

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

WHAT DOES SABBATH MEAN?



"God Reposing on the Sabbath." Engraving by Vasily Koren.
This image appeared in the earliest known engraved Bible in Russian.

SABBATH MEANS ABIDING IN LOVE

July 19, 2026

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WELCOME

OUR VISION IS TO AMPLIFY A MESSAGE OF LOVE AND JUSTICE THROUGH A GROWING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY FULLY ALIVE TO ITS CALLING – TRANSFORMING SAN FRANCISCO AND THE WORLD.

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: July 19–July 25

Sunday: Genesis 2:1-3; John 15:9-15

Monday: Psalm 139:13-18; Genesis 32:3-21; Revelation 14:12-20

Tuesday: Psalm 139:13-18; Genesis 33:1-17; Galatians 4:21-5:1

Wednesday: Psalm 139:13-18; Genesis 35:16-29; Matthew 12:15-21

Thursday: Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Genesis 29:1-8; 1 Corinthians 4:14-20

Friday: Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Genesis 29:9-14; Acts 7:44-53

Saturday: Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Genesis 29:31-30:24; Matthew 12:38-42

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.

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♪ **PRELUDE** "Il. Molto moderato con delizia", from *Piano Sonata* (1980)
"The Swan" from *Carnival of the Animals*

John Walko
Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

♪ **INTROIT** "The Peace of the Earth"

trad. Guatemalan, arr. John Bell

*The peace of the earth be with you,
the peace of the heavens too;
the peace of the rivers be with you,
the peace of the oceans too.
Deep peace falling over you;
God's peace growing in you.*

👂 **WELCOME**

🔊 **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rejoice, people of God: this is our Sabbath day.

Rejoice, friends in Christ: this is our time for worship.

God ordained the Sabbath for rest and restoration.

Our God who is worthy of rest is also worthy of our worship.

So let us worship God!

We worship our Creator, Healer, and Inspiration!

♪ ***HYMN 791** "For You, My God, I Wait"

SPRINGTIME

👂 ***CALL TO CONFESSION**

🕯 ***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord of the Sabbath, hear our prayer. It is hard for us to stop working, and harder still to stop worshipping work. We confess that our busyness often substitutes for our holiness. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be still enough to know you. Help us to understand that your sabbath is the seam between the world of work and the work of worship. Help us to know that the sabbath is what keeps us from unraveling, that it knits up the harried and makes them holy, that it even helps to heal creation from the crash. In this quiet, peaceful time, we honor you, we rest in you; we long to know you as maker and mender. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

👂 ***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

♪ ***GLORIA: HYMN 814** "In God Alone" (Choir alone, then all.)

MON ÂME SE REPOSE

In God a - lone my soul can find rest and peace, in
God my peace_ and joy. On - ly in God my
soul can find its rest, find its rest_ and peace.

✋ ***THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

The congregation is invited to share a sign of peace.

Following the Peace, children aged infant to 5th grade are invited to walk with their parents down to the Lower Level Sunday Studio and Childcare space. Children may also remain in worship with their families. Note: The Children's Meditation is on summer break June 7-September 13.



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, we thank you for these words that help us find the rhythm of rest and work in our lives. Help us to hear your still small voice as we quiet our souls and prepare our hearts to listen. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



SCRIPTURE Genesis 2:1-3 (page 2); John 15:9-15 (page 878)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



ANTHEM "Love Is Little"

trad. Shaker, arr. Mark Schweizer

*Love is little, love is low,
Love will make our spirits grow,
Grow in peace, grow in light,
Love will do the thing that's right.*

*Love is silent, love is strong,
Love will sing a quiet song,
Sing of peace, sing of light,
Love will do the thing that's right.*

*Love is gentle, love is small,
Love will find the best of all,
Find the peace, find the light,
Love will do the thing that's right.*

*Love is wonder, love is grace,
Love will bind all in its place;
Bind the peace, bind the light,
Love will do the thing that's right.*



SERMON "Sabbath Means Abiding in Love"



SABBATH STILLNESS

Following the Sabbath Stillness, Youth (grades 6th-12th) may meet in the 2nd floor lounge area, called The S.P.O.T. (Spiritual, Passionate, Open-minded, Transformative).



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 "Rest"

Jonathan Denney and Drew Ley, arr. Heather Sorenson

*Hide me away, let me sit with you as the evening fades.
Hold back the day, time is standing still in the quiet shade.
Breathe life into my bones, as you tell me I'm your own.
With sunlight low and shadows long,
your love becomes my evening song,
the heavens painted with your faithfulness.
When stars unveil and fill the sky,
inside your wings let me abide.
You remind my soul again to rest.*



*DOXOLOGY: HYMN 717 "For the Life That You Have Given"

PLEADING SAVIOR

**For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.**



*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 282 "Come Down, O Love Divine"

DOWN AMPNEY



*BENEDICTION

♪ ***CHORAL BLESSING** "Peace I Leave With You"

Michael Conley

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.
Peace I leave with you. Amen.
—John 14:27*

♪ **POSTLUDE** "Mit Fried und Freud ich fahr dahin"
(In Peace and Joy I Now Depart)

Johann Christoph Bach (1642-1703)

Leading Worship This Morning

JoAnna Halk	Liturgist
Rev. Joann H. Lee	Preaching
Rev. Victor H. Floyd	Assisting
Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt	Assisting
Michael Conley	Conductor
John Walko	Organist/Pianist
Emil Miland	Cello
Gabrielle Goozée-Nichols	Soloist
Natalie Ter Agapova	Soloist
Nancy Hall	Soloist
Joachim Luis	Soloist
Jefferson Packer	Soloist
Ben Pattison	Soloist
Michael Villarreal	Soloist
Calvary Summer Choir	

Next Week in Worship: July 26 at 10am

Guest Preacher, The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt
Sabbath Means We Are Enough

Luke 15:11-32

Why do so many of us feel so much pressure to compete, judge, produce, win? The Parable of the Prodigal Son is about two sons. One son learns the hard way that he doesn't have to earn his father's love. The other son doesn't get it. With which son do you identify?



Pastor Marci is away from Calvary on her sabbatical, returning September 1.

HELLO!

You'll find blank name tags located in the Narthex (Sanctuary entry) and inside Calvin Hall. Please use them during Coffee Hour, so we can all get to know one another better!

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172 HAPPY ANNIVERSARY **Calvary!**

THIS MONTH CALVARY CELEBRATES 172 YEARS
OF MINISTRY IN THE HEART OF SAN FRANCISCO!

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Capo 3: (D) F (G) B $\flat$ (D) F (D) F



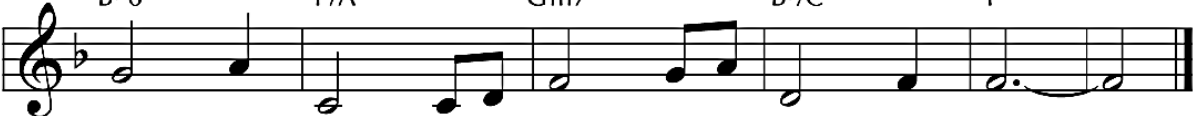
1 For you, my God, I wait with hope born
 2 Lord, hear my plead - ing voice, and let me
 3 If you should list my faults, the sins of
 4 For e - ven from the deep I know you
 5 And once my soul is still, in you I
 6 O God, you are my hope; I know that

(G) B $\flat$ (Asus) Csus (A) C (Bm) Dm (D/A) F/C



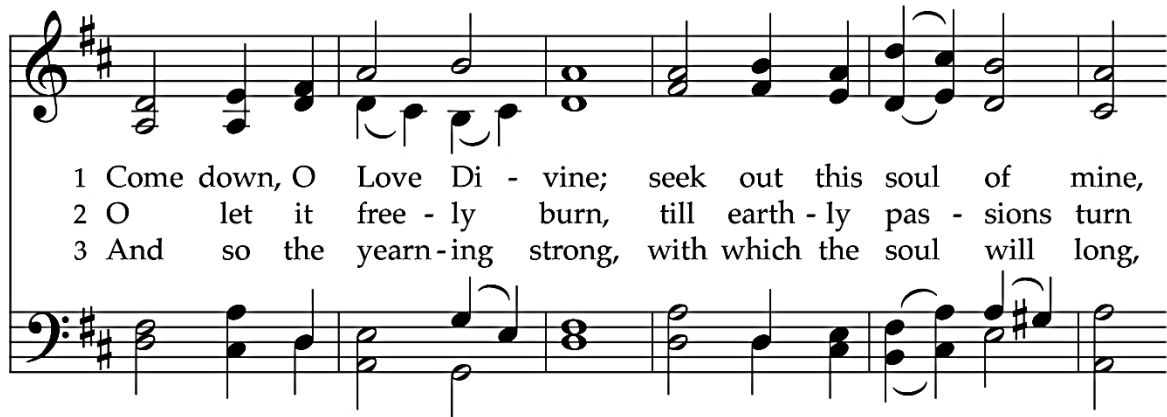
of the Word. Like sleep - less ones who
 know you hear! As sleep - less ones feel
 heart and hand, like sleep - less ones who
 hear my cries. Like sleep - less ones who
 find my rest, at peace as though a
 you for - give. Your love re - deems me

(G6) B $\flat$ 6 (D/F $\sharp$) F/A (Em7) Gm7 (G/A) B $\flat$ /C (D) F

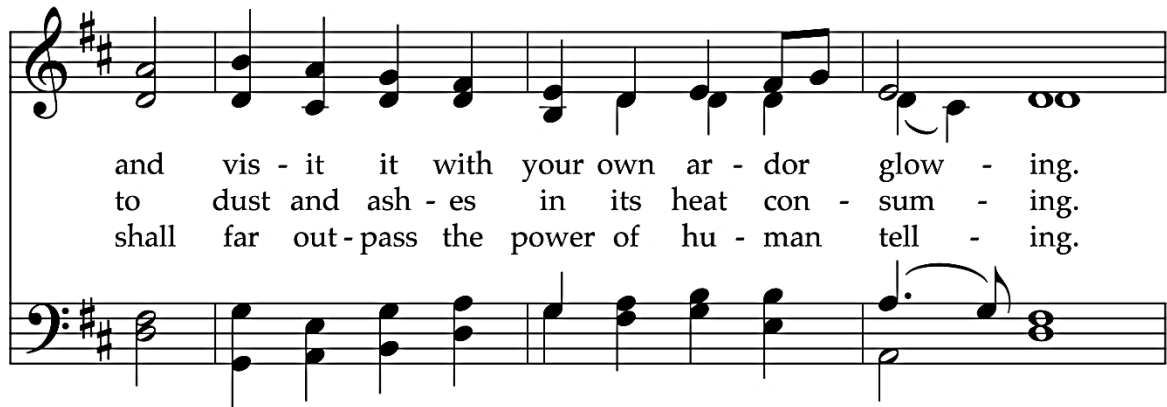


long to dream I wait and call my Lord.
 rest ap - proach, I know my God is near.
 groan at dawn I know I could not stand!
 dream at last, I ease my wea - ry eyes.
 child up - on a gen - tle moth - er's breast.
 from the depths so I may rise and live.

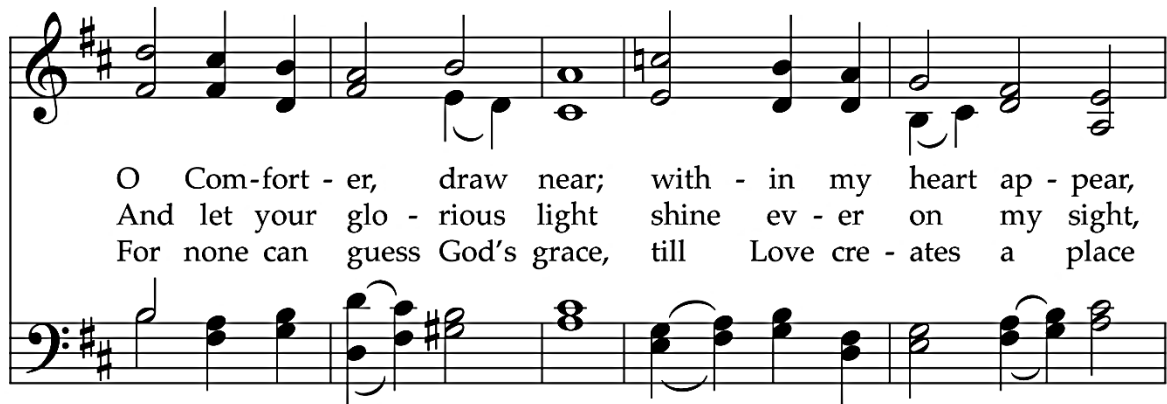
Unlike most paraphrases of Psalm 130, this one begins in the thematic center of the psalm and works backwards to the familiar "out of the depths" language of the opening verse. This focus on waiting allows the paraphrase to incorporate the imagery of the brief related Psalm 131.



1 Come down, O Love Di - vine; seek out this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,



and vis - it it with your own ar - dor glow - ing.
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing.
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing.



O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear,
 And let your glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 For none can guess God's grace, till Love cre - ates a place



and kin - dle it, your ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

This *lauda spirituale*, a kind of vernacular Italian sacred song from the late Middle Ages and Renaissance, was translated into English in the 19th century but received little notice until this tune (named for the composer's birthplace) was created for *The English Hymnal*.



Notice: Elevator Out of Order

We apologize for the recent inconvenience regarding Calvary's elevator. At the moment, only stairs are available to reach the lower level, balcony, or the second and third floors. We expect more information on this situation by the middle of July. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

CALVARY WORSHIP, MUSIC, AND PROGRAM STAFF



The Rev. Marcella Auld Glass, Pastor & Head of Staff
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