



# Calvary Episcopal Church

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8:30 a.m.

## Holy Eucharist Rite One First Sunday in Advent December 1, 2019

**Welcome to Calvary Episcopal Church.**

**Calvary is the home of a community of people who seek to make the church a place of welcome, service, and beauty.**

**Through the worship and love of God our mission is to:  
make the Gospel of Jesus Christ the center of our life and work;  
welcome all people into our church family;  
love and support one another; and  
actively seek out the human needs in our community,  
responding vigorously with respect and understanding.**

**We are glad you are with us today!**

As used in this bulletin, BCP refers to *The Book of Common Prayer*, 1979 edition as amended by the 2006 General Convention, copies of which may be found in each pew rack. Brailled copies of *The Book of Common Prayer* are also available. Please ask should you desire a copy for this service.

Wireless assistive listening devices are available at the Narthex entrance to the Nave.

Remember to mute your cell phones before services, respecting those in quiet meditation and prayer.

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## First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

*Reader:* A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 122

*Laetatus sum*

*BCP 779*

*The psalm is read in unison*

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, \*  
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."
- 2 Now our feet are standing \*  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city \*  
that is at unity with itself;
- 4 To which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD, \*  
the assembly of Israel,  
to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, \*  
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*  
"May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls \*  
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, \*  
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, \*  
I will seek to do you good."

## **The Epistle**

Romans 13:11-14

*Reader:* A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

## **The Holy Gospel**

Matthew 24:36-44

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

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

## The Nicene Creed

BCP 326

*All stand.*

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.

## The Prayers of the People

BCP 328

*Please kneel as able.*

The Intercessor says:

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord.

We pray for mission agencies and their work throughout the Anglican Communion and for Christ Church, Elizabethtown. Grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Terry, our Bishop; and Lee, our Priest; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald, our President; Matthew and Eric, our Governors; and Greg, our Mayor; that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

We commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces, and others in the service of our government, at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace; and grant them a sense of thine abiding presence wherever they may be.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all who suffer persecution; our brothers and sisters of the food and clothing ministry; all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity; and especially those commended to our prayers.

*Silence is kept for a time as the people add their own petitions silently or aloud.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for Jamieson G. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson McPherson, Sr., and for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant then says*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Please kneel as able.*

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

*BCP 331*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against thee  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.

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

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Please stand.*

**The Peace**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

And with thy spirit.

*Then the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*Please be seated.*

**Commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers****The Offertory**

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians*  
5:12

*As the offerings are received, the people stand and the Celebrant says*

All things come of thee, O Lord,

*People*

And of thine own have we given thee.

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer I, BCP 333*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* It is meet and right so to do.

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, ...

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**Sanctus**

*Celebrant and People*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.



*The people kneel as able.*

*Then Celebrant continues*

*BCP 334*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, ...

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

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

*People and Celebrant*

*BCP 336*

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**

*BCP 337*

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be said*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

### **Invitation to Communion**

*BCP 338*

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Communion of the People**

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the clergy if you need gluten-free bread. If you come to the communion rail for a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the Rector of the parish.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

BCP 339

Let us pray.

*The People may join in saying this prayer.*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

### **The Blessing**

BCP 339

*The Celebrant gives the blessing.*

*The people respond: Amen.*

### **The Dismissal**

*All stand.*

*The Celebrant dismisses the people.*

*The People respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

### **The Postlude**

*Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661*     Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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## SUNDAY MINISTRIES

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LECTORS: Jamie Hendon, Dade Lockett

ALTAR GUILD: Donna Duvall,

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jamie Hendon, Dade  
Lockett

Corky Sachs, Meg Scharre

*Scheduled ministers for each Sunday should be sent to [verger@calvaryepiscopal.org](mailto:verger@calvaryepiscopal.org)  
by the preceding Tuesday at noon.*

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## GREENERY

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The ALTAR greenery is given to the glory of God by Lynn McPherson in loving memory of her husband Jamieson G. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Graham, and Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson McPherson, Sr.

*If you would like to give flowers, please contact Jim Barnes at 587-6011, ext. 26.*

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## THOSE COMMENDED TO OUR PRAYERS

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*We ask your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.*

Art Dietz, Tom Hill, Lisa, Lynne Lyndrup, Danni McKensie, Alex Redden, Jack Reisz, Don Snow, Mary Sorrell, Brenda Wade, Elizabeth Blackburn Walden, Rebecca, and Spencer.