

Calvary Episcopal Church
First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2024
Holy Eucharist – Rite 2

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



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Page Numbers are listed for your Book of Common Prayer and the 1982 Hymnal.

In this bulletin you will find several abbreviations: BCP = the Book of Common Prayer; Hymns = the 1982 Hymnal; S = Service music found in the front of the 1982 Hymnal.

Reading of the Land Acknowledgement and Invitation to Worship

We respectfully acknowledge that we worship and live on the traditional ancestral lands of the Osage & Sioux Nations. We also acknowledge that the history of the Episcopal Church is intertwined with the history of colonialism and slavery. The legacy of these injustices persists today, both in Missouri and across the country.

Jesus calls us into the dream of Beloved Community, and so we make these acknowledgments to affirm our commitment to work towards racial justice, equity, and liberation for all of God's children. As we turn our hearts toward worship, may the Holy Spirit move among us with conviction and inspiration, delivering us from the presumption of coming to the Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Prelude: *Meditation on "Veni, Veni, Emmanuel"*

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Opening Hymn: H57 – *Lo! he comes with clouds descending*

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Leader: The Gospel of John speaks of Christ as the true light coming into the world. This is a deep truth to which the Church bears witness: Christ is coming. Christ is always coming, always entering a troubled world, a wounded heart. And so we light the first candle, the candle of hope, and dare to express our longing for peace, for healing, and the well-being of all creation.

The first blue candle is lit.

Leader: O come, O come, Emmanuel.

People: **Loving God, as we enter this Advent season, we open the dark places in our lives and memories to the healing light of Christ. Show us the creative power of hope. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you that we may walk in the light of Christ.**

Leader: Take time, in the busy-ness and the stillness of this season, for quiet reflection, for the light of God's love is discernible everywhere.

People **We open ourselves to be surprised by wonder, and set aside time to offer our thanks.**

Leader: The good news of Advent is this: Christ is coming. Christ is always coming.

People We will welcome Christ into our hearts.
We will let ourselves be guided by his ministry.
We will go forth from this place in hope.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Salutation and Collect for Purity

Officiant: Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

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

Officiant: 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.**

Trisagion S102 (sing three times)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us.

See lectionary handout for collect, readings and psalm.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant: God is with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

People: **Amen**

The First Reading

Lector: A reading from **Jeremiah 33:14-16.**

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

The reading for today is **Psalm 25:1-9.**

Led by the choir

The Second Reading

Lector: A reading from **1 Thessalonians 3:9-13.**

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: H63 - *O heavenly Word, eternal Light*

The Gospel

Deacon or priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke 21:25-36**.

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

Deacon or priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord 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

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

In peace, we pray to you, Loving God.

Silence is observed.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; We pray for Joseph, our President, Michael, our Governor, Barbara, our Mayor, and all members of our national and state legislatures and judiciaries. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For a deep love of your creation, and for the wisdom and will to protect and preserve it.

For this fragile earth, our island home.

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression, and for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For all who minister to the most vulnerable in our communities.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; we pray especially for: in our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for the people and ministry of Trinity Episcopal Church in Hannibal and their clergy; in our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for Parish of St. Hilda (Parroquia Santa Hilda) in Trujillo Alto; and for the Journey Church in Fulton and Jessica, their Priest in Charge.

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Deon our Bishop, Ann, Josh, and Beth our clergy, Darlene, Matt, and Suhsi our Aspirants, and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation:

(Silence. The People may add their own petitions.)

Here us, O Christ;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, O Christ, for all the blessings of this life;

(Silence. The People may add their own petitions.)

We will exalt you, O God our Savior;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

(Silence. The People may add their own petitions.)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence is kept, and then the Deacon leads the confession.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

The Absolution (BCP pg. 360)

People: Amen.

The Peace (BCP pg. 360)

People: And also with you.

The Announcements

Celebrations and Recognitions

Anyone celebrating a birthday or anniversary or observing significant transitions and milestones are invited forward for a blessing.



We thank you for making your Sunday gift in the offering plates or paying your pledge by:

- scanning the QR code on the left*
- going to the Stewardship page on our website, or*
- dropping your check or cash into the collection plates in the church.*

Offertory Anthem: *The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns*
Cambridge Choir

arr. Phelps

You're invited to observe a meditative moment of silence to allow the Spirit and the music's movement to settle in your hearts.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant God is 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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs of everlasting life; that when Christ shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S124

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.

Celebrant: 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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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,

All: We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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...and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

People: AMEN.

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, (BCP. pg. 364) **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as is 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 Celebrant breaks the bread and then the people sing:

Agnus Dei S161

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The bread and wine are served at the communion rail. A blessing is given to anyone who would like to come forward but does not want to receive communion. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Hymn: H61 - *Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us*

H454 - *Jesus came, adored by angels*

Post-Communion Prayer (BCP pg. 366)

Celebrant: Let us pray,

All: 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 Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

May the Son of Righteousness shine upon you, and scatter the gloom from before your path. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, this day and always.
Amen.

Closing Hymn: H73 – *The King shall come when morning dawns*

The Dismissal (*Deacon leads*)

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Lift Up Your Heads!*

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The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God

Calvary Episcopal Church Announcements

December 1, 2024

*See Calvary Email News for more information,
volunteer opportunities and sign up links*

Welcome visitors! We're glad that you are here today. We would love to get to know you and invite you to complete one of the welcome cards in the pews and place it in the basket in the front on your way out, or hand it to one of the ushers.

TODAY

The First Sunday of the month is **Food Bank Sunday** at Calvary when we collect an extra donation for the Central & NE Missouri Food Bank which serves our local community.

2025 Calvary Stewardship Campaign: The pledge card and an informative brochure that highlights our loving church community and our use of God's resources have been mailed to members of Calvary. Prayerfully complete your pledge of financial support for 2025. Pledge cards can be placed inside the box in the narthex or parish hall or dropped off at the church office or completed online. **Sunday Dec 1** – The ingathering of pledges will be held on December 1 with a potluck brunch at 9:00 am

Tickets for the Bazaar Raffle and the Country Breakfast will be available for purchase TODAY between services. These sales will be cash or check only.

Prepare ye the way. **The Advent Giving Tree is here.** This year's Calvary Advent Giving Tree will benefit Episcopal Relief and Development's Hurricane Relief Program. The Advent Giving Tree will be in the narthex on December 1st and throughout the Advent season. Prepare your hearts by donating generously to those whose lives were disrupted by these hurricanes. Consider donating for yourself or in honor of a loved one

Upcoming Events

Join us on Friday, **December 6 from 6:00-8:00 pm** at Calvary as we once again participate in **The District's Living Windows celebration**. If you are familiar with this event, it involves a host of downtown establishments creating festive "living" displays in their windows. If you have any questions or would like to help with Calvary's efforts, please contact Rev. Josh.

The St. Nicholas Bazaar is on Saturday, December 7, 8:00 am till noon. See the St. Nicholas Bazaar special edition email that went out November 21 for more information.

Calvary Episcopal Church Advent and Christmas Schedule 2024:

- **Friday, December 6** – Living Windows – 6:00 – 8:00 pm
- **Saturday, December 7** – St. Nicholas Bazaar – 8:00 am - Noon
- **Friday, December 13** - Christmas Handbell Concert with Reception - 7:00 pm*
- **Saturday, December 21** – The Longest Night Service in the Chapel – 5:05 pm
- **Sunday, December 22** – After 10:30 am service – Chili Cook-off, Greening the church and Caroling
- **Tuesday, December 24**
 - Children and Family Christmas Eve Service – 4:00 pm*
 - Christmas Eve Worship with Holy Communion – 7:00 pm*
 - Christmas Eve Concert – 10:30 pm*
 - Christmas Eve Worship with Holy Communion – 11:00 pm*
- **Wednesday, December 25** – Christmas Day Worship with Holy Communion – 10:00 am
(wear your pjs!)
- **December 29** – The First Sunday after Christmas with Holy Baptism – 10:00 am*

**These events will be in-person and live-streamed on YouTube.*



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