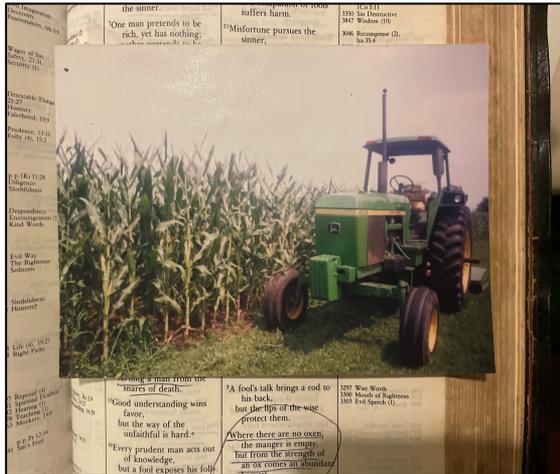


# Calvary Church

## A Reconciling Congregation



*“Because you are God’s children, live with compassion, kindness, gentleness, patience, forgiveness and love.”*

**April 24, 2022**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

## GATHERING

**Prelude:** "Rise" (*Eddie Vedder*)

## **Welcome / Announcements**

- **Worship volunteers:** sign up at [tinyurl.com/worship-help](http://tinyurl.com/worship-help)
- **Pastor Tim is away until tomorrow**
  - in case of a pastoral emergency, please contact Kristine Morrow (Staff-Parish Relations Committee chair): 267.624.5530
- **Virtual worship the last Sunday of every month** (*until further notice*)
- **Faith Climate Action Week, Apr 22 – May 1** (*Interfaith Power & Light*)
  - info at [faithclimateactionweek.org](http://faithclimateactionweek.org)

## Calendar

### **Tuesday, Apr 26**

- **12-1 pm:** Midweek Prayer (*weekly*)
  - info at [allmeansall.org/faith-spirituality](http://allmeansall.org/faith-spirituality)
- **6 pm:** Finance Committee (*rescheduled*)

### **Sunday, May 1**

- **11:15 am-12:45 pm:** Hybrid Worship, with Communion
- **1:30 pm:** Church Council

### **Sunday, May 8, 8-9 pm:** Spiritual Reflection Group

- info at [allmeansall.org/srg](http://allmeansall.org/srg)

### **Friday, Jun 10 – Saturday, Jun 11:** Calvary Spring Retreat – Spirit Rising (*Mariawald Renewal Center – Reading*)

- details and registration at [allmeansall.org/retreat](http://allmeansall.org/retreat)

## 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](http://allmeansall.org/visitors); for those worshipping 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](mailto:office@allmeansall.org)).

## **CENTERING & CONNECTING**

### **Breathing Our Way In / Breath Prayer**

**Singing Our Way In:** "Lead Me, Guide Me" (TFWS #2214, Doris Akers)

Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
for if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

**Call to Worship** (Katherine Hawker, based on Revelation 1:4 – adapted)

One: Grace to you and peace, from the God who is and who was and who is to come.

**ALL: We come hesitantly, weighed down by the excesses of the present and the sorrows of the past.**

One: Grace to you and peace, from the God who is and who was and who is to come.

**ALL: We come hopefully, knowing that the presence of God will not be limited by our human constructs.**

One: Grace to you and peace, from the God who is and who was and who is to come.

**ALL: We come thankfully, discovering abundance born not of possession but of the heart.**

One: Grace to you and peace, from the God who is and who was and who is to come.

**ALL: We come fully, just as we are, open to love and life made new. Thanks be to the God of resurrection.**

## **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Opening Song:** "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" (UMH #304, tune: Henry T. Smart / lyrics: William T. James)

Easter people, raise your voices,  
sounds of heaven in earth should ring.  
Christ has brought us heaven's choices;  
heavenly music, let it ring.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.

Fear of death can no more stop us  
from our pressing here below.  
For our Lord empowered us to  
triumph over every foe.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.

Every day to us is Easter,  
with its resurrection song.  
When in trouble move the faster  
to our God who rights the wrong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.

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

One: The peace of God be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

## **GROUNDING**

**Community Prayer** (RevGalBlogPals – adapted)

Holy One, on this Eastertide morning, we come to you, singing alleluias, celebrating new life all around us, not quite believing it all, but going along with it, just the same.

We celebrate the doubters and questioners among us, who simply keep our faith real, who demand that we live our believing into faith that works towards justice and peace. We celebrate the saints among us, whose courageous faith flies without a safety net, reminding us that true discipleship is risky and radical in the face of a

world held hostage by fear, greed, violence and love of power.

We are your Easter people, Holy One. Doubters, saints, sinners, questioners, spiritual and religious, who skip, run, and stumble along the way. Whoever we are on this journey, open our eyes and ears and hearts to your call, to be your love, wherever we are. Amen.

## **Silent Prayer**

## **Special Music**

### **Scripture Lesson:** Psalm 150

Praise the LORD! Praise God in (God's) sanctuary; praise (God) in (God's) mighty firmament! **2** Praise (God) for (God's) mighty deeds; praise (God) according to (God's) surpassing greatness! **3** Praise (God) with trumpet sound; praise (God) with lute and harp! **4** Praise (God) with tambourine and dance; praise (God) with strings and pipe! **5** Praise (God) with clanging cymbals; praise (God) with loud clashing cymbals! **6** Let everything that breathes praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

## **Choral Alleluia**

### **Scripture Lesson:** Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, **5** and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, **6** and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God, . . . to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**7** Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all

the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. **8** "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## **Choral Alleluia**

**Sermon:** "How Shall We Live?"

**Song:** "This Is the Day" (UMH #657, tune: *Les Garrett* / lyrics: *Psalm 118:24 – adapted*)

This is the day, this is the day, that the Lord (has made),  
that the Lord (has made).

Let us rejoice, let us rejoice  
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord (has) made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord (has) made.

## **SHARING**

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

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

**Sung Response** (tune: UMH #294, *Hugh Wilson* / lyrics: *John Pritchard*)

O Wind and Fire, O Rock and Vine,  
O Voice so still and small,  
we bring our lives, our hopes and fears  
to you who embraces all.

## **ENGAGING**

**Closing Song:** "The Trees of the Field" (TFWS #2279, tune: *Stuart Dauermann* / lyrics: *Steffi Geiser Ruben*)

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;  
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;  
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field,

will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, (*clap 2x*)  
the trees of the field will clap their hands, (*clap 2x*)  
the trees of the field will clap their hands (*clap 2x*)  
while you go out with joy.

## **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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