



CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ

January 5th, 2025
10:30 am

We welcome ALL:
People of Color
LGBTQIA+
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 119

As with gladness men of old

DIX

SALUTATION

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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 HYMN 96

Angels we have heard on high (refrain only)

GLORIA

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *Please remain standing*

BCP 211

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

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A READING FROM ISAIAH *Please be seated*

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

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

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Choir All kings shall bow down, bow before him.

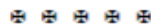
tone: CRANHAM

- 1 Give the king your [justice] O God,*
and your righteousness [to the] king's son;
- 2 that he may rule your [peo]-ple righteously*
and the [poor] with justice;
- 3 that the mountains may bring prosperity [to] the people,*
and the little [hills] bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy a-[mong] the people;*
he shall rescue the poor and [crush the] oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and [moon] endure,*
from one generation [to] another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain up-[on the] mown field,*
like showers that [water] the earth.

Antiphon

- 7 In his time shall the [right]-eous flourish;*
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall [be] no more.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the [isles shall] pay tribute,*
and the kings of Arabia and Saba [of]-fer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow [down] before him,*
and all the nations [do] him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries [out in] distress,*
and the oppressed who [has] no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the [lowly] and poor;*
he shall preserve the [lives of] the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from op-[pression] and violence,*
and dear shall their blood be [in] his sight.

Antiphon



A READING FROM EPHESIANS

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

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

Please stand

SEQUENCE HYMN 124

What star is this, with beams so bright

PUER NOBIS

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:
`And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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

THE SERMON *Please be seated*

The Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

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.*

Please stand or kneel

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form III

BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively
 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, especially Sean, Presiding Bishop, and Terry, our Bishop; priests, and deacons;
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.

We pray today especially for those on our Calvary Prayer List and those you wish to pray for, silently or aloud.
 Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
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

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor...

Celebrant and People

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.*

The Celebrant continues

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

O thou that tellest from Messiah

G.F. HANDEL

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion
Arise, shine, for thy light is come
Arise, arise
Arise, shine, for thy light is come
And the glory of the Lord
The glory of the Lord
Is risen, Is risen
Upon thee Is risen
Is risen upon thee
The glory
The glory
The glory of the Lord
Is risen upon thee

Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise
 Him, all crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye
 heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly, Ghost.

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 here 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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

BCP 369

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

Celebrant 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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

The people stand or kneel.

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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Then the Celebrant continues

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *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.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-155

Setting, Gerald Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
 sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Three Kings from Persian Lands

GUSTAV HOLST

In Bethlehem, that noble place,
 Of the Virgin Mary, full of grace,
 In a stable, all forlorn,
 The Savior of the World was born.
 Be we merry in this feast,
 Salvator mundi natus est.

Three kings from Persian lands afar,
 Following the distant star:
 And this the quest of travellers three,
 Where the new born king may be.
 The star shines out with steadfast ray,
 The kings to Bethlehem make their way,
 And there in worship, they bend the knee,
 unto the child they'd come to see.
 The star of mercy, the star of grace,
 Shall lead thy heart to its resting place:
 God, incense, myrrh, thou cannot bring,
 So give thy heart unto the king.

COMMUNION HYMN 128

We three kings of Orient are

THREE KINGS OF ORIENT

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 92

On this day earth shall ring

PERSONET HODIE

DISMISSAL

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

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

POSTLUDE

Those for whom our prayers have been requested: Cindy (not Curry), Ruth, Tutu, Brandon, Beverly, Shelby, Bob,
and Rusty.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISCRETIONARY FUND Cash offerings from this Sunday's service go to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, to help support various ministries and individuals in need. If you would like to contribute by check, please make a notation in the check memo line. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS AND ALTAR GUILD Please stay after the service today to help move wreaths and poinsettias. Anyone who wants a poinsettia can take one!

INQUIRERS' CLASS Please join us for the Inquirers' Class beginning January 12th in Lee+'s office to learn about all things Episcopalian.

ANNUAL MEETING The Annual Meeting with Vestry elections will take place immediately following the service on Sunday, January 19th.

SOUPER BOWL Football season is winding down, and it's time to anticipate Super Bowl Sunday and the special Calvary version we call Souper Bowl! Our goal this year is to surpass our 1200 cans of soup our parishioners and friends donated last year for our ever expanding food pantry. From now until game time on February 9, we invite you to bring as many cans of soup to Calvary as you can. We promise a big pyramid display!

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