# THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Sunday, July 20, 2025 10:30 A.M. Eucharist, Rite Two

# **CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

806 THOMPSON ROAD RICHMOND, TX 77469 281.342.2147 WWW.CALVARYRICHMOND.ORG

The Rev. Ralph B. Morgan, Rector The Rev. Nancy Wilkes, Deacon The Rev. Dr. John Graham, Preacher & Celebrant

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

# THE WORD OF GOD

# **OPENING SONG** - Here I Am To Worship

Light of the World, you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you.

REFRAIN: Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely,

altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above. Humbly you came to the Earth you created, all for love's sake became poor.

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

#### WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

altogether worthy,

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.* 

# CHILDREN AGES 5 THRU 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MAY FOLLOW THE CROSS TO CHILDREN'S CHAPEL DURING THE GLORIA

# **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.

BCP 355

Hymn # S-280

# THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# THE LESSONS

# A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

# Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on-- since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### THE PSALM

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \* who may abide upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \* who speaks the truth from his heart.

There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; \* he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

In his sight the wicked is rejected, \* but he honors those who fear the Lord.

He has sworn to do no wrong \* and does not take back his word.

He does not give his money in hope of gain, \* nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things \* shall never be overthrown.

# A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE COLOSSIANS

#### Colossians 1:15-28

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-- provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# SEQUENCE HYMN 423 - Immortal, invisible, God only wise

- Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.
- Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3. To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.
- 4. Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all laud we would render:
  O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

Luke 10:38-42

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

THE GOSPEL

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON - The Rev. Dr. John Graham

#### 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 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.

Form VI, BCP 392

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 commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

# **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.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

# THE OFFERTORY HYMN 686 - Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

- Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace!
   Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
   Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
   Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.
- 2. Here I find my greatest treasure; hither, by thy great help, I come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
- 3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee: prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

# 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]

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP 361

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:

HYMN # S-125

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are full of your glory. 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.

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.



Gluten Free hosts are available for communion. Please make yourself known to the priest at the altar rail.

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.

<u>COMMUNION SONG 1 LEVAS 37</u> - Were You There When They Crucified My Lord

- Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
- 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
- 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
- 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave?Were you there when He rose up from the grave?O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.Were you there when He rose up from the grave?

#### <u>COMMUNION SONG 2</u> - As the Deer

 As the deer panteth for the water So my soul longeth after Thee. You alone are my heart's desire And I long to worship Thee.

#### CHORUS:

You alone are my strength my shield To You alone may my spirit yield You alone are my heart's desire And I long to worship Thee.

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

- I want You more than gold or silver Only You can satisfy. You alone are the real joygiver And the apple of my eye.
- You're my friend And You are my brother Even though You are a King.
   I love You more than any other So much more than anything.

#### 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)

# **<u>CLOSING SONG</u>** - I Sing Praises to Your Name

- I sing praises to Your Name, oh Lord Praises to Your Name, oh Lord For Your Name is great, and greatly to be praised I sing praises to Your Name, oh Lord Praises to Your Name, oh Lord For Your Name is great, and greatly to be praised
- 2. I give glory to Your Name, oh Lord Glory to Your Name, oh Lord For Your Name is great, and greatly to be praised I give glory to Your Name, oh Lord Glory to Your Name, oh Lord For Your Name is great, and greatly to be praised

# 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.



Please Sign Up To Donate Altar Flowers

Enhance Our Worship + Thank God + Remember A Loved One Flower offerings may be done online at calvaryrichmond.org under giving/altar flowers. The cost is \$50, to be paid in advance. Please call the church office with questions.

# **Calvary Summer Worship Service Times**

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

# Calvary Staff

The Rev. Ralph B. Morgan, Rector The Rev. Nancy Wilkes, Deacon

Jamie Campbell, Interim Parish Administrator Anne Scarborough, Newcomer Coordinator William Soller, Communications/Children's Minister Suzette Hillis, Administrative Assistant Kathy Haley, Finance Administrator Sterling Overshown, Organist/Choir & POGs Director Ross Elkins, SNL Worship Leader Jose Portillo, Campus Operations

If you have an emergency and need to speak with someone, please contact: The Rev. Ralph Morgan 281-797-5246 rmorgan@ces-richmond.org

# Calvary Stewardship Corner: Pledged: \$561,310 Given: \$301.885

CCLI Streaming License # 21158891 CCLI Copyright License 210253 One License Copyright + Streaming License # 739548-A