



**COLUMNS & COFFEE TOUR**

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## SACRED SPACES: FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST



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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 19**

**COFFEE AT 8:30**

**BUILDING TOUR AT 9:00**

*2013 Columns & Coffee Tours sponsored by Portico Garden Ornaments*

Come kick off the new year of Columns & Coffee with an amazing church designed in the Classical Style. The church, designed by Architect Ernest Phillip Varian in 1901, is a gem on capitol hill just blocks away from the State Capitol.

Ernest Phillip Varian was born in Plainfield, New Jersey and came to Denver in 1880 after having worked as a contractor in New York. By the spring of 1881, Varian submitted plans in competition with W.J. Edbrooke to the Zion Baptist Church for construction of their new church. The congregation awarded Varian the contract and work began on the Calvary Baptist Church in 1882. By 1885, Varian established a partnership with former F.E. Edbrooke & Co. employee, Frederick J. Sterner. The firm of Varian and Sterner went on to become one Denver's most prominent architectural designers with many notable buildings including the Denver Athletic Club at 1325 Glenarm.

The tour will be guided by members of the congregation and will provide access to all areas of the building.

**Location:** Meet for coffee at Panera Bread, 1350 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203

**Tour Cost:** \$10 General, no cost to ICAA Members

**Register for the Event at:** <http://icaa-rm.eventbrite.com>