

Calvary Lutheran Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship for June 1, 2025

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Growing in compassionate relationships, faith, service, and generosity through Christ

Welcome to Calvary! All are welcome in this community through the grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ. We hope that you will find joy and peace as you worship with us.

- Check out our **welcome center** in the lobby (narthex) for information about our congregation.
- Children and parents are invited to use our **children's resource center** located in the lobby.
- To find our **nursery**, exit the worship center (sanctuary), turn right. Go to the end of the hall and turn left. Follow the signs to our nursery.
- **If you are a guest with us today**, please fill out a visitor card found in the pews.



The Seventh Sunday of Easter

It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.

GATHERING

(Please enter the sanctuary in quiet reverence and prepare your heart for worship as you listen to the Prelude.)

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY**PRELUDE**

Wade in the Water
Calvary Carillon

arr. B. Tucker

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**OPENING HYMN***

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM*

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P In the name of  the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

C Amen.

P Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C Amen.

*Please stand in body or in spirit at these places in the service.

REETING*

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY*

P O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS *We wait for God to speak to us in and through His word.*

L Acts 16:16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. ²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

L Psalm 97

- ¹ The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- ² **Clouds and darkness surround the LORD,
righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.**
- ³ Fire goes before the LORD,
burning up enemies on every side.
- ⁴ **Lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.**
- ⁵ The mountains melt like wax
before the Lord of all the earth.
- ⁶ **The heavens declare your righteousness, O LORD,
and all the peoples see your glory.**
- ⁷ Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!
Bow down before the LORD, all you gods.
- ⁸ **Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O LORD.**
- ⁹ For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.
- ¹⁰ **You who love the LORD, hate evil!
God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.**
- ¹¹ Light dawns for the righteous,
and joy for the honest of heart.
- ¹² **Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous,
and give thanks to God's holy name.**

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

L Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

¹² “See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” ¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁶ “It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”

And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

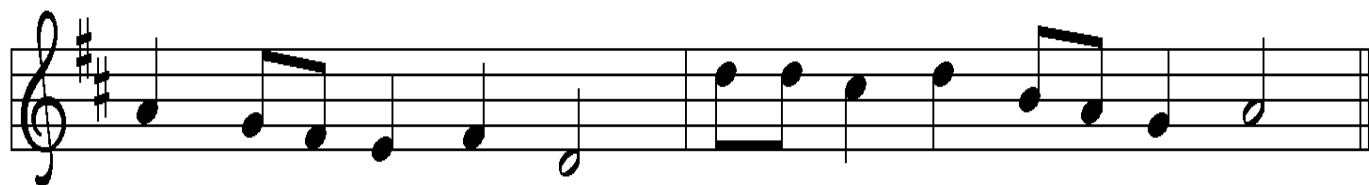
L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

C GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Gospel according to John 17:20-26

[Jesus prayed:] ²⁰ “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

P The Gospel of Our Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S TIME *All children are invited to come forward to talk about the day’s scripture.*

CHILDREN’S CHURCH *All children are invited to go to the parlor for an activity focused on today’s Gospel.*

SERMON

Pastor František

HYMN OF THE DAY*

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

ELW 658

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *

Apostles’ Creed

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION*

A God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Silence for reflection.

After each petition:

A Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude

A We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C Amen.

MEAL

We are fed in our life of faith at the Lord's table.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST *We have heard that God has loved us again and again through faith in Christ. This message brings us peace and gives us peace to share. We turn to those around us and offer them peace.*

OFFERING

- *The offering is an act of worship where we respond to God's goodness in our lives by returning to God a portion of what he has first entrusted to us.*
- *Thank you for your worship of God through sharing your time, talents, and finances.*
- *If you would like to share a financial offering by credit card, you may do so by scanning the QR code.*



Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me. Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see. Open my eyes illumine me spirit divine. Open my ears that I may hear voices of truth Thou sendest clear; and while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see. Open my ears, illumine me, spirit divine. Open my mouth and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere. Open my heart and let me prepare love with Thy children thus to share. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see. Open my heart, illumine me, spirit divine. Amen, Amen.

C OFFERING SONG ***Create in Me a Clean Heart****Hymn 186**

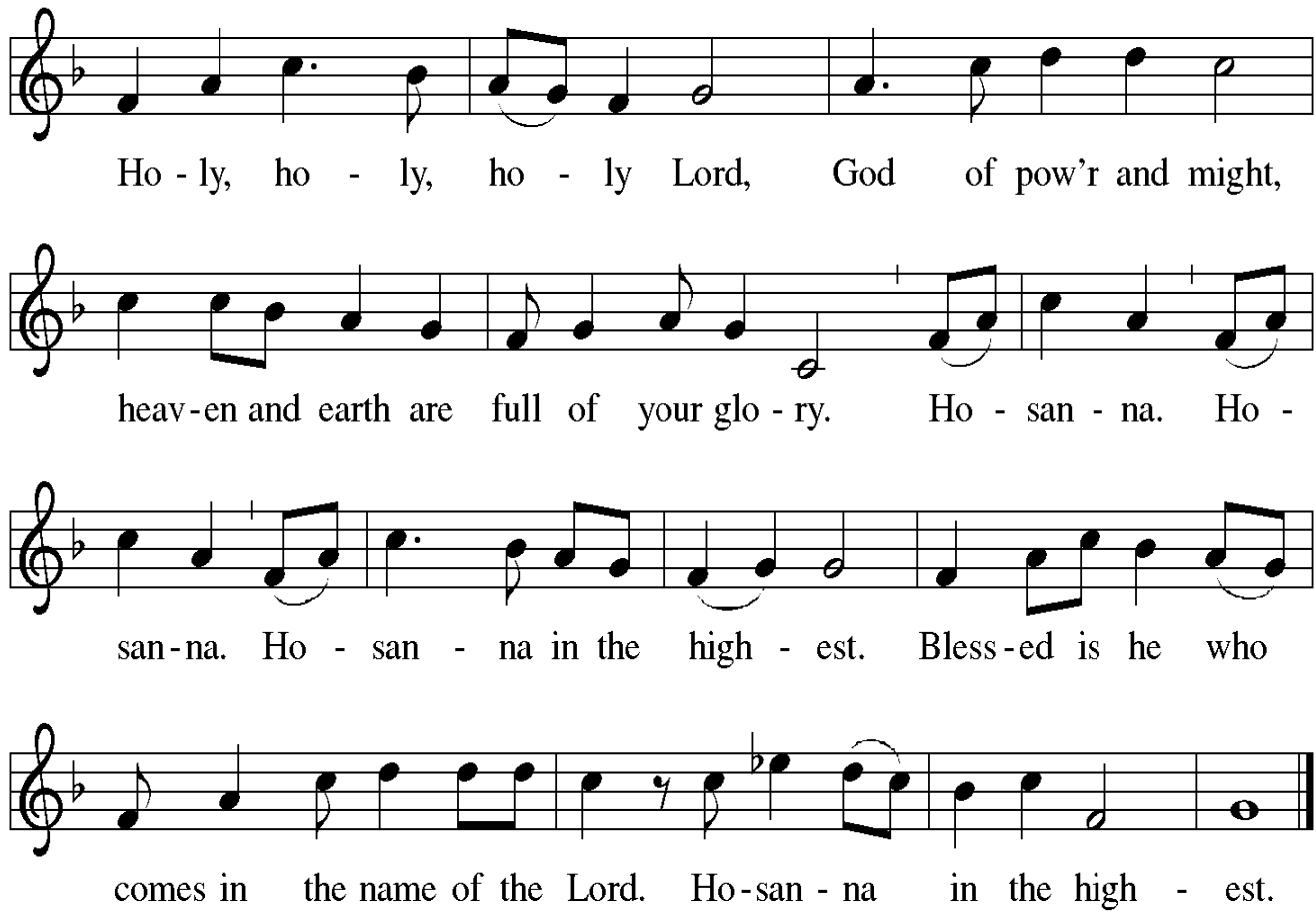
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERTORY PRAYER***A** Risen One,

C you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING***P** The Lord be with you.**C** And also with you.**P** Lift up your hearts.**C** We lift them to the Lord.**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE FOR THE SEASON—LED BY THE PASTOR*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *

THE LORD'S PRAYER*

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

C 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 forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION*

P Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION *Please be seated.*

- *We invite those worshipping online to join us in Holy Communion as we share in the one body of Christ this morning.*
- *For those worshipping in person, you may receive communion by coming to the altar or by standing at your seat.*
- *When communing, you may choose either the prepackaged bread and grape juice or the wafer and wine in individual cups.*



The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. A slur is placed under the notes for 'grant us' in the final line.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION BLESSING*

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION*

- P** Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.
C Amen.

SENDING

We are sent into the world to share the love and welcome of God.

BENEDICTION*

- P** The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.
C Amen.

SENDING SONG**In Christ There Is No East or West****ELW 650****DISMISSAL***

- A** Alleluia! Christ is risen.
C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
A Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!
C Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE**Sortie****Boellmann**

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Serving in Worship

Worship Volunteer	June 1st	June 8th
Worship Assistant	David Barrier	Marion Bish
Lector	Joe Liebdzinski	Susan Meyer
Communion Assistants	Kathy Schiele Al Jackson	Al Jackson
Ushers	Phyllis Jessup	Needed
Altar Guild	Kathy Schiele	Raina and Susan Meyer
Children's Church	Needed	Lisa Hunkele
Nursery	Abbey Markley	Phyllis Jessup
CPOM	David Smith	David Smith
Tellers	Cathy Steere Kathy Schiele Nancy Haney	Angie Graeber Terry Ramseur Nancy Haney



THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given by Cathy and Tom Miller to the glory of God and in honor of our wedding anniversary on June 6th.

(If you would like to contribute altar flowers for Sunday worship, please see the bulletin board outside the choir room the calendar of available dates and an order form or call our office administrator.)

SAVE THE DATES—Calvary VBS 2025—July 7, 8, 9 - 5:30-8:00 pm

Compassion Camp—Changing the World with Lovingkindness

If you would like to volunteer to help one or all three evenings, please contact Lisa Hunkele or call the church office.

To register your child online, please use this QR code:





Prayer requests will remain on the current list for four weeks. Please call the church office if you would like to add a name or resubmit a name for another four weeks.

Week of June 1st:

- Erika Barrier (upcoming shoulder replacement surgery)
- Sheila Smith (healing following a hospital visit)
- Charles Barrier (healing/cancer diagnosis) - brother of David Barrier

Week of 2:

- Nancy Haney (healing following a hospital visit)
- Sherwood VanDewark (healing) – father of Jason VanDewark
- Lauren McDowell (strength and peace) – sister of Steve DuPont
- Sara and Eric Berryhill (healing following an accident) – granddaughter and husband of

Week 3:

- Kyle Pearce (healing following surgery)
- Jean Smith (healing following knee replacement surgery)
- Kirsten Filippelli (healing) – co-worker of Rosie Schieber)

Week 4:

- Rylan Massey (healing) - grandson of Sheldon Parks

Happy Father's Day!

WELCA FATHER'S DAY

Each year Women of the ELCA sponsors a Father's Day insert to remember special men. All proceeds go to the Iris Arey Scholarship Fund. For \$1.00 you can honor or remember your father or anyone you might desire (grandfather, brother, uncle, friend, etc.). Please complete the form below and either return it to the church office or place it in the offering plate. An online form is also available in our E News. So that we may keep an accurate record, please indicate below how you paid. Please make checks payable to WELCA and earmark your check: Father's Day Insert. **The deadline is Sunday, June 8, 2025.** *Thank you for supporting this special ministry.*

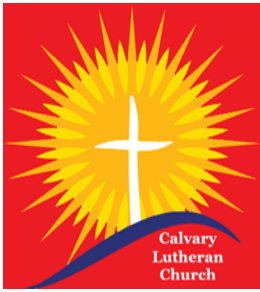
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Pastor František 's usual weekly schedule:

- Mon-Thu: mostly present during general office hours, advance request for a meeting recommended
- Friday: home office, meetings by request only
- Saturday: emergencies only

You can request a meeting by email or here <https://bit.ly/pf-meeting> or by using this QR code:



Church Office: 9am—1pm Monday-Thursday *Deadline for bulletin and e-news information : Wednesday by 9 am.*

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Finance Administrator's Hours: Mondays 9:00am-3:00 pm; Wednesdays 9:00am-1:00pm

Please remember your church in your will. See Pastor František or any council member to assist you in this process.