

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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The Fourth Sunday in Lent March 30, 2025 | 9:00 AM

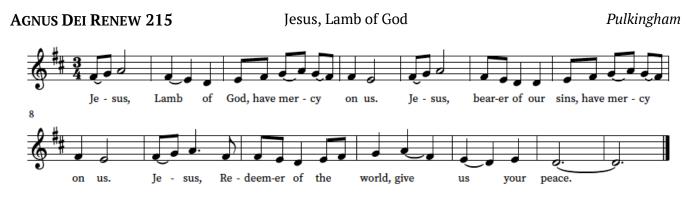
603 SPRING ST. BASTROP, TX 78602 CECBASTROP.ORG | (512) 303-7515 | WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CECBASTROP SUNDAYS 7:30, 9 & 11:15 AM Let us give thanks to God for all our blessings with our worship & thanksgiving. Please join us after the service for conversation & formation in the Parish Hall. Restrooms are across Alley A in our Parish Hall. Children are always welcome to worship at Calvary. We also offer a Nursery, with trained and certified caregivers, in the School Building (left of the sanctuary) for children from birth to 4 years old.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prelude	It Is Well	Taylor	
THE WORD OF GOD			
Please stand o	as you are able.		
O PENING S O	NG 10,000 Reasons/Bless the Lord	Myrin/Redman	
Refrain:			
Bless the Lor	l, O my soul, O my soul		
Worship his h	oly name.		
-	r before, O my soul.		
I'll worship y	our holy name.		
The sun com	es up, it's a new day dawning.		
	ng your song again.		
Whatever ma	y pass and whatever lies before me.		
Let me be sin	ging when the evening comes. [Refrain]		
You're rich in	love and you're slow to anger,		
Your name is	great, and your heart is kind.		
	oodness I will keep on singing.		
Ten thousand	reasons for my heart to find. [Refrain]		
And on that o	ay when my strength is failing,		
The end draw	s near, and my time has come.		
Still my soul	vill sing your praise unending.		
Ten thousand	years and then forevermore. [Refrain]		
THE OPENIN	G ACCLAMATION		
Celebrant	Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.		
People	God's mercy endures forever. Amen.		

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Joshua 5:9-12

A reading from the book of Joshua.

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE PSALM

We will pray the Psalm responsively with those on the choir side of the sanctuary reading the odd verses and those on the pulpit side of the sanctuary reading the even verses.

Choir side

1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, * and whose sin is put away!

Pulpit side

2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, * and in whose spirit there is no guile!

- While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, * because of my groaning all day long.
 - 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; * my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, * and did not conceal my guilt.
 - 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."*Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; * when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
 - 8 You are my hiding-place;
 you preserve me from trouble; *
 you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *I will guide you with my eye.
 - 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; * who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."
- Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.
 - 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; * shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

LETTERS TO THE CHURCHES

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

People	Thanks be to God.
Reader	The Word of the Lord.

Please stand as you are able.

GRADUAL	SONG RENEW 167	Surely the Presence of the Lord	Wolfe
THE GOSP	EL		Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
Gospeller	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.		
People	Glory to you, Lord Christ		

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe-the best one-and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this

son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

ReaderThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated. **THE SERMON**

CULTIVATING & LETTING GO

Please stand as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

Elizabeth Holland, Seminarian

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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.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Celebrant	Be glad and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all you who are true of heart. Having been reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us pray, "Lord, let your mercy embrace us; accept our prayer."
Intercessor	Gracious God, you have entrusted to your Church the ministry of reconciliation. Reconcile our members to you and to each other, and then work through us to embrace the world. Lord, let your mercy embrace us;
People Intercessor People	Accept our prayer. Open our hearts to welcome sinners as you welcome us. Give us eyes to see others, not from a human point of view, but as you see them. Lord, let your mercy embrace us; Accept our prayer.
Intercessor	Jesus, you are the true bread which gives life to the world: evermore give us this bread that our souls may be satisfied. And satisfy our bodies with abundant produce from the land. We give you thanks for
	(Pause as the congregation adds their thanksgivings.)
Intercessor People	Lord, let your mercy embrace us; Accept our prayer.
Intercessor People	We pray, O God, for families. Restore broken relationships. Heal those who have suffered betrayal and alienation. Comfort those for whom reconciliation in this life is not possible. Shield those with reason to celebrate. Lord, let your mercy embrace us; Accept our prayer.
Intercessor	You, O God, are a hiding place for those in trouble: you deliver the oppressed; you forgive the guilty; you roll away the disgrace of your people. We make our prayers to you for those in trouble, especially those we now name
	(Pause as the congregation adds their prayers.)
Intercessor People	Lord, let your mercy embrace us; Accept our prayer.
Intercessor People	Holy Jesus, it is our prayer that you may live in us, and we in you, both in this mortal life and for all eternity.Lord, let your mercy embrace us; Accept our prayer.

The Celebrant offers a concluding Collect.

Please kneel or remain standing as you are able.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

- PeopleMost 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.**

THE PEACE

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

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

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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.



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 SONG

Lord, I Need You

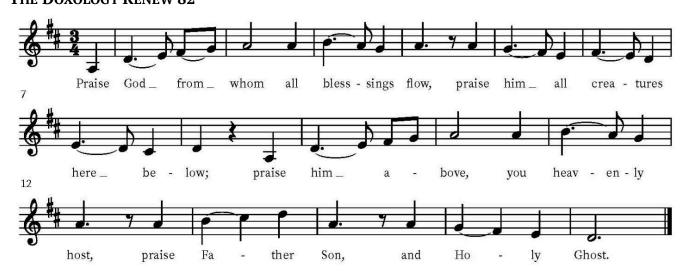
Lord, I come I confess Bowing here I find my rest And without you I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart

Lord, I need you oh I need you Every hour I need you My one defense, my righteousness Oh God, how I need you

Where sin runs deep your grace is more Where grace is found is where you are And where you are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to you When temptation comes my way And when I cannot stand I'll fall on you Jesus, you're my hope and stay

Please stand as you are able. **THE DOXOLOGY RENEW 82**



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

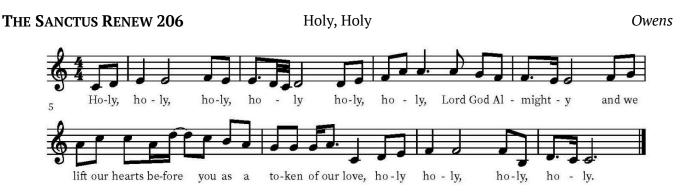
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

God of grace, you lift our hearts because though we had squandered your abundant gifts, you waited for us to turn back to you; and though we hardened our hearts to your mercy, you came to find us and draw us home to your banquet.

In Christ you made the journey into the far country of our exile from you, and in his death and resurrection you justify and sanctify us to stand in your presence and be reunited with your grace.

And so we give you thanks, gathering around the table of your kingdom with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, singing your unending praise.



The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

God of blessing, you are the host of our joy, but in Christ you have made every preparation for this feast, even giving your own body that we might never be hungry again.

Send down your Holy Spirit, that we may once again belong in your house as your sons and daughters, and that these signs of sustaining bread and renewing wine may be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Great is the mystery of faith. Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Gathering God, when we languish with the pigs in a humiliation of our own making, may this broken body heal, restore and renew our bodies. When we lurk in the shadows in a resentment of our own devising, may this shed blood soften and cleanse and refresh our hearts. Strengthen our hands, that we may seek a world where there is no hunger except hunger for you. Empower our spirits, that we may strive for a world where there is no thirst except thirst for your righteousness. Hasten the day when this body shows us your desire for our well-being, and this blood reveals how far you go to save us from ourselves and restore us in the image of your Son, through whom and with whom and in whom, all honour and glory are yours, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

Celebrant

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

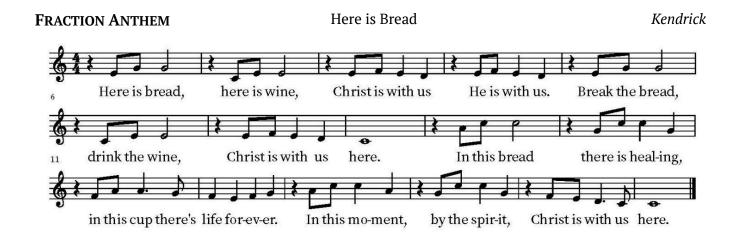
People

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

CelebrantChrist our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast.





THE INVITATION

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.

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.

COMMUNION SONG RENEW 147	Softly and Tenderly	Thompson
COMMUNION SONG RENEW 140	Just As I Am, Without One Plea	Woodworth

Please stand as you are able. **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

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Celebrant Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food and people of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE SOLEMN COLLECT

Nettleton



THE DISMISSAL

Priest	Let us go	forth in	the name	of Christ.
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People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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CALVARY PRAYER LIST

For those who have died:

Mary Kay Landrum Beverly Rhoades John MacQueen Jane Travis

Long-term care & homebound:

Vicky & Boyd Henry Ronnie Landrum James Jackson Joe and Dee Turnus Margie and Ben Everett Frances Johnson Frank Weir

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries:

Alex McCown Cam Chavez Zach Stephenson Ginny Mendoza Matrim Murray

Discernment & wisdom: Kim Kibby, Candidate Carmen Luna Martindale Adam Simenc Liz Cervio Richard Martinez Mary Lou & Bob Wygant

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COMING UP AT CALVARY

Cultivating & Letting Go, Thursdays in Lent at 6-7:30pm in the Parish Hall

Starting on Thursday, March 13, we will have a soup & salad dinner and explore the Sacred Art program, *Cultivating and Letting Go*. Lent is a season of spiritual gardening, of inviting God to unearth in us what lies fallow, what needs to be tended, and what needs to die for new life to emerge. This Lent, we're embracing the literal and spiritual practices of cultivating and letting go. We'll meet March 20, 27, April 3, April 10.

Share Laughter, Share a Meal: Family Fun Night Is Back! Friday, April 11 at 5 pm

Craving connection? Join your Calvary family for a delightful evening of intergenerational fun! From 5 to 8 pm, enjoy a delicious meal (sponsored by Catherine Bohot & Family), games, and simply being together. This is a space for all families to create cherished memories.

Baptism at Calvary - Sunday, April 27 at 11:15 am

Baptisms are one of the great moments of celebration in a family's life and in our church. Candidates for baptism are sponsored by one or more baptized persons. We baptize infants, children and adults. Since we affirm that there is one baptism, we do not practice re-baptism. Calvary will offer the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, April 27 with a one hour preparation class on Saturday, April 26. The Exploring Baptism class before each baptism day offers family members, godparents and/or those being baptized education about baptism, the baptism service, and a place to ask any questions they may have. Sign up for baptism through the link in the Scroll newsletter.

Graduation Sunday: May 18

We will be celebrating our graduates in May. Please contact Jamie McDonald, jamie@cecbastrop.org, if you have a child, grandchild, or family member connected to Calvary who is graduating from high school, college, or graduate school so we can celebrate them!

Easter Flower & Music Dedications - Due Monday, April 14

Two of the ways we celebrate Easter is by filling the sanctuary with Easter lilies and welcoming a number of special musicians for our Easter services. You can make special Easter Lily & Easter Music Dedications online. Dedications can be made in honor of a person or occasion or in memory of a loved one now in paradise. Dedications will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletins. The deadline for dedications is Mon, April 14. After you make your dedication, please use the "Complete Donation" code and select Easter Lilies & Music from the drop down menu.





Experience the Easter Story Mardi Gras Ash Wednesday Lent Palm Sunday Maundy Thursday Good Friday Easter Sunday PRASUN - 7:30A, 9A, 11:15AM **TUE - 5:30PM** WED - 12PM & 7PM Palm Sunday Mardi Gras Ash Wednesday We wave palms to welcome Pancake Supper & we burn "Remember that you are dust, Jesus into Jerusalem. These palms for the ashes. and to dust you shall return." palms will be next year's ashes. FRI - 12PM & 6:30PM APR SUN - 7:30A, 9A, 11:15AM THUR - 7PM 20 Maundy Thursday Good Friday Easter Sunday *Iesus's last supper with the* We acknowledge the suffering "Christ has risen!" disciples and foot washing. "Christ has risen indeed!" of Christ and of the world.

Join us for our weekly Lenten Series Thursdays Mar 13, 20, 27, Apr 3 & 10 from 6p-7:30p



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