

# Calvary Church

*A Reconciling Congregation*



*“Simon answered,  
‘Master, we have worked  
all night long and caught nothing.’”*  
- **Luke 5:5a**

**February 9, 2025**

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany*

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Black History Month

## GATHERING

**Gathering Song:** "Blackbird" (*Paul McCartney, John Lennon / perf. by Beyoncé*)

## Welcome & Announcements

- **Upcoming Book Studies:** [allmeansall.org/bible-studies](http://allmeansall.org/bible-studies)
- **Spring Retreat:** May 16-17, 2025 (*location TBD*)
- **Previous sermons:** [allmeansall.org/sermons](http://allmeansall.org/sermons)
- **Previous bulletins:** [allmeansall.org/bulletins](http://allmeansall.org/bulletins)

## Calendar

**Today, Feb 9, 12:45-2 pm:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Potluck (*monthly*)

**Monday, Feb 10, 6:30-7:30 pm:** Yoga (*weekly*)

- Calvary (Chapel) – 48<sup>th</sup> St entrance
- [allmeansall.org/yoga](http://allmeansall.org/yoga)

**Tuesday, Feb 11**

- **3:30 pm:** Trustees (*monthly – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays*)
- **6 pm:** Midweek Prayer (*weekly*)
  - [allmeansall.org/midweek-prayer](http://allmeansall.org/midweek-prayer)
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays: 3 pm / 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays: 6 pm

**Wednesday, Feb 12, 10-11 am:** Yoga (*weekly*)

- see Feb 10 for details

**Thursday, Feb 13**

- **6:30-7:30 pm:** Book Study – *The Talking Book* (*hybrid / weekly, through Mar 6*)
  - Calvary (Office) – for those joining in person
- **7 pm:** POWER Interfaith West/Southwest Cluster (*monthly – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays*)
  - contact Pastor Tim to join others from Calvary, or to get involved with our POWER Interfaith Team

**Saturday, Feb 15, 1 pm:** Meditation (weekly)

- Calvary (Board Room) – 48th St entrance
- [witnessandintegrate@gmail.com](mailto:witnessandintegrate@gmail.com)

**Sunday, Feb 16**

- **11 am-12:30 pm:** Hybrid Worship
  - Service of Healing & Resilience
- **12:30-1:30 pm:** Congregational Meeting (hybrid)
  - to connect virtually: [allmeansall.org/virtual](http://allmeansall.org/virtual)

**Tuesday, Feb 18, 7 pm:** Church Council (bimonthly – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays)

**Sunday, Feb 23, 11 am-12:30 pm:** Hybrid Worship

**Friday, Feb 28, 6 pm:** Young-ish Adults Gathering (monthly – last Fridays)

- location TBA
- [allmeansall.org/young-ish-adults](http://allmeansall.org/young-ish-adults)

Visiting With Us?

We're glad you're here, for whatever reason you chose to join us! We strive to make our worship space (in-person and virtual) as welcoming and accommodating of different needs as possible. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact Pastor Tim.

Donations

Donations are always welcome to help support Calvary and our evolving ministries: [allmeansall.org/donate](http://allmeansall.org/donate).

## **CENTERING & CONNECTING**

### **Breathing Our Way In**

**Singing Our Way In:** "Breathing In, Breathing Out" (tune: Betsy Rose / lyrics: Thich Nhat Hanh)

Breathing in, breathing out (2x)

I am blooming as a flower, I am fresh as the dew

I am solid as a mountain, I am firm as the earth

I am free

Breathing in, breathing out (2x)

I am water, reflecting what is real, what is true

And I feel there is space, deep inside of me

I am free (3x)

**Call to Worship** (*Joanna Harader – adapted*)

One: Jesus calls us to praise and prayer, to song and silence;

**ALL: Jesus calls us to worship.**

One: Jesus calls us to hearing and healing, to service and solidarity;

**ALL: Jesus calls us to love.**

One: Jesus calls us to advocacy and action, to protest and provision;

**ALL: Jesus calls us to justice.**

One: Together, let us heed the call of Christ.

**ALL: Let us worship together with joy. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Opening Song:** “Lift Every Voice and Sing” (*UMH #519 / tune: J. Rosamond Johnson / lyrics: James Weldon Johnson*)

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,  
ring with the harmonies of liberty;

let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,

let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith

that the dark past has taught us;

sing a song full of the hope

that the present has brought us;

facing the rising sun of our new day begun,

let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,

felt in the days when hope unborn had died;

yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet

come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way

that with tears has been watered;

we have come, treading our path  
through the blood of the slaughtered,  
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,  
keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places,  
our God, where we met thee;  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine  
of the world, we forget thee;  
shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,  
true to our God, true to our native land.

### **Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts / Passing the Peace**

*"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not  
regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."*

**– 2 Corinthians 9:7**

One: The peace of God be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

### **GROUNDING**

**Community Prayer** (Sarah Agnew, based on Psalm 138 –  
adapted)

Hearts, full of praise for you; voices, singing gratitude;  
bodies, temples, turning to your faithfulness, soaking in  
your love. Your name, O God, shines through the  
shadowed world, brightens everything. Our pleas fly to  
you, on Spirit's groaning wings; strength dives with us in  
sight, lifts and carries our souls. Your word pierces the  
clamoring world, silence heard through everything. Rulers  
will re-tune their song, will join the chorus to your glory:  
may they see their haughty selves, the worthy lowly,  
through your eyes. Your hand reaches through the  
tangled world, clears a path through everything. Hearts

are full of your true love, voices sing with joy; bodies, temples, stand for you, Holy, Sacred, One. Amen.

## Silent Prayer

## Special Music

**Scripture Lesson:** Isaiah 6:1-8 (*A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church, Wilda C. Gafney*)

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the HOLY ONE sitting on a throne, high and exalted; and the trailing edges, as of God's garment, filled the temple. **2** Seraphs stood attending God—six wings!—each had six wings! With two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their groins, and with two they flew. **3** And this one called to that one and said, "Holy, holy, holy is the MARSHALL of heaven's armies; the whole earth is full of God's glory." **4** The doorposts of the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house was filled with smoke. **5** And I said, "Woe is me! I am wrecked, for I am a person, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the Sovereign, the COMMANDER of heaven's vanguard!"

**6** Then one of the seraphs flew to me, and in its hand a hot coal that with tongs had been taken from upon the altar. **7** It touched my mouth with it and said, "Look! Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has turned aside and your sin atoned." **8** Then I heard the voice of the Thundering God saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

**Choral Alleluia** (*UMH #186, Jerry Sinclair*)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Scripture Lesson:** Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the Lake of Gennesaret and the crowd was pressing in on him to

hear the word of God, **2** he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets. **3** He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. **4** When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." **5** Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." **6** When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to burst. **7** So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink.

**8** But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus's knees, saying, "Go away from me, Master, for I am a sinful man!" **9** For he and all who were with him were astounded at the catch of fish that they had taken, **10** and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who are partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." **11** When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## **Choral Alleluia**

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, sing alleluia, alleluia. *(repeat)*

**Sermon:** "Deeper, Wider Still"

**Song:** "Come Follow Me" *(tune: UMH #298, Lowell Mason / lyrics: Michael Hudson – adapted)*

The grace of God is like a road  
that draws the heart from its first home;

we long to go, but hate to leave,  
and ... Spirit calls, "Come follow me."

The voice of God is like the wind:  
it comes and goes and comes again.  
We read the signs in the bending trees,  
and ... Spirit calls, "Come follow me."

The strength of God is like a stone;  
it firms the will of soul and bone;  
still soul and bone grow worn and weak,  
and ... Spirit calls, "Come follow me."

The hope of God is like the sun;  
it shines until the day is done.  
And in the night stars rise in the East,  
and ... Spirit calls, "Come follow me."

The love of God is like a stream;  
it fills and feeds our deepest (needs);  
it finds a thirst and leaves a spring,  
and ... Spirit calls, "Come follow me."

The peace of God is like a friend  
that sees us through the journey's end.  
The road is long and the talk is sweet,  
and ... Spirit calls, "Come follow me."

## **SHARING**

### **Prayers of the People / Joys & Concerns**

**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:** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (TFWS #2153, African American spiritual – adapted)

I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere ... anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me,  
anywhere ... anytime!

I'm gonna work so ...

I'm gonna pray so ...

I'm gonna sing so ...

## **Benediction**

**Singing Our Way Out:** "Pool of Love" (Alexa Sunshine Rose, Murray Kyle)

May the pool of love we have gathered here  
Spread its wings and fly far and near  
From the depths of our hearts to the farthest star  
May our love bless everyone

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