



Calvary Church Sunday Worship

June 7, 2026

* Please rise as you are able.

Bold text is spoken by the congregation.
Nursery care is available; ask a greeter for directions.

Prelude: "To a Wild Rose" by Edward McDowell, arr. by Arthur Hartmann

Kate Goldstein-Luiz, violin

Sue Paro, organ/piano

Welcome and Poem

Rev. Good

Introit: "Sing Alleluia to the Lord" by Linda Stassen

Calvary Choir

*Gathering Words

Parke Wilde

We are all called by God
Accepted and beloved.

We are all treasured by God
**Tax collectors and prison guards,
Teachers and programmers,
Students and retired people.**

We all matter
**People in Gaza and Iran,
In Massachusetts and Mexico,
In Ukraine and Congo.**

We all are loved
**No matter who we love
No matter our gender or our wealth
No matter our power or our color.**

We are all called by God
Sent into the world to make a difference.

*Unison Prayer

Parke Wilde

Holy One, we are here to listen for your call, your voice, your word. We are here to recognize in each other your face, your presence. We are here to find a way to follow your Son, Jesus. Meet us here. Give us courage. Give us grace. Walk with us into your future. Amen.

*Passing the Peace

Parke Wilde

Peace be with you. **And also with you.** *Please share a sign of peace with your neighbors.*

*Hymn: I Come with Joy

617 [large hymnal]



1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, for - giv - en,
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as
 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di -
 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence,
 5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll go our



loved and free, in awe and won - der to re - call his
 all are fed, the new com - mun - i - ty of love in
 vi - sion ends. The love that made us makes us one, and
 al - ways near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known; we
 dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple in the world, we'll



life laid down for me,	his life laid down for me.
Christ's com - mun - ion bread,	in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
strang - ers now are friends,	and strang - ers now are friends.
see and praise him here,	we see and praise him here.
live and speak his praise,	we'll live and speak his praise.

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Scripture: Genesis 12:1-9

Parke Wilde

The Lord said to Abram, "Leave your land, your family, and your father's household for the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation and will bless you. I will make your name respected, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, those who curse you I will curse; all the families of the earth will be blessed because of you."

Abram left just as the Lord told him, and Lot went with him. Now Abram was 75 years old when he left Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all of their possessions, and those who became members of their household in Haran; and they set out for the land of Canaan. When they arrived in Canaan, Abram traveled through the land as far as the sacred place at Shechem, at the oak of Moreh. The Canaanites lived in the land at that time. The Lord appeared to Abram and said, "I give this land to your descendants," so Abram built an altar there to the Lord who appeared to him. From there he traveled toward the mountains east of Bethel, and pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the Lord and worshipped in the Lord's name. Then Abram set out toward the arid southern plain, making and breaking camp as he went.

The word of God to us. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Time

After the song, children are invited to attend Jr. Church (classroom 1) or the nursery (room 3).

Song: "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

404 [large hymnal]

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

Scripture: Matthew 9:9-13

Parke Wilde

Jesus was heading down the street when he saw a man named Matthew sitting in his office, where he worked collecting taxes for the Roman occupation forces. Jesus said to him, "Come and join me," and Matthew got up and began following him.

That evening, Jesus and his followers were out to dinner with a group that included many disreputable characters whose lifestyles were considered offensive by the more respectable members of society. Some members of the Pharisee party saw who he was with and confronted his closest followers over it, saying, "What does he think he's doing, sharing meals with people whose behavior is beyond the pale?"

When Jesus heard this, he replied, "Who needs the help of a doctor: the fit and healthy, or the sick? Go and work out what the scripture means when it says, 'What I want is mercy, not a blood-spilling quest for purity.' I didn't come to spend my time preaching to the converted, but to call back those who are off the track."

The word of God for us. **Thanks be to God.**

Music: The Call, from Five Mystical Songs by Ralph Vaughan Williams

Eric Shank, tenor

Calvary Choir

Thoughts

Rev. Good

*Hymn: Unsettled World

2183 [small hymnal]



1. Un - set - tled world, where peo - ple long to
2. Un - set - tled world, where mon - ey rules and
3. Un - set - tled world, where an - gry poor from
4. Un - set - tled world, un - set - tled church, whose



find their way, to feel se - cure, from lives of tur - bu -
greed - y sys - tems call the tune; for strength to keep our
grind - ing need at af - fluence stare, with tears and thirst for
struc - tures creak and doc - trines swirl, by faith, and in the



lence and rush we come, to seek your peace, our
val - ues straight we come, with trust in you, O
truth and right we come, with long - ing in our
strength of Christ, we strive, in true com - mu - ni -



God, your word to hear, our faith to live.
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WORDS: David Sparks
MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson

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*Affirmation of Faith by Bruce Prewer

Rev. Good

**I believe in an innovative God,
who does not wait for us to find ourselves
but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.**

**I believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial initiative,
that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power
to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.**

**I believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us,
calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty
and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.**

**I believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people,
called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations
as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.**

**Because Christ has called me
in this I truly believe. Amen.**

Music: "Break the Bread" by Natalie Sleth

Sharing of Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Good

We invite you to use your chosen words for God: Father, Mother, or...

Our Creator, 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.

Offering

Rev. Good

If you wish to make a monetary donation to the Parish Fund, you can use the Love Offering envelopes near the offering baskets located at the entrances to the sanctuary, or scan the Venmo code at the right and indicate "Parish Fund" in the "What's this for?" box.



The Parish Fund is used for emergency needs of our members and neighbors. If you have a financial need of any kind, please contact Rev. Cynthia. Disbursements from this Fund are kept in confidence.

*Doxology

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**Praise God whose breath fills all the earth, Whose love reveals our sacred worth
Whose Spirit forms one family, Whose grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.**

Sharing in Communion from Rev. Sam Lundquist

Rev. Good

Beloved children of God, in this moment, we respond to the words of Jesus, who tells us: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

And it is with the power of Christ that we proclaim that this table is open to all people — no matter who you are or what you believe or what you've been told.

Here at the Lord's table we remember the simple gathering of a chosen family that came together for a meal that proclaimed a new way of being in this world. We remember God's radically inclusive love made real in the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

We remember the One who befriended the forgotten, embraced the outcast, and saw the Image of God in all people. We remember the One who confronted every power that disconnected, marginalized, oppressed, and "other-ed."

It is here at this table that we find hope and imagination to see God's dream and promise of a world of wholeness, and it is here that we receive the nourishment and strength to continue on the paths of justice.

Bread & Cup

God, we thank you for breathing this world into existence and proclaiming from its birth: "It is good." We come to you with gratitude for the endless blessings that we see, feel, and know on our journeys of life. We celebrate the rich diversity of your creation — every beautiful body, every shade of skin, every expression of love.

Through your Spirit, open our hearts to the joy we can find in the midst of life's challenges. Remind us that we are loved — fiercely and forever. And however the world may try to hold us down or tell us who to be, remind us that nothing can separate us from your presence. We pray with the confidence and joy of your children. Amen.

Beloved children of God, the table is set. Come and feast with the One who loves you more than you can possibly imagine.

*Hymn: God Made from One Blood

2170 [small hymnal]

WORDS: Thomas H. Troeger (Acts 17:26)
MUSIC: Welsh folk melody

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Announcements

Rev. Good

Special Event:

Taizé Service Wednesday 7 PM in the sanctuary

Weekly Events:

Muddle Monday 10 AM in the Parlor

Bible Study Wednesday 10 AM in the Parlor

Choir rehearsal Wednesday 7:30 PM in the choir room under the sanctuary

Helping Hands Thursday 10 AM in classroom 1

Volunteer opportunity:

We are looking for volunteers to host after-service refreshments in July and August.

Cool & Connected Program:

Calvary is one of three churches in Arlington to help launch this initiative—aimed at keeping residents safe during extreme heat events—over the summer. Let us know if you or someone you know might be interested to help person the Tuesday afternoon cooling center that will be situated in our Fellowship Hall.

Benediction

Rev. Good

Postlude: “Allegro” from *Sonata in F* by George Frideric Handel

Sue Paro, organ/piano