

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Sunday, May 10, 2026
10:30 A.M. Eucharist, Rite Two

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

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING HYMN - Open the Eyes of My Heart

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.
Open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see you, I want to see you*

*Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy,
I want to see you.*

*To see you high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of your glory.
Pour out your power and love
As we sing Holy, Holy, Holy.*

WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.**

CHILDREN AGES 5 THRU 5TH GRADE MAY FOLLOW THE CROSS TO CHILDREN'S CHAPEL DURING THE GLORIA

GLORIA

Hymn # S-280

***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.

Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 66:7-18

Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.

Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.
If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;
But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE SONG - I Love You, Lord

*I love you, Lord and I lift my voice
To worship you, O my soul rejoice.
Take joy my King, in what you hear
May it be a sweet sweet sound in your ear.*

*Singing alleluia, alleluia,
Praise and worship to your name.
Singing alleluia, alleluia,
Praise and worship to your name.*

THE GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot

receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON - Fr. Ralph

SERMON RESPONSE - Called to Know You

Called to know you. (echo)

Called to love you. (echo)

To walk with you, it is my great reward.

I want to know you, (echo)

and I want to love you (echo)

'Cause you are the pearl that I've been searching for.

CHORUS:

Will you come to me?

I will come to you

And you run to me

When my eyes are on you.

Lord, I praise you. (echo)

Lord, I love you. (echo)

'Cause you are the pearl

that I've been searching for.

Yes, you are the pearl

that I've been searching for.

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form III, BCP 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Sean our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, Héctor, and Brian our Bishops; Ralph our Priest; and Nancy our Deacon.
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on _____ and those whom we name now, either silently or aloud. (Pause) We pray for those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially _____ and those we name now, either silently or aloud. (Pause) We offer them to you, O Lord.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

(Silence)

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY - God is My Refuge

REFRAIN:

*God is my refuge and my strength;
a present help in time of need.
He is my fortress, my deliverer.
My father, my friend indeed.*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of death
I will not fear any harm.
Thy rod and they staff they comfort me
and you will not leave me alone*

My father is friend indeed.

*Lord, you're my shepherd
I shall not want.
You make me to lie down in peace.
You lead me beside the still waters of life.
My soul is restored at your feet.*

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. Amen.*

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. (*The priest adds a proper preface.*)

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, holy, holy Lord, God of power, of power and might;

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

(*The people may kneel or stand.*)

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,

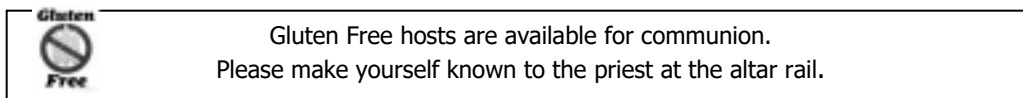
**Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
Are Yours now and forever. Amen.**

Canterbury Version

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.



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 SONG 1 - Wayfaring Stranger

*I am a poor wayfaring stranger
travelling through this world of wo.
Yet there is no sickness, no toil, nor danger
in that bright land to which I go.*

CHORUS 1:
*I'm going there to see my father.
I'm going there no more to roam.
I'm only going over Jordan.
I'm only going over home.*

*I know dark clouds will gather round me.
I know my way is rough and steep.
Yet beautiful fields lie just before me
where God's redeemed their vigils keep.*

CHORUS 2:
*I'm going there to see my mother.
She said she'd meet me when I come.
I'm only going over Jordan.
I'm only going over home.*

COMMUNION SONG 2 - Breathe

*This is the air I breathe,
This is the air I breathe,
Your holy presence living in me.*

*This is my daily bread,
This is my daily bread,
Your very word spoken to me.*

CHORUS:
*And I... I'm desperate for you.
And I... I'm lost without you.*

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 - I've Been Redeemed

***I've been redeemed (I've been redeemed)
By the blood of the Lamb (by the blood of the Lamb).
I've been redeemed (I've been redeemed)
By the Blood of the Lamb.
I've been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb,
filled with the Holy Spirit, I am.
All my sins are washed away,
I've been redeemed.***

***Now Devil's mad (now Devil's mad),
and I'm so glad (and I'm so glad),
now Devil's mad (now Devil's mad),
and I'm so glad.
Now Satan's mad and I'm so glad
he lost a soul that he thought he had.
All my sins are washed away
I've been redeemed.***

***Oh I went down (oh I went down)
to the river to pray (to the river to pray).
Oh I went down (oh I went down)
to the river to pray.
Oh I went down to the river to pray,
felt so good that I stayed all day.
All my sins are washed away,
I've been redeemed.***

THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



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CALVARY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

**8:00 AM Sunday – Traditional Service
10:30 AM Sunday – Contemporary Service**

CALVARY STAFF

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**PLEGDED AMOUNT COMMITMENT FOR 2026: \$552,211
YEAR-TO-DATE PLEDGES RECEIVED: \$223,328**