



CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 25th, 2024

10:30 am

We welcome ALL:
People of Color
LGBTQI+
Drag Queens
Partnered and Single
Differently Abled
Families and Children
Young and Old
Our Unhoused Neighbors
The Alcoholic and Addicted
Believers and Those Questioning Faith
Anyone Who Desires a Spiritual Home.

Calvary's welcome extends to all. But more importantly—
God welcomes you for exactly who you are.

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HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 304

I come with joy to meet my Lord

LAND OF REST

SALUTATION

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen,*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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

Setting, Dickinson

Cantor *ALL*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,
 heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther. We wor-ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly
 Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
 sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed
 at the right hand of the Fa-ther, re-ceive our prayer.
 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly one, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone
 are the most high Je-sus Christ with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, In the glo-ry of
 God the Fa-ther. A - men, A - men.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
 Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A READING FROM FIRST KINGS

I Kings 8:22-30, 41-43

Please be seated.

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, 'There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David.

"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive.

"Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name — for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 84

Quam dilecta!

1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!
 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
 2 The sparrow has found her a house
 and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;
 by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
 my King and my God.
 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house!
 they will always be praising you.
 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you!
 whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,
 for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
 6 They will climb from height to height,

and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
 7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
 hearken, O God of Jacob.
 8 Behold our defender, O God;
 and look upon the face of your Anointed.
 9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room,
 and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God
 than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
 10 For the Lord God is both sun and shield;
 he will give grace and glory;
 11 No good thing will the Lord withhold
 from those who walk with integrity.
 12 O Lord of hosts,
 happy are they who put their trust in you!

A READING FROM EPHESIANS

Ephesians 6:10-20

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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

Please stand

SEQUENCE HYMN 440

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

LIEBSTER JESU

THE GOSPEL

John 6:56-69

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

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve,

“Do you also wish to go away?” Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

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

THE SERMON *Please be seated*

The Rev. Ben Sanders

THE NICENE CREED *Please stand*

BCP 358

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 VI

BCP 392

The Leader and People pray responsively

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 Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, and Terry, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those on our Calvary Church prayer list:

Thomas, Linda, Myra, John, Greg, Michael, Ben (not Sanders), Lisa, Lee (not Shafer), Tom, Shelby, Larry, Stephanie, Matthew, Ruth, Bob, and Rusty.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially our Calvary Church family.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, 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.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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 *Please stand*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please be seated*

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

We gather together

RACHEL AARONS

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Singing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;
thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *Please remain standing*

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is God's desire that you will meet God here.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you
People And also with you
Celebrant Lift up your hearts
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Setting, Dickinson

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly— Lord, God of po-wer and might, hea-ven and earth are full— of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bles-sed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

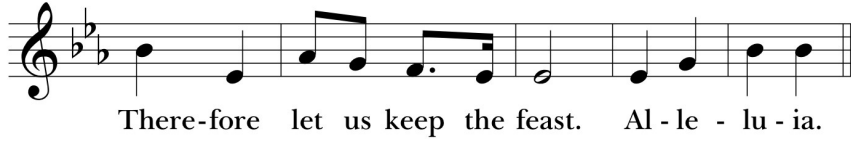
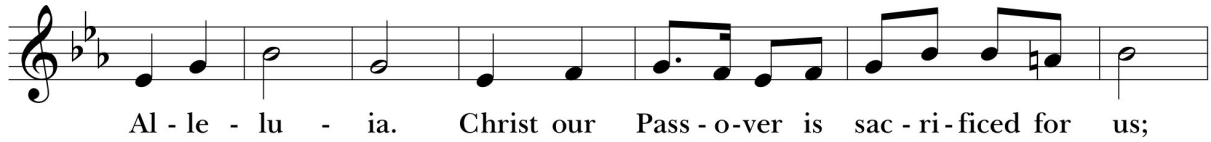
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

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.*



**If you would like a gluten free wafer please extend one hand only.*

COMMUNION HYMN 634

I call on thee, Lord Jesus Christ

ICH RUF ZU DIR

Please stand or kneel

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 460

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.. Alleluia, alleluia.

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PHOTOS NEEDED We are looking for photos for the new issue of the Calvary Connection from Drag Me to Church 2024 and the General Convention. If you have any to share, please email them to Mary Redden at chesteralways@yahoo.com.

SEND US YOUR SELFIE! As we gear up for the 2025 Stewardship campaign, we need your help. Please consider sending a selfie of your face to office@calvaryepiscopal.org by September 1 for us to use as part of the new and improved pledge cards. We want to showcase all of the beautiful faces that make Calvary what it is!

ACOLYTE WORKSHOP Saturday, September 7, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, we will be learning and practicing processing and recessing with the torches in this session. Children who are interested in taking part in the service are welcome. Lead Cross adults are encouraged to attend the workshop to coordinate with the younger acolytes. We are thrilled to be back in the church and excited to have young acolytes participating in the services again. Pizza will be included during this time frame. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Wilson at jpwilson1953@gmail.com or (502) 419-4822.

SACRED GROUND Two slots are open for Sacred Ground on Sunday afternoons. We would love to complete this group by having you in it. This is a 10-session course that will begin on September 8 and will meet twice monthly on Sundays from 1-3. Please contact Lee+ or email office@calvaryepiscopal.org if you are interested in joining.

CHECK YOUR EMAILS

Please be sure to check the weekly emails from Calvary.
This is the best place for up-to-date information about activities at Calvary Church.

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