



## *The Bear Necessities*

November 8 at 10 am

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# NOVEMBER 8, 2020 WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

“Sonata No. 5 in F-sharp Minor,  
Op. 111: II. Adagio non Troppo”  
*John Walko, Organ of Saint Mary’s Cathedral, San Francisco (2001)*

Josef Rheinberger  
(1839-1901)

Welcome

Marci Glass

Opening Sentences

Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20

The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction, and concern for instruction is love of her, and love of her is the keeping of her laws, and giving heed to her law’s assurance of immortality, and immortality brings one near to God; so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom.

Hymn

“Together We Serve”

SAN ANSELMO

Verses 1 & 3



1 To - geth - er we serve, u - nit - ed by love,  
2 We seek to be - come a bea - con of hope,  
3 We wel - come the scarred, the wealth - y, the poor,  
4 To - geth - er, by grace, we wit - ness and work,

(C) (G) (Am7) (Dsus) (D)  
E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm7 Fsus F



in - vit - ing God’s world to the glo - ri - ous feast.  
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.  
the bus - y, the lone - ly, and all who need care.  
re - mem - ber - ing Je - sus, in whom we grow strong.

(G) (D) (C) (Bm)  
B<sup>b</sup> F E<sup>b</sup> Dm



We work and we pray through sor - row and joy,  
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through  
We of - fer a home to those who will come,  
To - geth - er we serve in Spir - it and truth,

(G) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)  
B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm F7 B<sup>b</sup>



ex - tend - ing God’s love to the last and the least.  
un - til we see Christ in each per - son we meet.  
our hands quick to help, our hearts read - y to dare.  
re - mem - ber - ing love is the strength of our song.

### Prayer of Confession

God of Life, eternity cannot hold you,  
nor can our little words catch  
the magnificence of your kindness.  
Yet in the space of our small hearts  
you can come close and repair us.  
Forgive us our careless thoughts,  
our thoughtless deeds,  
our empty speech,  
and our words that wound.  
In Jesus name, it shall be so.

### Assurance of Pardon

God brings new life where we are worn and tired,  
new love where we have turned hard-hearted,  
and forgiveness to all for whom regret is real.  
Friends, we are no longer prisoners of ourselves!  
The slate is clean. 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 comment or peace-moji.*

### Children's Meditation

Alison Faison

### Music

“There Is a Balm in Gilead” spiritual

arr. William Dawson (1899-1990)

*Chancel Choir, Nancy Hall, soloist, Gabrielle Goozée-Nichols, conductor  
recorded in worship, October, 2019*

There is a balm in Gilead  
to make the wounded whole,  
there is a balm in Gilead  
to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged  
and think my work's in vain,  
but then the Holy Spirit  
revives my soul again. (Refrain)

If you cannot sing like angels,  
if you cannot preach like Paul,  
you can tell the love of Jesus  
and say, “He died for all.” (Refrain)

### Scripture Reading

Amos 5:8-12, 18-24

Janet and Evie Bijur

The one who made the Pleiades and Orion,  
and turns deep darkness into the morning,  
and darkens the day into night,  
who calls for the waters of the sea,  
and pours them out on the surface of the earth,  
the LORD is his name,  
who makes destruction flash out against the strong,  
so that destruction comes upon the fortress.  
They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.  
Therefore because you trample on the poor

and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.  
For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.

Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD!  
Why do you want the day of the LORD?  
It is darkness, not light;  
as if someone fled from a lion,  
and was met by a bear;  
or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,  
and was bitten by a snake.  
Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,  
and gloom with no brightness in it?  
I hate, I despise your festivals,  
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.  
Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,  
I will not accept them;  
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals  
I will not look upon.  
Take away from me the noise of your songs;  
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.  
But let justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

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

**Sermon**

“The Bare Necessities”

Victor H. Floyd

**Music**

“Peer Gynt Suite No. 1, Op. 46: II. Death of Åse”

Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)

*San Francisco Academy Orchestra, Andrei Gorbatenko, Director, Michael Conley, conductor, recorded in concert, November, 2019*

**A Word from Your Deacons**

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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.

## Hymn

"God of the Ages"  
Verses 1 & 2

## NATIONAL HYMN

(optional)

1 God of the a - ges, whose al-might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense.  
 way. Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day.

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 Be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay:  
 Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease.  
 Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

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## **Benediction**

The cross,  
**we will take it.**  
The bread,  
**we will break it.**  
The pain,  
**we will bear it.**  
The joy,  
**we will share it.**  
The Gospel,  
**we will live it.**  
The love,  
**we will give it.**  
The light,  
**we will cherish it.**  
The darkness,  
**God shall perish it.**

## **Postlude**

“Sonata No. 5 in F-sharp Minor, Op. 111: III. Finale”  
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## **Credits**

The Benediction is a blessing from the Iona Community.

**Congregational Meeting Notice**  
**November 15 at 11:30 am**

Join us on Zoom for the Congregational Meeting to elect officers for the coming year. The Churchwide Nominating Committee has been prayerfully discerning and calling people to serve. [Click here to register.](#)

**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.

2021 Annual Giving

**Engaging**  
in the  
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**2021 Annual Giving: Engaging in the World Together**

During these uncertain times, we are grateful for the ways God renews and revitalizes us to minister to the "least of these." Please help sustain this faithful work by giving your time, talents, and resources in whatever way you can. Please prayerfully consider a pledge increase of 5% or 10%, as your circumstances allow. We invite you to make a 2021 pledge today.

# What's New

## **High School Youth Sunday Zoom TODAY at 10:45 am**

We look forward to the day when we can meet again in person! But for now, join us and connect with other Calvary High School youth on Zoom. Let's talk life & faith together! Please RSVP to [joannlee@calpres.org](mailto:joannlee@calpres.org) for the Zoom link. The link will change each month.

## **Adult Education & Spiritual Formation: God, COVID-19 and Suffering TODAY at 11:30 am**

### **How are Christians responding to a God that would allow COVID-19 and human suffering?**

How are Christians responding to a God that would allow COVID-19 and human suffering? Please join us for this 2-part online series with Rev. Dr. Gregory Love, where he will guide us through four main models of the Christian response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Part 1 premieres today, and Part 2 will premiere on Sunday, November 22. Watching this series will help you better understand what many different Christians mean when they talk about suffering, including in the media, and also help you figure out your own view. You can watch this series by going to Calvary's Youtube or Facebook page or by [clicking here to go to our website](#).

## **Men of Calvary Mondays at 8 am**

Join the Men of Calvary Bible Study. A wonderful opportunity for the men of Calvary to deepen their faith and fellowship with one another. Join us virtually on Mondays from 8 – 9 am. Men of all ages are welcomed and encouraged to attend. For more information, please contact David Barnes at [davidbarnes@calpres.org](mailto:davidbarnes@calpres.org).

## **Volunteer Opportunity: Food Pantry Saturday, November 7 at 7:30 am**

During the COVID19 emergency, many regular Food Pantry volunteers need to practice social isolation for their safety and the safety of the community. Calvary and other local faith-based organizations are banding together to staff each Saturday with healthy, safe volunteers.

Questions? Please contact Betsy Dodd at [Betsydodd@mac.com](mailto:Betsydodd@mac.com) or Paula Jesson at [dpjbj@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dpjbj@sbcglobal.net). Check our website at [www.calpres.org](http://www.calpres.org) for more information about requirements and qualifications.

## **Volunteer Opportunity: Blood Drive Sunday, November 15 at 9 am**

### **Volunteer: Donate Blood (because of you, life doesn't stop!)**

In these difficult times, giving blood is something healthy individuals can do to help the sick. Blood drives are absolutely critical to avoiding another public health emergency: not having enough blood to meet basic patient needs.

Get ready to save lives with Calvary!

### **All blood types needed. Please register to donate blood by [clicking here](#).**

Questions? Please contact or Robin Morjikian at [robinmorjikian@calpres.org](mailto:robinmorjikian@calpres.org). For more information visit us at [calpres.org](http://calpres.org).

## **2020 Watch Parties Sunday, November 15 at 9:30 am**

### **Worship Service "Watch Party" Meet our new pastor, Rev. Marci Glass**

Come say hello to Marci at an informal worship service "Watch Party" Future dates: December 13 & December 20. Sign-ups are first come, first serve and space is limited. Sign up only once to allow others to participate.

**Sign up** and answer the health screening questions to complete your sign up. Each participant should sign-up separately.

Though the time says 9:30-11:30, you could arrive as late as 9:45am and if you needed to leave before 11, that's fine. We just wanted folks to have time to visit a bit before or after the service. For your safety and the safety of others:

- Please follow guidelines for social distancing, including directional signage at the church.
- Masks are required.
- No singing.
- Bring your own beverage; we will not serve food or coffee.
- Childcare will not be available

*Continued...*

**Racial Equity Initiative Movie Discussion: 13th Sunday, November 15 at 4 pm**

**Racial Equity Initiative: Movies to Watch, Educate, and Discuss Together**

It can be a long process to understand the way our systems and structures prop up and cause racial inequality—especially for people who haven't suffered directly, and may even have benefited from these systems. One way to begin is by watching great movies or reading books that illustrate key aspects of systemic racism. The stories and images can shape our imaginations in powerful ways, and film can be a force for rewiring how viewers see the world off-screen, too.

**Register [HERE](#)** to join us online via Zoom to participate in a facilitated group discussion of the movie *13th*. **Important Note:** Participants should watch the movie on your own prior to the event.

**This month: 13th**

Named after the 13th Amendment that abolished slavery in 1865, director Ava DuVernay's Emmy-winning documentary draws a historical through-line between slavery and the mass incarceration of Black people in the United States. Challenging and confrontational, this documentary illustrates why millions have been calling for total police reform for years.

MPAA rating: NR

Commonsense Media Rating: for 16+ years old, with swearing and intense violence but an excellent film that covers every aspect of the current controversial racial issues: moral, sociological, and economic.

Watch the movie

– <http://www.avaduvernay.com/13th>

We will also be providing opportunities to SERVE and to ADVOCATE.

**The Women of Calvary Online Bible Study Thursday, November 19 at 6:30 pm**

**Email Rev. Joann H. Lee**

**at [joannlee@calpres.org](mailto:joannlee@calpres.org) for the link!**

This 9-lesson study, that began in September 2020 and will end in May 2021, revives lament as a proper response to the difficult situations of our world. One of the foundational points of the study is that, in scripture, lament usually leads to hope. After crying out to God, the one who laments remembers God. And while that doesn't fix things in the moment—the injustice, the loss still exists—the lamenter is strengthened to face the world and to hope. Hope implies movement: both God's inherent movement toward justice and our movement toward God. Recovering lament may be one of the church's most timely gifts to the world in this day and age.

**Bible Study Dates**

December 17, 2020, January 21, 2021, February 18, 2021, March 18, 2021, April 15, 2021, May 20, 2021

**Women of all ages welcome!**

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