

Order of Worship

“The desert is a dry, dusty, desolate place. The monastic tradition of desert connotes caves, silence, solitude and a withdrawal from people.

The desert offers a place for inner reflection and contemplation to encounter our relationship with God and self. The desert can be a setting for deepened, renewed inner life, but it can as easily be life-threatening. The desert demands decisions, choices, and we have to make the right ones or our lives are in danger. In the desert we are stripped down to essentials”
- Sister Mary Christa Kroening

Welcome & Time of Greeting

Anne Jernberg

Welcome to worship at Calvary!

We are glad you are here. Guests are invited to complete a visitor card and place it in the offering plate later in the service. Cards are located in the pew racks.

If this is your first time worshipping with us, please raise your hand when we stand to greet one another so that we may offer you a gift—a loaf of bread, which reminds us all that Jesus is the “bread of life” that nourishes our life in community together.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

Pie Jesu
Calvary Choir

M.L. Lightfoot

Extinguishing of the Light

Bob May

As we journey to the cross with Jesus throughout Lent, we extinguish one candle each Sunday as we draw nearer to his death on Good Friday. Acknowledging the coming darkness, we confess our own participation in that darkness as people who sometimes fail to be the Light of Christ to the world.

+Hymn

As We Journey through the Desert

+Litany

Earlene Ramay

Leader: Ever-Creating God, you have made us for yourself.

People: Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you.

Leader: Ever-Loving Lord, you have journeyed in the wilderness.

People: Our strength and courage come from you.

Leader: Ever-Stirring Spirit, you transform the thoughts of our minds and move across the landscapes of our souls.

People: Our spirits are open to what you have to say to us.

**ALL: We are listening in the desert to the voices of one another;
we are listening in the desert to voices past and present;
we are listening in the desert to the stirring of our souls;
we are listening in the desert for you.**

+Song

In the Secret

Offertory

I Heard Him Once
AVE

T. Davis

+Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

Richard Weese

Word for God’s Children

Rick Chapman

Children may go to Creative Time or return to their seats.

Prayer of Confession

Anne Jernberg

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**People: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

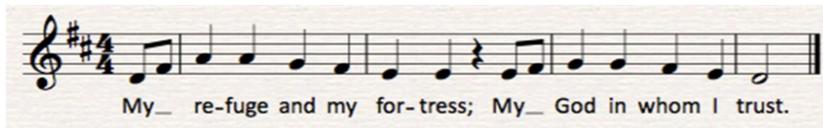
Leader: Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgiving us of our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ. Strengthen us in your goodness and by the power of your Holy Spirit enable us to walk in newness of life with you. Amen.

Leader: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Psalter

Psalms 91:2, 9-16



+Preparing to Hear God’s Word

Kevin Padworski

O Word of God, come into this space.

O Word of God, come send us your grace.

Open our minds; show us your truth.

Transform our lives anew.

+Gospel Reading

Luke 4:1-13

Taylor Goodman

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

Bring Your “A” Game

Joe Greemore

+Hymn of Response

Will You Come and Follow Me

As we sing, you are invited to respond to the Spirit’s leading.

You may come forward to make public your profession of faith in Christ, to request baptism, to share that you would like to become a member of this church family, to receive prayer or to pray, to share how God is leading you to answer a call to ministry, or to share any way that God is at work in your life. A pastor will welcome you as you come forward.

+Benediction

Joe Greemore

Postlude

I Will Follow

C. Tomlin

Please be mindful of others who continue to worship through the postlude.

The pastors look forward to greeting you at Fellowship Time and connecting together as a church family. Please encourage those around you to join you!

Service Notes

Webcast ministry: Today’s 10:30 am worship service is recorded with video cameras for Internet broadcasting at www.calvarydenver.org.

+ Please rise in body or in spirit.

Childcare is available in the nursery for children up to age 5.

Hearing enhancement devices are available from the ushers in the narthex. If you have trouble hearing, please try sitting in the front of the sanctuary near the center aisle. Our audio system is not equipped to provide optimal sound in or under the balcony, or along the side aisles.

The **image** on the cover of today’s bulletin is a speech bubble for our Lenten theme, *The Desert Speaks*. You are invited to write in the bubble what you hear God saying to you during this service. You may place your bulletin in the baskets at the back of the sanctuary. We will gather the responses and use them in worship at a later time in Lent.

Calvary Choir, under the direction of Kevin Padworski and accompanied by Austina Scollin, is a choral ensemble open to adults.

AVE, under the direction of Kevin Padworski, is an SATB auditioned choir.

Following the **Word for God’s Children**, children may go to Creative Time in Room 356 or 360 or return to their seat.

The **Gospel Reading** is found on page 60 in the New Testament Section of the red pew Bible and page 48 in the New Testament Section of the blue pew Bible.

Today’s **worship musicians** include Jordan Grohskopf, guitar and vocals; Greg Kitto, drums; Daniel Rule, bass; Richard Weese, Organ.

Sermon transcripts are uploaded (in PDF format) on the “home page” page of Calvary’s website. Copies will be available at the Welcome Kiosk later this week.

Meet Today's Worship Leaders

Bob May has been a member since 2010, is an active participant in the Ambassadors class, and is a Calvary Greeter. Bob is totally immersed in computing and has held almost every position in the field in a variety of companies. Bob provides technical assistance to his neighbors and friends with their computers and electronics. He volunteers in political activities at local and state levels. His current goal is to spend more time hiking in the beautiful mountains of Colorado.

Earlene Ramay and her husband have been members for over 40 years. Their children Jason and Brenda were both baptized at Calvary. Earlene spent 26 years in management in the Cherry Creek School system. At Calvary she participates in Koinonia Class, Search Committee, Stephens Ministry, Resource Management and Myers Circle. Earlene loves golf and adores spending time with her grandkids and their parents.

Rick Chapman and his wife Pam have 3 sons, Doug, Dave and Dan, and have been members since 1986. Rick is the President of the Board of Directors at Southglenn Country Club and is owner of Ductz Air Duct Cleaning. At Calvary Rick has been involved in *Sing for Joy*, Family Promise and Habitat for Humanity. Golf and woodworking bring him joy.

Taylor Goodman was dedicated as an infant here at Calvary and became an official member through baptism in April of 2012. Taylor is a member of Calvary's youth group and youth choir, *Spiritual Element*. Taylor is in 7th Grade at Sky Vista Middle School. She is an avid reader and writer. She loves to listen to music and sing, and is a member of the Colorado Children's Chorale. Taylor likes archery, photography, and stargazing. She is passionate about animal rights.

About Today's Worship

The **paraments** are purple today for the liturgical season of Lent. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and continues for 40 days (not counting Sundays) until Easter. Jesus fasted for 40 days in the wilderness and the Israelites wandered for 40 years in the desert. For Christians today, Lent is a time when we fast, pray, and ask God for forgiveness as we examine our lives of faith.

Calvary's **Lenten theme** this year is *The Desert Speaks*. Throughout Lent, the **prayer room** will be available with different resources to help you deepen the ways you "listen to God" in prayer. Also, you may write prayers and place them on the wall in the prayer room as we create a Calvary "wailing wall." The **speech bubble** on the front of the bulletin is a place where you can write what is speaking to you during this worship service. What do you hear through Scripture, song, silence, and sacred space?

The **Narthex Display** is created by Brenda Goodman, Calvary's Worship & Special Services Coordinator, on the Lenten theme of *The Desert Speaks*.

Calvary's mission is to be a Christ-like community that experiences and shares God's love.

Calvary welcomes and affirms all people as children of God from every cultural and religious background, sexual orientation, family composition, physical and mental ability, economic means, race, age and gender.

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What do you hear God speaking to you this morning?

1st Sunday in Lent

February 17, 2013

10:30 a.m.