

Calvary Episcopal Church

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Holy Eucharist Rite One The First Sunday after Christmas December 29, 2019

Welcome to Calvary Episcopal Church.

Calvary is the home of a community of people who seek to make the church a place of welcome, service, and beauty.

Through the worship and love of God our mission is to:
make the Gospel of Jesus Christ the center of our life and work;
welcome all people into our church family;
love and support one another; and
actively seek out the human needs in our community,
responding vigorously with respect and understanding.

We are glad you are with us today!

As used in this bulletin, BCP refers to *The Book of Common Prayer*, 1979 edition as amended by the 2006 General Convention, copies of which may be found in each pew rack. Brailled copies of *The Book of Common Prayer* are also available. Please ask should you desire a copy for this service.

Wireless assistive listening devices are available at the Narthex entrance to the Nave.

Remember to mute your cell phones before services, respecting those in quiet meditation and prayer.

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The Word of God BCP 323

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

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.

Gloria in Excelsis BCP 324

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 161

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate Word: Grant that the same light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GoD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147:13-21 Laudate Dominum BCP 804

The Psalm is read in unison.

13 Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; * praise your God, O Zion;

14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; * he has blessed your children within you.

15 He has established peace on your borders; * he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

16 He sends out his command to the earth, * and his word runs very swiftly.

17 He gives snow like wool; * he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; * who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
 he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, * his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; * to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

The Epistle Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Reader: A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Holy Gospel John 1:1-18

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the

glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

The Nicene Creed BCP 326

All stand.

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

BCP 328

Please kneel as able.

The Intercessor says:

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord.

We pray for the Church in Rwanda; the Church in The Gambia; and for St. Andrew's Church, Louisville. Grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Terry, our Bishop; and Lee, our Priest; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald, our President; Andrew and Eric, our Governors; and Greg, our Mayor; that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

We commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces, and others in the service of our government, at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace; and grant them a sense of thine abiding presence wherever they may be.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all who suffer persecution; our brothers and sisters of the food and clothing ministry; all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity; and especially those commended to our prayers.

Silence is kept for a time as the people add their own petitions silently or aloud.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People BCP 331

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.

The Priest stands and says

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*.

Please stand.

The Peace BCP 332

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Then the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Please be seated.

The Offertory

The Celebrant says

Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians* 5:12

As the offerings are received, the people stand and the Celebrant says

All things come of thee, O Lord,

People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer I, BCP 333

CelebrantThe Lord be with youPeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, ...

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

Sanctus

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel as able.

Then Celebrant continues BCP 334

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, ...

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 say,

People and Celebrant BCP 336

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

BCP 337

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be said

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

BCP 338

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the clergy if you need gluten-free bread. If you come to the communion rail for a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the Rector of the parish.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

BCP 339

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer.

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 BCP 339

The Celebrant gives the blessing The people respond: Amen.

The Dismissal

All stand.

The Celebrant dismisses the people.

The People respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Postlude

Toccata on "Antioch"

John G. Barr (b. 1938)

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

LECTORS: Jamie Hendon, Dade Luckett ALTAR GUILD: Ben Sanders, Mary

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jamie Hendon, Dade Luckett Sanders

Scheduled ministers for each Sunday should be sent to verger@calvaryepiscopal.org by the preceding Tuesday at noon.

THOSE COMMENDED TO OUR PRAYERS

We ask your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We ask your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation: Adela, Amelia, Art Dietz, Tom Hill, Lisa, Lynne Lyndrup, Danni McKensie, Alex Redden, Jack Reisz, Bob Richardson, Don Snow, Mary Sorrell, Brenda Wade, Elizabeth Blackburn Walden, Rebecca, and Spencer.

THE ALTAR GREENERY

The ALTAR and CHANCEL greenery is given to the glory of God by the People of God. The Poinsettias are given as listed below.

If you would like to give flowers, please contact Jim Barnes at 587-6011, ext. 26.

GIFTS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

For Poinsettias, the Decoration of Calvary for Christmas, the Mission and Ministry of Calvary Church, Calvary Outreach Ministry, Calvary Music Ministry, or the Gardening Ministry

IN MEMORY OF

LaNell W. Barnes by her family My loved ones by Cindy Curry Adam Figueroa by Cindy Curry Raymond and Elizabeth Davis by Larry Davis Christine Davis Wall by Larry Davis

Raymond and Sara Miller Frederiksen by Larry Frederiksen and Anne Marie deZeeuw Donald, Dorothy Treen, and Fern Lawhead deZeeuw by Larry Frederiksen and Anne Marie deZeeuw

Family who have gone before us by the Gray family
Theodore Mussler by Louisa Henson
Joseph and Sue Goetz by Marleen O'Connor
Trigg St. George Noyes by Jack and Sally Reisz
Natalie and Stanley Scharre by Margaret Scharre
Dorothy and Marlowe Schaffner by Robbie Schaffner
LaNell Barnes and Marion Six by Carolyn and Don Snow
Patricia Cary Vaughn by Andrew and Madeline Vaughn
Richard, Louise, Kimberly and Eric Pease by Judy and Richard Wilson
Lowell and Rose Wilson; Nany Wilson Pfeifer by Judy and Richard Wilson

IN THANKSGIVING FOR

Henry, Samuela, Sarah, Ben, and Matthew by Susan and Nick Baker
The 75th birthday of Jack Reisz, by Susan and Nick Baker
Calvary Church by Larry Brown
My family by Cindy Curry
Amy, Brian and Teddy Davis
Kathleen by Larry Davis
Art and Jean Dietz by Artie Dietz

Our children, grandchildren, and for blessings received by Mary and Ben Sanders
Jerry Lyndrup, his love and support by Lynne Lyndrup
The Calvary family by Lynne Lyndrup
Carey, Betsy and Katie Reisz by Jack and Sally Reisz
For the people and ministry of Calvary by Tom and Lee Shafer.
Denise and Zachary by Carolyn and Don Snow

Denise and Zachary by Carolyn and Don Snow Harold Six by Carolyn and Don Snow Calvary Staff by Carolyn and Don Snow