

EPIPHANY



The Third Sunday in Epiphany
Calvary Lutheran Church
January 25th, 2026

We are so thrilled to have you join us!

Calvary is a place for everyone, regardless of age or background. Whether you are young or simply young at heart; single, married, or widowed; a life-long believer or just getting started, you can find a home here. We are a congregation that worships, studies, and serves together.

A Special Welcome to Those With Young Children

First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that young children tend to wiggle, fuss, cry, or even giggle - so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Children are welcome here at Calvary!

Each Sunday your child may pick up a pew activity bag at the back of the sanctuary. Please return the pew bags after the service.

Feel free to sit wherever is most comfortable for your family. To make things a bit easier for your family, dare to sit closer to the front so your child can see all the activity going on at the altar. We encourage you to help them to be a part of the service by leading them to stand/sit, sing along, and chime in on responses, such as "Amen" and "Thanks be to God!"

If needed, we have a parent's room available at the back of the church, with windows into the sanctuary and audio as well, so that you can both see and hear the service.

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus's words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Luke 18:16). We know that children are a blessing to the church!

Communion at Calvary

Every week, Calvary celebrates the Lord's Supper with confidence and gladness in the forgiveness of sins that is offered by Jesus Christ at his table. This gift is more than a symbol; it is the true presence of Christ with us in his body and blood through the bread and wine. Our Lord invites to his table all baptized believers who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us.

If you are unsure of the beliefs and practices of the Lutheran Church, are questioning salvation in Christ Jesus, or do not believe, please speak with the pastor about receiving communion. We welcome you to come to the table with arms crossed upon your chest to indicate you would like a blessing.

When receiving, please know that the white cups are wine and the red cups are juice.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Harris.

+ THE GATHERING +

PRELUDE

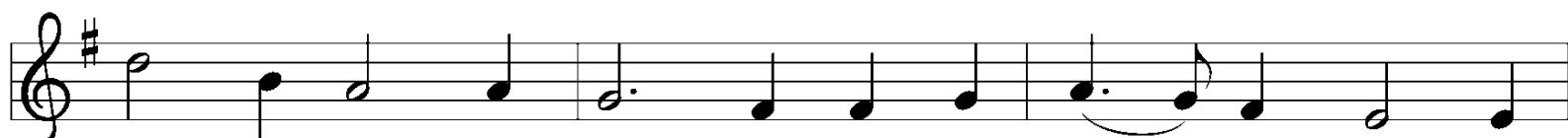
WELCOME

HYMN

O Christ Our Light, Our Radiance True (LW 314)



1 O Christ, our light, O Ra - diance true, shine forth on
2 Fill with the ra - diance of your grace the wan - d'lers
3 Lord, o - pen all re - luc - tant ears and take a -
4 Lord, let your mer - cy's gen - tle ray shine down on
5 Make theirs with ours a sin - gle voice up - lift - ed,



those es - tranged from you, and bring them to your home a -
lost in er - ror's maze. Set free all those whose hearts and
way the need - less fears of those who trem - ble to ex -
oth - ers strayed a - way. To those in con - science wound - ed
ev - er to re - joice with wond - 'ring grat - i - tude and



gain, where their de - light shall nev - er end.
minds some deep de - lu - sion haunts and binds.
press the faith their in - most hearts con - fess.
sore show heav - en's wait - ing, o - pen door.
praise to you, O Lord, for bound - less grace.

CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C :But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God, our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

You Are Holy



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev- er more



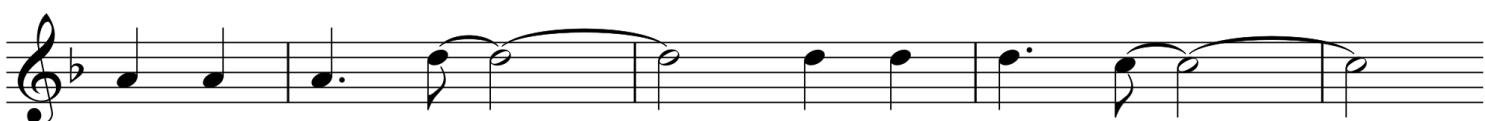
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Bless - ed are you com-ing near. Bless - ed are you com-ing here



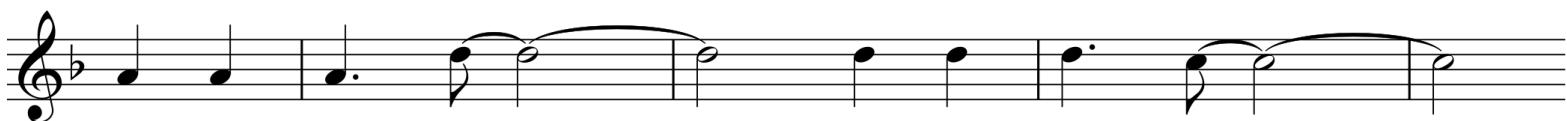
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



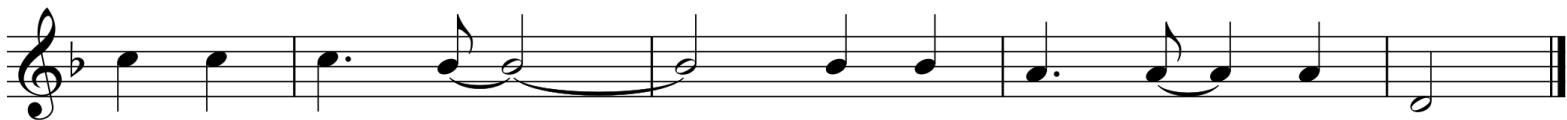
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Hal - e - lu - jah!



SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

COLLECT

P: Let us pray.

Lord God, your loving kindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Alex Harris



+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

1 But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

2 The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,
on them has light shone.

3 You have multiplied the nation;
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

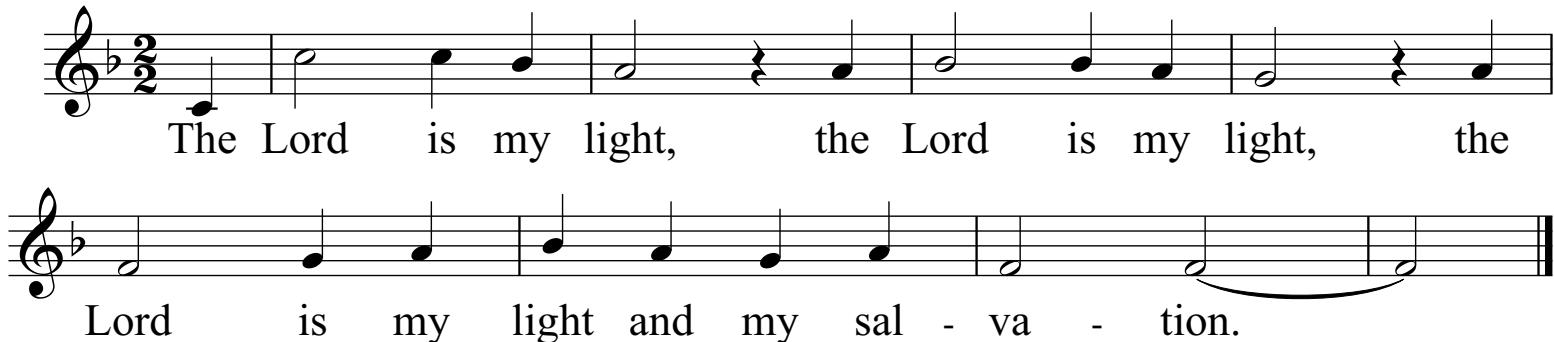
4 For the yoke of his burden,
and the staff for his shoulder,
the rod of his oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

P: This is the word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God!**

PSALMODY PSALM 27

The Lord Is My Light – Randall DeBruyn

Refrain/Congregation



The Lord is my light, the Lord is my light, the
Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion.

Verses/Cantor

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
If God is my help, whom should I fear?
The Lord is my refuge, my stronghold and my strength;
Why should I be afraid? *Refrain*

There is but one thing that I want:
To live in the dwelling place of God;
To look all my days on the beauty of the Lord,
And contemplate God's holy temple. *Refrain*

I shall see for myself the grace of God,
The dawn of that day among the living.
Wait for the Lord, find strength in your hearts;
Have courage and wait for God. *Refrain*

10 I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. **11** For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. **12** What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." **13** Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? **14** I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, **15** so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. **16** (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) **17** For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

18 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

P: This is the word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - - le - - lu - ia. You have the
words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - - - le - - - lu - - - ia,
al - - - le - - - lu - - - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 4:12-23

P: The Holy Gospel is from Saint Matthew, the fourth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

12 Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. **13** And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, **14** so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

15 "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

16 the people dwelling in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,
on them a light has dawned."

17 From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

18 While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. **19** And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” **20** Immediately they left their nets and followed him. **21** And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. **22** Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

23 And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

Pastor Alex Harris



HYMN OF THE DAY *You Have Come Down To the Lakeshore (ELW 817)*

1 Tú has ve - ni - do_a la_o - ri - lla, no has bus -
 1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther
 3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing
 4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the

ca - do ni_a sa - bios ni_a ri - cos; tan só - lo
 nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly
 trea - sure nor wea-pons for con - quest, just these my
 love for the rest of the wea - ry— a love that's
 long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing

quie - res que yo te si - ga.
 ask - ing for me to fol - low.
 fish nets and will for work - ing.
 will - ing to go on lov - ing.
 Friend, you have come to call me.

Refrain / Estribillo

Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do_a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,
 Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind-ly smil - ing,

has di - cho mi nom-bre. En la_a-re - na he de - ja - do mi
 you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a-ban-doned my

bar - ca; jun - to_a ti bus-ca - ré o - tro mar.
 small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

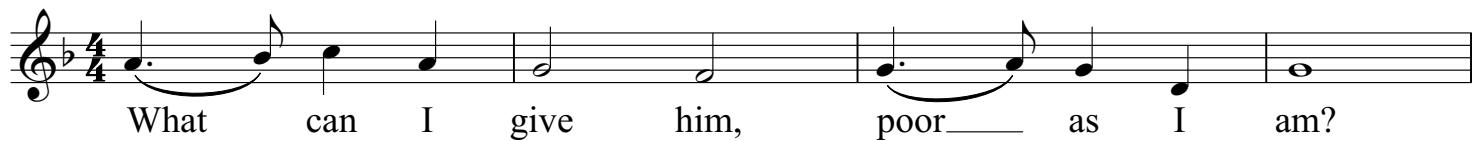
THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

Voluntary

OFFERTORY HYMN

So Bring Him Incense



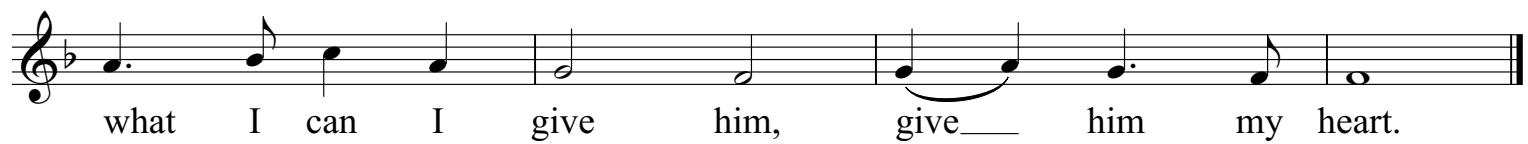
What can I give him,
poor as I am?



If I were a shepherd,
I would bring a lamb;



if I were a wise man
I would do my part;
yet



what I can I give him,
give him my heart.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(congregation may kneel or stand during the prayers)

P: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell, the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



PREFACE

P The Lord be with you. C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It truly is right and salutary that we should give all thanks and praise to you, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, for in the mystery of the Word made flesh you have given us a new revelation of your glory, that, seeing you in the person of your Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying...

SANCTUS

Holy Holy Holy

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!
 in the high - est!

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 forever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take eat, this is My (+) Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me. "In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you, this is My (+) Blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Greet one another in the name of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

ANGUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; the sin of the world;

— Grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *Will You Come and Follow Me? (ELW 798)*



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



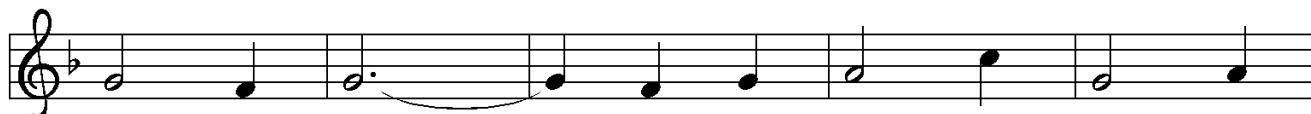
your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let my an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

THE POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the truly present Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in body and soul unto life everlasting.
Go in peace.

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *Now, Lord, You Let Your Servant Go in Peace*

The musical notation consists of eight staves of music in 3/4 time, treble clef, and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with each line of text corresponding to a staff. The lyrics are as follows:

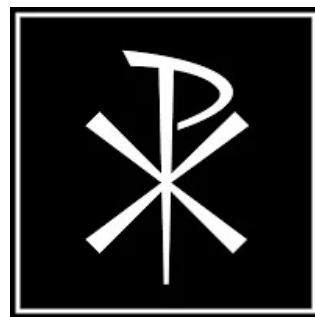
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace;
— your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal-
vation which you have prepared in the sight of all people:
a light to reveal you to the na-tions and the
glo-ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.
Glo - ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and
will be for - ev - er. A - - - - men.

+ SENDING +

BENDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless you and Keep you;
The Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
☩ the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

Amen.



RECESSATIONAL HYMN *Lift Every Voice and Sing (ELW841)*

1 Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring,
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - t'ning rod,
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,

ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty.
 felt in the days when hope un - born had - died;
 thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;

Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - t'ning skies,
 yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet
 thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the light,

let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
 come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?
 keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;



sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us;
we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered,
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;



fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun,
out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at last
shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er stand,



let where us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
true the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
true to our na - - tive land.

DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Today's altar flowers were
generously donated by the
Fletcher Family

Pastor
Alex Harris

Minister of Music
Brian Priebe

Organist/Pianist
Elizabeth Schneider

Bass
Phill Daniels

Drums
Bryan Isler

Choir

Singers
Nancy Dydak, Lori Schwartz

Altar Guild

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