8:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite One
The Second Sunday In Lent
March 8, 2020

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.

To receive weekly emails concerning upcoming events and notices, visit our website (www.calvaryepiscopal.org) and select “get updates from us” or scan the QR code with your phone.
All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People His mercy endureth for ever.

Silence.

The Decalogue

Celebrant continues
God spake these words, and said:
I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.
Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.
Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.
Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Honor thy father and thy mother.
Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt do no murder.
Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.
Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not steal.

Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not covet.

Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

The Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God

Minister and People, kneeling as able.

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

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.
Kyrie Eleison

The following is said, all standing
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

The people sit.

Reader A Reading from the book of Genesis.

The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

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

Psalm 121

Please remain seated. The psalm is read in unison.

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; * from where is my help to come?
2 My help comes from the LORD, * the maker of heaven and earth.
3 He will not let your foot be moved *  
    and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *  
    shall neither slumber nor sleep;
5 The LORD himself watches over you; *  
    the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *  
    nor the moon by night.
7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *  
    it is he who shall keep you safe.
8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *  
    from this time forth for evermore.

The Epistle
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Reader A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now, there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

All standing

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

Please stand or 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 Anglican Church of the Congo; and for those discerning a call to ordination in our Diocese. 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, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to
follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

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

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

Then the Ministers and 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

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift 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 stand or kneel as able.

Then Celebrant continues

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

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.
A period of silence is kept.

Then the Celebrant and the People say

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, 
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, 
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, 
grant us thy peace.
The Celebrant and people then say

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.

Invitation to Communion

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

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

The Celebrant gives the blessing.

The Dismissal

Please stand.

The Celebrant dismisses the people.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Trio in G minor, Op. 49, No. 1 Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)
**Sunday Ministries**

**Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers:**
Jamie Hendon, Dade Luckett

**Altar Guild:**
Lynne Lyndrup

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

**Flower List**

If you would like to give flowers, please contact Jim Barnes at 587-6011, ext. 26. Please note, however, that except for Lent 4 (Rose Sunday), there are no flowers on the Altar. Altar and Chancel flowers return on Easter morning.

**Prayer List**

We ask your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Please complete a prayer request form found on the table at the West doors of the Narthex should you wish to renew your request for prayers.