

CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10th, 2026
10:30 am

We welcome ALL:
People of Color
Immigrants
LGBTQ+
Drag Queens
Partnered and Single
Differently Abled
Families and Children
Young and Old
Our Unhoused 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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 191 *Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward raise*
Please stand

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

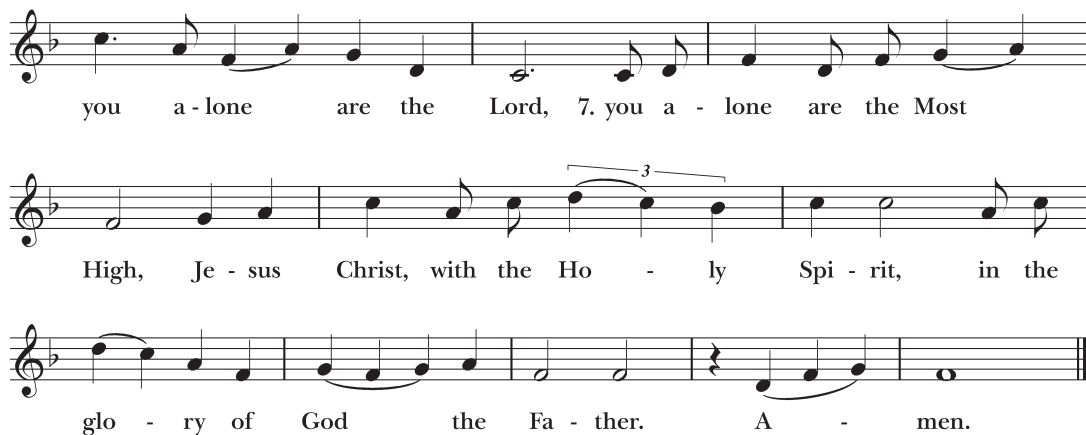
BCP 355

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.*

GLORIA S-280

SETTING: R. POWELL

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *Please remain standing*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
 People *And also with you.*
 Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding; Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A READING FROM ACTS

Acts 17:22-31

Please be seated.

PAUL STOOD IN FRONT OF THE AREOPAGUS AND SAID, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

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



- 7 Bless our¹ God, you¹ peoples; *
make the¹ voice of his¹ praise to be¹ heard;
- 8 Who holds our¹ souls in¹ life, *
and will not al¹low our¹ feet to¹ slip.
- 9 For you, O¹ God, have¹ proved us; *
you have tried us¹ just as¹ silver is¹ tried.
- 10 You brought us¹ into the¹ snare; *
you laid heavy¹ burdens up¹ on our¹ backs.
- †11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through¹ fire and¹ water; *
but you brought us out¹ into a¹ place of re¹freshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will¹ pay you my¹ vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my¹ mouth when I¹ was in¹ trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the¹ smoke of¹ rams; *
I will¹ give you¹ oxen and¹ goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all¹ you who fear¹ God, *
and I will¹ tell you¹ what he has¹ done for me.
- 15 I called out to¹ him with my¹ mouth, *
and his¹ praise was¹ on my¹ tongue.
- 16 If I had found¹ evil in¹ my¹ heart, *
the¹ Lord would¹ not have¹ heard me;
- 17 But in truth¹ God has¹ heard me; *
he has attended to the¹ voice¹ of my¹ prayer.
- †18 Blessèd be God, who has not re¹jected my¹ prayer, *
nor with¹ held his¹ love from¹ me.

A READING FROM FIRST PETER

1 Peter 3:13-22

NOW WHO WILL HARM YOU IF YOU ARE EAGER TO DO WHAT IS GOOD? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you

are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN 516

Come down, O Love divine

DOWN AMPNEY

THE GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

JESUS SAID, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON *Please be seated*

The Rev. Donna J. Gerold

THE NICENE CREED *Please stand*

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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.

Reader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
 People *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Terry, our Bishop.
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, and for those on our Calvary prayer list;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Those for whom our prayers have been requested: Bonnie, Florence, Catharine, Payton, Penny, Grant, Bob, Michael, David, Sandra, Linda, Grant, Grey, Nick, Shelby, Phillip, Ruth and family, Greg, John, Michael, and Bob.

THE PEACE *Please stand*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 People *And also with you.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please be seated*

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Love bade me welcome; yet my soul drew back,
 guilty of dust and sin.
 But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack from my
 first entrance in,
 drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning
 If I lack'd anything.
 'A guest,' I answer'd, 'worthy to be here.'
 Love said, 'You shall be he.'
 'I, the unkind, ungrateful?

Ah, my dear, I cannot look on Thee.'
 Love took my hand and smiling did reply,
 'Who made the eyes but I?'
 'Truth, Lord; but I have marr'd them: let my shame go
 where it doth deserve.'
 'And know you not,' says Love, 'Who bore the blame?'
 'My dear, then I will serve.'
 'You must sit down,' says Love, 'and taste my meat.'
 So I did sit and eat.

THE DOXOLOGY *Please stand*OLD 100th

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove ye
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - PRAYER A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant continues

People The Lord be with you.
Celebrant *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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father
 Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS S-129

SETTING: R. POWELL

The people stand or kneel

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

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Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many 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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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 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.
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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-155

SETTING: D. HURD

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there-fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM

I will not leave you comfortless

EVERETT TITCOMB

I will not leave you comfortless;
I will come to you yet again. Alleluia.
And your heart shall be joyful. Alleluia.

COMMUNION HYMN 512

Come Gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove

MENDON

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.
We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Please stand or kneel

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN 537

Christ for the world we sing!

MOSCOW

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Parish Meeting Please plan to attend Calvary's Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, May 17th, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. service.

Central Louisville Community Ministries CLCM is hosting a Watch Party on Saturday May 23 at Noble Funk for the premier showing of the "CLCM episode" of Secrets of Bluegrass Chefs! This episode was filmed at our Annual Campaign event and features 2 downtown chefs doing their magic. This is a Giveback event, so 10% of sales (food and drink) during the Watch Party will be donated to CLCM by Noble Funk. AND you can bring toilet paper to donate for the Personal Care Closet. The show starts at 7pm. Noble Funk is located at 922 S 2nd St with plenty of free parking. Come solo or bring your family and friends - all welcome!

Mother's Day Choral Event Celebrate Mother's Day with music at Calvary Episcopal Church TODAY at 3 pm as we host the Louisville Chorus in Echoes of the Earth: Mother to Us All. The program features Ola Gjeilo's Sunrise Mass. Mothers get in free! Tickets will be available at the door or at louisvillechorus.org.

Pride Night at Racing Louisville FC Calvary is one of dozens of welcoming and affirming congregations participating in Pride Night at Racing Louisville FC game on Friday, May 29th, at 8:00 p.m. Please use the ticket link in the weekly email blast to purchase tickets in the designated block. Join us to fill the stands with love!

Habitat for Humanity Home Build Calvary is co-sponsoring a Habitat home and we need your help to build it. Along with several other Episcopal churches in Louisville, we will construct a home in the Pleasure Ridge Park neighborhood starting in June. Volunteers are especially needed June 24-26 for the "Raise the Roof." All are welcome, regardless of construction experience – there will be plenty to do! The entire construction process will take about 4 months so there will be more volunteer opportunities over the summer and fall. Please see Meg Scharre or email her at mescharre@twc.com to be added to our list of volunteers. This will be a fun and worthwhile project as we help meet the need for safe and affordable housing in our community.

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