

Calvary Church

A Reconciling Congregation



*"I am small and despised, yet
I do not forget your precepts."*

- Psalm 119:141

October 30, 2022

21st Sunday after Pentecost

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

LGBTQIA+ History Month

GATHERING

Prelude: "Got My Mind on Freedom" (*Odetta*)

You're invited to be in silence during the Prelude as we transition together into this sacred time and space.

Welcome / Announcements

• Voter Phone/Text Banking & Door-to-Door Canvassing

(POWER)

- Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12-2 pm & 6:30-8:30 pm, and Sundays, 1-3 pm; Saturdays, 10 am-2 pm
- info at tinyurl.com/power-vote

• Voting deadline: Nov 1 (request mail ballot)

- info at vote.pa.gov

• Worship volunteers: sign up at tinyurl.com/worship-help

Calendar

Tuesday, Nov 1, 12-1 pm: Midweek Prayer

- info at allmeansall.org/midweek-prayer

Wednesday, Nov 2, 7 pm: Community Care Team

Thursday, Nov 3, 7 pm: Fellowship Team

Saturday, Nov 5, 10-11:30 am: Mission Link Meeting

- contact Ursula (rrujohnson@comcast.net) or Gerry (geraldinefelix618@gmail.com) for details

Sunday, Nov 6

• 11:15 am-12:45 pm: Hybrid Worship, with Communion

(*All Saints' Sunday*)

- join us as we officially welcome new members; light reception to follow!

• 2:30-4:30 pm: West Philly Pathways Trail (*Interfaith Philadelphia*)

- Taylor Tabernacle & Turning the TIDE Philly / 425 S. 61st St
- info at tinyurl.com/pathways-trail

Monday, Nov 7, 7:30-8:30 pm: Adult Ed Book Study –
Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents

Saturday, Nov 12

- **8:30 am-12 pm:** Charge Conference
 - Wharton-Wesley UMC / 54th & Catharine
- **4-6 pm:** 'Always Love You' Concert
 - info at allmeansall.org/always-love-you

Sunday, Nov 13

- **11:15 am-12:45 pm:** In-Person Worship (*no virtual option*)
 - guest preacher: Rev. John Pritchard
- **1-2ish pm (following worship):** 2nd Sunday Potluck
 - Fellowship Hall (*lower level*)
 - please bring a dish to share if you can
- **1-4:15 pm:** PA-IPL 2022 Annual Conference –
Environmental Justice & Human Resilience
 - info at tinyurl.com/pa-ipl

Sunday, Nov 27, 8-9 pm: Spiritual Reflection Group (*weekly through Advent*)

- info at allmeansall.org/spiritual-reflection-group

Visiting With Us?

We're glad you're here, for whatever reason you chose to join us! We invite you to fill out a Visitor Form at **allmeansall.org/visitors**; for those worshiping in person, someone will share a form with you during the service. We strive to make our worship space (in person and virtual) as welcoming and accommodating of different needs as possible. If you have any concerns or questions regarding accessibility, please contact Pastor Tim.

Calvary Email List

If you're not on the Calvary email list and want to be, or think you are but aren't seeing emails from us, please contact the church office (office@allmeansall.org).

CENTERING & CONNECTING

Breathing Our Way In / Breath Prayer

Singing Our Way In: "In All That Changes" (*tune: UMH #420, Robert Jackson / lyrics: Steve Garnaas-Holmes*)

In all that changes, God,
all that will fail or fall,
your loving presence still abides,
and will not fade at all.

In all that changes, God,
your love is strong and sure.
Therefore we give in thanks for grace,
and trust it will endure.

Through raging storm and sea,
you are the rock that stands.
Free from all else, we give ourselves
into your loving hands.

Call to Worship (*Beth Merrill Neel – adapted*)

One: In the quiet, in the calm, in the stillness,

ALL: we seek God.

One: In the clamor, in the cry, in the grief,

ALL: we seek God.

One: In the laughter, in the hope, in the joy,

ALL: we seek God.

One: In this time, in this place, with each other,

ALL: we seek God. Even as we seek, let us worship God.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Opening Song: "Now Thank We All Our God" (*UMH #102, tune: Johann Crüger / lyrics: Martin Rinkhart – adapted*)

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms

has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed space to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace,
and guide us when perplexed;
(be with us through) all ills,
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God,
(Creator), now be given;
(whose love and life spring forth,
on earth as is in heaven);
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts / Passing the Peace

One: The peace of God be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

GROUNDING

Community Prayer *(John W. Howell)*

Invisible God, give us hearts to see the things our eyes overlook. Open our hearts to feel the things our hands can't touch. Open our hearts to hear the still, small voice which sounds like only silence to our listening ears. Teach us to know you for what you really are—not flash or thunder, but love, softly spoken, flowing like a fountain, bathing the soul and the skin. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Special Music

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 119:137-144

You are righteous, O LORD, and your judgments are right.

138 You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness. **139** My zeal consumes me because my foes forget your words. **140** Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it. **141** I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts. **142** Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and your law is the truth.

143 Trouble and anguish have come upon me, but your commandments are my delight. **144** Your decrees are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.

Choral Alleluia

Scripture Lesson: Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. **2** A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. **3** He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. **4** So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way.

5 When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." **6** So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. **7** All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." **8** Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much."

9 Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. **10** For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

One: The word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Choral Alleluia

Sermon: "Short and Sweet"

Song: "The Summons" (TFWS #2130, tune: trad. Scottish / lyrics: John Bell)

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you
and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare,
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you
and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you
and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you,
and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you,
and you in me.

SHARING

Prayers of the People / Joys & Concerns

"Thanks be to God" or "God, hear our prayer"

Sung Response (*tune: UMH #408, trad. English / lyrics: John Pritchard*)

O Open Arms, now hold our cares,
the aches we've named, the joys we've shared.
And hold us, too; into us breathe –
your grace, your life, let us receive.

ENGAGING

Closing Song: "Siyahamba / We Are Marching" (*TFWS #2235-b, traditional South African – adapted*)

Si – ya – hamb' e – ku – kha – nyen' kwen – khos',
si – ya – hamb' e – ku – kha – nyen' kwen – khos. (*repeat*)
Si – ya – hamba, hamba, si – ya – hamba
hamba, si – ya – hamb'
e – ku – kha – nyen' kwen – khos (*repeat*)

We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God. (*repeat*)
We are marching, marching, we are marching,
marching, we are marching in the light of God. (*repeat*)

We are dancing in the light of God ...
We are living in the love of God ...
We are marching in the light of God ...

Benediction

Singing Our Way Out: "Let the Church Say Amen" (*Andraé Crouch*)

Let the church say, "Amen" (*repeat*)

God has spoken, let the church say, "Amen"

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