




# When God began to create...

June 7 at 10 am

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# JUNE 7 WORSHIP SERVICE

## Prelude

“24 Preludes, Op. 11, No. 10: Andante”  
*John Walko, Piano*

Aleksandr Scriabin (1872-1915)

“Prelude in C major”, BWV 846  
 from *Well-Tempered Clavier, book I* (1722)  
*John Walko, Clavichord*

Johann Sebastian Bach  
 (1685-1750)

## Welcome

Cal Chinn

In the name of the Creator, the Christ and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

**In the beginning was the word and the word was with God and the word was God.**

In the beginning the Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters.

**In the beginning God said, “let us make humankind in our image.”**

And so we came into being, created by God who exists in community.

**We are here as God’s community to worship the source of our being.**

## Hymn

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets”

Capo 1: (D) (G) (D) (G) (A) (D) (G)  
 E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>



1 God, you spin the whirl-ing plan - ets, fill the seas and  
 2 You have called us to be faith - ful in our life and  
 3 God, your word is still cre - at - ing, call - ing us to

(D) (A) (D) (Bm) (G) (D) (G) (A) (D)  
 E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> Cm A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>



spread the plain, mold the moun-tains, fash-ion blos-soms, call forth  
 min - is - try. We re - spond in grate-ful wor-ship joined in  
 life made new. Now re - veal to us fresh vis - tas where there’s

(G) (D) (A) (D) (G) (D) (A)  
 A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>



sun - shine, wind, and rain. We, cre - at - ed in your im - age,  
 one com - mu - ni - ty. When we blur your gra - cious im - age,  
 work to dare and do. Keep us clear of all dis - tor-tion.

(D) (Bm)(F#m) (G)(A) (D) (G)  
 E<sup>b</sup> Cm Gm A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup>



would a true re - flec - tion be of your jus - tice,  
 fo - cus us and make us whole. Healed and strength - ened  
 Pol - ish us with lov - ing care. Thus, new crea - tures

(D) (G) (A) (D) (G) (Em) (D) (A) (D)  
 E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> Fm E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup>



grace, and mer - cy and the truth that makes us free.  
 as your peo - ple, we move on - ward toward your goal.  
 in your im - age, we’ll pro - claim Christ ev - ery - where.

Let us pray.

**Holy God, we were created in your image,  
An image of mutuality and respect for one another;  
An image of a dance ever moving, ever to tune one with others;  
An image of community who shared blessing and mission.  
You have given us dominion over the work of your hands.  
You have charged us to be fruitful and multiply,  
To make disciples of all nations.**

**Forgive us God; we have denied our purpose.  
We have abused the earth's resources for our own selfish gain  
And the consequences wreak havoc upon the fish of the sea,  
The birds of the air and every living thing that moves upon the earth.**

**Forgive us God, we have defiled your image.  
We have regarded some of your children as "other"  
And therefore beyond the reach of your love and care  
Because their professed faith in you, or lack thereof,  
Is different from our own.**

**Forgive us God, for we have sinned.**

*Silence for personal reflection and confession*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

God desires to see broken relationships restored  
and has heard our prayer.  
In the name of Jesus the Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit,  
We are forgiven.  
**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 leave a Facebook comment or reaction of peace.*

### **Children's Meditation**

Alison Faison (Virtual Calvary City Camp)

### **Music**

"Faith"  
from *A Velvet Bridge, a cycle of nine spiritual songs*  
by Michael Conley  
*Phoebe J. Rosquist, soprano, recorded in Calvary's Chapel live in concert, Sept. 13, 2019*

Faith is in you whenever you look  
At a dewdrop or a floating leaf  
And know that they are because they have to be.  
Even if you close your eyes and dream up things  
The world will remain as it has always been  
And the leaf will be carried by the waters of the river.

You have faith also when you hurt your foot  
Against a sharp rock and you know  
That rocks are there to hurt our feet.  
See the long shadow that is cast by the tree?  
We and trees throw shadows on the earth.  
What has no shadow has no strength to live.  
—Czeslaw Milosz, from *Rescue*, 1945

1In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, 2the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

3Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. 4And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. 5God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

6And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” 7So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. 8God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

9And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. 10God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. 11Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. 12The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. 13And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

14And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, 15and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. 16God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. 17God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, 18to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. 19And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

20And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” 21So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. 22God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” 23And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

24And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. 25God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

26Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” 27So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. 28God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.”

29God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. 30And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.

31God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. 2And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. 3So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

4These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens,

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

“When God began to create”

Cal Chinn

**Anthem**

“The Earth Adorned”

Waldemar Ahlen (1894–1982)

*Phoebe Rosquist, Claire Coleman, Nancy Hall, Bonnie Halford, Vrushabh Doshi, Teddy Guenin, Richard Harrell, Jefferson Packer*

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.

**Communion, Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer**

The Lord be with you...

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**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.**

**Offering**

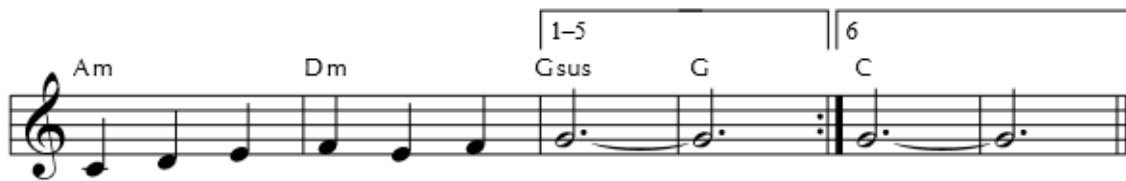




1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the  
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the  
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the  
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the  
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the  
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the



swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe  
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe  
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace  
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care  
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love  
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



How does the crea - ture say Praise  
 How does the crea - ture cry Save  
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks  
 How does the crea - ture say Life  
 How does the crea - ture say Peace  
 How do your chil - dren say Home

Benediction

Postlude

“Grand Chœur”  
*John Walko, Organ of St. Roch, Paris (2001)*

Théodore Salomé  
(1834-1896)

IN MEMORIAM  
**Sara Philips**  
 1928-2020

## 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.

## Well Chosen Words

Here at Calvary, we believe that words and language matter.

That's why we use expansive language for God and inclusive language for God's people whenever and wherever possible.

We believe that inclusive and expansive language should (1) seek to include all people, (2) be sensitive to those who have been marginalized in history, and (3) broaden our expressions of God ("Well Chosen Words," PC(USA)). There are, however, ancient prayers and poignant pieces of music that are from a time and an era when the kind of sensitivity to language we now value was not shared. Sometimes we have changed the words to better reflect our values. But other times, making changes was so invasive to the integrity of the original piece, that we have left it as is. Rather than eliminating these prayers and songs from our worship altogether, we hold them lightly, recognizing the cultural and historical contexts in which they were written and committing to be reformed and always reforming in how we address God and God's people.

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Next Sunday, June 14 at 11 am**

An online Congregational Meeting will be held on June 14. Information is available on Calvary's website at [www.calpres.org](http://www.calpres.org)

## Calvary Worship, Music & Program Staff

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