

# Calvary Episcopal Church

*Calvary welcomes and embraces all who join us in doing the work of Christ in our community.*



## Christ the King Sunday

Sunday, November 26, 2023

# SUNDAY NIGHT ALIVE

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# THE WORD OF GOD

## OPENING SONG - Let Us Go Into the House of the Lord

*Let us go. (Let us go.)  
Let us go. (Let us go.)  
Let us go to the house of the Lord!*

*Where we can praise Him!  
We can worship the Lord.  
He is worthy!  
He is worthy of praise.*

*He has taken us from death unto life.  
He has taken us from darkness into light.*

## WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

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

***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

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Together, let us pray.

***Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.***

## THE LESSONS

### A READING FROM THE PROPHET EZEKIEL

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### THE PSALM

Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

SEQUENCE SONG - Audience of One

1. *I come on my knees to lay down before you  
Bringing all that I am longing only to know you  
Seeking your face and not only your hand  
I find you embracing me just as I am*

*And I lift these songs to you and you alone  
As I sing to you in my praises make your home*

Chorus:

*To my audience of one  
you are Father, and you are Son  
As your Spirit flows free let it find within me  
A heart that beats to praise you  
And now just to know you more  
Has become my great reward  
To see your kingdom come and your will be done  
I only desire to be yours, Lord  
(And yours alone – You alone yea)*

2. *So what could I bring to honor your majesty  
What song could I sing that would move  
the heart of royalty  
When all that I have is the life that you've given me  
So Lord let me live for you my song with humility*

*And Lord as the love song of my life is played  
I have one desire to bring glory to your name*

*And we lift these songs to you and you alone  
As we live for you in our praises make your home.*

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

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

SERMON - Fr. Ralph

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD - How Great is Our God**

1. **The splendor of the King**  
**Clothed in majesty**  
**Let all the earth rejoice**  
**All the earth rejoice**  
**He wraps Himself in light**  
**And darkness tries to hide**  
**And trembles at His voice**  
**And trembles at His voice**
2. **And age to age He stands**  
**And time is in His hands**  
**Beginning and the End**  
**Beginning and the End**  
**The Godhead three in one**  
**Father Spirit Son**  
**The Lion and the Lamb**  
**The Lion and the Lamb**

**Chorus:**  
**How great is our God**  
**Sing with me**  
**How great is our God**  
**And all will see how great**  
**How great is our God**

**Name above all names**  
**Worthy of all praise**  
**My heart will sing**  
**How great is our God**

**THE NICENE CREED**

**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

In the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Father of our Lord Jesus for the world, the church, and one another.

Lord, hold the family of Calvary Church as your treasured possession. Form us in the image of Jesus. Use us to proclaim his love and draw others to his cross, until the whole world adores him as King, Savior, and God.

***King of Kings, bless us.***

We pray for the churches of the world. Rouse the careless, recover the fallen, and strengthen the faithful.

***King of Kings, guide us.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, deacons, and all others who have consecrated their lives to God, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, and Héctor our Bishops; Ralph our Priest; and Nancy our Deacon. Bless them and give them courage and joy as they serve your people.

***King of Kings, hear us.***

We pray for the leaders of the nations, especially Joseph our President and Greg our Governor. Enlighten them and guide them in paths of justice and peace.

***King of Kings, lead us.***

We pray for our neighbors, that they may see in our words and actions the Kingdom of God coming near.

***King of Kings, strengthen us.***

We pray for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially \_\_\_\_\_, that they may find comfort and wholeness.

***King of Kings, heal us.***

We pray for all who have died, especially \_\_\_\_\_.

***King of Kings, save us.***

In the power of the Holy Spirit, we entrust our prayers and petitions into your hands, gracious Father, for the sake of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and King. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***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.***

## ABSOLUTION

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY - Thy Word

### 1. *When I feel afraid*

*Think I've lost my way  
Still you're there right beside me  
Nothing will I fear  
As long as you are near  
Please be near me to the end*

### Chorus:

*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path  
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path*

### 2. *I will not forget*

*Your love for me and yet  
My heart forever is wandering  
Jesus be my guide  
And hold me to your side  
And I will love you to the end*

## 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 GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. [*Proper Preface is added*]



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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord  
God of power, of power and might  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory (repeat)  
Hosanna in the highest,  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord (repeat)**

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.

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:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

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 forever. Amen.

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

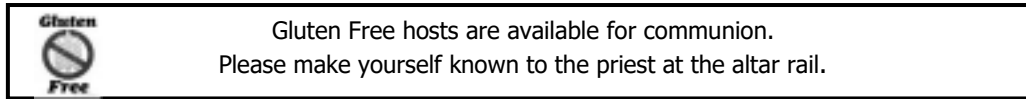
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For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

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.



## COMMUNION SONG - **You Are My King/Amazing Love**

*I'm forgiven because you were forsaken.  
I'm accepted; you were condemned.  
I'm alive and well, your Spirit is within me  
because you died and rose again.*

*Amazing love, how can it be  
that you, my King, would die for me?  
Amazing love, I know it's true;  
it's my joy to honor you,  
In all I do, I honor you.*

*You are my King, you are my King.  
Jesus, you are my King, you are my King.*

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

## BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** (these words may differ from time to time)

**CLOSING SONG - Sing to the Lord**

*Sing to the Lord with all of your heart;  
Sing of the glory that's due to his name.  
Sing to the Lord with all of your soul,  
Join all of heaven and earth to proclaim:*

*You are the Lord, the Saviour of all,  
God of creation, we praise you.  
We sing the songs that awaken the dawn,  
God of creation we praise you.*

*Sing to the Lord with all of your mind,  
With understanding give thanks to the King.  
Sing to the Lord with all of your strength,  
Living our lives as a praise offering.*

**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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8:00 AM Sunday - Traditional Service  
10:30 AM Sunday - Contemporary Service  
5:00 PM Sunday – Sunday Night Alive Informal Service

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