

# The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 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.*

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

*We bless and thank all of those who love with a motherly love on this Mother's Day. God bless you all!*

*This is a full-service bulletin. If you prefer to use your Book of Common Prayer, the page numbers are listed as well.*

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**The Opening Acclamation:** BCP, 323

*The Celebrant says*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **People: Amen.**

**The Gloria**

**Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, goodwill towards all.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **Collect of the Day**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**People: Amen.**

### **The First Reading**

Lector: A reading from the book of Acts.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. (10:44-48)

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Lector: The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 98. We will read it in unison.

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, \***  
**for he has done marvelous things.**
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm \***  
**has he won for himself the victory.**
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; \***  
**his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.**
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \***  
**and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; \***  
**lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, \***  
**with the harp and the voice of song.**
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn \***  
**shout with joy before the King, the Lord.**
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \***  
**the lands and those who dwell therein.**
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, \***  
**and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,**  
**when he comes to judge the earth.**
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world \***  
**and the peoples with equity.**

## **The Second Reading**

Lector: A reading from the first letter of John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. (5:1-6)

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel**

Deacon/priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."  
(15:9-17)

Deacon or priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

### **The Homily**

*--- 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.*

**The Nicene Creed BCP, 326.**

**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.**

**Prayers of the People**

*The Deacon or other person appointed says*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Deon, our Bishop; Valori, our Interim Rector; Janet, our Deacon, and Josh our Seminarian, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Joseph, our President; Mike, our Governor, and Brian, our Mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those on our parish prayer list and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts [\_\_\_\_\_]. We pray for all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Ruth Welliver, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.



Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

**The Peace.** BCP, 332

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.

**Announcements** offered by Calvary's vestry representative, David Rees (*see last page*)

**The Lord's Prayer** BCP, 364

*The Celebrant then continues*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.**

**The Blessing**



Celebrant: The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

### **The Dismissal**

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

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

### **Calvary's Prayer List**

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

Shelley, Ted, Helen, Madalyn, Lonnajean, Judalyn, Scott, Bob, Barbara, The Abadir Family, Nancy, The Sessions family, Rebecca, Judy, Gary, Chris, Frank, Dale, Heather, Dougie, Delaney, John, Colleen, Paul, Sue, Carolyn, Phyllis, Stephanie, Recil, Gail, Jim, Dana, Julie, Joel, Sharon, Ben, Dan, Kathy, Larisa, David, Bernadene, and Mary J.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Carolyn Miller.

**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**

May 9, 2021

## *Happy Mother's Day!*

### **Feeding Ourselves Task Force meets Sunday, May 16 at 3:00 pm via Zoom.**

You are invited to join a short-term task force to organize a way to feed our own in times of stress or celebration – a funeral, illness or the birth of a baby.

**Christian Formation Task Force meets Saturday, May 22 at 3:00 pm via Zoom.** You are invited to join a short-term task force to organize a way to make an overall plan for Christian Formation for all ages at Calvary.

### **Campus Ministry Task Force meets Sunday, May 23 at 3:00 pm via Zoom.**

You are invited to join this short-term task force to form a vision for this ministry, build a timeline and review what we have and what we need to get started.

**Zoom information** for all of the Task Force meetings can be obtained by clicking on the appropriate flyer on the Interim Work page of Calvary's website ([calvaryon ninth.org](http://calvaryon ninth.org)).

**One in the Spirit: Pentecost Way of Love Revival Weekend is on Saturday, May 22 at 5-6:30 pm and Sunday, May 23 at 3-4:30 pm.** This revival weekend will include events with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry as well as our own Bishop Deon Johnson and members from throughout the Diocese of Missouri. For information on this event and how to participate, see Calvary News or Calvary's website.

**Calvary serves at Loaves & Fishes on the 1st Sunday of each month.** Many Thanks and much appreciation for all who contributed and helped with the April and May Loaves and Fishes meals!! We had a Ham and Potatoes dinner for Easter Sunday and a Cinco de Mayo meal with Mexican casseroles, rice, and beans last Sunday. With the students leaving at the end of the semester, more volunteers will be needed to pack and serve meals. For more information about Loaves & Fishes at Calvary, see Calvary News.

## **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.

