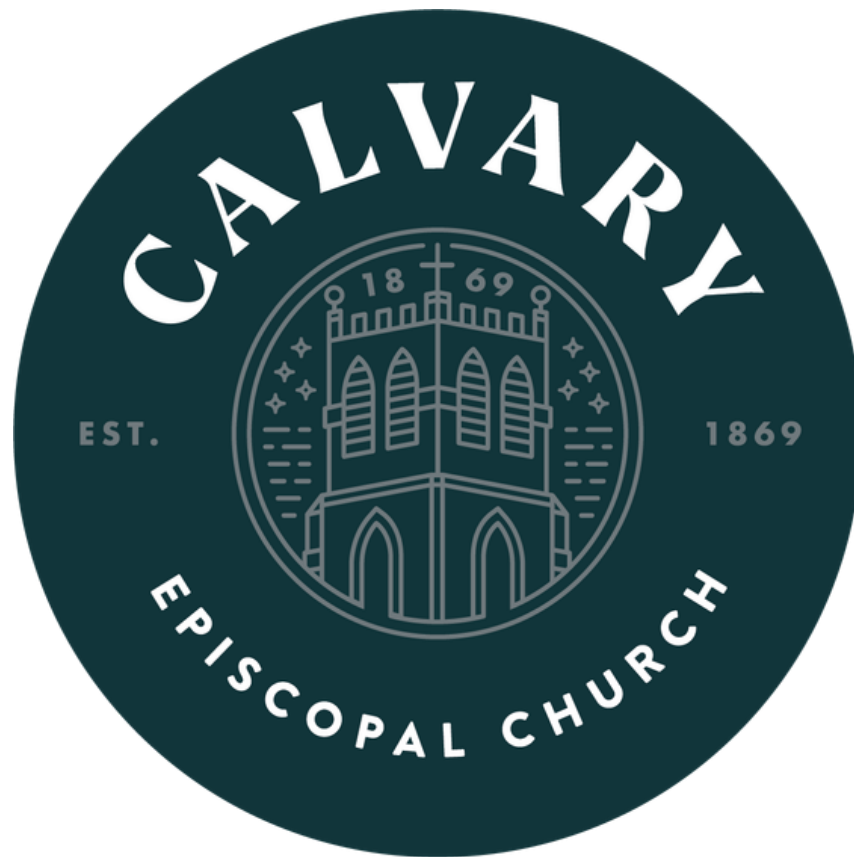


CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sep 27, 2026 | 10 AM

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SUNDAYS 8 & 10 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 Formation for all Ages in the Parish Hall. Restrooms are located in the Galilee Building behind the sanctuary. Children are always welcome in worship. For families who prefer it, a staffed nursery—with trained and certified caregivers—is available in the Galilee Building for children from birth to age 4.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Shackley

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING SONG

How Great is Our God

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The splen - dor of the King, clothed in maj - es - ty; Let all the earth re - joice, all the earth re - joice. He wraps Him - self in light, and dark - ness tries to hide, and trem - bles at His voice, and trem - bles at His voice. How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God!'. The score includes measure numbers 4, 7, 10, 13, and 16. A double bar line with a repeat sign is at the end of the first staff. A double bar line with a repeat sign is at the end of the fifth staff. The word 'Fine' is written above the final measure of the sixth staff.

The splen - dor of the King, clothed in maj - es - ty; _____

4 _____ Let all the earth re - joice, _____ all the earth re - joice. _____ He wraps _____

7 _____ Him - self in light, _____ and dark - ness tries to hide, _____

10 _____ and trem - bles at His voice, _____ and trem - bles at His voice. _____ How great _____

13 _____ is our God! _____ Sing with me: _____ How great is our God! _____

16 _____ And all will see how great, how great is our God! _____ Fine

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THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

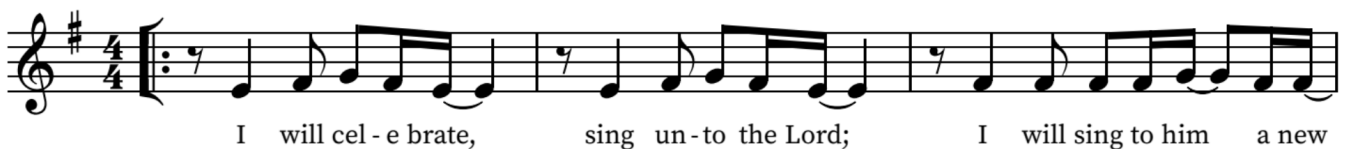
Celebrant

& People

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE RENEW 77

I Will Celebrate



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God.

Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 25:1-8

We will pray the psalm responsively by whole verse.

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
 my God, I put my trust in you; *
 let me not be humiliated,
 nor let my enemies triumph over me.

- 2 **Let none who look to you be put to shame; ***
 let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
 and teach me your paths.

- 4 **Lead me in your truth and teach me, ***
 for you are the God of my salvation;
 in you have I trusted all the day long.

- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
 for they are from everlasting.

- 6 **Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; ***
 remember me according to your love
 and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
 therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

- 8 **He guides the humble in doing right ***
 and teaches his way to the lowly.

LETTERS TO THE CHURCHES

Philippians 2:1-13

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GRADUAL SONG LEVAS 205

Trust and Obey (vs. 1-2)



1. When we walk with the Lord In the light of His word, What a glo - ry He
2. Not a shad - ow can rise, Not a cloud in the skies, But His smile quick - ly
3. Not a bur - den we bear, Not a sor - row we share, But our toil He doth
4. But we nev - er can prove The de - lights of His love Un - til all on the
5. When in fel - low - ship sweet We will sit at His feet, Or we'll walk by His



1. sheds on our way! While we do His good will, He a - bides with us still,
2. drives it a - way; Not a doubt nor a fear, Not a sigh nor a tear,
3. rich - ly re - pay; Not a grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a cross,
4. al - tar we lay; For the fav - or He shows, And the joy He be - stows,
5. side in the way; What He says we will do, Where He sends we will go,—



1. And with all who will trust and o - bey.
2. Can a - bide while we trust and o - bey.
3. But is blest if we trust and o - bey. Trust and o - bey, for there's
4. Are for them who will trust and o - bey.
5. Nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.



no oth - er way To be hap - py in Je - sus, But to trust and o - bey.



Words: J. H. Sammis. Music: D. B. Towner.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:23-32

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

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

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Amy Moehnke

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

Hear Our Prayer p. 82

Celebrant Almighty God, hear the prayers of your people and come swiftly to aid us as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Grant your church wisdom to bring about the beloved community through our commitment to individual and communal transformation and redemption.

People ***Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Grant our nation strength and forbearance to peacefully resolve our differences and to live in amity with our neighbors.

People ***Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Grant an abiding faith and discerning hearts to all of us gathered to hear these words; that we might live into your will and be your people.

People ***Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Give to us clarity, that we might perceive and comprehend the gravity of the global issues which we face, and a determination to work together to implement sustainable and equitable solutions.

People ***Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Lift the burdens of those who are ill, those who face overwhelming challenges, and those who are fearful. Bring them healing and peace.

People ***Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Intercessor Grant peace and a welcome into your eternal grace to those who have died; and bring us to that place where with them we may all live again in your glorious kingdom.

People ***Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Celebrant God of power and might, your eternal essence is love. Guide us as we seek to live fully into our belovedness and grant us an answer to our prayers that fulfills our deepest longings and reflects your glory into the darkness of our lives and world. All this we ask through your Son, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme, One God, indivisible, forever and ever.

People ***Amen.***

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 352

Celebrant 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.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the 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 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 492

Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness

Please stand as you are able.

THE DOXOLOGY 380, vs. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p. 367

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	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...

...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 S-127

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your
glo - ry. 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 people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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



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 BREAKING AND SHARING OF THE BREAD & WINE

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

Here is Bread



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 instinct (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 HYMN 655

O Jesus, I Have Promised

COMMUNION HYMN 660

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

Please stand as you are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 366

Celebrant

and people

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food 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 BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 450

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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CALVARY PRAYER LIST

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Rachel Richter

September Food Collection!

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Help support Primera Iglesia Bautista's food ministry by bringing non-perishable food donations to the Parish Hall throughout September. This month we are collecting canned tuna, canned chicken, canned vegetables, and canned fruit.

St. Francis Day & Blessing of the Animals | Sunday, October 4 at 10 am

Celebrate the Feast of St. Francis with Calvary! Bring your beloved pets for a special Blessing of the Animals as we give thanks for all God's creatures.

Hungry Elders | Wednesday, October 7 at 11:30 AM

Hungry Elders will gather for lunch, fellowship, and conversation in the Parish Hall. Older Calvary parishioners are invited to come enjoy a meal, connect with friends, and share in community together.

Faith Art Journaling Workshop | Saturday, October 24 at 10:00 AM

Discover a creative way to connect with God through Faith Art Journaling in the Parish Hall. No special skills are needed, and supplies will be provided. Learn to create a beautiful journal while finding inspiration in Scripture and enjoying fellowship with friends. Feel free to bring additional craft materials and a snack to share.

RSVP: sebland56@outlook.com or call/text Shirley at 713-724-3528.

Blood Drive | Sunday, October 25

Give the gift of life at Calvary's upcoming Blood Drive! Your donation can make a meaningful difference for patients in need throughout our community. Mark your calendar for Sunday, October 25, and consider donating. More details and sign-up information coming soon.



Altar Flowers Giving

Let beauty become prayer. Honor a loved one or offer thanksgiving through flowers placed on the altar. Dedications may be included.

Scan the QR code to participate.