

# THE 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Sunday, August 31, 2025  
8:00 A.M. Eucharist, Rite One

## CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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# THE WORD OF GOD

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN 614 - Christ is the King! O friends upraise

1. *Christ is the King! O friends upraise  
anthems of joy and holy praise  
for his brave saints of ancient days,  
who with a faith for ever new  
followed the King, and round him drew  
thousands of servants brave and true.*
2. *O Christian women, Christian men,  
all the world over, seek again  
the Way disciples followed then.  
Christ through all ages is the same:  
place the same hope in his great Name,  
with the same faith his word proclaim.*
3. *Let Love's unconquerable might  
your scattered companies unite  
in service to the Lord of light:  
so shall God's will on earth be done,  
new lamps be lit, new tasks begun,  
and the whole Church at last be one.*

## WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

BCP 323

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

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.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

***Christ, have mercy upon us.***

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## GLORIA

Hymn # S-278

***Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

***And with thy spirit.***

Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### A READING FROM THE PROPHET JEREMIAH

**Jeremiah 2:4-13**

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me  
that they went far from me,

and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?

They did not say, "Where is the Lord  
who brought us up from the land of Egypt,

who led us in the wilderness,  
in a land of deserts and pits,

in a land of drought and deep darkness,  
in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?"

I brought you into a plentiful land  
to eat its fruits and its good things.

But when you entered you defiled my land,  
and made my heritage an abomination.

The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?"  
Those who handle the law did not know me;

the rulers transgressed against me;  
the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord,  
and I accuse your children's children.

Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,  
send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing.

Has a nation changed its gods,  
even though they are no gods?

But my people have changed their glory  
for something that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this,  
be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord,

for my people have committed two evils:  
they have forsaken me,  
the fountain of living water,  
and dug out cisterns for themselves,  
cracked cisterns  
that can hold no water.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

THE PSALM

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Sing with joy to God our strength \*  
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

I am the Lord your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, \*  
“Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.”

And yet my people did not hear my voice, \*  
and Israel would not obey me.

So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, \*  
to follow their own devices.

Oh, that my people would listen to me! \*  
that Israel would walk in my ways!

I should soon subdue their enemies \*  
and turn my hand against their foes.

Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, \*  
and their punishment would last for ever.

But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat \*  
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, “I will never leave you or forsake you.” So we can say with confidence,

“The Lord is my helper;  
I will not be afraid.  
What can anyone do to me?”

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN - Brother, sister, let me serve you**

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| 1. Brother, sister let me serve you.<br>Let me be as Christ to you.<br>Pray that I might have the grace<br>To let you be my servant, too.          | 4. I will weep when you are weeping.<br>When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.<br>I will share your joy and sorrow<br>Till we've seen this journey through. |
| 2. We are pilgrims on a journey.<br>We are brothers on the road.<br>We are here to help each other<br>Walk the mile and bear the load.             | 5. When we sing to God in heaven,<br>We shall find such harmony<br>Born of all we've known together<br>Of Christ's love and agony.                        |
| 3. I will hold the Christ-light for you<br>In the night time of your fear.<br>I will hold my hand out to you;<br>Speak the peace you long to hear. | 6. Brother, sister let me serve you.<br>Let me be as Christ to you.<br>Pray that I might have the grace<br>To let you be my servant, too.                 |

**THE GOSPEL**

**Luke 14:1, 7-14**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke  
*Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the

lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

**SERMON - Fr. Ralph**

**THE NICENE CREED** (Standing as you are able.)

BCP 326

**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**

Form VI, BCP 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;

***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;

***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Sean our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, Héctor, and Brian our Bishops; Ralph our Priest; Nancy our Deacon; and for all bishops and other ministers, including the Vestry, staff, and ministry leaders of Calvary Church;

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially \_\_\_\_\_;

*Silence - The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We pray for all who have died, especially \_\_\_\_\_, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence - The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

#### **CONFESSON OF SIN** *(The people may kneel or stand.)*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

***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.***

#### **ABSOLUTION**

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.**

**THE PEACE** (*Standing as you are able.*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
***And with thy spirit.***

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**THE OFFERTORY HYMN 665** - All my hope on God is founded

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| <p>1. <i>All my hope on God is founded;<br/>he doth still my trust renew,<br/>me through change and chance he guideth,<br/>only good and only true.<br/>God unknown, he alone<br/>calls my heart to be his own.</i></p> <p>2. <i>Mortal pride and earthly glory,<br/>sword and crown betray our trust;<br/>though with care and toil we build them,<br/>tower and temple fall to dust.<br/>But God's power, hour by hour,<br/>is my temple and my tower.</i></p> <p>3. <i>God's great goodness e'er endureth,<br/>deep his wisdom, passing thought:<br/>splendor, light, and life attend him,<br/>beauty springeth out of nought.<br/>Evermore from his store<br/>newborn worlds rise and adore.</i></p> | <p>4. <i>Daily doth the almighty Giver<br/>bounteous gifts on us bestow;<br/>his desire our soul delighteth,<br/>pleasure leads us where we go.<br/>Love doth stand at his hand;<br/>joy doth wait on his command.</i></p> <p>5. <i>Still from earth to God eternal<br/>sacrifice of praise be done,<br/>high above all praises praising<br/>for the gift of Christ, his Son.<br/>Christ doth call one and all:<br/>ye who follow shall not fall.</i></p> |
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**THE DOXOLOGY**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

The Lord be with you.

***And with thy spirit.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. (*The priest adds a Proper Preface.*)

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

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hymnal S-125

***Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

(*The people may kneel or stand.*)

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ’s holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

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 pray,

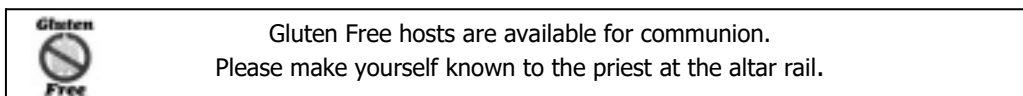
***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.***

#### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

***We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.***

These are 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.



***If you have a special prayer need, step into the side chapel after you receive communion,  
and a member of the Prayer Team will pray with you.***

**COMMUNION HYMN 321 - My God, thy table now is spread**

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| 1. My God, thy table now is spread,<br>thy cup with love doth overflow;<br>be all thy children thither led,<br>and let them thy sweet mercies know.  | 3. Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord,<br>in countless number let them come<br>and gather from their Father's board<br>the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.      |
| 2. O let thy table honored be,<br>and furnished well with joyful guests;<br>and may each soul salvation see,<br>that here its sacred pledges tastes. | 4. Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest<br>till through the world thy truth has run,<br>till with this Bread shall all be blessed<br>who see the light or feel the sun. |

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** (The people may kneel or stand.)

Let us pray.

*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**

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** (these words may differ from time to time)

**RECESSIONAL HYMN 602 - Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love**

**CHORUS:**

*Jesu, Jesu,  
fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve  
the neighbors  
we have from you.*

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| 1. Kneels at the feet of his friends,<br>silently washes their feet,<br>Master who acts as a slave to them. | 2. Neighbors are rich and poor,<br>neighbors are black and white,<br>neighbors are nearby and far away. |
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| 3. These are the ones we should serve,<br>these are the ones we should love.<br>All are neighbors to us and you. | 4. Loving puts us on our knees,<br>serving as though we were slaves;<br>this is the way we should live with you. |
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**THE DISMISSAL**

Alleluia, Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. (these words may differ from time to time)

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**



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