

WELCOME TO

Calvary

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



We are here for God
and we are here for you.

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Year of our Lord, 2026, being September 27
Year A

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Please remember to wear your name tags.

Prelude

The Call to Worship

The Parish Chimes

The Processional Anthem

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

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Welcome

The Opening Acclamation

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

People : And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.**

The Gloria in Excelsis S-280

All Sing- See following page

The Gloria in Excelsis

(All Sing)

S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. 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.

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev. Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

A Reading from Ezekiel

18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

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Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm of the Day
(Prayed in unison)

Ad te, Domine, levavi

Psalm 25:1-8

- 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.**
- 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.**

A Reading from Philippians

2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if your health allows.

Gradual Anthem

Halle, Halle, Halle

See following page

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

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The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!' repeated across the systems. Chord markings are placed above the vocal line: G, D7, G, C, Am, D, G, B7, Em, Am, G/D, D, and G. The piano part features a steady bass line with chords and some melodic movement, including a triplet of eighth notes in the final system.

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954
 Arr. © 1995 Augsburg Fortress

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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. Who, with the Father and the Son, is worshipped and glorified, who 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 kneel, sit or stand.

The Prayers of the People

Form VI

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;
People: **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth**

Leader: For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Paula, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
People: **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Leader: Hear us, Lord;
People: **For your mercy is great.**

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;
People: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader: 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

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: **Who put their trust in you.**

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

All: **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.**

Celebrant: 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.*

Please stand if your health allows.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**



Please be seated.

The Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

“Take My Life and let it be”

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The people’s offerings are collected and brought forward to the altar.

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord

People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

Please stand for the Doxology.

Celebrant and People sing:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

The Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People Sing

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

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Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933).

Please kneel, sit or stand.

Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

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

**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, then sings:

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The Holy Eucharist

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - 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.)

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please be seated.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the bread and the wine; or just the bread, as is your need or custom. If you are not a baptized Christian, please know that you are also most welcome at the altar rail. Just cross your arms over your chest for a special prayer of blessing. This is God's place and no one is turned away.

Please let an Usher know if you need the Sacrament brought to your pew.

The Holy Communion Hymn

"Blessed Jesus at Thy Word"

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"Just As I Am"

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Please kneel, sit or stand.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand if your health allows.

The Celebrant blesses God's people.

People Amen.

The Recessional Hymn

"Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Postlude

All are welcome to Castle Hall after the
service for coffee hour!



UPDATE FROM TREASURER – YEAR TO DATE AS OF 8/31/2026

Dear Calvarians,

As we head into the last quarter of the year, I wanted to update the congregation on our financial position. The simple math is:

\$127,292.38 Income to date

(\$139,769.60) Expenses to date

(\$11,477.22) Deficit as of 8/31/2026

As of Aug 31, we have received \$110,525.00 in pledges, our total budgeted pledge to date is \$121,333.36. That is a shortfall of \$10,808.36. This demonstrates how important your pledges are to Calvary. If you have any questions about where you stand with your pledge, please email me at lapardue.48@gmail.com and I will be happy to send you a statement of your pledge balance.

Lisa Pardue

Treasurer



Come and sing in the choir! We started meeting again last week! We warm up and review at 8:20 AM on Sundays, and practice after coffee hour. Contact Holly Herber at music@calvarylombard.org if you are interested!



On Saturday, September 26th starting at 10 AM, we will come together to spruce up our church home for our annual fall cleanup day. Come join the fun!

You are invited to pick up your stewardship letter in the narthex. They are in envelopes with your name on it. If you don't see an envelope with your name on it, please take a copy from the stack.



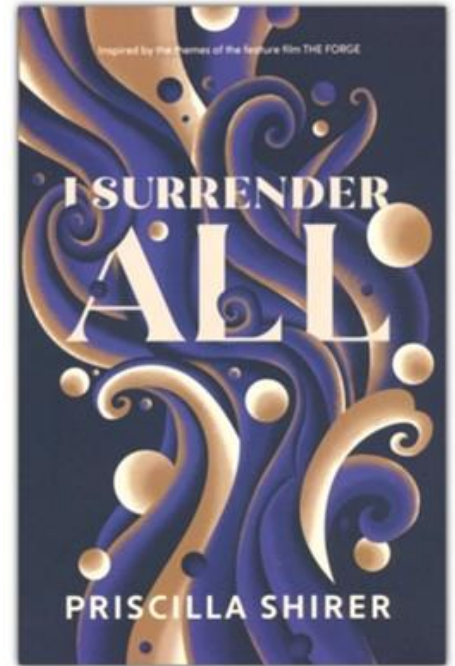
The Daughters of the King Diocesan Fall Assembly will be held on October 17 at Saint Charles Episcopal Church beginning at 9 o'clock AM. We will be attending this assembly instead of our usual 3rd Saturday of the month meeting at Calvary.

The next regular Daughters of the King meeting will be November 21. We meet in Castle Hall from 10-11:30 AM. All interested women of the parish may join us for our meeting of prayer, study and sharing.

Carla Castle, President

Calvary's DOK, Castle Chapter

The Calvary Book Group will be meeting on October 10, from 10 AM to 11:30 AM, in the Calvary Book Nook. We will be reading Priscilla Shirer's book "I Surrender All." We plan to read this book through November 14, meeting twice monthly, on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month.



September Celebrations

September:

Tony VanDenack
Nathan Betts
Jordan Castle
Crystal Nolan
Matthew Pardue
Gwen O'Loughlin
Ken Pardue
Will Wright

Anniversaries:

Marilyn and Brad Stein
Crystal Nolan and Rich
Don and Sandy Bradley



PRAYER REQUESTS

Calvary Members:

Marilyn Stein, John Jaska, Kris, Michelle C., Fran Cole, Rachel Thompson, John Bruesch, Jim, Jan, Nancy and Mick Caspar, Edward FitzPatrick, Francis Mercier, Don Bradley, Jan B., Gwen, Brynn, Kelly, Callie, Lynn L., PK, Amauri, Jayne, Janis Family, Carol Halla, Bill Kendall, Sally McClure, Tammy McClure, Eileen Elliot, Alex, Kyle, Crystal Hacker, Lynda Neely, Jim N., Marge, Carol, Kelly, Tranita, Kortney, Bill, Lynne, Barbara, Janet, Don, Gladys, Cliff Williams, Carol Visney, Debbie Hall, Teri Pizza, Luke, Linda Dixon, Daven Janis, Gladys Smith, and Nicki Jaska

For those who are ill, in need, or experiencing hardship:

Ginger P., Jackie Kraus, Robert Kent Scott, Mary Bishop, Beth, Jack Habich, Abram Davies, Salley, Sharon, Coleen, Cora Jo, Jean A., Brian, Karen, Art, Mark, Leah, Kat, Mic, Tuskey Family, Maeann, Kari, Rich, Trever, Bev Madsen, Abby & Family, Rina, Kathleen, Al Thompson, Wayne, Nancy, Ashlee Neely, Larry, Tom Murphy, Emily Hennings, Jim Shannon, Betty Wood, Nicolas Carl, Dirk, MacKenzie, Barbara, Joshua, Ruth, Bette, Doug, Angie B., Mary, Andres, Brian T, Wendy Joslin, Henry, Alex, Cindy S., Sue, Judy Mazzolini, Cal Packard, Stacy, David J., Roger Brown, Kim T, Rebecca, Blake, Peggy Zeiner, Terri

Missionaries:

Fr. Russ & Heidi Smith

For those in prison:

Gary, Bruce

For those in the Armed Forces/First Responders:

K. Mahoney, Alyssa Elliott, Edgar Arellano, Eric M. Casper, Clint, Michael Jancaric, Brian Visney

College Students:

Ian Nolan, Austin Nolan, Benjamin Dakis, Allie Castle, Luke Ceplecha

Please contact us if you are in need of prayers. **Prayer Request cards are in the narthex and the pews, and you can submit them in the collection plate.** Or, if you'd prefer, confidential E-requests are still being offered. Please email Jan or Drew that you desire prayer and they will call you back to pray with you.



Please consider serving Christ and Calvary by sharing in one of our much needed and much appreciated ministries. Please contact Linda Leonard in the office or one of our Church wardens if you are interested. Training and support will happily be provided

2026	September 6 9:00 am	September 13 9:00 am	September 20 9:00 am	September 27 9:00 am
Opening				
Preacher	Rev. Errol	Pastor Robin	Pastor Robin	Pastor Robin
Music	Jeri	Jeri	Holly Herber	Holly Herber
A/V	Matthew	Ben	Ben	Matthew
Chalice	Ada	Ada	Nicholas	Nicholas
Pop-Up Chalice	Grant	Grant	Grant	Grant
OT & Psalm	Carla	Dave	Carla	Carla
New Testament	Don B.	Carla	Don B.	Dave
Intercessor	Nicki	Nicki	Don B.	DonB.
Ushers (Greeters)	Marilyn	Marilyn	Marilyn	Marilyn
	Carol V.	Carol V.	Carol V.	Carol V.
Coffee Host	Carol V., Sally M.	Carol V., Sally M.	Carol V., Sally M.	Carol V., Sally M.
Altar Guild	Barb	Ada	Carol & Marilyn	Barb
Altar Flowers				
Offering Counters	Grant, Pat	Grant, Carla	Grant, Pat	Grant, Carla



Ministers of the Liturgy

Long Term Supply Priest:	Pastor Robin Currie
Parish Administrator:	Linda Leonard
Organist/Music Director:	Holly Herber
Audio Visual Ministers:	Matthew Bambas and Ben Perez

The Vestry

Senior Warden:	Ken Pardue
Junior Warden:	Jennifer Hentrich
Buildings & Grounds:	Stephenie & Donald Castle
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