

# CALVARY

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### *The Fourth Sunday of Advent*

December 19, 2021

10:30 am

We welcome ALL:  
People of Color  
LGBTQ+  
Partnered and Single  
Differently Abled  
Families and children  
Young and Old  
Our Homeless Neighbors  
The Alcoholic and Addicted  
Believers and those Questioning Faith  
Anyone who Desires a Spiritual Home.

Calvary's welcome extends to all. But more importantly—  
God welcomes you for exactly who you are.

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HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE

*Choral and Variation O come, O come, Emmanuel*

Old Plain Song  
Arr. Ju-Hwan Yu

OPENING HYMN 56 *Insert p. 1*

*O come, o come, Emmanuel*

VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

SALUTATION *Please stand*

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE TRISAGION S-102

Setting, Alexander Archangelsky

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *Please remain standing*

BCP 212

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated*

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF MICAH

Micah 5:2-5a

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

CANTICLE 15 The Song of Mary *Magnificat*



- 1 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \*  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
- 2 From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.
- 3 He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
in every generation.
- 4 He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
- 5 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
and has lifted up the lowly.
- 6 He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he has sent away empty.
- 7 He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
8 The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
to Abraham and his children for ever.

*(Gloria Patri may be omitted)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, \*  
and will be for ever. Amen.

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Hebrews 10:5-10

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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

*Please stand*

SEQUENCE HYMN 265   *Insert p. 2   The angel Gabriel from heaven came*

GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

THE GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-45

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON *Please be seated*

The Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

THE NICENE CREED *Please stand*

BCP 358

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Please stand or kneel*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form IV *The Leader and People pray responsively*

BCP 388

Lector: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Lovell, Jim, Larry, Juliette, Greg, Hoss, Carren, Bruce, Craig, William, Teresa, Marsha, Ramon, Mary, Hugh, Michael, Teddy, Ben, John, Larisa, Richard, Libby, Leslie, Jim, Tom, Chris, Mav, and Lisa; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Please stand or kneel*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Minister and People*

Most 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;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE *Please stand*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please be seated*

*Birthday and Anniversary Prayers*

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

*Bogoroditse Devo*

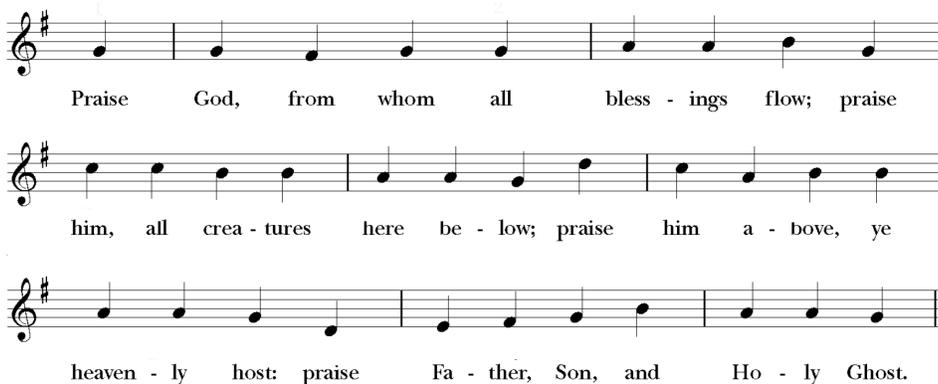
Sergei Rachmaninov

*Rejoice, virgin mother of God,  
Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb,  
for you have borne the Savior of our souls.*

*Please stand*

THE DOXOLOGY Hymn 43, Verse 4

THE EIGHTH TUNE



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise  
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye  
heaven-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: *The Eighth Tune*, Thomas Tallis (1505?-1585); adapt. *Hymnal 1982* Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *Please remain standing*

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here for a long time; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is God's desire that you will meet God here.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

THE SANCTUS S-130

Setting, Franz Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Please stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

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 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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-164

Setting, David Hurd

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM

*Jesus Christ the Apple Tree*

Elizabeth Poston

COMMUNION HYMN 258 *Insert p. 3*

*Virgin born, we bow before thee*

PSALM 86

*Please stand or kneel*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 366

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

*Please stand*

RECESSIONAL HYMN 267 *Insert p. 4*

*Praise we the Lord this day*

ST. GEORGE

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE

*Angels We Have Heard on High Gloria*

Old French Carol  
Arr. Harold De Cou

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHRISTMAS ALTAR FLOWERS** If you would like to donate poinsettias and greenery for the altar, please fill in the form in today's bulletin and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office no later than December 20.

**CHRISTMAS CRECHE** Years ago at Calvary we had a creche display in Frazier Hall. It was a lovely display with a variety of creche scenes that were enjoyed during Coffee Hour and throughout the morning. Some creches had interesting history behind them. All were beautiful and holy. Some were very elaborate while others were simple and rustic. It would be interesting to know how each of you display your creche at home. Do you add pieces each week during Advent or do you set up a complete creche for full display? Does your creche remain through the twelve days of Christmas, Advent only, or year round (as mine has this past year)? Is your creche hand made, new, or a family heirloom? What does your creche mean to you? We would love to hear from you about your creche at home. Please send your "story" and a photo so we can create a virtual display, possibly on the Calvary Facebook Page. Please submit photos and details to Callie at [cedirector@calvaryepiscopal.org](mailto:cedirector@calvaryepiscopal.org). For

**PLANNING FOR 2022** As we continue to plan and prepare for the time when programming resumes for children and families, we are reaching out to families to get their input. Anyone with interest and ideas, please complete the form on this link: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/14A8P8edPBgKSbOXFSPyIFgoVLLjOEKH6EKBI4-tSG4/edit> or reach out to Callie Hausman directly for more information: [cedirector@calvaryepiscopal.org](mailto:cedirector@calvaryepiscopal.org). Thank you!

**PRAYING WITH ICONS IN ADVENT** For those of you who might be looking for something a little different during the remainder of the Advent Season, you might be interested in praying with icons with Rowan Williams to recover our spiritual focus. <https://buildfaith.org/praying-with-icons-with-rowan-williams/> If you would like more information, please feel free to contact Callie Hausman: [cedirector@calvaryepiscopal.org](mailto:cedirector@calvaryepiscopal.org)

**ANNUAL MEETING** The Annual Parish Meeting will be held immediately following the 10:30 service on January 16, 2022. Please plan to attend. Nominations are now being accepted for the Vestry. Please contact Donna Duvall at [duvall.donna@gmail.com](mailto:duvall.donna@gmail.com) if you would like to run for vestry or would like to nominate someone. Please do ask the person you are nominating if they are willing to serve prior to submitting their name.

**COMPLINE AND SUNDAY FORUM SCHEDULE** There will be no Compline or Sunday Forum on December 26 or January 6. Both will resume on Sunday, January 9.

**MIDDAY HEALING EUCHARIST** Please join us for Holy Eucharist each Thursday at 12:05 pm. All are welcome. **Please note:** There will be no healing Eucharist on December 30.

**CALVARY PRAYER LIST** If you would like to add a name to the Calvary prayer list, please do so on the form at the back of the nave. Please list first names only. You may also contact the church office with prayer list information at [office@calvaryepiscopal.org](mailto:office@calvaryepiscopal.org).

**NURSERY/CHILD CARE AVAILABLE ON SUNDAY** The nursery is open during the worship service on Sundays. Masks are requested for all children 2 years old and older.

### CHECK YOUR EMAILS

Please be sure to check the weekly emails from Calvary.  
This is the best place for up-to-date information about activities at Calvary Church, especially regarding changes related to Covid-19.

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