

The Second Sunday in Epiphany

January 17, 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.*

*We look forward to seeing you when we can gather together again in person.
Until that day, God bless and keep you.*

Calvary Episcopal Church

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Sunday Worship Bulletin: Rite II – The Second Sunday in Epiphany, 2021

Welcome to Calvary Episcopal Church in Columbia, MO. We're so glad you've joined us to celebrate on this Second Sunday in Epiphany.

*This is a full-service bulletin, but if you prefer to use your Book of Common Prayer, the page numbers are listed below. In this bulletin you will find several abbreviations: **BCP** = the **Book of Common Prayer**; **H** = the **1982 Hymnal**; **S** = **Service music** found in the front of the 1982 Hymnal.*

Click these links for the online version of the Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal.

Prelude: "Little" Prelude in C Major

J.S. Bach

Opening hymn: H477 - *All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine* (verses 1 and 5)

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine,
Didst yield the `glory that of right was thine,
That in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine. Alleluia!

5 Let ev'ry tongue confess with one accord
In heav'n and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord,
And God the Father be by all adored. Alleluia!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Opening Acclamation: BCP, 355

The Celebrant says

Blessed be God who is Trinity in Unity.

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

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 Gloria

S-280 in the hymnal

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,**

we praise you for your glory.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Officiant: God is in you.
People: **And also in you.**
Officiant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Lector: A reading from the first book of Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel,

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“Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.” [Then the Lord said to Samuel, “See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever.”]

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” He said, “Here I am.” Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, “It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him.”

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.]
(3:1-10, [11-20])

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Lector: The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17. We will read it in unison.

**1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.**
**2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.**
**3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.**
**4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.**
**5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**
**12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.**
**13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**
**14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

**15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.**

**16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!**

**17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

The Second Reading

Lector: A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

(6:12-20)

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: H516 - *Come down, O Love divine* (verses 1 and 3)

1 Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

3 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till Love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

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 Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

(1:43-51)

Deacon or priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

--- *A meditative moment of silence is kept after the sermon to allow time for the Holy Spirit to carry the Word deep into our hearts.*

An Affirmation of Faith

Priest/deacon: Let us affirm our hope in Christ our Light.

People **We believe in God, whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives
whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth,
whose love was crucified by the evil that seeks to enslave us all,
and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom.
Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and doubting, we trust in God;
and, in the Name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves,
in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace,
to care for the earth and to share the common wealth of God's goodness, to live in
the freedom of forgiveness
and the power of the Spirit of love;
And in company of the faithful, to be the Church,
for the glory of God. Amen.**

Written by The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson

Prayers of the People

Deacon/priest: “Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.”
Guided by the leading of a star, may we reflect in our daily life and work the glory and radiance of Christ our light.

Leader: You who by the leading of a star guided the Magi to the brightness of the Holy Child of Bethlehem; lead us by the guiding of Jesus our Savior to the light of revelation, that we may value and honor the varied gifts of our sisters and brothers and together present the offering of our life’s labor at the feet of our Savior. Christ be our light.

People: **Shine in our hearts.**

Leader: You who framed the brightness of the first light in creation; dispel the arrogance, animosity and anger that shatters the unity of your holy Church. Fill your faithful people with the radiant light of truth, that we may be made one in faith, hope and love. Christ be our light.

People: **Shine in our hearts.**

Leader: You who delivered your people from the misery of bondage in slavery to the land of promise; set us free from enslavement to division, disunity and distrust in our public life and labor. Illumine those in authority with the light of vision, that they may lead the peoples of the nations to greater unity and concord. Christ be our light.

People: **Shine in our hearts.**

Leader: You who patterned the stars and called the sun in to being, who appointed the moon and chartered the cosmos. Pattern the hearts of people everywhere to see in each other the beauty of the universe and the splendor of creation, that divisions of race, class, gender and ethnicity may dissolve into one common humanity. Christ be our light.

People: **Shine in our hearts.**

Leader: You who shower comfort and hope to the lowest, the lost and the least; shower the light of compassion on the sick, the sorrowful and the suffering especially those on our parish prayer list and those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts. (*pause*) Christ be our light.

People: **Shine in our hearts.**

Leader: You who welcome into the brilliant light of eternity the souls of those who have died; welcome those whose lives have been cut short by violence, warfare and strife. Shine the light of hope on our faithful dead, especially those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts. (*pause*) Christ be our light.

People: **Shine in our hearts.**

Leader: You who delight in the complexity of creation and the splendor of each creature; help us to delight in the diversity of the earth our island home. Inspire your people to care for the earth and its creatures and repent and return when we abuse, misuse and neglect our fellow creatures. Christ be our light.

People: **Shine in our hearts.**

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The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

May Christ, the Morning-Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning with the light of love, the spirit of truth and the wellspring of hope; that following the way of Jesus and filled with the flame of the Holy Spirit, we may be a holy people whose lives and living inspire, incite and inflame the world with compassion and care. Through Jesus the Christ the light of the world. Amen.

People **Amen.**

Written by The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson

The Peace. BCP, 360

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements offered by vestry person, Bob Worley, (*see last page*)

Offertory Anthem: *Rock Of Ages* H685
Members of the Cambridge Choir

The Celebrant says the Offertory sentence.

Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

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 him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

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 the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

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Celebrant and People

S-130 in the hymnal

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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.

The Celebrant continues

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.

People: *AMEN.*

The Lord’s Prayer BCP, 364

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The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

The Celebrant continues The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and
may
add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn: H75 - *There's a voice in the wilderness crying* (verses 1 and 3)

1 There's a voice in the wilderness crying,
a call from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway,
a highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted,
the lofty hills brought low;
make straight all the crooked places,
where the Lord our God may go!

3 but the word of our God endureth,
the arm of the Lord is strong;

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he stands in the midst of nations,
and he will right the wrong.
He shall feed His flock like a shepherd,
the lambs he'll gently hold;
to pastures of peace he'll lead them,
and bring them safe to his fold.

The holy food may be consumed after the liturgy. Communion is available to the members of the congregation through a home visit with Communion from Reserve Sacrament.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn: H544 - *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun* (verses 1 and 4)

1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
doth his successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns:
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

Dismissal BCP, 365 or 366 as announced

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The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Postlude: *Sortie in D Major*

Louis Lefébure-Wély

Calvary's Prayer List:

New names may be added to the prayer list by calling the church office.

Gloria, Sharon, Ben, Jeff, Dan, Kathy, Larisa, David, Bernadene, Alice, Mary J, Kay, Joel, Curt and Stephanie.

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 **January 17, 2020**

A big thank you to those who came together for our The Third Parish Summit, “Sharing in God’s Dream” last Sunday. If you weren’t able to join us and/or haven’t participated in the Interim Surveys (one question each), please do. The notes we used at our meeting and the Interim Surveys can be found on the [Interim Work](#) page of our website - which you can find in the main menu at the top of our Welcome page. Please answer the question on pages 2 and 5 and email your responses to [Mother Valori+](#)

Mark your calendars for our Annual Parish Meeting, Sunday, January 31 at 1:00. This is a call for reports for the Annual Report. If you typically send a report, please do so now. Email your reports to: info@calvaryon ninth.org. The Annual Meeting will be held on Zoom. Sign-in information is on our For Members page on the website. On the day of the Annual Parish Meeting, the Zoom information will be linked to the flyer on our Welcome page. Just click on the flyer and you’ll be taken directly to the Zoom waiting room.

The time is upon us to prepare our annual reports. I’ve looked over Calvary’s Annual Reports for the last two years and look forward to helping Connie pull the report together this year, enabling her to focus on moving our financial software to a new system. **Please email your Annual Reports to info@calvaryon ninth.org.** Reports are due in by Wednesday, Jan 20 for inclusion in the report given at the Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, Jan 31. In a few years’ time, when the pandemic is a memory, we’ll want to be able to remember and share the good news of how we adapted, what we let lie fallow for a time, and what new life God created in us in the memorable year of 2020. ~ Mother Valori+

The 2020 Vestry Stewardship Covenant

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.

