We Enter into Worship...

Prelude Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Choir

How Great Thou Art

Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-3



We Meet with God through Prayer, Scripture, and Song...

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature—prone to evil and slothful in good—and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. O Lord, have mercy upon us as we are ashamed and sorry for everything in which we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins, for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us, we beseech you, to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(adapted from *The Book of Common Worship*)

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

2 Corinthians 5:17

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Elder Sam Winegarden

The Lord's Prayer

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. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem Choir

In a Servant's Heart

The Gloria Patri

things on earth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Featured Element of Worship: The Gloria Patri

Gloria Patri is Latin for "Glory be to the Father," the first line of a song that has been sung in Christian worship for over 1,700 years. We sing the Gloria Patri this morning immediately after our Unison Scripture Reading. The reason for this placement in our liturgy is to emphasize the fact that all of Scripture is intended to point us to the glory of God, as he exists and works in all three persons of the Trinity. To be certain, it was God the Son (in the person of Jesus Christ) who died for our sins on the cross, but he was not alone in procuring our salvation. When he did so, it was according to the eternal plan of God the Father, who has elected us to salvation (Ephesians 1), and it is God the Holy Spirit who binds us to Christ that we might receive the benefits of his work (Romans 8:9-11). Therefore, the Gloria Patri reminds us that the work of salvation is a cooperative work of the Trinity, that we might be blessed today and forever.



Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863

Alt. 1961

Attr. to Severus Gastorius

Gesangbuch, Weimar, 1681

We Hear the Word of God Preached...

Sermon Notes

Sermon Rev. Pete Scribner Habakkuk 2:4-20

⁴ "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith. ⁵ "Moreover, wine is a traitor, an arrogant man who is never at rest. His greed is as wide as Sheol; like death he has never enough. He gathers for himself all nations and collects as his own all peoples."

⁶ Shall not all these take up their taunt against him, with scoffing and riddles for him, and say, "Woe to him who heaps up what is not his own—for how long?—and loads himself with pledges!" ⁷ Will not your debtors suddenly arise, and those awake who will make you tremble? Then you will be spoil for them. ⁸ Because you have plundered many nations, all the remnant of the peoples shall plunder you, for the blood of man and violence to the earth, to cities and all who dwell in them.

⁹ "Woe to him who gets evil gain for his house, to set his nest on high, to be safe from the reach of harm! ¹⁰ You have devised shame for your house by cutting off many peoples; you have forfeited your life. ¹¹ For the stone will cry out from the wall, and the beam from the woodwork respond.

¹² "Woe to him who builds a town with blood and founds a city on iniquity! ¹³ Behold, is it not from the Lord of hosts that peoples labor merely for fire, and nations weary themselves for nothing? ¹⁴ For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁵ "Woe to him who makes his neighbors drink— you pour out your wrath and make them drunk, in order to gaze at their nakedness! ¹⁶ You will have your fill of shame instead of glory. Drink, yourself, and show your uncircumcision! The cup in the Lord's right hand will come around to you, and utter shame will come upon your glory! ¹⁷ The violence done to Lebanon will overwhelm you, as will the destruction of the beasts that terrified them, for the blood of man and violence to the earth, to cities and all who dwell in them. ¹⁸ "What profit is an idol when its maker has shaped it, a metal image, a teacher of lies? For its maker trusts in his own creation when he makes speechless idols!

¹⁹ Woe to him who says to a wooden thing, Awake; to a silent stone, Arise! Can this teach? Behold, it is overlaid with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in it. ²⁰ But the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him."

Woes to those who practice:

Greed

Injustice

Violence

Shame and violation

Idolatry

Statement of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and 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 there he shall 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.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

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We Depart into the World...

Benediction

Parting Hymn

God be with you till we meet again; By his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Following corporate worship, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, donuts, and a fellowship meal, and Sunday School in our Education Wing!

Meditation for the Week

Grace cost God his Son. Grace cost Jesus the suffering of the full wrath of God's judgment. God doesn't ignore evil—not the evil out there in the world nor the evil in every one of our hearts. Grace doesn't mean getting away with evil. It means having evil accounted for and dealt with more fully than we can even imagine. Grace comes at a cost, but it's a cost Jesus paid. And because Jesus has paid this cost, we can have hope in his grace. We can take both the cost of our forgiveness and the hope of grace seriously...

If you understand the problem of evil is not just a problem out there in the world but a problem with your own heart, you'll be more in touch with the reality of the situation. And the more you understand the depth and breadth of the problem of evil, the more you will recognize that God's judgment is just. The more you realize all of this, the more you will be moved with gratitude and joy because you will realize how much you really needed to be forgiven for your evil and just what forgiveness has cost. This realization will make you love him more even when you do struggle with doubts about his ways and his apparent silence in the face of evil. This realization will also turn your presumption into gratitude.

The God of the Bible is not aloof and indifferent to your suffering or the suffering in the world. In Jesus, he entered fully into it and bore the weight of the evil and suffering of the world upon himself in order to free sufferers from their burden and bring them into the comfort of his salvation.

Travis Scott, *Faithful Doubt: Habakkuk*, White Blackbird Books, 2020

<u>WELCOME</u> to this morning's service of corporate worship!

<u>The Flowers</u> adorning our worship service this morning have been provided by Barb Milloy in memory of Harold (John) Milloy; and by Jim & Chris Campbell in honor of God's glory.

A Flower Chart is posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. You can sign up to provide flowers for either one or both vases at a cost of \$15/vase. The church office will reach out to you to arrange for your payment and to find out if you have a specific message that you would like included in the bulletin. You are then free to take those flowers home after worship, or leave them for the Deacons to take to brighten someone's day!

<u>New Pictoral Directory</u> - If you have not gotten your picture taken yet for the new church directory, please get it taken after worship today. We will be set up in the nursery, and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

<u>Holiday Food Baskets</u> - The Martha-Mary Circle is once again collecting non-perishable food items to provide for families in need this Thanksgiving and Christmas. Lists of needed items are available in the front vestibule, as are signup forms if you know of a family in need (two requests per person).

<u>Women's Christmas Luncheon</u> - Get your ticket today to attend the annual Women's Christmas Luncheon in Frankenmuth. Tickets will be available after worship each Sunday throughout the month of November.

<u>Prayer Chain</u> - Please contact Rev. Scribner (618-795-4319) if you have a prayer request or would like to serve the congregation at Calvary by being a part of our prayer chain.

<u>Fellowhip Meal</u> - There will be a meal served in the Fellowship Hall following today's worship service. All are invited to join in the food and the fellowship!

Offerings are received each week in the wooden donation box in the Narthex. We have placed it there as a convenience for our members and friends. If you are visiting us this Sunday, please feel no pressure to make any donation. We are glad to have you simply be our guest today, and invite you to join us for a donut and coffee in the Fellowship Hall after worship!

Communion at Calvary

If you are our guest in worship today, we welcome you both to Calvary and to the Lord's Table. Our celebration of the Lord's Supper is <u>open to all</u> who have trusted in Christ as their Savior and follow Him as their Lord, that in partaking they might experience spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

Mindful not only of Scripture's promises, but also of its cautions regarding the Lord's Supper, we generally discourage <u>children</u> from partaking of the sacrament. Regardless of age, it should be shared only by those people who understand and give ascent to the historical and personal significance of the cross of Jesus Christ.

When the bread is passed to us by the Elders, each person wishing to participate is asked to remove a piece from the tray and hold it while others are being served. Then, as a symbol of our common union with Christ as one body, we shall all partake together.

When the cups are distributed, each person wishing to participate is asked to remove a cup from the tray and, as a symbol of our individual trust in Christ, to drink on our own.

We encourage worshippers to use the time during which others are being served for the thoughtful reading of Scriptures or quiet meditation and prayer.

May God nourish our spirits as we worship Him through partaking of these elements in faith, as a sign and a seal of the covenant of grace.

Women's Ministry Invitation

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Christmas at Frankenmuth: "Wrapped in God's Love"
Friday, December 5, 2025, 10am
Bavarian Inn, Alpine Room
Ticket Sales Every Sunday throughout November
Adults \$25, Children (12 and under) \$9

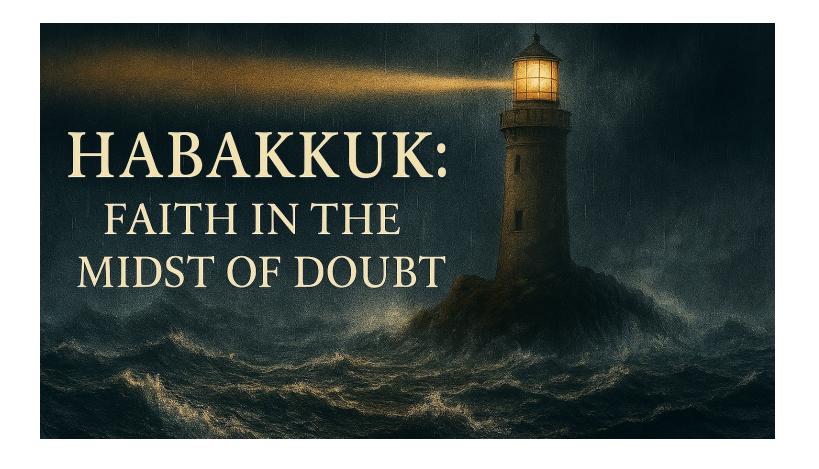
Please donate gifts to "Voice for Children"

Unwrapped gifts for children (birth-18 years old) will be collected at church as well as at the luncheon.

This Week at Calvary

	Today	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
		10:00	Worship Service with Communion followed by coffee, donuts & fellowship meal
		11:45	Sunday School
	Monday		Church Office Closed
	Tuesday	2:00	Tuesdays at Two
	Thursday	6:30	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday			Choir Workshop
	Next Sunday 9:40		Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
		10:00	Worship Service followed by coffee, donuts & fellowship

As you prepare your heart for worship next Sunday, be sure to familiarize yourself with Habakkuk 3:1-16 (which will be our sermon text) and spend some time with our Meditation for the Week (printed inside the bulletin).



Calvary Presbyterian Church

November 2, 2025



Our Mission - We exist to know, worship, serve, and enjoy the one true God.

Our Vision - We seek to love God completely, love others selflessly, and everywhere proclaim Christ: crucified, risen, and reigning forever.

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