CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH CINCINNATI, OHIO



Martha and Mary by He Qi

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Welcome to worship this morning!

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome at Calvary Episcopal Church. In the Episcopal Church, we follow a rhythm of prayer and worship found in the <u>Book of Common Prayer</u>, the red book in the pews. You are invited to be part of this sacred rhythm, hearing scripture proclaimed, participating in the responses, praying in the silences, and singing along with the hymns and psalms. Sometimes, people will stand, bow, kneel, and gesture with their hands. These movements are meant to engage the whole body and mind in worship and are a matter of your personal spirituality.

At Calvary, our mission is to be "confident in God's love for us and fearless in our love for all." May this time of worship renew our spirits and send us out to share the good news: We believe that our prayer together shapes our belief. You're invited to be curious and to ask questions.

How can we best include you? Please see an usher if you need help finding coloring material or the nursery for little ones, if you require a hearing aid to better participate, or if you have any other needs.

The people's responses are shown in **bold**.

CARILLON PEAL

RECTOR'S WELCOME

THE VOLUNTARY

How firm a foundation

Traditional American Melody Setting by Donald Hustad (1918-2013)

About the voluntary:

The sprightly American Folk hymn tune *Foundation* has been published in nearly two thousand hymnals over the last two centuries, but it initially appeared in *A Compilation of Genuine Church Music* (1832) and shortly thereafter in the highly-influential *Sacred Harp* and *Southern Harmony* hymnals. In those early collections, the tune was paired with the text *How firm a foundation*, and we'll sing it today as the closing hymn. For over six decades, Donald Hustad was an eminent teacher, musician, composer, philosopher, and author in the field of church music—especially in evangelical circles. His 1972 setting of *Foundation* is from one of his many compilations of organ solos. -hh

Сніме

The service today features support from Calvary's landmark Skinner/Quimby pipe organ, one of the finest instruments of its kind in the region.

WORD OF GOD Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN ('82) 388 O worship the King, all glorious above!





Words: Robert Grant (1779-1838). Music: Hanover, att. William Croft (1678-1727).

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

SONG OF PRAISE ('82) 374 (stanza 1 only) Come, let us join our cheerful songs



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of *A Song to the Lamb*. Music: *Nun danket all und bringet Ehr*, att. Johann Cruger (1598-1662), alt.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

PresiderThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLet us pray.

God of unnatural wisdom, you gave us Jesus our Rabbi to question the roles we play, the submissions we enforce: may your living truth free us from the lie of exclusion and make us all learners and doers of your word; through Jesus Christ, teacher and liberator. **Amen.**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Collect for Year C, Proper 11, by Stephen Shakespeare.

Please be seated.

THE READING Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on-- since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM 15 (sung by the Cantor and Congregation; expansive language)

The Congregation, remaining seated, sings the Antiphon before the psalm, and when indicated—and may chant the psalm text with the Cantor.



who | speaks the | truth · from their | heart.

3

There is no guile upon their tongue;

they do no | evil · to their | friend; *

they do not heap con|tempt up|on their | neighbor.

4

In their sight the | wicked \cdot is re|jected, *

but they honor | those who | fear the | LORD. ANTIPHON

5

They have sworn to | do no | wrong *

and | do not \cdot take | back their |word.

6

They do not give their money in | hope of | gain, *

nor do they take a | bribe a|gainst the | innocent.

- *†* 7 (repeat 2nd half of chant)
- Whoever | does these | things *

shall | never · be | over | thrown. ANTIPHON

SEQUENCE HYMN ('82) 488 (stanzas 1-2) Be thou my vision



Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt. Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927; harm. David Evans (1874-1948). By permission of Oxford University Press.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 10:38-42 The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

SEQUENCE HYMN ('82) 488 (stanza 3) Be thou my vision (see previous page)

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Mr. Robert DiMartino, Ministry Discernment Intern

Please stand as you are able.

A time of silence follows the Sermon.

THE NICENE CREED said by ALL

This text is the contemporary revision of the Nicene Creed found in Enriching Our Worship 1 (1997), authorized for use in the Episcopal Church (USA). It offers a gender-expansive, modern English translation of the traditional creed, reflecting inclusive theological and linguistic updates.

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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.

The people remain standing and pray the responses in bold.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Like Martha, we have much to do. Like Mary, we listen to God's voice. From the complexity of our lives, let us raise our voices in prayer, saying: God, hear our prayer. Over the thunder of war, we hear God's call to peace, and we pray for wise leadership.

God, hear our prayer.

Amid the quarrels which divide the church, we hear God's call to unity, and we pray for reconciliation. **God, hear our prayer.**

Above the barrage of commercials, we hear God's call to generosity. We pray for the good use of our time, talent, and treasure, and for our outreach ministry, especially for the young people at El Hogar in Honduras.

God, hear our prayer.

Through the bustle of our daily lives, we hear God's call to love, and we pray for patience with one another.

God, hear our prayer.

In the cries of the suffering, we hear God's call to compassion. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: Jilliane, Reed Coen, Deborah, Jay, Troy, Jeremy Curran, Caroline, Aiden's family and Jim Harrell. For whom else do you pray? *Silence* We pray for all who are sick and suffering in our midst.

God, hear our prayer.

In the songs we sing together, we hear God's call to each of us, and we pray for one another. **God, hear our prayer.**

In the life we share, we give thanks for the blessings of this life, and the lives of those now gone who have blessed us, especially Aiden, Texas flood victim and Episcopalian. We pray for the church, past, present and yet to come.

God, hear our prayer.

Presider concludes

Father of Jesus, hear our prayers. Hear them in the voice of your Son, your word of love to us. We listen for his voice as we pray in his name: Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

CONFESSION

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

Silence may be kept. People may kneel or stand, as able.

Presider 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 Presider stands and says

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

PresiderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Presider makes announcements regarding the mission and common life of the parish congregation.

Your offerings of Time, Talent, and Treasure make Calvary come to life. You are invited to give today via the plate passed or by texting to give. Simply text CalvaryEpiscopal (capitalize each word, no space) to 73256

THE HOLY COMMUNION Offertory: The People bring up the bread and wine, and the Lord's Table is set.

OFFERTORY HYMN (LEVAS) 64 I love to tell the story





Words: A. Katherine Hankey (1831-1911). Music: William G. Fisher (1835-1912).

DOXOLOGY sung by ALL, standing, during the Presentation



Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

SURSUM CORDA ('82) S 120



LM

Presider chants the Proper Preface and then continues.

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

SANCTUS ('82) S 127 sung by ALL



People may kneel or stand as able.

Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Presider Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith

People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

- People Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.
- Presider All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

People AMEN.

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

Presider and People

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider 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:

FRACTION ANTHEM ('82) S 151 sung by ALL following the breaking of the Bread



Music: From Missa orbis factor; Plainsong, Tonus Peregrinus; arr. David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1979 GIA Publications, Inc.

The Breaking of the Bread Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence follows.

The Presider invites the people to communion, saying

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.

You are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Holy Communion. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and we will bring Communion to you.

Place your hands together to receive the bread. To receive the wine, take a sip from the chalice. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

THE RECEIVING OF THE SACRAMENT COMMUNION MUSIC Organ Improvisation

Please stand as you are able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN ('82) 636 How firm a foundation



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Words: K. in John Rippon's *Selection*, 1787, alt. Music: *Foundation*, mclody from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. Calvin Hampton (1938-1984); alt. acc. Eugene W. Hancock (b. 1929).

THE DISMISSAL to which the **People respond** Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

CARILLON PEAL

MUSICAL PRELUDE (to the week ahead).

During the carillon peal and organ music, the congregation is dismissed to go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

WORSHIP LEADERS Presider: The Reverend Allison English Preacher: Mr. Robert Di Martino, Ministry Discernment Intern Organist and Choirmaster: Howard Helvey Cantor: Sharon Grayton Readers: Shirley Adams and Dan Whiteley Chalice Bearers: Robert Di Martino and Jane Paraskevopoulos Acolyte: Spenser Shuey and Stephanie Townes Ushers and Greeters: Maggie and Paul Davis Altar Guild: Kathleen Bedree and Caroline Bieser

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact the Rector at <u>allison@calvaryclifton.org</u>

We offer spoken prayers in worship for two weeks, then keep you or your loved one on our long-term prayer list for four weeks following. Please let us know if you would like to add someone who has been removed from the list, or if you have a prayer request for an ongoing issue.

Emergencies: The Rector's cell phone is available for members' pastoral emergencies. If you are being hospitalized, are having surgery, have a death in the family, are experiencing a personal crisis, or have been arrested, please call Rev. Allison at (513) 401-5781.

CONNECT AT CALVARY: TODAY & SAVE THE DATE

TODAY, JULY 20 at 10:00 a.m. ~ Calvary Community Hour ~ Enjoy fellowship and coffee!

Sunday, July 27th ~ at 10:00 a.m. Calvary Community Hour ~ The Holy Trinty with Rex Van Alstine in the Discipleship Center.

Be a part of Calvary's ministry Mural Display ~ share your photos of serving and headshots of each of your family members. Share how each ministry feeds your faith. Send to <u>office@calvaryclifton.org</u>.

Matthew 25 needs your HELP!

Catastrophic flooding impacted parts of West Virginia, including Wheeling, Triadelphia, and Valley Grove, over the weekend of June 14–15. Donations can be placed in the bins located in Hannaford Hall. If you have any questions, please reach out to Aaron Leonard at <u>Aaron@calvaryclifton.org</u>

- Cleaning supplies: Laundry detergents, general cleaner, sponges, bleach (powdered form is preferred), mops, scrub brushes, buckets, rubber gloves, etc.
- Paper products: Toilet paper, paper towels, etc.
- Clean-up supplies: Protective eyewear, work gloves, trash bags etc.
- First-aid items: Bandages, gauze, pads, first aid tape, antiseptic creams, hydrogen peroxide, alcohol, latex gloves, instant cold packs, etc.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 ~ LAUNDRY LOVE ~ Laundry Love continues to build community and do laundry. Helping our neighbors! Sign up to serve on the bulletin board in the church or Hannaford Hall. Last month we served 30 families and did 268 loads of laundry!

SUNDAY, JULY 27 ~ TENDER MERCIES ~After our more 'formal' Tetrazzinis, this month we're going to grill! Burgers and dogs are on the menu, and so are assorted sides. What's your favorite side to make in the summer? Let's provide an assortment of Calvary's best. Four or five sides, beverages, and a fun dessert will be just right. Of course, we'll need servers and folks who can manage the grill. Let me know what calls to you. Email: <u>nedirivera@gmail.com</u>

Have a wonderful July—I'm in Oregon and it's just right here where I am camp chaplain for the week. Blessings, Nedi (and Bob!)

Explore, Reaffirm, or Be Confirmed in Your Faith

Are you feeling called to take the next step in your journey of faith? Whether you're new to the Episcopal Church, returning after time away, or seeking to reaffirm a commitment made long ago, we invite you to participate in our upcoming Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation classes. This is a space for asking questions, exploring Episcopal traditions, and deepening your spiritual life—whether or not you choose to be confirmed at the end. Adults are especially encouraged to join if you:

- Have never been confirmed
- Were confirmed in another tradition and wish to be received
- Want to reaffirm your faith with intention
- Are curious about the Episcopal Church and want to learn more

Opportunities for Confirmation with Bishop Kristin White

- Fall Option: Sunday, September 28 at 10:00 a.m. at Calvary (one special combined service)
- Summer Option: Sunday, September 7 at 2:00 p.m. at Procter Center (camp and conference center)

Preparation Options

- Fall Option: Sunday Mornings at Calvary, August 24 September 21 at 10:00 a.m. (5-week course)
 - Sign up by emailing allison@calvaryclifton.org or simply come on August 24.
- Summer Option: Monday Evenings Online with the Diocese, July 21 August 25 at 6:00 p.m.

- This class is sufficient preparation for *either* the summer or fall Confirmation service.

- Register or learn more: <u>diosohio.org/youre-invited-regional-service-of-</u> <u>confirmation</u>

If you're interested or have questions, please contact the Rector at allison@calvaryclifton.org. We'd love to walk this journey with you.

*With either preparation option you can be confirmed at Calvary on September 28th!

HELP KEEP CALVARY GROUNDS BEAUTIFUL!

We have several gardening plots still available for adoption. Can you spare some time each week to love and nurture a plot of the Calvary Grounds? Sign up on the bulletin board.

ST. ANDREW'S FOOD PANTRY NEEDS ~ Toothpaste, Instant coffee, and hot sauce. Put donations in the blue bin in Hannaford or the back of Sanctuary.

CONFIDENT IN GOD'S LOVE FOR US FEARLESS IN OUR LOVE FOR ALL



TO GROW INWARDLY IN FAITH THROUGH WORSHIP, MUSIC, AND EDUCATION AND OUTWARDLY THROUGH INVITATION, WELCOME, AND CONNECTION

TO BE JESUS' HEART, HANDS AND FEET, HUMBLY COLLABORATING WITH OUR NEIGHBORS TO REALIZE BELOVED COMMUNITY





TO OPEN OURSELVES TO GOD'S GRACE, RECOGNIZING THAT WE ARE ALL BROKEN SAINTS AND REDEEMED SINNERS

