

**CALVARY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 2025**



*PRELUDE*

ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR

*Robert Hobby*

**✠ CONFESSIOIN & ABSOLUTION ✠**

*Stand*

**INVOCATION**

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**EXHORTATION & OPENING SENTENCES**

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Kneel. If you are unable to kneel, please remain standing.*

**CONFESSIOIN OF SINS**

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

**ABSOLUTION**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

## INTROIT

Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5; antiphon: v. 7

(sung as indicated)



**P** I will praise you with an | upright heart, \* when I learn your just and righ- | teous decrees.

**I** Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless, \* who walk in the law | of the LORD!

**C** Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies, \* who seek him with their | whole heart.

**I** You have commanded your | precepts \* to be kept dil- | igently.

**C** Oh that my ways may be | steadfast \* in keeping your | statutes!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son \* and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning, \* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

**P** I will praise you with an | upright heart, \* when I learn your just and righ- | teous decrees.

## KYRIE

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

(Canticle continues on following page.)

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

**SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Jeremiah 17:5-8**

Thus says the LORD: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD. He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.



- I** *Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked, \* nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of | scoffers;*
- C** **but his delight is in the law | of the LORD, \* and on his law he meditates | day and night.**
- I** *He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not | wither. \* In all that he does, he | prospers.*
- C** **The wicked | are not so, \* but are like chaff that the wind | drives away.**
- I** *Therefore the wicked will not stand in the | judgment, \* nor sinners in the congregation of the | righteous;*
- C** **for the LORD knows the way of the | righteous, \* but the way of the wicked will | perish.**

**EPISTLE READING**

**1 Corinthians 15:1-20**

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.                      **C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

Luke 6:23a

(sung as indicated)



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

- I** *Rejoice in that day, and | leap for joy, \* for behold, your reward is great in | heaven.*



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter.



**G** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;  
 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
 And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;  
 Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
 Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;  
 Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
 Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
 All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;  
 That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

SERMON

Stand

NICENE CREED

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** ...let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

GATHERING OF OFFERINGS


Worshipers may leave offerings in the plates near the sanctuary doors.

OFFERTORY


**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠


## PREFACE




**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



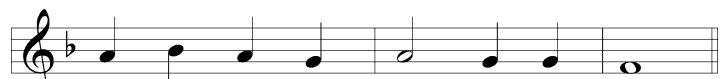
**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, Lord Jesus Christ, almighty and everlasting Son of the Father. For by the sacrifice of Yourself upon the cross, offered once for all, You have perfected those who are sanctified. As a memorial and seal of this, You have ordained Your Holy Supper, in which You give us Your Body to eat and Your Blood to drink, so that being in You, even as You are in us, we may have everlasting life and be raised up at the Last Day.

Most merciful and exalted Redeemer, we humbly confess that we are not worthy of the least of all the mercies and of all the truth that You have shown to us. Because of our sins, we are too impure and weak to receive Your saving gifts. Sanctify us, therefore, in our bodies and souls by Your Holy Spirit. Prepare us to come to Your Supper, to the glory of Your grace, and to our own eternal good.

From the fullness of the merits of Your bitter suffering and death, O Lord, graciously supply whatever we may lack in true repentance and sorrow for our sins, in living faith and trust in Your merits, and in an earnest purpose to amend our sinful lives. Grant us this, so that we who in this present world partake of You, our only Consolation and Savior, in the Holy Sacrament, may at last see You face to face in Your heavenly kingdom and dwell with You and all Your saints forever.

**C** Amen.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** 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 forever and ever. Amen.

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**PAX DOMINI**



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

**AGNUS DEI**

**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.



RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT

Please note the communion statement in the bulletin. Follow the instructions of the ushers to approach the communion rail.

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION

The Man Is Ever Blessed



1 The man is ev - er blessed Who shuns the sin - ners' ways, A -  
2 But makes the Law of God His stud - y and de - light A -  
3 He like a tree shall thrive, With wa - ters near the - root; Fresh  
4 Not so the wick - ed race, They no such bless - ings find; Their



mong their coun - sels nev - er stands, Nor takes the scorn - ers' place,  
mid the la - bors of the day And watch - es of the night.  
as the leaf his name shall live, His works are heav'n - ly fruit.  
hopes shall flee like emp - ty chaff Be - fore the driv - ing wind.

5 How will they bear to stand  
Before the judgment seat  
Where all the saints at Christ's right hand  
In full assembly meet?

6 He knows and He approves  
The way the righteous go;  
But sinners and their works shall meet  
A dreadful overthrow.



1 Je - sus sat with His dis - ci - ples On a  
 2 "Bless-ed are the meek and hum - ble, All the  
 3 "Bless-ed are God's sons and daugh - ters, Mak - ing

moun - tain - side one day; As the crowds of peo-ple  
 earth to them is willed. Those who hun - ger to be  
 peace where there is strife. Bless - ed are the per - se -

gath - ered, He be - gan to teach and say:  
 ho - ly, They are bless'd and will be filled.  
 cut - ed, Who for righ - teous - ness lose life;

"Bless-ed are the poor in spir - it, Heav - en's  
 Yes, the mer - ci - ful are bless - ed, Mer - cy  
 Their re - ward is great in heav - en, In the

king - dom they will share. Bless-ed are the sad and  
 will to them be shown. And the pure in heart are  
 king - dom up a - bove— So be glad to share My

mourn - ing, Joy and com - fort will be theirs.  
 bless - ed, They have eyes for God a - lone.  
 suf - f'ring And re - joice to know My love."

1 If Christ had not been raised from death Our faith would be in vain,  
 2 If Christ still lay with - in the tomb Then death would be the end,  
 3 If Christ had not been tru - ly raised His Church would live a lie;

Our preach - ing but a waste of breath, Our sin and guilt re - main.  
 And we should face our fi - nal doom With nei - ther guide nor friend.  
 His name should nev - er - more be praised, His words de - serve to die.

But now the Lord is ris'n in - deed; He rules in earth and heav'n:  
 But now the Sav - ior is raised up, So when a Chris - tian dies  
 But now our great Re - deem - er lives; Through Him we are re - stored;

His Gos - pel meets a world of need— In Christ we are for - giv'n.  
 We mourn, yet look to God in hope— In Christ the saints a - rise!  
 His Word en - dures, His Church re - vives In Christ, our ris - en Lord.

Stand after the Presiding Minister has placed the sacramental vessels in order.

### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

**C** Amen.

### NUNC DIMITTIS

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

### THANKSGIVING & POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, **C** and His mercy endureth forever.

**P** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**BENEDICTION**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN**

**Renew Me, O Eternal Light**

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1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my  
 2 Re - move the pow'r of sin from me And cleanse all  
 3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly  
 4 Grant that I on - ly You may love And seek those



heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the  
 my im - pu - ri - ty That I may have the  
 I o - bey Your Word. Let what You will be  
 things which are a - bove Till I be - hold You



light of grace That is - sues from Your ho - ly face.  
 strength and will Temp - ta - tions of the flesh to still.  
 my de - sire, And with new life my soul in - spire.  
 face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through Your grace.

**POSTLUDE**

Moderato

*Johann Rinck*

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