born in La Junta, Colorado and raised in Montana. Bev has served alongside Chuck throughout 30 years of ministry providing leadership, love and care for diverse congregations along the way. She is particularly gifted in relating to older adults, caring and showing hospitality, and is a licensed massage therapist (retired). Her and Chuck have been married for 47 years.

The **Word for God's Children** is led by Rev. Brenda J. Goodman. Brenda grew up here at Calvary and serves as a rotational leader with Common Table, Common Life, Healing and Wholeness services, and other creative and pastoral needs. She was ordained at Calvary and is a chaplain at Sky Ridge hospital. She loves running, waterskiing, writing, reading, photography, trumpet, and the arts. Brenda and her husband, John have two children, Taylor and Nathan.

The **Calvary Choir**, which is open to all singers age 18+, is directed by **Dr. David Farwig** and accompanied by **Denise Lanning**. If you enjoy singing, please consider joining our choir! Contact David for more information.

During today's **Time of Prayer** we honor **Mother's Day**. **We celebrate and give thanks for all the women in our lives who have nurtured us in life and faith.** The **Lord's Prayer** is from the Dominican Sisters Retreat, March 1993, Great Bend, Kansas. The prayer is led by **Jacob Goertz**. Jacob was approved at the March Council meeting to begin the ordination to ministry process at Calvary. Jacob currently serves as a chaplain at St. Anthony's Hospital. At Calvary, he helps lead Common Table, Common Life, Theology Pub, The Gathering, and Morning Blend and he is part of the Calvary New Hope Joint Leadership Team.

The **Gospel Reading** is read by **Chuck Goertz.** Chuck grew up the son of missionary parents in Germany. He returned to the US to complete high school and attend College where he and Bev met. Chuck has served in several ministry contexts such as: Garden Park Mennonite Brethren church and Homestead Florida Mennonite Church where they served a congregation with twelve nationalities, speaking three languages. Chuck and Bev retired four years ago and returned home to Colorado to enjoy family, especially Charlee and Lydia. Chuck is currently working for Continuum of Colorado, a nonprofit agency providing services to people with a wide range of abilities.

JuBellation, directed by David Farwig, is Calvary's handbell choir. Today's handbell ringers include: **Sara Sieker, Marvel Fisher, Amy Kehew, Devon Moyer, Rick Breitenbecher, Beth Dickinson, and Janet Kerlin**. JuBellation rehearses on Thursdays from 6-6:45 p.m. For more information and if you are interested in joining, please contact David.

During today's **Pilgrimage Blessing** we pray for 19 pilgrims who will be traveling to the Republic of Georgia from May 14-May 30. Among other themes, they will explore the unique Georgian Baptist tradition that worships in an orthodox style and has long embraced female leadership. St. Nino (296-335 AD) is the patron saint of Georgia because her preaching brought Christianity to Georgia and she is considered the founder of the Georgian Orthodox Church. The pilgrimage is led by **Rita & Brad Berglund** and **Anne Scalfaro**.

Today's **sound tech** is **Grant Gibson.** 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 – John Smith Student of the Week – Ashley Hoden Peart Congregational Mission Partner Prayer Focus – Lynne Butler, CEO and President, Metro Caring

Congratulations to Jon and Ikue Warren who got married on May 1st!

Jon is Bill & Robyn Warren's son.

Congratulations to **Kreg Brown** who received a "Citation of Merit" from the University of Missouri.

Love and Sympathy to the family of **Betty Rae Marshall** who died on November 22, 2018. A memorial service to celebrate Betty Rae's life will be held at Calvary on Sunday, June 30, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

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, Greg Austin, Babu & Lakshmi Bachu, Kellona Bain Burke, Karen Bennett, Edythe Berglund, Tracy Card, Todd Clough, Harry & Pat Crandall, Steve Crandall, Cory Crile, Betty Goding, Lori Grohskopf, Debbie Honeker, Allie Hulst, Gary Johnson, John Kimley, Aubrey Knight, Andy Kowalski, Kim Lenz, Don Miller, Calvin Moore, Lynette Pahs, Art Phurrough, John Pipe, Les & Patty Redifer, Judy Tate

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.



TONIGHT – 6:30 p.m. – The Gathering – Fellowship Hall. The Gathering is Calvary's contemporary worship service that takes place every Sunday night. Tonight, Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro will be preaching.

Memorial Day Sunday-May 26-is just around the

corner. What better time for a visit to the Foot of the Cross Courtyard to pay tribute to those who have gone before. Did you know that the final resting place for 38 Calvary members and friends is right here in our midst? Another 62 are memorialized on the Wall of Remembrance. You'll recognize names and reminisce about the many ways they've touched your life. Come by for a moment before or after worship on May 26. Experience fond memories amid the peaceful ambience at the foot of Calvary's cross. Refreshments will be served from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Sun. May 27 – Memorial Day Forum – 9:00 a.m. – Fellowship Hall. Join us for our annual celebration in Fellowship Hall when we will honor our own Calvary veterans and hear stories about service to their country, lessons learned, and the connection of their experience with life and faith. All Calvary veterans and their families are invited to bring any military memorabilia (or that of a family member) to display in Fellowship Hall. This year's speaker is Dr. David Farwig who will share about his military experience. David served for six years as the Director of the Men's Chorus and Assistant Conductor of The United States Air Force Singing Sergeants at Bolling AFB in Washington, DC (Honorably Discharged – March 2000). The Singing Sergeants are "a full-time, professional chamber ensemble, whose primary mission is to support presidential, military, and community public relations worldwide through high level, choral/vocal solo and ensemble presentations."

Sun. May 27 – Intergenerational Forums Begin – 9:00 a.m. – Fellowship Hall. As individual church school classes (including children and youth) take a break during the summer, we begin our intergenerational forums while Church School breaks for the summer. Now in its third year, we are bringing back our "I Am Calvary" series where one Calvary member tells their story of life and faith each week. Stay tuned for a full schedule of our speakers! The I AM CALVARY Forums will run from June 2 – Sept 1.

Sun. June 2 – Reception celebrating Pastor Morgan's 5 Year Anniversary at Calvary – 10:45 a.m. – Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be served and you are encouraged to participate in a Card Shower for Pastor Morgan as we recognize her gifts and leadership and thank her for her ministry with us. *How Morgan Makes Calvary Exceptional:* Morgan leads and coordinates all aspects of Calvary's Youth Ministry (6th - 12th Grades). This includes church school, youth group activities, mission trips, projects, retreats, and fund raising (remember those delicious burritos?) Morgan really rocks with Calvary's Students! Just ask them.

Thank you to all those who helped prep, paint, hang, and do electrical work for the Calvary Art Show: Ken DeHate, Bill Warren, Larry Jenks, Carl Ramay, Gordon Pelton, Walter Rowell, Bill Ponikvar, Rick Chapman, Tom Waymire, Steve Hogan, Dave Crane, Tim Bessey, and Virg Musil. View the artwork of Calvary members and friends in the corridors by the chapel and music room.

Giving At A Glance

Last Week (4/28 to 5/4) \$5,607 Weekly Goal \$13,900 YTD Received Gifts (1/1 to 5/4) \$256,980 YTD Goal for Giving (1/1 to 5/31) \$303,535

Did you know? It takes \$2,100 a day to fund Calvary Baptist Church.



Church Office Hours (staffed by volunteers)

Mon-Thur, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, lunch 12:30-1:30

Sunday, May 12 - FAMILY PROMISE WEEK

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

Monday, May 13

9:00 a.m. Bootstraps & Blessings (N)

11:00 a.m. Bethell Circle (YL)

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

Tuesday, May 14

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

Wednesday, May 15

9:00 a.m. Game Day (YL) 6:30 p.m. Council Mtg (FP)

Thursday, May 16

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

Saturday, May 18

9:00 a.m. Scrapbooking GPS (BR) 10:00 a.m. Creativity & Conversation

(Rm 316/320)

11:00 a.m. International Cong. (Rms 300/306)

Sunday, May 19

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 Mtg (BR) 5:00 p.m. Threshold Taizé Service (C)

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



Rev. Anne J. Scalfaro, Senior Pastor

Rev. Morgan C. Fletcher, Pastor

Rev. Alice Horner-Nelson, Pastor

Rev. Mary Hulst, Pastoral Associate & Pastor Emerita

Dr. David Farwig, *Director of Music* dfarwig@calvarydenver.org

Denise Lanning, Organist

Rev. Matt Nelson, Worship Leader for The Gathering

Angela Leonard, Children's Ministry Coordinator

Becky Porter, Nursery Coordinator

Lori Grohskopf, Administrative &

Operations Coordinator

Luwan Jones, Accountant

Owen Honeycutt, Set-up & Security