

In the Beginning Homecoming Sunday September 12 at 10 am



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Welcome to Calvary



Whether online or in-person, now is a wonderful time to join the Calvary community in worship and friendship. A time to pray and learn. At Calvary we hope to be a welcoming community, living the Christian faith in word and action. Whether you are young or old, a spiritual seeker or a long-time church attender—you are welcome here. Special services are held throughout the liturgical year, with notice of the services appearing on the Calvary website (www.calpres.org) as well as in our Sunday worship bulletin. We look forward to emerging from this time of pandemic, ready to respond to God's dreams for our congregation and our community. Please join us. You are welcome here.

Rev. Victor H. Floyd

Rev. Joann H. Lee

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Rev. Marci Glass

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Prayer Requests

You may submit prayer requests through the **Prayer Line:** (415) 346-3832, ext. 600. The Deacons and Pastors honor confidentiality and pray for each request.

Calvary Deacons: Prayer, Essential Errands, Spiritual Support
Arnold Low, arnoldlow@calpres.org - Deacon Co-Moderator
Joel Burrill, joelburrill@calpres.org - Deacon Co-Moderator
Rev. Victor Floyd is on sabbatical until September 30 and will not be
checking voice or email messages during this time.

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

"Sunlit Morning", from Five Pieces (1925)
"Meditation on Conditor alme" (1956)

John Walko, Organ

Alec Rowley (1892-1958)

Welcome Marci Glass

Introit

"Conditor alme siderum"

Guillaume Dufay (c.1397-1474)

Gabrielle Goozée-Nichols, Nancy Hall, Michael Conley, Jefferson Packer

Creator of the stars of night, Thy people's everlasting light, O Christ, redeemer of us all, We pray Thee, hear Thy servants call.

Thou, grieving that the ancient curse should doom to death a universe, hast found the medicine, full of grace, to save and heal a broken race.

At the great name of Jesus now all knees must bend, all hearts must bow; and things celestial thee shall own, and things terrestrial, Lord alone.

To God, Creator, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, laud, honor, might, and glory be from age to age eternally. Amen.

*Call to Worship From Psalm 139 David Galles

O Lord, you have searched us and known us.

Before we move or think or speak, you know our actions and our words.

You breathed life into us, and shaped us in human form to serve your purpose and sing your praise.

We praise you for the gifts of substance and spirit, of acceptance and expectancy, of lineage and legacy. How wonderful are your thoughts, O God!

How vast is the expanse of your grace and love!

Praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised!

*Hymn 455

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

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Verses 1, 2 & 5

Hymn sheet music in back of bulletin.

If you are vaccinated we invite you to sing with a mask on. If you are unvaccinated please refrain from singing.

*Call to Confession

In our full lives, it is often hard to find even a few moments of quiet, but when we do, they are often an invitation to look inward, to the heart and soul. What we see there may be beautiful or ugly. In this time of quiet, may we look within, and offer God the wholeness and truth of our lives.

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, gracious Creator, forgive us for not seeing the beauty that surrounds us. Forgive us when we look at screens rather than sunsets; forgive us when we read about a crisis and do not respond. Forgive us for thinking that we are the source of power and beauty and life. Forgive us when we do not see your hand in our work and labor, seeking only leisure and comfort. Forgive us for forgetting that the work of creation will get our hands dirty in your name. Turn us around, and give us new eyes to see; eyes to see hope in the clouds, eyes to see life in the blade of grass, to see power in the water and stone, to see hope in work, and joy in the other. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us.

The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us.

Be assured that God is even now with and for us, guiding, accepting, and forgiving us. We are always already loved by God.

Thanks be to God.



*The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share a sign of peace.

Children's Meditation Marci Glass

Anthem

"The Word Was God" Chancel Choir Rosephanye Powell (b.1962)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by God; and without God was not any thing made that was made.

Prayer for Illumination

May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. Amen

Scripture Genesis 1:1-2:4a
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Sermon "In the Beginning" Marci Glass

Offering

The earth adorned in verdant robe sends praises upward surging, while soft winds breathe on fragrant flowers from winter now emerging.

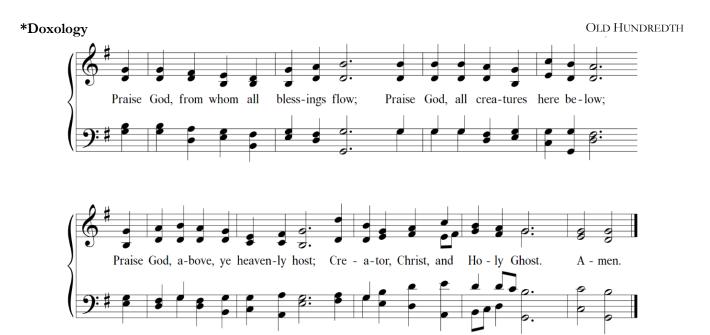
The sunshine bright gives warmth and light to budding blossoms tender, proclaiming summer splendor.

From out the wood, the birds now sing and each its song now raises, to join with all the universe in voicing thankful praises.

With hope and joy their songs employ a rapturous exultation in praise of God's creation.

O God, amid these joys of life, creation's glory beaming, grant us the grace to keep your word and live in love redeeming.

All flesh is grass, the flowers fade,
and time is fleeting ever;
God's word remains forever.



*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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. 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 316

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Hymn sheet music in back of bulletin. TRENTHAM

*Benediction

*Choral Blessing

"Benedictus" (excerpt) from Missa Brevis in C Chancel Choir

W. A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Jehan Titelouze (ca. 1563-1633)

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Vaccination Card Policy

Make in-person events easy. Pre-register online.

Upload a copy of your vaccination card and receive a confirmation email. To upload, visit our website at calpres.org and look for 'upload vaccination card' on our homepage.

You can either print your confirmation and show it at the door or show us a picture on your phone.

Don't have access to pre-registering? Just show us your vaccine card (or a photo of it).

Please note, you do not need to show proof of vaccination to attend worship. All Are Welcome.



Flower Dedication

This week's flowers were donated by Anne Mackenzie in memory of Patricia and Bob Mackenzie

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Calvary Presbyterian Church, 2515 Fillmore Street, San Francisco, CA, 94115

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Name Tag Announcement

Nametags help us build community and help your new pastor get to know your name!
Post-pandemic, adding a sticker to your nametag helps us navigate your comfort levels for social distancing.
Your health and safety are very important

Your health and safety are very important to us, so please choose a color that correlates with your preference:

RED: Let's talk but not touch YELLOW: Elbows & handshakes? Okl GREEN: hugs and high-fives huzzah!

Sunday Studio Starts TODAY!

Sunday Studio provides a sacred space for children to play, learn, and fellowship together. Since children under 12 are unvaccinated, we ask that all parents, children, adults, director, and childcare team teachers wear masks and follow Covid-19 protocols.

Studio hour (ages 4-12 yrs): 10:15 -11:15 am Parents pick up children in the Lower Level. **Childcare hours**: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

Infants & Toddlers (birth to 3 yrs.) – Drummers Preschoolers (3-5 yrs.) – Singers K & 1st graders (6-7 yrs.) – Dancers 2nd & 3rd graders (8-9 yrs.) – Photographers 4th & 5th graders (10 - 12 yrs.) - Videographers

Calvary Chancel Choir

The Calvary Chancel Choir has resumed weekly rehearsals. Our 50-member choir is a welcoming musical community, diverse in age and experience, committed to musical excellence in a fun, supportive, spiritual, environment. In addition to Thursday evening rehearsals and Sunday morning worship we also rehearse on certain Sundays after church to prepare for our two yearly choir and orchestra concerts. There is also a smaller, auditioned Chapel Choir for those who are interested. We are always eager to welcome new members and you are encouraged to come and sit in on a rehearsal. We are also always happy to have

additional singers for concerts, and the limited time commitment required for those might be a great fit for people with busier schedules. All singers must be fully vaccinated. Please email Michael Conley at michaelconley@calpres.org or talk to any choir member.

Confirmation Class Starts TODAY at 9 am

Confirmation Class is one of the foundational steps in a young person's journey of faith. As such, making the time to learn about our faith requires a significant commitment to the journey. It is a time when youth can build deeper relationships – with their peers and classmates, other trusted adults in the church, and their pastors – and claim faith as their own.

This year's confirmation class will be offered in hybrid-style with the option for Zoom.

Please contact Rev. Joann H Lee with any questions.

Calvary Youth Connection Starts TODAY following the sermon

Calvary's youth (middle school & high school) will meet and sit in the center balcony area, sitting with trusted adults (parents and families welcome!), stay through the sermon, and then head to a discussion about what they've heard and how it connects with their world. Youth discussions end around 11:15am, and youth are accompanied to Calvin Hall where they can meet with parents and guardians, unless otherwise arranged. Please note that masks are required for all regardless of vaccination status. On the last Sunday of the month, we will meet all grades together for a hybrid Zoom model.

Homecoming Sunday Luncheon TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Welcome Back! Welcome Home!

Bring yourself, your family and friends to our in-person Homecoming Celebration! Per updated Covid regulations from San Francisco Health Department, in order to attend events where food is served, proof of full vaccination is required for everyone 12 years old and older. Adults who have been fully vaccinated, and children under 12, are invited to share in a meal together following worship in Calvin Hall. Please enter Calvin Hall through the doors in the Atrium and prepare to show your proof of vaccination if you are over 12. Some high top tables will be set up in the garden for those who are more comfortable eating



outdoors. A simple boxed lunch will be provided (vegetarian and gluten-free options will be available). If you are not vaccinated or cannot provide proof of vaccination, please go outside to the side door of Calvin Hall facing Fillmore Street. We will also have boxed lunches that you can take to go or eat at the high-top tables along Fillmore. Please note that these are boxed lunches, and there are a limited amount. Those who have registered will be served a lunch first. If there are extras, we will then share with those who would like a lunch but have not registered. We hope to have enough for all, and thank you for your understanding.

Senior Adults Tuesday Program Tuesday, September 14 at 11 am

Strike up the Band!! In-person Tuesday Senior Adults programs at Calvary are back!

This month's Tuesday Senior Adults program will start with a live band: Alan Thomas on piano, with his companion musicians Rob Ortner on woodwinds and Steve Hanson on bass. The group will present a variety of well-known American standards, some geared to the upcoming fall season. Soup and salad lunch (\$2) follows the program. PLEASE NOTE: PROOF OF VACCINATION WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ALL ATTENDEES, AND MASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN NOT EATING OR DRINKING. Email Marion Stanton marionstanton@calpres.org to be included on the monthly Senior Adults newsletter mailing list.

Volunteer Opportunity: New Door Ventures Wednesday, September 15 at 1:45 pm

Ready to conduct mock interviews from the comfort and safety of home? Help youth prepare for upcoming interviews with prospective employers by conducting mock interviews and providing feedback. If you are available for this workshop, please email Jane Bryson as soon as possible at janebry@msn.com or call 415-246-4710.

Women of Calvary Bible Study Thursday, September 16 at 6 pm

This month we will be meeting via Zoom and not in person. Please email Joann H. Lee at joannlee@calpres.org for the link.

This 9-lesson study, ending in May 2022, encourages us to consider the foremothers of Jesus: Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and Mary. Matthew's genealogy names these women for a reason. How might Jesus have heard the stories of his grandmothers? Women of all ages welcome!

2nd & 3rd Grade Fall Series Sunday, September 19 at 10:15 am

2nd-3rd graders are welcome to join the Fall Class Series either in person or online! We will play a game in the Lower Level, get to know each other, and learn more about how to navigate the Bible. Contact Alison at alisonfaison@calpres.org for the Zoom link.

Make Art in Calvin Hall Sunday, September 19 at 11 am

An opportunity to create art will be available in Calvin Hall on Sunday, September 19th during Coffee Hour. You can take your piece home with you or submit it for the upcoming Calvary Art Show. Info on the Calvary Art Show: Processing the Pandemic

Members of the congregations will submit art that they created either during the pandemic or that represents and remembers what you experienced during the pandemic. A light reception to follow. For all who want to participate in the Art Show: Please submit your artwork to Rev. Joann H Lee at joannlee@calpres.org with your name, a title, and a brief of how this piece connects with your experience during the pandemic. All art is due by Sunday, September 26.

Racial Equity Initiative: Minari Movie Discussion Sunday, September 19 at 4 pm via Zoom

Join our online movie discussion for Academy Award nominated movie, *Minari*. A story of an immigrant family that moves to a small Arkansas farm in search of their own American Dream. **RSVP** to get a Zoom link at calpres.org/event/racial-equity-initiative-movie-discussion-minari/_ Check out the new Racial Equity Initiative page too!

Become a New Member October 1, 2, 5 & 17

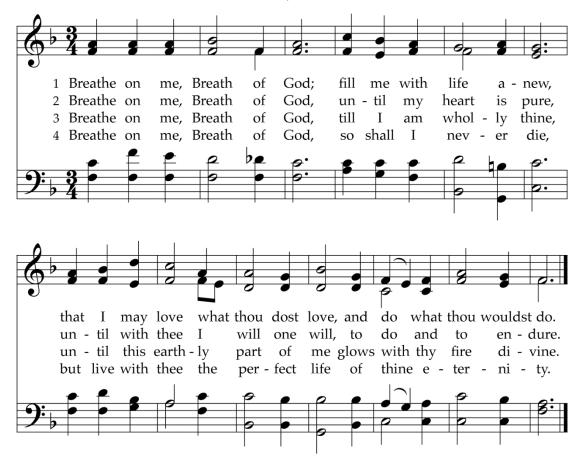
Calvary's membership events are held throughout the year to provide both interested attendees and prospective members the opportunity to learn more about Calvary, the Presbyterian Church, and their faith in general. Calvary is a vibrant, open and inclusive church—and we'd love to have you join our community!

The fall series will be an in-person/Zoom hybrid, so if you are uncomfortable with in-person events and interested in attending the classes, please contact us at **membership@calpres.org**. For more info visit us at calpres.org.

All Creatures of Our God and King 607



Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286



In both Hebrew and Greek, the words for "spirit" can equally well be translated as "breath" or "wind," so it is very appropriate to address the Holy Spirit as the "Breath of God." This tune by an English organist has become the customary one in North American hymnals.

TEXT: Edwin Hatch, 1878 MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888 TRENTHAM