

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

WHAT DOES SABBATH MEAN?

SABBATH MEANS WE ARE ENOUGH

July 26, 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 26–August 1

Sunday: Luke 15:11–32

Monday: Psalm 65:8–13; Genesis 30:25–36; James 3:13–18

Tuesday: Psalm 65:8–13; Genesis 30:37–43; Ephesians 6:10–18

Wednesday: Psalm 65:8–13; Genesis 46:2–47:12; Mark 4:30–34

Thursday: Psalm 17:1–7, 15; Isaiah 14:1–2; Philippians 4:10–15

Friday: Psalm 17:1–7, 15; Isaiah 41:8–10; Romans 9:6–13

Saturday: Psalm 17:1–7, 15; Genesis 31:1–21; Matthew 7:7–11

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** "Come, Ye Disconsolate" (tune: Samuel Webbe)
"Just as I Am, Without One Plea" (tune: William Bradbury)

Dale Wood, arr. (1934-2003)

♪ **INTROIT** "Take Me As I Am"

John Bell

*Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.*

👂 **WELCOME**

🔊 **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jesus said, "The Sabbath is for humans, not humans for the Sabbath."

"The Sabbath is for you," he says tenderly to you now. "My beloved Child, this is for you." A gift.

Here and now. Receive it. Enter into it. Let it enter into you.

Let go of all that holds you back. Surrender every burden you carry. For God holds all things together, and God will heal all that is fractured. This is not yours to do. Yours is to rest.

And remember who we are, and whose we are, and why we are.

And in the beauty, goodness, and truth of it all, may we be renewed.

♪ ***HYMN 76** "Do Not Be Afraid" (Please join in singing the refrain.)

ISAIAH 43

👂 ***CALL TO CONFESSION**

🕯 ***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, help us. When we have run away, when we have turned our backs on love, when we have sought immediate satisfaction and not long-term healing, help us. Merciful God, forgive us. When we have been selfish, when we have been mean, when we have closed our ears to the cries of others, forgive us. Powerful God, heal us. When we are so broken we cannot move, when we don't know how to stem the bleeding of our wounds, when we are too ashamed to seek community, heal us. Give us the courage, the strength, and the hope to accept your grace and hear your call in Christ. Amen.

👂 ***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

In our busy lives and distracted minds, let us clearly know this: God is still speaking to us, believing that creation can be restored and redeemed. Rejoice in the forgiving nature of our Creator, who reconciles us and empowers us to live as claimed, called, and beloved people.

Thanks be to God!

♪ ***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

God of new beginnings, through your Word, renew our spirits, restore our hope, and revive our faith. May we leave this place changed by your grace. Amen.



SCRIPTURE Luke 15:11-32 (page 850)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



ANTHEM "Just As I Am"

*Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind;
Yes, all I need, in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*

William Bradbury (1849) arr. Michael Conley

*Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*Just as I am, Thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down;
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come!*



SERMON "Sabbath Means We Are Enough"



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 "Come By Here"

African-American spiritual, arr. Kyle Pederson

Come by here, my Lord, come by here. O Lord, come by here.

Someone's praying, Lord, come by here.

Someone's crying, Lord, come by here.

In the morning, Lord, you are here.

In the evening, Lord, you are here.

In my waking, Lord, you are here.

In my sleeping, Lord, you are here.

*In my pleading, waiting, caring, loving, blessing, grieving, hoping, longing, falling, hiding,
rising, healing, aching, laughing, praising, seeking, finding, breathing, dying, Lord, you are here.*

O Lord, you are here.



*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 293 "Loving Spirit"

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*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** "Postlude, from 'Partita on Almighty God of Majesty'" (1963)

Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

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The Prayer of Confession is adapted from "Hold Fast to What Is Good" by Beth Neel, holdfasttowhatisgood.com.

Leading Worship This Morning

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Rev. Victor H. Floyd	Assisting
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John Walko	Organist/Pianist
Natalie Ter Agapova	Soloist
Nancy Hall	Soloist
Joachim Luis	Soloist
Jefferson Packer	Soloist
Ben Pattison	Soloist
Michael Villarreal	Soloist
Calvary Summer Choir	

Welcoming The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt

The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt is Dean of San Francisco Theological Seminary, the Presbyterian Church (USA) seminary in San Anselmo, California, where she teaches preaching. She served as the pastor/head of staff of First Presbyterian Church of San Anselmo for nearly 15 years, and prior to that, she served as an associate pastor here at Calvary. Before attending seminary, she was a trial lawyer for 15 years. Joanne lives in Richmond, California, is married and has three adult children.

Next Week in Worship: August 2 at 10am

**Guest Preacher, The Rev. Dr. Janie Spahr
To Be Transfigured**

Job: 38; Matthew 18:20

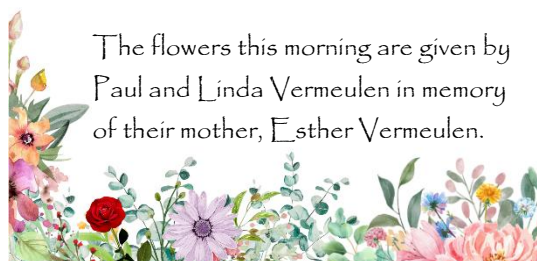
What if the glory we're waiting for is already shining through us? Presbyterian trailblazer, Janie Spahr, preaches on Job's cosmos and Mark's mountain—where Transfiguration means seeing what was always true: dazzling glory, holy mountains, and the light hidden in ordinary flesh.



In Memoriam

Wanda Joy Jones
(1936-2026)

The flowers this morning are given by
Paul and Linda Vermeulen in memory
of their mother, Esther Vermeulen.



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!

Refrain *All* E B C#m G D/F# E B

Do not be a - fraid, for I am with you. Cho-sen and be -

C#m D Bm7 Dmaj7 E B C#m

loved, you are my own. Do not be a - fraid, for I have re -

E7 D Bm7 C Em Am7 Bm7 E *Last time*

deemed you: by your name I called you for my own.

Leader or All D Bm7 E

1 ♪ Look up, a new thing I am do - ing;
2 I am God, who blots out your trans - gres - sions;
3 ♪ The Lord, the Ho - ly One of Is - rael

D Bm7 E

♪ it springs forth; ♪ look and see it grow.
for my own sake I do not chide or blame.
♪ has prom - ised to lead us on our way,

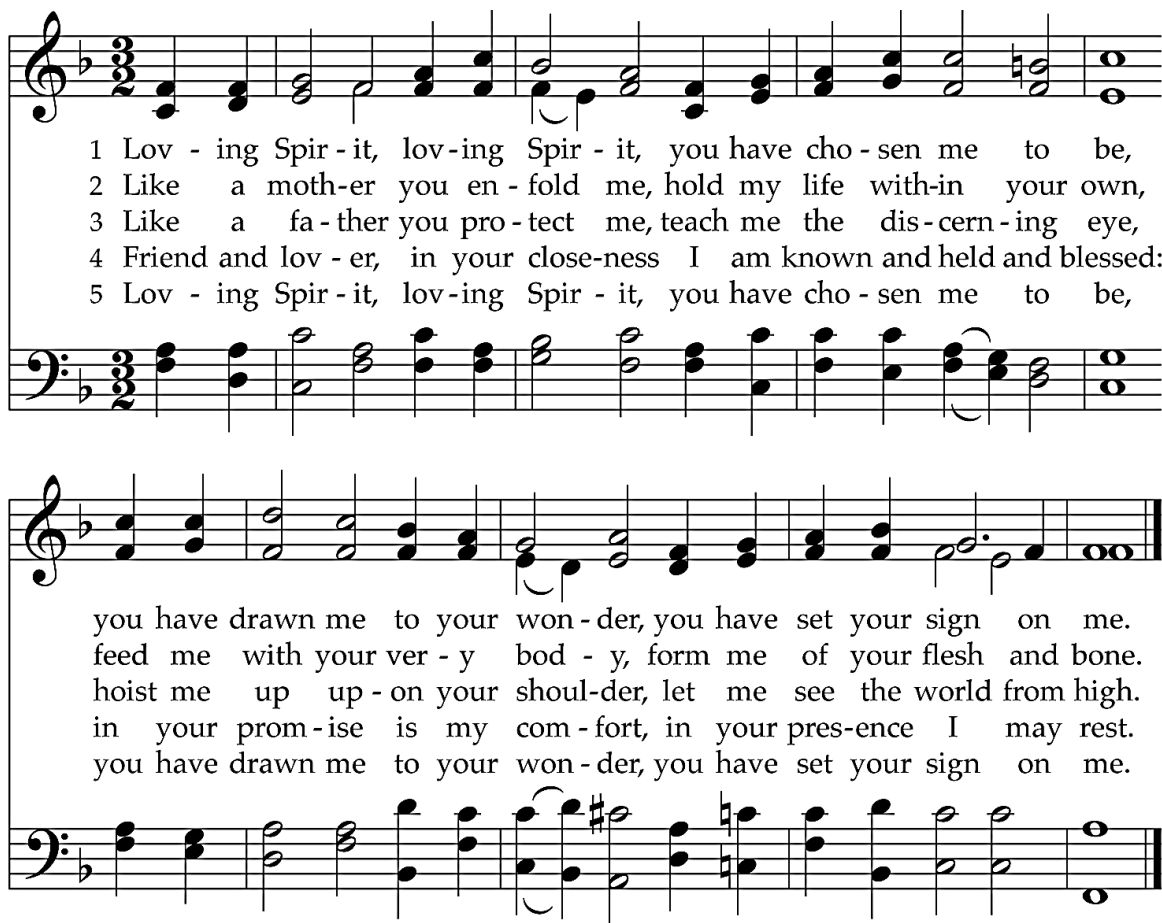
F G

♪ Through wil - der - ness I'll make a lev - el high - way;
On - ly this much I ask, that you love me
♪ and we who love and wor - ship God our Mak - er

F Dm7 Bsus B *to Refrain*

through des - erts, make streams and riv - ers flow.
and seek me and hon - or my name.
will lis - ten to hear the Spir - it say:

Several verses from Isaiah 43 are paraphrased here: 1b (refrain), 19 (stanza 1), 25 (stanza 2). That prophetic oracle of salvation is rooted in the assurance of God's presence with the People of the Covenant. They, in turn, are called to seek God's will and proclaim God's power.



1 Lov - ing Spir - it, lov-ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be,
 2 Like a moth-er you en - fold me, hold my life with-in your own,
 3 Like a fa - ther you pro - tect me, teach me the dis - cern - ing eye,
 4 Friend and lov - er, in your close-ness I am known and held and blessed:
 5 Lov - ing Spir - it, lov-ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be,

you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.
 feed me with your ver - y bod - y, form me of your flesh and bone.
 hoist me up up - on your shoul-der, let me see the world from high.
 in your prom - ise is my com - fort, in your pres-ence I may rest.
 you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.

A gift to the whole church, the Holy Spirit is also experienced by individuals in meaningful ways such as those described in this reflective (and structurally circular) consideration of the relational aspects of the Spirit. The tune may have originated in a folk melody.

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