The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 1, 2021

We welcome you to our virtual service of worship
and hope you’ll share the good news proclaimed and lived here at Calvary,
Columbia, Missouri.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Opening Acclamation:

The Celebrant says

Celebrant  Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People  Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect of the Day

Officiant:  God be with you.
People:  And also with you.
Officiant:  Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

The First Reading


When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, “There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich...
man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man’s lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.” Then David’s anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, “As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.”

Nathan said to David, “You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master’s house, and your master’s wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.” David said to Nathan, “I have sinned against the Lord.” (11:26-12:13a)

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People: Thanks be to God.

Lector: The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 51:1-13. We will read it in unison.

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; * in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I know my transgressions, * and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned * and done what is evil in your sight.

5 And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.
6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.
7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
12 Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
13 Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

The Second Reading

Lector: A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of
the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. (4:1-16)

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Deacon or priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” (6:24-35)
Deacon or priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Holy Conversation on the Word

An Affirmation of Faith

Celebrant: Let us declare our faith in God.

All: We believe in God the Creator from whom everything in heaven and earth has its being.
We believe in God the Son who lives in us and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit who empowers us to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.
Blessed be the ONE: Source of All Being, Incarnate Word, Holy Spirit.

Prayers of the People

Priest: With all our hearts, minds, and strength, let us be united in prayer as we say,

Leader: The world is alive with your goodness, O God. It is lush and fruitful, manifesting your abundance in the world.
People: We give you thanks and open ourselves to be fruitful.

Leader: For choosing us to be temples of your Holy Spirit, dwelling places of your compassionate, patient, ever-present, and inviting love…
People: We give you thanks and own your divinity joined to our humanity.

Leader: For the fruit of wisdom born of the seeds of pain, the fruit of compassion born of the seeds of hurt, and the fruit of faith born of the seeds of fear.
People: We give you thanks and open ourselves to receive the seeds of your redeeming love.
Leader: For eyes to see and hearts to grieve over the many reasons and ways we separate ourselves from you, do harm to one another, and disrespect ourselves. 

People: We give you thanks and ask you to make us one again in you.

Leader: We lift up in prayer those on our parish prayer list and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts [_______], and all those who are sick, sorrowful or suffering. 

People: We give you thanks and trust your mercy for all who need.

Leader: We remember those who have died, especially those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts [__________]. May their rest now be in peace in the paradise of God.

People: We give you thanks as we commend them into your everlasting care. Comfort all who mourn.

Leader: We are alive with your goodness, O God. We are unique, uniquely gifted; each of us being a piece of the wholeness you are.

People: We give you thanks and claim our part in your plan of salvation.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name

Amen. (BCP, 101)

Confession of Sin  BCP, 360

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and 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.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

God our Creator brings us new life, forgives, and redeems us: Take hold of this forgiveness and live your lives in the Spirit of Christ, blessed by God.

People: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant:  

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People:  And also with you.

Celebrant:  Let us offer one another a sign of Christ’s peace.

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship (Form 2)

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

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
   Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
   Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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. Again, he gave thanks to you, 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.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make + us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

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.

People: Amen!

The Lord’s Prayer

Celebrant: And now, with humility and confidence, we pray:

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts that we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.[4]

The Celebrant breaks the bread and says the following Invitation

Celebrant: Behold who you are
People: May we become what we see.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, source of wisdom and light,
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.

Blessing

God’s Blessing be with you, Christ’s peace be with you, the Spirit’s outpouring be with you, now and always. People: Amen. (source: Celtic)

Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia, Alleluia!
People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and
In Loving Memory of Robert McKenzie by Mary McKenzie.
Calvary’s Prayer List

Click [PRAYER LIST](#) to view, download, or print the current Prayer list. New names may be added to the prayer list by emailing the [church office](#).

For Health of Body and Soul (BCP p. 460) May God, the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

Calvary Episcopal Church Announcements
August 1, 2021

A Special announcement from Mother Valori+

My dear Calvary family,

I have accepted a call to serve as Priest-In-Charge at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Webster Groves, MO. My last active day at Calvary will be Sunday, August 15, followed by a two-week vacation during which I will relocate to St. Louis.

I am assured that you will be well covered by clergy support from the diocese during the remainder of your search. As you can imagine, it is important to Emmanuel to have me in place as they begin their program year in September.

It has been the greatest pleasure of my priestly career to serve with you all. I have grown so much during my time among you, and I can’t thank you enough. I will carry you in my heart, hold you in my prayers, and remember you as I serve forever.

Always yours in Christ,

*Mother Valori*+
Update from the Calvary Discernment Team

The first round of rector candidate interviews has been completed. These were done via Zoom. Members of the Discernment Team are reviewing video from the interviews as they pray, reflect and discern about the next rector call for Calvary.

The team will meet this week and, if all are in agreement, invitations for finalists to visit Columbia in mid August will be made in the next 10 days. Please continue to pray for the Discernment Team, candidates and Calvary. Thank you!

TODAY, the first Sunday of the month is Food Bank Sunday when Calvary takes up a collection for The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri. Please help us feed people in our community- Donate!

The Vestry’s Stewardship Covenant with Calvary

Your vestry developed this Stewardship Covenant using a process of spiritual discernment and seeking divine guidance through Scripture and prayer. This covenant reflects where we feel God is leading us as a Vestry in our ministry of stewardship. We make this covenant among ourselves as a vestry and with God as we serve the parish. It is not meant to be a Stewardship Covenant for Calvary Episcopal Church parish as a whole. We pray that all members will prayerfully reflect on our invitation to you within this covenant.

WE BELIEVE that God will provide us with what we need. We have faith that God will show us how to use and share our resources with others.

WE COMMIT to reflect prayerfully as individuals and as a community to listen to what God is saying to us, trusting in divine guidance. We realize that God values us and knows our needs as individuals and as the church.

WE INVITE all to join us in trusting in the promises of God to nourish, protect, and love us, meeting all our needs. God will provide us with the resources to serve our community and all creation; we invite all to join in stewarding these resources for the well-being of our community and the world.
To make your pledge online, fill in the 2021 Pledge Card on the Stewardship page on our website.