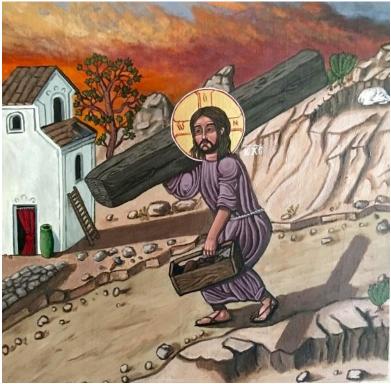
CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH CINCINNATI, OHIO



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THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 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 Book of Common Prayer, 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

Note on the Voluntary:

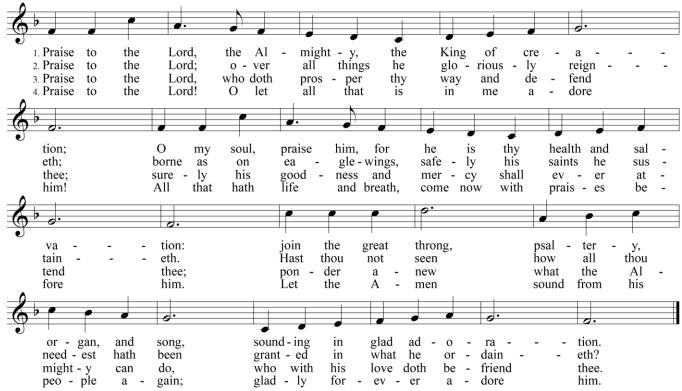
Johann Pachelbel is considered among the finest and most influential composers of the Baroque period. Also, a highly-skilled organist, Pachelbel held many positions during his lifetime in important courts and major churches throughout Germany and Austria. Today's voluntary displays Pachelbel's mastery of writing elegant melodic lines within the formal structure of a fugue (known since the 17th century as the most fully developed technique of imitative counterpoint). Often nicknamed the "Chromatic Fugue," eleven of the twelve chromatic pitches of the D-minor scale are played within the first three measures. Perhaps curiously, the omitted D-sharp is avoided throughout the entire work. -hh

CHIME

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 **G**OD Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN ('82) 390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. *Hymnal 1940*, alt. Music: *Lobe den Herren*, melody from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665

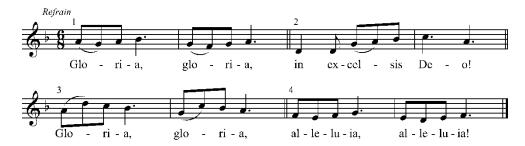
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Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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.

GLORIA (MHSO) 9 (Sung 3 times: once unison by ALL, then twice as a round)



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE READING Jeremiah 18:1-11

Read by Paul Davis

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

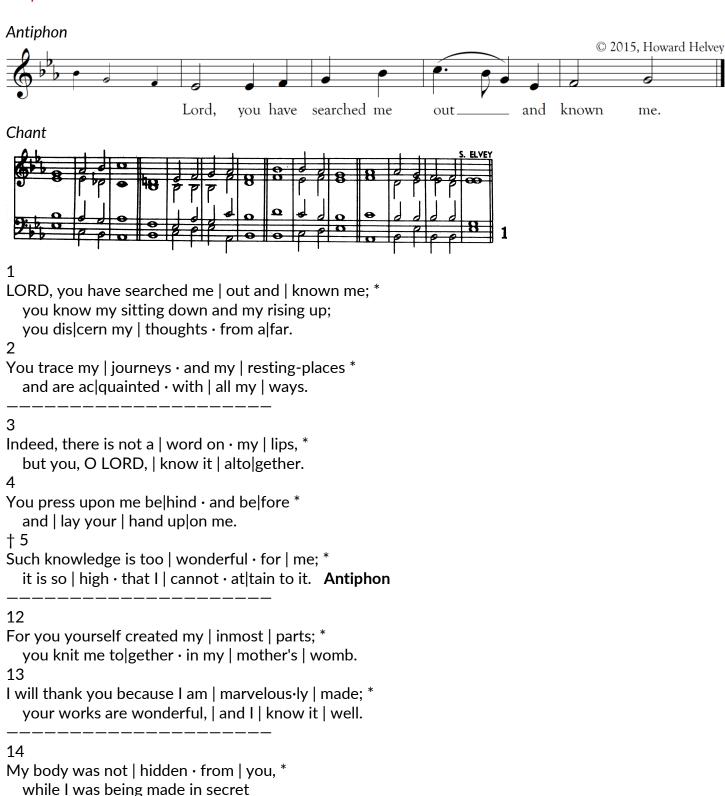
Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17 (sung by the Choir 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 Choir.



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Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were | written · in your | book; * they were fashioned day by day, when as | yet | there was | none of them. Antiphon

16

How deep I find your | thoughts, O | God! * how | great | is the | sum of them!

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If I were to count them, they would be more in | number · than the | sand; * to count them all, my life span would | need to | be like | yours. **Antiphon**

SEQUENCE HYMN (LEVAS) 136 (stanzas 1-2) I have decided to follow Jesus (please refer to the hymnal, Lift Every Voice and Sing II)

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 14:25-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, `This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

SEQUENCE HYMN (LEVAS) 136 (stanza 3) I have decided to follow Jesus (please refer to the hymnal, Lift Every Voice and Sing II)

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Right Reverend Nedi Rivera

A time of silence follows the Sermon.

Please stand as you are able.

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

Led by Maggie Davis

We do not know the wisdom of God nor what the Holy One intends. But we do know God's mercy. So we confidently gather our needs and present them to God, the Creator, saying, *God*, *have mercy*.

For the leaders of the church, both lay and ordained, that they may be dedicated in their service to others and in the love of God, we pray to our Creator, **God**, **have mercy**.

For the imprisoned and the oppressed, the solitary and the unwanted, that they may know the love of Christ in the care of the Christian community, we pray to our Creator, **God**, **have mercy**.

For those who decide to follow Jesus, that they may keep sight of his cross and the joy it holds for them, we pray to our Creator,

God, have mercy.

For those who live far from family and friends, that they may find companionship and friendship, we pray to our Creator,

God, have mercy.

For the young who are searching for their lives, and for those who seek honest work, that they may have the wisdom to know their gifts and use them for the human community, we pray to our Creator, **God, have mercy.**

For all who make decisions of consequence, that they may seek God and choose what will bring life, we pray to our Creator,

God, have mercy.

For all in any need, especially Pam Armstrong, Mimi Gilbert, Richard Sininger, Sarah Carpenter, Lois Brown, Reed Coen, Jay, Troy, and Expectant Parents: Clairice and Hannah Galey, and those we name silently or aloud...

In thanksgiving for the ministries of the church, especially the Kitchen Crewe in the Parish Cycle of Prayer, and for those who went before us in faith, especially Kathleen Deborah Spain, we pray to our Creator,

God, have mercy.

The Presider concludes

Loving Creator, you are our life and our prosperity. We who make mighty plans know that before you they are little. Fill us with your wisdom; hear us and the needs of all the world, that we may care well for your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Savior. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And 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 CHORAL ANTHEM Hosanna! people of all lands

Words: Christopher Smart (1722-1771), based on Psalm 100

Music: Howard Helvey (b. 1968)

Hosanna! people of all lands
Unite your voices, lift your hands,
And to the Lord repair,
And thankful fall upon your face,
And hail with songs the throne of grace,
And show your gladness there.

Yourselves in this belief confirm,
That man his talent and his term
Are God's, and not his own;
We are the flock he folds and feeds
With mild and honey in his meads, The Lord is God alone.

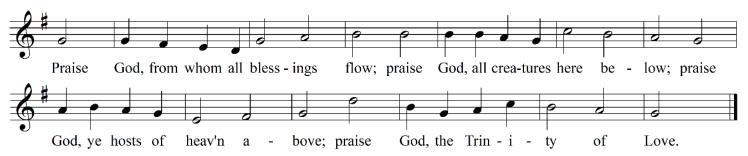
For race by race he is renown'd In mercies with to peace abound, In truth reveal'd and taught; And gracious is the Lord of love, Above all estimate, above The flight of time and thought.

O go, but send your song before, Into his courts, his temple door, His name in anthems raise— Give thanks the soul's immortal food, And speak him great, and speak him good, Your hearts with rapture blaze.

Note on the Anthem:

18th-century English poet Christopher Smart is noted for his visionary and virtuosic writing. In A *Translation of the Psalms of David*, from 1765, Smart intended to cast the Psalms through the lens of the New Testament. This anthem was commissioned in celebration of Wylie S. (Van) Quinn III's 40 years as organist and choirmaster at Chapel of the Cross Episcopal Church, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

DOXOLOGY sung by ALL, standing, during the Presentation

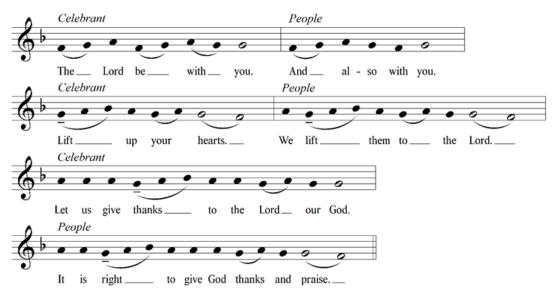


Words: adapted from hymn texts by Thomas Ken and Thomas A. Jackson Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.

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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 1 FROM ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP

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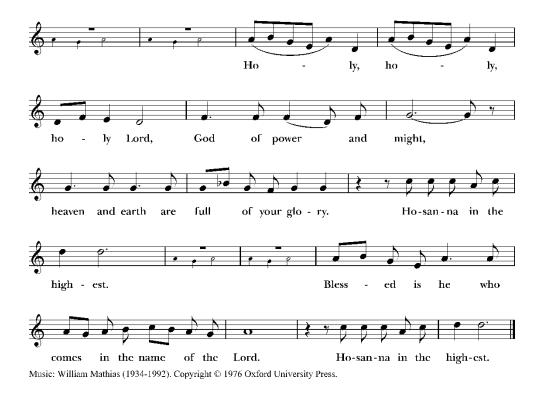


Presider chants the Proper Preface

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS ('82) S 128 SUNG BY ALL



People may kneel or stand as able.

Presider continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

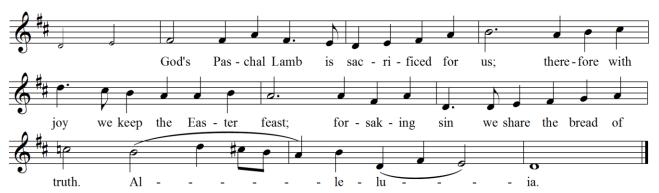
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

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.

FRACTION ANTHEM sung by ALL following the breaking of the Bread



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The Presider invites the people to communion, saying

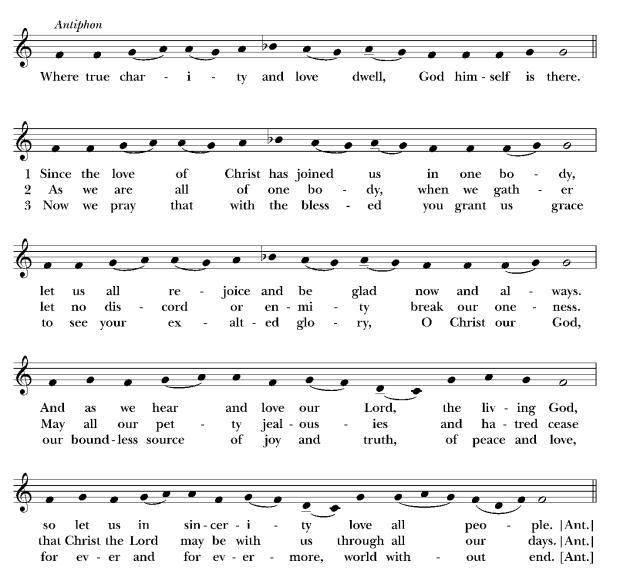
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE RECEIVING OF THE SACRAMENT

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.

COMMUNION HYMN ('82) 606 Where true charity and love dwell (Antiphon sung by ALL; verses sung by the Choir)



Words: Latin: tr. Joyce M. Glover (b. 1923). Copyright © 1982, Joyce M. Glover. Music: *Ubi caritas*, plainsong, Mode 6; acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

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 BIESSING

CLOSING HYMN ('82) 472 Hope of the world, thou Christ of great compassion



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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.

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF PHILIP CHIN BY PHILOMINA McCauley.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presider: The Reverend Allison English
Preacher: The Rt. Reverend Nedi Rivera
Organist and Choirmaster: Howard Helvey

Readers: Paul and Maggie Davis

Chalice Bearers: Tammy Bowman and Sherman Smith **Acolytes:** Xander Berger and Stephanie Townes

Ushers and Greeters: Cindy Bourgeois and Shirley Adams **Altar Guild:** Suzanne Robinson and Shirley Adams

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

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.

CALVARY ALTAR FLOWERS

Beautiful Altar Flowers enhance our worship and are given by generous donors to commemorate a special day, memory, celebration or to honor a loved one who has passed. Fresh flowers from Adrian Durbin are \$60 for a Sunday.

You are welcome and encouraged to take the flowers after the 11:00 am worship service. To order flowers:

- Choose a date and sign up on the bulletin board at church or call the office.
- You will be contacted to secure donation information in the Bulletin notation, e.g. In loving memory of my dad George. OR In Thanksgiving for Calvary, my anniversary, the weather.
- Payment for either type can be made to Calvary Church.

CONNECT AT CALVARY: TODAY & SAVE THE DATE

<u>TODAY, September 7th</u> ~ Community Hour ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Discovering the Episcopal Way ~ Pathway to Confirmation or Reaffirmation of Faith. Discipleship.

<u>TODAY, Sunday, September 7th ~ Sunday School Begins</u> ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Second Floor classrooms.

TODAY, Sunday, September 7 ~ Youth Group Kick Off ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ in the new Youth Room and then every Sunday morning for youth in grades 6-12.

TONIGHT, Sunday, September 7 ~ Fearless Tweens Kick Off ~ 4-5:30 p.m. and then every 1st and 3rd Sundays for students in grades 4-5.

Next Sunday, September 14, ~ MY SUMMER PILGRIMAGE ~This Sunday is the last one for filling out My Summer Pilgrimage. We'll be gathering in the public halves on 14 September then we'll read and learn from them. Already there's a new book of new hymns being given. What else did you see, hear, taste, touch, smell that you loved —either at Calvary or somewhere else— that we need to take notice of? We hope you are taking notice of the things on the right side. We'll give a little report in The Chimes few weeks from now.

Sunday, September 28th ~ Calvary Feast Day! ~ One 10:00 a.m. Worship Service with a visit from Bishop White.

<u>Sunday, September, 28 ~ Tender Mercies</u> ~ THANK YOU everyone who made August Tender Mercies amazing. We served everyone seconds with enough for thirds! You are amazing. Blessings, Bob & Nedi

<u>St. Andrew's Food Pantry Needs</u> ~ Toothpaste, Instant coffee, and hot sauce. Put donations in the blue bin in Hannaford or the back of Sanctuary.



Discover the heart of the Episcopal Church and your path within it.





🔎 Pathway to Confirmation or Reaffirmation of Faith, if desired



🔍 Led by the Reverend Allison English and Bishop Nedi Rivera



Open to all

Sundays at Calvary Episcopal Church August 24-September 21 10:00 a.m. - Discipleship Center

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

