



CALVARY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
15TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
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PRELUDE

Children of the Heavenly Father

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✠ 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.

CONFESSION 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 86:4, 6, 15a, 16; antiphon: vv. 1a, 2b, 3

(sung as indicated)



P Incline your ear, O LORD, and | answer me, * save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.

Be gracious to me, | O Lord, * for to you do I cry | all the day.

I *Gladden the soul of your | servant, * for to you, O Lord, do I lift | up my soul.*

C Give ear, O LORD, | to my prayer; * listen to my | plea for grace.

I *But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious; * turn to me and be gra- | cious to me;*

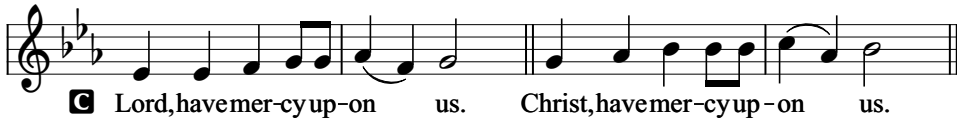
C give your strength to your | servant, * and save the son of your maid- | servant.

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.

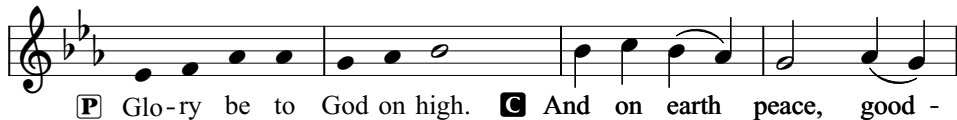
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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



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wor-ship Thee, we glo-ri-fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great
 glo - ry, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther, Al -
 might - y. O Lord, the on - ly be-got-ten Son, Je-sus Christ,
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,
 that tak-esta-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on
 us. Thou that tak-esta-way the sin of the world, re-ceive our
 prayer. Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the Fa - ther, have
 mer-cy up-on us. For Thou on-ly art ho - ly, Thou on-ly art the
 Lord. Thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most
 high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

- I** *who executes justice for | the oppressed, * who gives food to the | hungry.*
- C** **The LORD sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes | of the blind. * The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the | righteous.**
- I** *The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the | fatherless, * but the way of the wicked he brings to | ruin.*
- C** **The LORD will reign for- | ever, * your God, O Zion, to all generations. | Praise the LORD!**

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 5:25—6:10

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load.

One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

VERSE OF THE DAY

Psalm 95:1

(sung as indicated)



- I** *Alleluia. Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD; * let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Alle- | luia.*

HOLY GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6:24-34

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 6th Chapter:



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

[Jesus said:] “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your

heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

What God Ordains Is Always Good

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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 of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P ... let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

Worshippers 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 presence, 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.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE



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, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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



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 ✠ 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 ✠ 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



AGNUS DEI

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.

Sit

RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT

Please note the Communion Statement printed in the bulletin. Follow the ushers' instructions to approach the communion rail. Individuals who are not communing may receive a blessing; please cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire a blessing.

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION

Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread

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CHILDREN'S ANTHEM

Eat This Bread

Refrain *Eat this bread, drink this cup, Come to Him and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup, Trust in Him and you will not thirst.*

This is His body given for you; this is His blood that was shed for you.

As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you show His death until He comes again.

Eat His flesh and drink His blood, and Christ will raise you up on the Last Day.

Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.

If we believe and eat this bread, we will have eternal life.

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.*

*When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.*

*His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood;
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.*

*When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne!*

Refrain *On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

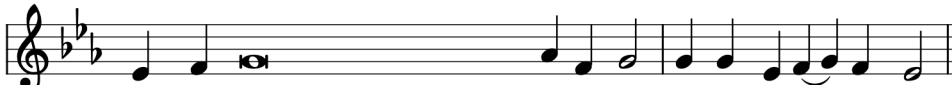
Stand after the Presiding Minister has placed the sacramental vessels in order.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

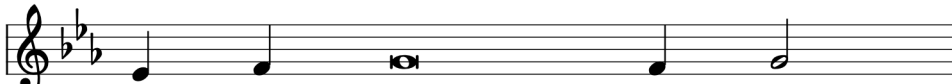
P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

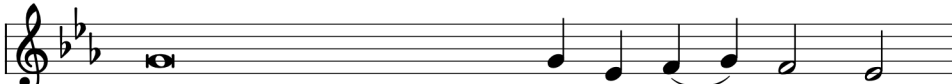
NUNC DIMITTIS



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word,



for mine eyes have seen Thy Sal-va - tion,

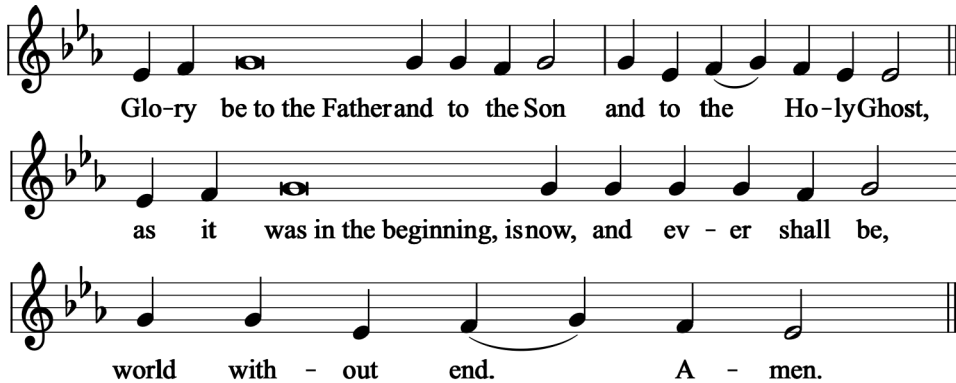


which Thou hast prepared before the face of all peo - ple,



a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles, and the Glory of Thy peo-ple Is-ra-el.

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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.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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

Children of the Heavenly Father

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POSTLUDE

Praeludium in F

Johann Krieger

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