

CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Celebration by John August Swanson

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025 | 11:15 AM

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SUNDAYS 7:30, 9 & 11:15 AM

*We gather in worship and thanksgiving to offer our gratitude to God for all life's blessings.
After the service, we invite you to continue the morning with conversation and coffee hour in the Parish Hall.
Restrooms are located in the Parish Hall, just across Alley A. Children are always welcome in worship.
For families who prefer it, a staffed nursery—with trained and certified caregivers—is available in the school building to the left of the sanctuary for children from birth to age 4.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Meditation on "Foundation"

Lasky

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN 433

We Gather Together To Ask the Lord's Blessing

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

***People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE GENERAL CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 352

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

***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.**

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.**



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y 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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 11:1-18

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 148

Today's psalm is Psalm 148. We will pray the psalm in unison.

- 1 **Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.**
- 2 **Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.**
- 3 **Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.**
- 4 **Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.**
- 5 **Let them praise the Name of the LORD; *
for he commanded, and they were created.**
- 6 **He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**
- 7 **Praise the LORD from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;**
- 8 **Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;**
- 9 **Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;**
- 10 **Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;**
- 11 **Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;**
- 12 **Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.**
- 13 **Let them praise the Name of the LORD, *
for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.**
- 14 **He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!**

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Revelation 21:1-6

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

GRADUAL HYMN 82

Of the Father's Love Begotten (vs 3, 4)

THE GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Matt Stone, Rector

Please stand as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

People 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

BCP, p. 387

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

BCP, p. 830

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 life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GUEST WELCOME & COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

When you're ready to connect, scan the QR code to begin a text conversation with Ftr Matt & Mtr Amy. You may also complete the blue Connect Card, in the pew back in front of you, and drop in the collection plate.



All people are welcome at God's table. You may drink from the chalice by guiding it to your lips, or you may intinct (dip) the consecrated host in the chalice, or simply consume the host. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, you may ask for one or point to your hand with one finger. If you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. If you would like communion brought to you, please let an usher know.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

The people's offerings are collected to support the ongoing work and ministry of our community. To give electronically, please use the QR code.



OFFERTORY HYMN 522

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Please stand as you are able.



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
 3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
 death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
 though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
 him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
 Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING*Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP, p. 361**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 God thanks and praise.*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons, daughters and children, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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:

THE SANCTUS - S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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. 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.

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 for ever.

THE GREAT AMEN WLP 863



Celebrant *And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us and in the language of our hearts, we are bold to say*

People

**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.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu nombre;
venga tu reino;
hágase tu voluntad
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en la tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder
y la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.**

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM 178

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks (vs 2)

Alleluia No. 1

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

Praise to his Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -
Now we shall live for ev - er.
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN 324

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

COMMUNION HYMN LEVAS 151

One Bread, One Body

One bread, — one bod-y, —

— one Lord of all, — one cup of

bles - ing which we bless. — And we, — though

man - y, — through-out the earth, We are one

Last time ⊕

bod - y in this one — Lord. —

1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
 2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the
 3. Grain for the fields, scat - tered and

1. free, wom - an or man, —
 2. works, one in the Lord —
 3. grown, gath - ered to one —

D.S.

1. — no more. — One
 2. — of all. — One
 3. — for all. — One

⊕ CODA

Lord. —

Please stand as you are able.

COMMENDATION OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

**As needed*

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 365

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.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 583

O Holy City, Seen of John

THE DISMISSAL

Priest We are raised to new life with Christ. Go in his peace. Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

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CALVARY PRAYER LIST

For those who have died:

Bob Boles

Long-term care & homebound:

Vicki Henry
 Ronnie Landrum
 James Jackson
 Joe & Dee Turnus
 Margie & Ben Everett
 Frances Johnson
 Frank Weir
 Joyce Fritz

***For those celebrating
 birthdays & anniversaries:***

John Playfair
 Becky Schaefer
 Jeannine Williams
 Heather Moilan
Steven & Dominique Barnett
Will & Catherine Casey
Cam & Lisa Chavez
Elva & Martin Conrardy
Gerald & Carol Hanna
Laura & JR Krcmar
Gene & Robin Powell
Terry Seacrest & Chip Stegman
Raleigh & Peter Tirion

Discernment & wisdom:

Kim Kibby, Candidate
 Adam Simenc
 Patty Boles
 Sandy Walthall
 Mary Lou Wygant
 Dottie Haley

Serving in the military:

Major Will McMurrey
 Lt. James Reiss
 Captain George Jackson
 Laughead
 RCT Justin Delacerda
 AFC Tiernan O'Rourke
 SGT Daulton Robinson
 Army Company 82

Healing & strength:

Helen Weidner
 Lee Holland
 Mike Goodwin
 Amy Weir
 Patricia MacArthur & Family
 Alicia Dawidczyk
 Vella Gregoire
 Scott Martindale
 Julie Hodge
 Jennifer Doyle
 Paige Laird
 Kitty Dudics
 Tom Krummins
 Eileen Mankin
 Lana Jill Botello
 Ana Garcia Worley
 Tim O'Neil
 J. William Ford, Jr.
 Carolyn Erickson
 Lois VanHoose
 Suzanne Timmons
 Mary Poirer
 Barbara Kayton
 Nancy & Ben
 Deogracia Perez
 Julian Hodge
 Sally Horton
 Win Perkins
 Wanda Bell
 Madison Moran
 Lezlie Setchell
 Mary Burgener
 Rachel Richter
 Cherie Bennett
 Gage "Gabby" Avent
 Loyce Van Hoose
 Bob Wygant
 Harrison Hocker
 Gabriela Tuttrup

COMING UP AT CALVARY

Summer Worship Schedule - Starting Sunday, May 25 at 8 & 10 am

As we enter the summer season, Calvary will move to a simplified Sunday schedule with two worship services at 8 & 10 am. This shift reflects the lighter pace of the season and the reality that many of our Sunday servers, ministry leaders, and parishioners travel or take time to rest. The summer schedule also helps us steward our clergy, musicians, and volunteers more sustainably. We invite you to embrace the slower rhythm, stay connected when you're in town, and enjoy worshipping together in a more relaxed summer spirit. When you travel, please bring back a worship bulletin and put it on the glass wall near the Parish Hall doors!

Ascension Day Eucharist - Thursday, May 29 at 12 noon

Join us for a Holy Eucharist in celebration of the Feast of the Ascension, one of the Principal Feasts of the Church year. We are delighted to welcome the Rev. Cameron Spoor as our guest preacher for this solemn and joyous occasion. As we mark the moment Christ was "taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God" (Mark 16:19), we gather in awe, praise, and thanksgiving. Come, lift your hearts in worship and thanksgiving as we mark Christ's ascension in glory.

The Welcome Table: Newcomer Gathering - Sundays, June 1-22, 9 am

The Welcome Table is a special gathering designed just for newcomers, whether you're exploring faith, seeking connection, or simply curious. Join us Sundays in the Parish Hall. We can't wait to meet you.

Calvary Episcopal Vacation Bible Camp - June 17-19, 9 am—12 noon

Save the date for Calvary's VBC: Tuesday—Thursday, June 17, 18 and 19. "Lions and Fires and Dreams, Oh My!": Stories from the Book of Daniel. We will have a puppet play each day along with music, crafts, games, and lunch. Register at bit.ly/cecvbc2025; sign up to volunteer at bit.ly/vbc_volunteer.

Baptisms - Sunday, June 8

Baptism is a sacred and joyful milestone - not only for individuals and families, but for the entire church community. At Calvary, we welcome infants, children, and adults into the Body of Christ through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Our next opportunity for baptism will be Pentecost Sunday on June 8 at 10 am. **To prepare, we invite candidates, parents, and sponsors to attend our Exploring Baptism class on Saturday, June 7 at 10 am—a one-hour session** designed to explore the sacrament, walk through the liturgy, and provide space for questions and reflection.

Youth Confirmation Retreat - Saturday, July 12, 9 am—4 pm

So if you're in 7th grade or older and wondering what this whole faith thing is really about...stop scrolling for sec. We're hosting a Youth Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, July 12. This is a chill space to talk about God, ask real questions, and learn what it actually means to be confirmed in the Episcopal Church. You don't have to commit to anything—just come check it out and see if it's something you want to take further. Want in? Just scan the code at right to register.

