



Calvary Episcopal Church

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8:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite One First Sunday in Advent December 2, 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.

Prelude *Nun komm', der Heiden Heiland, BWV 660* 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.

The Trisagion

BCP 324

The Trisagion is said three times

Celebrant: Holy God,
 Holy and Mighty,
 Holy Immortal One,

People: *Have mercy upon us.*

The Collect of the Day

BCP 159

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

First Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9

Ad te, Domine, levavi

BCP 614

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Please stand.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. E. Benjamin Sanders

The Nicene Creed

BCP 327

All stand.

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I 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 Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain, and for the Church of the Advent, Louisville. 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 and Benjamin, our Priests; 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, Ted, Suzannah, Debbie, Joan, Steve, Cassandra, Chris, Wayne, Patti, Bea, Ken, Georgine, Mrs. Swinson, Marj, Richard, Gary, 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 Jamieson G. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson McPherson, Sr., Lois Reining, Konrad Poth, and for 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 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 320

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. 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

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. *Romans 15:7*

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 Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Invitation to Communion

BCP 338

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion of the People

All baptized Christians 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 a priest 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.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645* Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

LECTORS: Jamie Hendon, Dade Lockett

ALTAR GUILD: Donna Duvall,
Corky Sachs, Meg Scharre

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jamie Hendon, Dade Lockett

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

GREENERY

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.

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, Ted Mussler, Suzannah, Debbie Navas, Joan Pritcher, Steve Montoya, Cassandra, Chris Perez, Wayne, Patti, Bea Eldridge, Ken Bohannon, Georgine, Mrs. Swinson, Marj, Richard, Gary.

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.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS – POINSETTIAS AND GREENERY

Please detach and place in alms basin or give to the church office.

Calvary kindly requests that all donations be at least \$35.00

Donation in memory of:

In thanksgiving for:

Given by:

All names will be listed in the leaflet for Christmas Eve.

*The deadline is **SUNDAY, Dec. 16**, for inclusion in the leaflet. Thank you.*