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We Are All Here

April 26, 2026

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WELCOME

OUR MISSION IS TO NURTURE AND INSPIRE
OUR FAITH COMMUNITY TO TRANSFORM LIVES FOR CHRIST.

Deeper Connection, Rooted in Community

Thank you for joining us in worship at Calvary. We recognize that our community and the world suffer from disconnection, division, and a loss of meaning. We seek to respond to those challenges by cultivating a spiritual home where people grow in faith, find belonging, and engage in Christ-centered transformation that reaches beyond our walls, out into the world.

We envision a church where people

- Seek to know God and be on the lookout for awe and wonder
- Speak and live the values God has given us
- Serve and enrich the community around us
- Invite others to walk with us as we follow Jesus

It matters that you are here. Our witness to the world is strengthened when we can build community across our differences and with the unique gifts each person offers. Worship, at its root, is participatory. Your voice, in prayer and song, joins with the voices of others, as an offering to God. "Liturgy"—the words we say together in worship—means "the work of the people." Thankful for the privilege of doing the work together, building deeper connections, rooted in community.



For early and non-readers, icons are included in the left margin throughout the bulletin.



*The asterisk indicates rising in body or spirit.

Assisted listening devices are available at the Front Desk, and large print hymnals are located in the Narthex (Sanctuary entry).



DAILY LECTIONARY: APRIL 26–MAY 2

Sunday: Acts 16:16-34; *Paul and Silas*

Monday: Acts 16:35-40; *Paul and Silas*

Tuesday: Acts 15:1-11; *The Council at Jerusalem*

Wednesday: Acts 15:12-21; *The Council at Jerusalem*

Thursday: Acts 16:1-5; *Timothy Joins Paul and Silas*

Friday: Acts 16:6-10; *Paul's Vision of the Man of Macedonia*

Saturday: Acts 16:11-15; *The Conversion of Lydia*

If you could use a new study Bible, we have some for sale. This is the updated version of the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) that we have in the pews.



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PRAYER

Prayer boxes are located in the Narthex (Sanctuary entry) and at the Front Desk. The Deacons and Pastors honor confidentiality and pray for each request.

Calvary Deacons

Prayer, Essential Errands, Spiritual Support

Terry Milby, Deacon Co-Moderator

Jared Waterman, Deacon Co-Moderator:

Rev. Victor Floyd, Minister of Spiritual Care

REQUESTS

Notice of Filming: Most of Calvary's worship services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel and Facebook page. While most of the footage will feature worship leaders, video of the congregation may also appear. If you have concerns, please contact the church office.

♪ **PRELUDE** "24 Pièces: No. XX - *Très calme*; No. XXIII - *Très modéré*" (1930–1933)

André Fleury (1903–1995)

♪ **INTROIT** "How Can I Keep From Singing?"

Lowry, Robert (1826–1899)

*When tyrants tremble, sick with fear
And hear their death-knell ringing
When friends rejoice both far and near
How can I keep from singing?
In prison cell and dungeon vile
Our thoughts to them are winging
When friends by shame are undefiled
How can I keep from singing?*

👂 **WELCOME**

🔊 **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather in a world full of locked doors.

We gather as people who know what it is to feel trapped.

But we will hear of a night when the chains fell away.

Not because someone ran, but because no one did.

We will hear of a song rising from a midnight cell,

And of a jailer who fell to his knees and asked: *What must I do to be saved?*

Come. Let us worship the God who sings in the dark,

And sets the captive free.

♪ ***HYMN 249** "Because You Live, O Christ"

VRUECHTEN

👂 ***CALL TO CONFESSION**

🕯 ***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of midnight songs and open doors, we confess that we do not always stay with the suffering.

When the walls shake, we look for the exit.

When the chains fall, we save ourselves.

We have confused safety with faithfulness, and our comfort with your call.

We have let the powers of this world name us, number us, and keep us small.

Forgive us.

Teach us to remain. To sing through the dark midnight.

To stay, when staying is the right thing. Amen.

👂 ***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

♪ ***GLORIA** "Glory to the God Above"

GOLDEN GATE, Michael Conley

Glo-ry to the God a-bove, and to the Son, the Lord of
Love, Glo-ry to the Spi-rit, Three In One, Glo-ry to God through whom all good things come.
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and for-ev-er shall be. A -
men, a - men, a - men, a - men!

🕯 ***THE PEACE**


The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

The congregation is invited to share a sign of peace.

 **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Holy Spirit, open in us what no lock can hold. Let these ancient words find in us all that yearns to be free.
Amen.**

 **SCRIPTURE** Acts 16:16–34 (page 900)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

 **CHILDREN'S MEDITATION**

Children are invited to come up front for the Children's Meditation. Following the Children's Meditation, all 5th graders and youth grades 6–12 are invited to gather in the Atrium for Walk-n-Talk Bridge Day to get to know each other and build connections across grades. Children aged infant–4th grade are invited to walk with their parents to the Lower Level Sunday Studio and Childcare space. Children may also remain in worship with their families.

 **ANTHEM** "Not One Sparrow Is Forgotten"

Shaker Hymn, arr. William Hawley & Molly Ijames

*Not one sparrow is forgotten,
E'en the raven God will feed;
And the lily of the valley
From God's bounty hath its need.
Then shall I not trust Thee, Father,
In Thy mercy have a share?
And through faith and prayer, my Mother,
Merit Thy protecting care?
—Shaker Hymn (Canterbury Shakers Hymnal, 1908)*

 **SERMON** "We Are All Here"

 **HYMN 22** "God of the Sparrow"

ROEDER

 ***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Based on Acts 16:16–32 & the Belhar Confession

We believe in a God who is present at midnight—in the prison cell, in the place of suffering, in the hour when hope is locked away. God brings justice to the oppressed, gives bread to the hungry, frees the prisoner, and restores sight to the blinded. God is still shaking the foundations—opening what has been shut, loosening what has been bound, turning our midnight of despair into the dawn of new life. We believe that the church is called to stand where God stands: with the wronged, beside the suffering, inside the walls the world has built to constrict hope, and blocking the path of all that is hypocritical and ungodly. We believe that justice shall roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, and that no shackle of injustice shall remain. God will have the final word. Hallelujah. Amen.

 **OFFERING**

The ushers will be walking down the aisles with offering plates if you'd like to pass your contribution toward either aisle as they walk by. You may also place your offering in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary.

 **OFFERTORY ANTHEM** "I Wish I Knew How It Would Feel to Be Free"

Billy Taylor & Dick Dallas/arr. Kirby Shaw

*I wish I knew how
It would feel to be free.
I wish I could break
All the chains holding me.
I wish I could say
All the things that I should say—
Say 'em loud, say 'em clear
For the whole round world to hear.*

*I wish I could share
All the love that's in my heart,
Remove all the bars
That keep us apart.
I wish you could know
What it means to be me.
Then you'd see and agree
That every one should be free.*

*I wish I could give
All I'm longin' to give.
I wish I could live
Like I'm longin' to live.
I wish I could do
All the things that I can do.
Though I'm way overdue
I'd be starting anew.*

*Well, I wish I could be
Like a bird in the sky.
How sweet it would be
If I found I could fly.
I'd soar to the sun
And look down at the sea.
And I'd sing 'cause I'd know
How it feels to be free.*

🎵 *DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDRETH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God, all creatures
 here be - low, praise God, a - bove ye heav - enly host;
 Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

🕯️ *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

🕯️ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

🎵 *HYMN 821 "My Life Flows On"

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

🎵 *BENEDICTION

🎵 *CHORAL BLESSING "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

South African hymn

🎵 POSTLUDE "24 Pièces: No. XXIV - *Allegro vivo*" (1930-1933)

André Fleury (1903-1995)

Leading Worship This Morning

Anna Douglas
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Liturgist
Preaching
Assisting
Assisting
Conductor
Organ/Piano
Soloist
Soloist
Soloist
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Next Week in Worship: May 3 at 10am

Guest Preacher, Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo
Finding God in the Spaces We Do Not Yet Understand

Acts 17:16-31 In a city crowded with idols and an altar dedicated to an unknown god, the Apostle Paul discovered that humanity's deepest restlessness is itself a longing for the One in whom we live, move, and have our being. As we dwell in the sacred space between the resurrection we have celebrated and the Pentecost fire we have yet to receive, this sermon invites us to trust that the God who raised Jesus from the dead is already present and active in the uncertainties, questions, and uncharted places we have not yet learned to name.

1 Be-cause you live, O Christ, the gar - den of the world has come to
 2 Be-cause you live, O Christ, the spir - it bird of hope is freed for
 3 Be-cause you live, O Christ, the rain-bow of your peace will span cre -

flow - er; the dark-ness of the tomb is flood - ed with your
 fly - ing; our ca - ges of de - spair no lon - ger keep us
 a - tion; the col - ors of your love will draw all hu - man -

Refrain

res - ur - rec - tion pow - er.
 closed and life - de - ny - ing. The stone has rolled a - way and death can -
 kind to ad - o - ra - tion.

not im - pris - on! O sing this Eas - ter day, for Je - sus Christ has

ris - en, has ris - en, has ris - en, has ris - en!

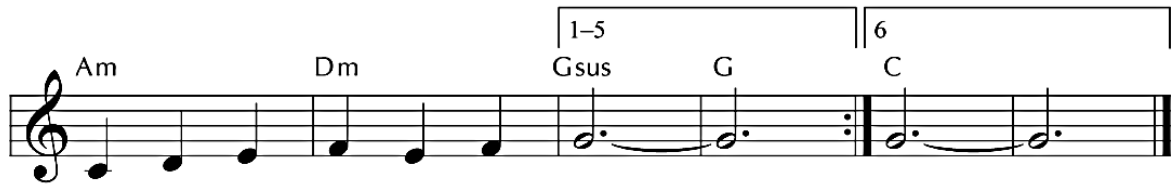
This New Zealand author's text contains no familiar images of springtime to bolster its message, because Easter in the Southern Hemisphere comes in autumn. This hymn resulted both from her dissatisfaction with existing hymns and from her love of this exuberant Dutch tune.



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the



swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Though a lack of punctuation makes this text appear freeform and the flowing tune enhances a sense of movement, each stanza here is firmly anchored by a final weighty word (praise, save, thanks, life, peace, home), a sign of God's eternal presence in an ever-changing world.

1 My life flows on in end-less song, a-bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion.
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav - ior liv - eth.
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
 What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain

No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.

Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

In the *New York Observer* of August 7, 1868, this text was titled "Always Rejoicing," and was attributed to "Pauline T." This may well be where the Baptist pastor and musician to whom it is usually credited encountered the words that he later published with his tune.

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WHAT'S YOUR LEGACY?

On Sunday, May 3, Calvary will recognize and thank members of the Calvary Legacy Giving Circle—members and friends who have named Calvary and/or the Calvary Foundation in their estate plans.

Legacy giving can feel complicated, yet it is a straightforward and impactful way to support Calvary for generations to come.

Legacy Giving misconception #2



Must be Wealthy: people of all income and wealth levels can leave a legacy gift, whether it's a modest bequest or a portion of your assets. Plus, it costs nothing during your lifetime.

Questions? Please contact a pastor or Robin Morjikian.

GIVE LIGHT TO THE WORLD

2026 ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN

JOIN CALVARY IN MINISTRY
MAKE A PLEDGE FOR 2026

Stewardship is more than meeting a budget—it's about shining Christ's love and light in the world.

Pledging is easy:

- ✦ Use the QR code to pledge online
- ✦ Visit calpres.org/give/annual-giving-2026
- ✦ Complete the pledge card mailed to you or use one located in the pew rack

Questions about pledging?
Contact a pastor or Robin Morjikian.



The congregation has pledged over \$1,353,700 for **Giving Light to the World**, our 2026 pledge campaign. We are over 93% towards our goal! Thank you!

Your pledge supports Calvary worship services, music ministries, outreach to those in need, fellowship and education for all ages, and so much more.

To help our church meet its \$1.45 million pledge goal, please make your pledge today!



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