



CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcoming all in the name of Christ

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at 8 a.m. February 18, 2024: The First Sunday in Lent

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as the Celebrant enters the Chapel.

Penitential Order and Decalogue *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER*, page 351

Kyrie *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER*, page 356

The Collect of the Day *All remain standing.*

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

The Readings *The texts of the Readings are provided inside*

The Lesson

The Psalm

The Epistle

The Holy Gospel

Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Nicene Creed *All standing* *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER*, page 358

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

All may greet one another in the Lord's name.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer *All stand.*

The four Prayer Book forms of the Eucharistic Prayer begin on page 361.

Following the proclamation of "Holy, holy, holy," the congregation may stand or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer (*traditional form*) *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER*, page 364

The Breaking of the Bread *A brief silence is kept.*

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Altar rail.

Those not wishing to receive Communion may come forward for a blessing.

Post-Communion Prayer *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER*, page 365 or 366

All pray together, kneeling.

The Blessing

Dismissal *All respond: Thanks be to God.*

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The First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

9 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II



Welcoming all in the name of Christ

9:00 A.M. The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude *O Christ, the World's Hope, Have Mercy*

J.S. Bach

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as the ministers enter.

Penitential Order & Decalogue

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 351

Trisagion *sung three times*

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y.

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: Ver. *Hymnal 1982*, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

Collect of the Day

The Readings *All sit for the Lessons and Psalm.*

The Lesson

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-9 *All say together.*

The Epistle

1 Peter 3:18-22

Sequence Hymn *Forty days and forty nights* *HYMNAL*, 150, stanzas 1-3

The Holy Gospel *All standing*

Mark 1:9-15

Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Ms. Deanna Briody

The Nicene Creed *Congregation standing* *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 358*

The Prayers of the People *Congregation standing*

Intercessor O Lord, we put our trust in you;

People have mercy on us.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All may greet one another.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn *Lord, who throughout these forty days* HYMNAL, 142
All stand and sing together.

Eucharistic Prayer A BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 361

Sanctus *Holy, holy, holy Lord All sing together* HYMNAL, S 129
Hymnal "S"—numbers refer to Service Music, printed at the front of the Hymnal.
The service continues on page 362 of THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

The Lord's Prayer *All say together*

The Breaking of the Bread *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
Those not wishing to receive Communion may come forward for a blessing.
Parents are encouraged to bring children to receive Communion or a blessing.

Sending of the Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Celebrant: With the prayers of this congregation, we send you forth
bearing this sacrament of Christ's presence, that those to
whom you go may share with us in the communion of
Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body,

The people respond: because we all share one bread, one cup.

Postcommunion Prayer *All say together* BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 366

The Blessing

Final Hymn *A mighty fortress is our God* HYMNAL, 688, stanzas 1–2

Dismissal *All respond* Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Kyrie, O God, the Holy Ghost* Bach

All who wish to listen to the postlude from the Choir Stalls are invited to do so.

Classes begin at 10 a.m.:

Christian Formation for children and youth;

Gospel & Breakfast with Young Adult Ministry and Parents of Little Ones in the Evans Room;
The Priest and Rabbi Class in McClintic Hall.

Those wishing to make offerings
by electronic transfer may use
this QR Code to do so:



CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Office Hours – 9 A.M. to 4 P.M., Monday through Friday

■ CALVARY'S CLERGY AND STAFF

The Rev. Jonathon W. Jensen, <i>Rector</i>	Vicki Rispoli, <i>Director of Children's Formation</i>
The Rev. Cameron J. Soulis, <i>Associate Rector</i>	Kenneth Smith, <i>Director of Communications</i>
The Rev. Geoffrey S. Royce, <i>Deacon</i>	Kim Pieratt, <i>Parish Administrator</i>
The Rev. Ruth Bosch Becker, <i>Assisting Pastor</i>	Jim Gubash, <i>Head Sexton</i>
The Rev. Carol Henley, <i>Assisting Priest</i>	Adam Augustine, Ron Johnston, Mary Ann Packer, Guy Tillman, <i>Sextons</i>
Rabbi Aaron Bisno, <i>Rabbi-in-Residence</i>	Vivian Rispoli, <i>A/V Technician</i>
Ms. Deanna Briody, <i>McNulty Intern</i>	David Jeong, <i>Senior Warden</i>
Dr. Alan Lewis, <i>Director of Music</i>	Wendy Lomicka, <i>Junior Warden</i>
Jon Tyillian, <i>Assistant Organist</i>	Lauren Ernst, <i>Treasurer</i>
Lynda Kennedy, <i>Director of Finance</i>	Daniel Geroni, <i>Assistant Treasurer</i>

– The Vestry –

2024	2025	2026	2027
Jennifer De Rosa	Adam Bailey	David Riehl	John Allison
David Jeong	Kate Burroughs	Wendy Lomicka	Elaine Effort
Donald MacLeod, Jr.	Lucy Douglas	James Manning	Ian Everhart
Laura Marchl	Peter Lewis	Vanessa Sterling	Lisa Nevola
	Sarah Wilson, <i>secretary</i>		

– The Parish Council –

2024	2025	2026	2027
Jonathan Callard	Ann Augustine	Michele Bender	Charles R. Altman
Jean Carr	Mary Jane Bent	Sue DeWalt, <i>President</i>	Diana Page
Emma Schauf	Jeannine Farina	Stanley Nevola	Ray Richter
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Clergy Contact Information

Please feel free to contact any of our clergy. We are ready to help.

- The Rev. Jonathon Jensen, jjensen@calvarypgh.org
- The Rev. Cameron Soulis, csoulis@calvarypgh.org
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 - Deanna Briody, dbriody@calvarypgh.org



February 18, 2024 – The First Sunday in Lent

Our Parish Life

The Bookstore at Calvary

The Bookstore has a large selection of books for Lent including *Under the Fig Tree: Visual Prayers and Poems for Lent* by Roger Hutchison, which allows the reader an opportunity to reflect, slow down, and walk with Jesus as a friend and disciple, to sit with Jesus under the fig tree and talk, listen, and glimpse the face and heart of authentic love. Explore reflections of seminary students in *Praises Abound: Hymns and Meditations for Lent & Easter Week from the Seminary of the Southwest*. The collection is of selected works by students of Dr. Schulz-Widmar during his thirty-year teaching career at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, Austin, Texas.

The Bookstore is open on Sunday from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call the Bookstore at 412.661.0120 ext. 133 (please leave a message) or email at bookstore@calvarypgh.org and we will contact you. Cash, check, Discover®, MasterCard®, and Visa® along with touch-free payments are accepted.

Girl Scout Cookies!

Lily will be fulfilling Girl Scout cookie orders on **Sunday, February 25 and Sunday, March 3** after the 11 a.m. service. Please bring cash or a check to receive your pre-ordered cookies. Thank you for supporting our Girl Scout Troop!

Souper Bowl Sale Successful

Thank you to all who supported the sale. More than \$700 was made selling frozen and dry mix soups. A special thanks to all of the cooks and sellers that contributed their time and talent. —Adele Eley

Lenten Quiet Day: Saturday, February 24, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Adults of all ages are invited to our Lenten Quiet Day, an opportunity to slow down, be quiet, spend time with God and refresh your spirit. We'll reflect on "Jesus as the True Vine," a theme inspired by John 15:1-17. The morning will include worship, meditations on a theme, and periods of silence, during which participants can choose to pray, read, draw, or journal on their own. Prompts will be available for those who would like more structure during the periods of silence. We will end our time together with a Eucharist in the Lady Chapel.

So that we can plan adequately, **please sign up by Monday, February 19** by contacting Kim Pieratt (kpieratt@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120 ext. 111). If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Rev. Cameron Soulis (csoulis@calvarypgh.org).

Evening Prayer

As one of your Lenten disciplines, consider joining with other parishioners at Calvary for the service of Evening Prayer at 6 p.m. in the Lady Chapel each Monday and Thursday of Lent. **We'll start this practice on Monday, February 19, and meet each Monday and Thursday through March 21.**

Praying at certain points of the day has its origins in Judaism and was practiced in the early church and monastic traditions. Evening Prayer is derived from the monastic prayer services and is one of the Daily Offices found in our *Book of*

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Common Prayer. The service of Evening Prayer is about 20 minutes long and includes Psalms, Scripture, and Prayers for the day (but no sermon or music).

If you have questions or are interested in helping to lead this service, please contact Steve Shandor (steve.shandor@gmail.com) or Michael Salmon (oriolefish@gmail.com).

Christ-Centered Yoga

Christ-Centered Yoga continues on Monday nights **through March 11, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.** Every-body and all-bodies are welcome. You may join any week! We meet in the Parish Hall for 20-30 minutes of yoga, followed by journaling. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or beach towel, and paper and pen for journaling. Optional items to bring are yoga blocks, and/or a bath or beach towel for your knees, hips, etc. on the hard floor.

Christ-Centered Yoga is led by Calvary parishioner, Elizabeth Hepburn Miller. Please contact her with questions or concerns at www.bebyelizabeth.com or email Elizabeth@BeByElizabeth.com.

Gospel and Breakfast (GAB):

Sundays, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m., the Evans Room

This class is for young adults and parents of young children to meet for fellowship, light breakfast, and a discussion of the Gospel passage appointed for the day. We gather in the Evans Room on Sundays during the Christian Formation hour (10–10:45 a.m.). The nursery will be open at that time, or you can bring your little one(s) along if you prefer. Drop in whenever you can. No prior knowledge needed. Questions? Please contact the Rev. Cameron Soulis (csoulis@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120, ext. 123).

Anointing on Sundays at 11 a.m.

Before the pandemic, we had a practice of offering anointing with oil and laying on of hands by a priest during communion at the 11 a.m. service. Beginning today, the first Sunday of Lent, and continuing throughout the season, we will resume this practice. In Easter, we will evaluate to see if we want to continue.

Laying on of hands and anointing with oil is an ancient Christian act of devotion adapted from our Jewish forebears. The laying on of hands means the priest places his or her hands on the head of the person and prays for them. This originates from blessing someone to office or symbolically to pass on the presence of the Holy Spirit and is also associated with healing. Think of all the times Jesus touched someone. It is another way to pray physically to accompany words.

Anointing with oil has long been a part of healing. Think of the Good Samaritan story in which the man who was beaten is treated with wine, anointed with oil, and his wounds bandaged. In our context, the priest will make a sign of the cross on your forehead using oil blessed for that purpose.

In the Bible, anointing with oil has many uses. It could be a sign of hospitality. It could also mean to set apart someone or something for special service. Finally, anointing was used as a way of praying for healing for the sick. It signifies the giving and/or the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Most significantly, Jesus the Christ (a title not a last name) means Jesus the Anointed One. *Christos* in Greek is derived from the Hebrew word Messiah meaning the one anointed from God. In this simple act of physical prayer, we are participating in Jesus, the Anointed One, entering into our lives.

Holy Happy Hour for the Calvary Young Adults

is this coming Wednesday, February 21 at Urban Tap (216 S. Highland Ave.), beginning at 5:45 p.m. If you are in your 20s or 30s, please join us! If you have questions or want to be added to the Young Adult Ministry email list, feel free to contact the Rev. Cameron Soulis. She can be reached at csoulis@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120 ext. 123.

Tuesday Night 2024 Lenten Preaching Series

“Hope –
Rooted in Christ”



6 P.M. Dinner • 7 P.M. Holy Eucharist with hymns and sermon

February 20

Calvary Preacher: The Rev. Moni McIntyre
315 Shady Ave. at Walnut, E. Liberty

February 27

St. Thomas Preacher: The Rev. Charles Fischer
378 Delaware Ave, Oakmont

March 5

St. Stephen's Preacher: The Rev. Liddy Barlow
600 Pitt Street, Wilkinsburg

March 12

St. Andrew's Preacher: The Rev. Leslie Reimer
5801 Hampton Street, Highland Park

March 19

Redeemer Preacher: The Rev. Carter Hawley
5700 Forbes Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Calvary will be hosting the series on **Tuesday, February 20**. We need volunteers on that day to help with the dinner – setting up and/or serving, and/or cleaning up. If you can help, please call or email Kim Pieratt (412-661-0120, ext. 111; kpieratt@calvarypgh.org).

Lenten Reading and Discussion Group – Julian of Norwich

Are you interested in deepening your Lenten observance, by sharing and reflecting together on a beautiful spiritual classic? Join us on Thursdays in Lent from 6:30-7:30 p.m. (February 22 through March 21) in the Parlor (or by Zoom) for a guided discussion of Julian of Norwich's *Revelations of Divine Love*. No reading is required to prepare for our first meeting, which will be an introduction to Julian's *Revelations* and the context in which she was writing. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Daniel Perett (dperett@gmail.com).

The first book written in English by a woman, Julian's *Revelations* are moving meditations on God's love, compassion, and care for us, based on a vision of Christ's passion that she received when she was thought she was dying. Keenly aware of suffering and human frailty, Julian shares a deeply reassuring message of hope, joy, and peace, centered in God's wondrous, unending love, a perfect message for our spiritual growth in Lent.

The Calendar

Sunday February 18, 2024

The First Sunday in Lent

The Holy Eucharist at 8, 9, and 11 a.m.

- 9:00 A.M. Awareness Gathering
- 10:00 A.M. Children/Youth Formation
- 10:00 A.M. Priest/Rabbi Class
- 10:00 A.M. Gospel and Breakfast (GAB)
- 10:00 A.M. Choir Warm-up
- 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist with Great Litany in Procession
- 11:00 A.M. Children's Liturgy
- 12:00 P.M. Coffee Hour and Awareness Gathering
- 4:00 P.M. Apollo's Fire Concert

10:00 A.M. ESL Conversation Class

12:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist

5:45 P.M. CYAM Holy Happy Hour at Urban Tap

6:00 P.M. Interlude Group

Thursday February 22, 2024

Margaret of Cortona, Monastic, 1297

- 5:00 P.M. Calvary Camp Board Meeting
- 6:00 P.M. Evening Prayer
- 6:30 P.M. Lenten Reading Series
- 6:30 P.M. Mahjong
- 6:30 P.M. Inquirer's Class
- 7:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

Monday February 19, 2024

Agnes Tsao Kou Ying, Agatha Lin Zhao, and Lucy Yi Zhenmei, Catechists and Martyrs, 1856, 1858, and 1862

- 5:00 P.M. Capital Campaign Meeting
- 5:30 P.M. Bookstore Board Meeting
- 6:00 P.M. Evening Prayer
- 6:30 P.M. Christ-centered Yoga
- 7:00 P.M. Contemplative Prayer

Friday February 23, 2024

Polycarp of Smyrna, Bishop and Martyr, 156

Saturday February 24, 2024

Saint Matthias the Apostle

- 9:00 A.M. Lenten Quiet Day

Sunday February 25, 2024

The Second Sunday in Lent

The Holy Eucharist at 8, 9, and 11 a.m.

- 9:00 A.M. Awareness Gathering
- 10:00 A.M. Children/Youth Formation
- 10:00 A.M. Priest/Rabbi Class
- 10:00 A.M. Gospel and Breakfast (GAB)
- 10:00 A.M. Choir Warm-up
- 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 A.M. Children's Liturgy
- 12:00 P.M. Coffee Hour

Tuesday February 20, 2024

Frederick Douglass, Prophetic Witness, 1895

- 11:00 A.M. Staff Meeting
- 3:30 P.M. Girl Scouts
- 6:00 P.M. Lenten Preaching Series Dinner
- 7:00 P.M. Lenten Preaching Series Service
- 7:00 P.M. AA Meeting
- 7:00 P.M. Spiritual Reflection

Wednesday February 21, 2024

9:00 A.M. Wednesday Workspace

9:00 A.M. CLEAR Presentation

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Office Hours:

Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

EASTER DAY MEMORIALS

If you would like to have your loved ones remembered in the Easter Day bulletin, please fill out this form and return it, with your donation, **no later than Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024.**

Name (as you would like it to appear):

Donor's name: _____

Donor's telephone: (_____) _____

Please mail to: Lynda Kennedy, Calvary Episcopal Church,
315 Shady Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15206-4388

The Prayers of the People

For the Anglican Communion, and for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

For the Episcopal Church, and for The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop.

For the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh and for The Right Reverend Dr. Ketlen A. Solak, Bishop.

For the parishes of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, especially Non-parochial clergy, including the Rev. Simon Barnes, the Rev. Mabel Fanguy, the Rev. Daniel Hall, M.D.

Let us pray for those serving in the armed forces:

Christine DeForest, Tres Mellor, Robert Weaver, Jon Danchik, Chris Claunch, George Rossman, Brian Bongiovi, Lauren Laessig.

For those who are ill or convalescing:

Erica, Elise Power, Henry Albee, Jamie Rogers, Phyllis Ernst, Hattie Mauch, Judith Baskin, ++Michael Curry, Jeff Arberman, James Knight, Roy Murphy, Joan Rollins, Nancy Hudak, Janet, David Clark, Josh Butler, Kate, Jean Oh, Andrea, Beth Gallis, Thomas Gallagher, Jean Carver, Onva Boshears, Daniel Perett, Judith Morgan, Janice Myers, Doreen Putnam, Emily, Lucy Duffy, Earl, Susan MacLeod, Marilyn Devereaux, Diana Jannetta, Pat, Judy.

Let us remember those who continue in our prayers:

William Marchl+, Charles Mullen, David Rollins, Charlotta Ross, Mimi Dobby, Charlie Quillin, Holly Best, Marie Houston, Nikki Smith, Fairfax Seay, Paula King-Smith, Phyllis Hickok, Mary Anne Marchl, Betty Howard, Richard Zack, Walter Bowman, Stan Schoen.

Let us pray for those who have been commended to our prayers:

Betty Shandor, Marjorie Wells, Linda Augustine, Sang Oh, Dorothy Tague, Tom Vig, Heidi Murrin, Joachim Bielert, Marilyn Corstange, Gary McCann, Dave Bruton, Alyson Holt, Debra Teton, Patricia, Carol Ann R., Jennifer S., Laura B., Patricia M., Marian G., Charles, Jeremiah McClung, Dave Arlotti, Mike, Ed Cohen, Carol, Hayden, Brian, Meredith G., Janie Leighton, Devlin Cato, Rebecca Rogovin, John, Nancy, Steve, Ernie, Betsy Mastaglio, Jason Durand, Barbara G., Paul Thompson, Lou and Nancy M., Cathie Keenan, Mary Kay D., Marsha Dilts, Eileen Simmons, Al Churley, Barbara, Judy, Mark Steinberg, Michael C., Anthony, Helene Burke, Walter Simmons, Alex, Aster, Gail, Megan and Mike and family, Judy, Jill W. and children, Katherine Plank, Marie Churley, April DeLucia, Stefania, Edward, Kathleen, Joe Hardy, Cathy Rielly-Goddard, Avi and family, Lisa, Kam Murrin, Dena Gallagher and family, Frankie Schell, Max and Leah Weiss, Mary G., Lynn Jolly, Paul Jolly, Paul Marvy family, Arnold Shurkin, Linda Almasy-Hohmann, David Hohmann, Marsha McElwain, Harry DeLuce, Chris Chaney, Kristen, Annette Bowen, Stefan, Denise Wolff Oetinger, John Rinozzi, Vincent Esposito, Katy Reeder, Allison, Rita Rose, Betty Chandler, Jon Burnett.

For people throughout the world living with HIV and AIDS.

For caregivers.

We give thanks for the birth of Mark E. Kennedy, III, grandson of Lynda and Mark Kennedy.

For those who have died: James Zhang (Annette Oke's extended family member), Laurel Wemett (Fred Roth's cousin).

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of

Helena Albright, John Filetic, Jr., John and Helen Filetic, Joseph Filetic, Mary Poropatich, Robert Poropatich, Monica Zipf, and Ann Butgajeski, *by Cheryl Fogarty*. Maurice and Shirley Bloom, *by their family*.

Esther Ernst, *by her family, Lauren Ernst, Christine, Alix, Olivia, Elliot, Julie and Geofrey Dixon-Ernst*.

Harriet Ratchford Schach, *by her grateful family*.

Sophie and Hans Scholl and their Companions.

[To add or remove names from the Prayer List, please contact Kim Pieratt at the church office: 412.661.0120, ext. 111; kpieratt@calvarypgh.org]

Participants in Today's Services

8 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

CelebrantThe Reverend Cameron J. Soulis
PreacherMs. Deanna Briody
LectorJudy Kimblin
Chalice BearerDavid Eichelberger

9 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

CelebrantThe Reverend Jonathon W. Jensen
PreacherMs. Deanna Briody
AssistingThe Reverend Geoffrey S. Royce
LectorJoyce Dorman
IntercessorWendy Lomicka
Chalice BearersJon Mazur, Florence Atwood
UshersWill Ruthrauff, Ray Richter, Lea Carone

11 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

CelebrantThe Reverend Jonathon W. Jensen
PreacherMs. Deanna Briody
Children's LiturgyThe Reverend Cameron J. Soulis
AssistingThe Reverend Geoffrey S. Royce
VergerFred Roth
LectorsDavid Jeong, Tim Tocci
AcolytesAvery Podolinski, Lily Arrington, Adella Boy
Chalice BearersGeorge Davis, Vanessa Sterling, Bonnie Weiss
UshersStephen Shandor, Ian Everhart, Matthew Lancaster
Coffee Hour HostThe Calvary Capital Campaign
Flower DeliveryAnnie Augustine, Bonnie Weiss



THE CALVARY
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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

PRESERVE • SUSTAIN • SHARE

Over the past few months, the Capital Campaign has been in a 'soft launch'-- organizing and training campaign volunteers, soliciting Vestry members and the Campaign Leadership, having Awareness Gatherings, and beginning solicitations of those who attended the gatherings. As we now begin the public phase of the campaign, the Campaign Committee will host a festive coffee hour this Sunday, February 18 to expand our communication about the campaign, how you can access information, and more importantly, to share our progress with you.

We will unveil the campaign tracking chart/picture that the children in our Christian Formation Group have created; we will premiere a one-of-a-kind video highlighting areas of the church needing the repairs that the campaign will allow; and we will share the many ways in which you can get information about the campaign specifics.

Our special guests will include the children who created our performance chart. They will all be wearing buttons that demonstrate the importance of this campaign to them and their future lives at Calvary. Be sure to join us!

The First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our LORD, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Genesis [9:8-17]

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Reader: The Word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

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- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of
your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
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A Reading from the First Letter of Peter {3:18-22}

Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you – not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader: The Word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark
{1:9-15}**

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you, LORD Christ.

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.” And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

Response after the Gospel: Praise to you, LORD Christ.