



Nathan Admonishing David, Rembrandt (1606-1669), reed-pen and bistre wash, c. 1654-55

David's Folly

OCTOBER 25, 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).



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DAILY LECTIONARY OCTOBER 25–OCTOBER 31

Sunday: 2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9; *Nathan and King David*

Monday: 2 Samuel 12:10-25; *The Fallout from David's Sin*

Tuesday: Psalm 51:10-19; *A Plea for Redemption*

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 23:8-17; *David's Mighty Warriors*

Thursday: 1 Kings 1:5-37; *Intrigue in Old David's Palace*

Friday: 1 Kings 1:38-53; *Solomon Is Anointed as the Future King*

Saturday: 1 Kings 2:1-12; *David's Advice to Solomon*

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. Please inquire at the Front Desk.



PRAYER REQUESTS

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



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** "Matins" (1961)

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

🎵 **INTROIT** "Gratias agimus tibi"

Gregor Aichinger (1564-1628)

*We give You thanks, O God, for all your gifts and benefits,
You who live and reign as God forever and ever. Amen.*

👂 **WELCOME**

🔊 **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to hear the stories of other people in another world long ago.

We come to hear the stories that are also about us today in this place.

God, give us ears to listen,

Eyes to see,

Hearts to accept,

And the grace to follow Jesus.

🎵 ***HYMN 712** "As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought"

FOREST GREEN

👂 ***CALL TO CONFESSION**

🕯 ***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, we hear the story of David and wonder how he could so abuse his power:
serving his own interests in such a selfish way. How different from the way Jesus
used his power: serving, healing and nurturing others.**

Forgive us when our actions reflect those of David more than those of Jesus.

**We confess that the way of the world so often reflects more the way
of David than the way of Jesus, and we pray that we may be powerfully strengthened
by the Holy Spirit to witness to Jesus' love and compassion in and through
all we do and say. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

👂 ***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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

CELESTIAL HARMONY, Michael Conley

Glo - ry to God: the Cre - a - tor, the
Christ, and the Ho - ly Spi - rit; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is
now, and will be for - ev - er, world with - out
end, a - men. Glo - ry - to God.

✋ ***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**

**In our reading and hearing of your Holy Word, O God, give us a clear vision of the truth,
faith in your power, and confident assurance of your love. Amen.**



SCRIPTURE 2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9 (page 248)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



CHILDREN'S MEDITATION

Following the Children's Meditation, 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.



ANTHEM "Walk Humbly with Your God"

Fred Gramman

Do justly; love mercy; walk humbly with your God.

What does the Lord require for praise and offering?

What sacrifice desire or tribute bid you bring?

Do justly; love mercy; walk humbly with your God.

How shall our life fulfill God's law so hard and high?

Let Christ endue our will with grace, grace to fortify.

Do justly; love mercy; walk humbly with your God.

Rulers of earth give ear!

Should you not justice know?

Will God your pleading hear, while crime and cruelty grow?

Then justly; in mercy; we'll humbly walk with God.

"What doth the Lord require?"

—Albert F. Bayly (1901-84), based on Micah 6:1-8



SERMON "David's Folly"



***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** excerpted from A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in God,
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.**

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

**Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth,
exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.**

We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

**In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.**

**Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.**

**Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.**

**Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.**

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



MINUTE FOR MINISTRY "Hope in the Streets" Documentary



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** "Song of Gratitude"

Craig Hella Johnson

*Out of these songs, out of this singing
Lifting our souls, lifting our being
Heart, you are everywhere
Deeper than dreaming
In the name of the Spirit of Love
Always and everywhere, we bow down
We bow down, namaste**

*Within the source, within the center
Within the telling of falling and rising
Within the root, within creation
Harvest of waves, dancing, redeeming
Hope, you flow everywhere
Healing our hunger
In the name of the Spirit of Love
Always and everywhere, we bow down
We bow down, namaste*

*Harmony flesh, harmony treasure
Harmony human, forever returning
Harmony path, harmony vision
Blessing our way, endless beginnings
light, you shine everywhere
Shaping our wonder
In the name of the spirit of love
Always and everywhere, we bow down
We bow down, namaste*

**"I bow to you"*

♪ ***DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow, praise God, all crea - tures
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 731** "Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm"

REPTON

♪ ***BENEDICTION**

♪ ***CHORAL BLESSING** "Alleluia"

Jacques Berthier

♪ **POSTLUDE** "Pièces d'orgue, Livre 1, Suite II, No. 2 - 'Duo, en cors de chasse sur la Trompète'"

Jean-François Dandrieu (1682-1738)

LEADING WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Kinney Horn	<i>Liturgist</i>
Jen Gee	<i>Minute for Ministry</i>
Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt	<i>Preaching</i>
Rev. Joann H. Lee	<i>Assisting</i>
Rev. Victor H. Floyd	<i>Assisting</i>
Michael Conley	<i>Conductor</i>
John Walko	<i>Organist/Pianist</i>
Natalie Ter Agapova	<i>Soloist</i>
Victoria Belova	<i>Soloist</i>
Gabrielle Goozée-Nichols	<i>Soloist</i>
Joachim Luis	<i>Soloist</i>
Jefferson Packer	<i>Soloist</i>
Ben Pattison	<i>Soloist</i>
Michael Villarreal	<i>Soloist</i>
Calvary Chancel Choir	

Pastor Marcella is away
from Calvary on sabbatical,
returning November 2.

NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP NOVEMBER 1 AT 10AM

Rev. Victor H. Floyd: Heart Wisdom

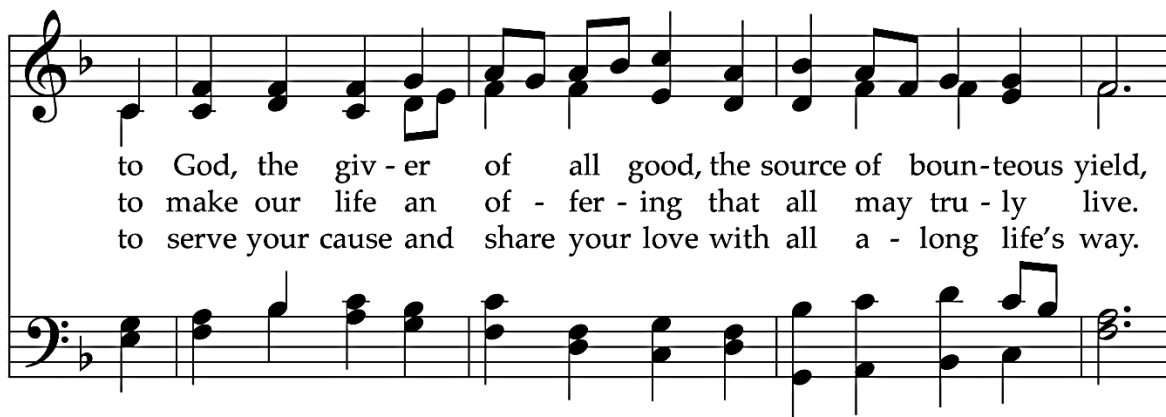
1 Kings 3:4-9, 16-28 Two women, a child, a sword, and a freshly anointed king. When everything's on the line, what truly moves your heart? Come remember the saints and gather at God's table this All Saints Sunday.

WELCOMING THE REV. DR. JOANNE WHITT

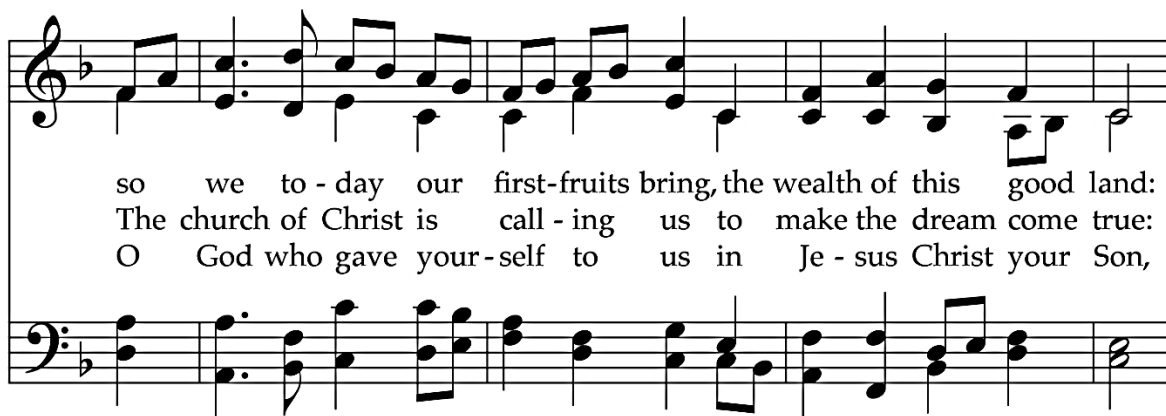
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt is Dean of San Francisco Theological Seminary, the Presbyterian Church (USA) seminary in San Anselmo, California, where she teaches preaching. She served as the pastor/head of staff of First Presbyterian Church of San Anselmo for nearly 15 years, and prior to that, she served 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.



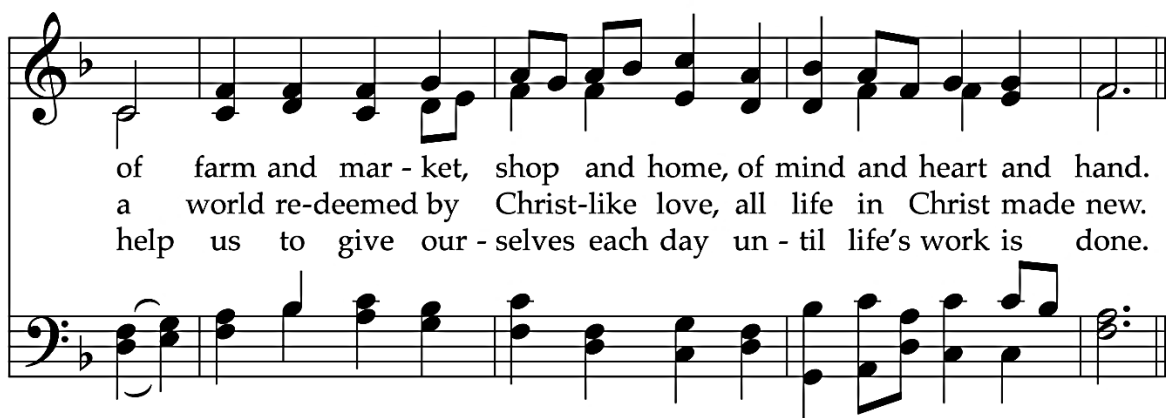
1 As those of old their first-fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and field
 2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la-bor, love, and give,
 3 In grat-i-tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to-day,



to God, the giv-er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,
 to make our life an of-fer-ing that all may tru-ly live.
 to serve your cause and share your love with all a-long life's way.



so we to-day our first-fruits bring, the wealth of this good land:
 The church of Christ is call-ing us to make the dream come true:
 O God who gave your-self to us in Je-sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar-ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.
 a world re-deemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.
 help us to give our-selves each day un-til life's work is done.

This text by a Presbyterian pastor in California expresses the conviction that being a good steward is an essential part of the Christian life, for self-giving is God's own nature. The tune is named for the village in Surrey where the arranger collected this tune in 1903.

Capo 1: (D) E^b (A) B^b (Bm) Cm (G) A^b



1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all a -
 2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, be - yond mere
 3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a spar - kling
 4 Give thanks for saints of a - ges past and saints a -

(D) E^b (A) B^b (D) E^b (G) A^b (Em) Fm (A) B^b (F#m) Gm



round seems bleak: on God's good prom - ise they re - ly, so
 mor - tal sight: who seek the cit - y God has planned, the
 pre - cious stone: they show by what they say and do an
 live to - day: though of - ten by this world de - spised, their

(Bm) Cm (G) A^b (Em) Fm (A7) B^b7 (D) E^b



while they live and when they die how force - ful -
 true, e - ter - nal prom - ised land, and steer on
 in - ward beau - ty, warm and true, for God's con -
 hearts by God are rich - ly prized. Give thanks that

(A7) B^b7 (B) C (Em) Fm (G) (A7) A^b B^b7 (D) E^b



ly they speak: the strong, who once were weak!
 toward that light, a bea - con ev - er bright.
 cerns they own: God's love through them is known.
 we may say we share their pil - grim way.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The first three stanzas of this text are organized around the three great virtues—faith, hope, and love—mentioned in 1 Corinthians 13:13. These have indeed been the marks of the faithful people of God always and everywhere, and the final stanza sums up our gratitude for them.



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