



Calvary Episcopal Church

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8:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite One

The Epiphany

January 6, 2018

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.

To receive weekly emails concerning upcoming events and notices, visit our website (www.calvaryepiscopal.org) and select "get updates from us."

Please remember to turn your cell phones off before the worship services out of respect for those in quiet meditation and prayer. If you enter or leave during the service, please try to do so during hymns and spoken congregational activities. Please avoid doing so during readings, the anthem, and the sermon.

The Wise Still Seek Him



Anselm Phillips

Prelude *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr*, BWV 675 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The Word of God

BCP 323

All standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

The Celebrant continues

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

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Gloria in Excelsis

BCP 324

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 160

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only begotten Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know thee now by faith, to thy presence, where we may behold thy glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 60:1-6

All sit.

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated. The psalm is read in unison.

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, *
and all the nations do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who has no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

The Epistle

Ephesians 3:1-12

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

All stand.

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been

written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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 men: 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 the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, and for Christian Unity. 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 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 Christians who suffer persecution; our guests of the food and clothing ministry; and Spencer, Marion, Harold, Shirley, Joan, Ben, Marsha, Charlie, Anna, Sandy, Cindy, Suzannah, Debbie, Joan, Steve, Cassandra, Chris, Wayne, Patti, Bea, Ken, Georgine, Marj, Richard, Beverly, Marilyn, Amy, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for William H. Cary III, Mildred Cary, Robert M. Nash, Robert F. Wheaton, Dr. and Mrs. Philip Cary, Edith Cary Carrell, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Roby, Phyllis Goodman, E. Allen Roby, and all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of St. Stephen, St. John, and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

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.

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

BCP 332

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

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

Please be seated.

Greeting [and recognitions]

Those with birthdays, those graduating from high school or university, and those with other achievements are asked to come forward and be recognized.

The Celebrant then says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and Congregation together

O God, our times are in thy hand: Look with favor, we pray, on thy servant(s) as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in thy goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

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*

Please stand as the gifts are brought forward. As the gifts are offered 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

The people remain standing.

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

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. The 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.*

The Celebrant then continues

BCP 336

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

People and Celebrant

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

A period of silence is kept.

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 kneel and 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 blesses the people.

The Dismissal

Please stand

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
Jamie Hendon, Dade Luckett

ALTAR GUILD: Donna Duvall, Corky Sachs,
Meg Scharre

*Scheduled ministers for each Sunday should be sent to verger@calvaryepiscopal.org
by the preceding Tuesday at noon.*

THE FLOWERS

The ALTAR flowers are given to the glory of God by Will and Kathy Cary in loving memory of his parents, William H Cary III and Mildred Cary, her father, Robert M. Nash, and Robert F. Wheaton, Jr.

The CHANCEL flowers are given to the glory of God by Will and Kathy Cary in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. Philip Cary, Edith Cary Carrel, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Roby, Phyllis Goodman, and E. Allen Roby.

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

THOSE COMMENDED TO OUR PRAYERS

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

TO BE READ AT THE 8:30 SERVICE: Spencer, Marion Six, Harold Six, Shirley Leach, Joan Humke, Ben Sanders, Marsha, Charlie, Anna Weiss, Sandy Hill, Cindy, Suzannah, Debbie Navas, Joan Pritcher, Steve Montoya, Cassandra, Chris Pereza, Wayne, Patti, Bea Eldridge, Ken Bohannon, Georgine, Marj, Richard, Beverly, Marilyn Bryant, Amy.

TO BE READ AT THE 11:00 SERVICE: June, Isabella Robins, Robert, Tom Hill, Bill Whitaker, JJ Robb, Lou, Debi MacDonald, Jeff Ritchie, Becky Meyer, Raymond, Helen, Alan, Thomas Robins, Ed Carle, Dr. George Hafitz, Walter Vosinek, Connie, Dan, Kristy, Michael Curry, Robbie, Gleada, Dodd Harris, Rob Gentile, Bonnie Fritschner, Gene Krutzler, Lucia Zunun, Lisa, Larry Reining, Heidi Poth Tracy.