

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 12, 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.*

Calvary Episcopal Church

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Welcome to Calvary Episcopal Church in Columbia, MO. We're so glad you've joined us to worship during this Season after Pentecost.

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.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The First Reading

Lector: A reading from the first book of Proverbs.

Wisdom cries out in the street;
in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out;

at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?

How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing
and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof;

I will pour out my thoughts to you;
 I will make my words known to you.
 Because I have called and you refused,
 have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,
 and because you have ignored all my counsel
 and would have none of my reproof,
 I also will laugh at your calamity;
 I will mock when panic strikes you,
 when panic strikes you like a storm,
 and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,
 when distress and anguish come upon you.
 Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;
 they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.
 Because they hated knowledge
 and did not choose the fear of the Lord,
 would have none of my counsel,
 and despised all my reproof,
 therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way
 and be sated with their own devices.
 For waywardness kills the simple,
 and the complacency of fools destroys them;
 but those who listen to me will be secure
 and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.” (1:20-33)

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Lector: The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 19. We will read it in unison.

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
 and the firmament shows his handiwork.*
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
 and one night imparts knowledge to another.*
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
 and their voices are not heard,*
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
 and their message to the ends of the world.*
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
 it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;*

- it rejoices like a champion to run its course.*
- 6** *It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.*
- 7** *The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.*
- 8** *The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.*
- 9** *The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.*
- 10** *More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.*
- 11** *By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.*
- 12** *Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.*
- 13** *Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.*
- 14** *Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.*

The Second Reading

Lector: A reading from the letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the make

many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh. (3:1-12)

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 Mark.

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

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.” (8:27-38)

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.

Gracious God: Grant that your people may have in them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and guide us into harmony of relationship through loving-kindness and the wise use of all that you have given; for you are drawing all things into communion with you and with each other by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

[\(Source\)](#)

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 Charles James Stuth by Joyce Mitchell.

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

September 12, 2021

The Next Rector at Calvary: The Discernment Team and the Vestry are extremely pleased to announce that **The Reverend Ann Dieterle** has been called and has accepted our call to be the next Rector at Calvary. She will begin her tenure at Calvary beginning Monday, November 8 and her first Sunday with us will be November 14. Please watch for a special edition of Calvary News with more biographical information about Mother Ann.

THANK YOU! We would like to offer Calvary's appreciation for our supply priest, The Rev. Susan Kennard, our Deacon, The Rev. Beth Simpson and our liturgical ministers for helping us continue our weekly Wednesday evening and Sunday morning Worship Services as usual.

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.