

CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 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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The Rev. Dr. Lee Franklin Shafer
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HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN 54 *Insert p. 1*

Savior of the nations, come!

NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

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 211

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF MALACHI

Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

CANTICLE 16 The Song of Zechariah Luke 1: 68-79



- 1 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
- 4 He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him with out fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- 7 You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break up on us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
'shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

(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 PHILIPPIANS

Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

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

Please stand

SEQUENCE HYMN 67 *Insert p. 2* *Comfort, comfort ye my people*

PSALM 42

THE GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

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

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

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 Nancy, Lovell, Jim, Larry, Juliette, Greg, Hoss, Carren, Julie, Alex, Bruce, Craig, William, Teresa, Marsha, Ramon, Julie, Mary, Hugh, Michael, Teddy, Ben, John, Larisa, Richard, Libby, and Leslie; 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 Joseph Wright and 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

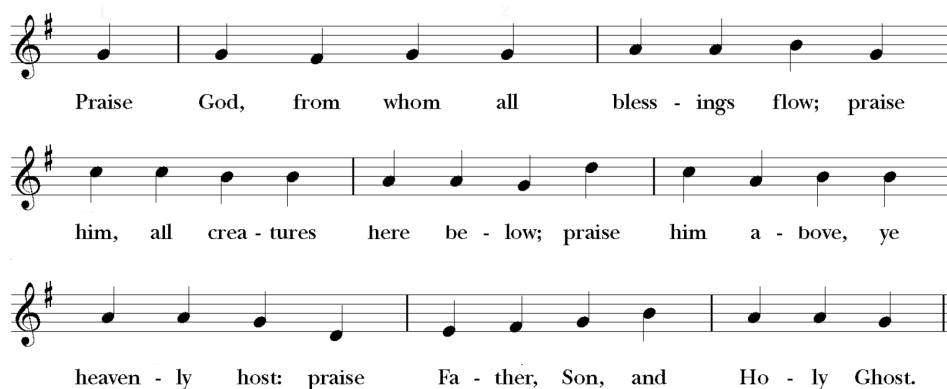
Rorate coeli

Jacob Handl

Please stand

THE DOXOLOGY Hymn 43, Verse 4

THE EIGHTH TUNE



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.

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

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords and moving lines.

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

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

How beautiful upon the mountains

Sir John Stainer

COMMUNION HYMN 66 *Insert p. 3*

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

STUTT GART

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand or kneel*

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 462 *Insert p. 4*

The Lord will come and not be slow

YORK

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE HOUR RETURNS Coffee hour is back in Frazier Hall immediately after the worship service.

ST. NICHOLAS Monday is the day we recognize St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, who lived in the 3rd century. For some history and ideas visit: <https://www.stnicholascenter.org/who-is-st-nicholas>. You may want to ask your children to set their shoes outside their room Sunday evening and they just might find a surprise (orange, candy cane, etc.). Feel free to contact Callie Hausman for more ideas

2022 PLEDGE If you would like to make a 2022 Pledge to Calvary and have not yet done so, please let us know as soon as possible. The Vestry needs to have a firm total no later than November 30 to plan next year's budget. You can either turn in a pledge card (available at the church if you didn't receive one by mail), by submitting it on the Calvary website (calvaryepiscopal.org/pledge) or sending an email to bookkeeper@calvaryepiscopal.org. Thank you for your support.

MIDDAY HEALING EUCHARIST Please join us for Holy Eucharist each Thursday at 12:05 pm. All are welcome.

SUNDAY MINISTRIES If you have an interest in serving as an Usher, Eucharistic Minister, Lector, or on the Altar Guild, please contact Lee+ via email (rector@calvaryepiscopal.org). We'd love to train you to be part of these wonderful and integral worship teams.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS The Calvary Food Pantry continues to serve our neighbors in need, so much so that we are running out of some items. Please help us fill the shelves with the following items: Soap, shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste/toothbrushes, shaving cream/razors, lotion, toilet paper, paper towels, baby wipes, diapers, liquid dish soap, laundry detergent (pods). Please be a part of this amazing ministry by placing items in the basket in the narthex, or dropping them off at the Pantry on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday from 9:00 am until 11:00 am.

COMPLINE SUNDAYS AT 7:00 PM Everyone is welcome at Compline, a short practice of prayer followed by time for meditation and conversation in holy space. Our welcome extends to all people, but most importantly, God welcomes you for exactly who you are.

BIBLE STUDY—NEW BEGINNINGS Everyone is welcome to join bible study on Wednesdays from 10:00 until 11:00 am at Panera on Rudy Lane. If you have any questions, contact Cindy Curry cindwatch7@twc.com

ALTAR AND CHANCEL FLOWERS If you would like to donate altar and/or chancel flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or for any special occasion, please be sure to contact the church office. We ask a donation of \$75 to cover the cost of flowers.

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.

NURSERY/CHILD CARE AVAILABLE ON SUNDAY The nursery is open again 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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