We Enter into Worship…

Prelude — Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit — Choir

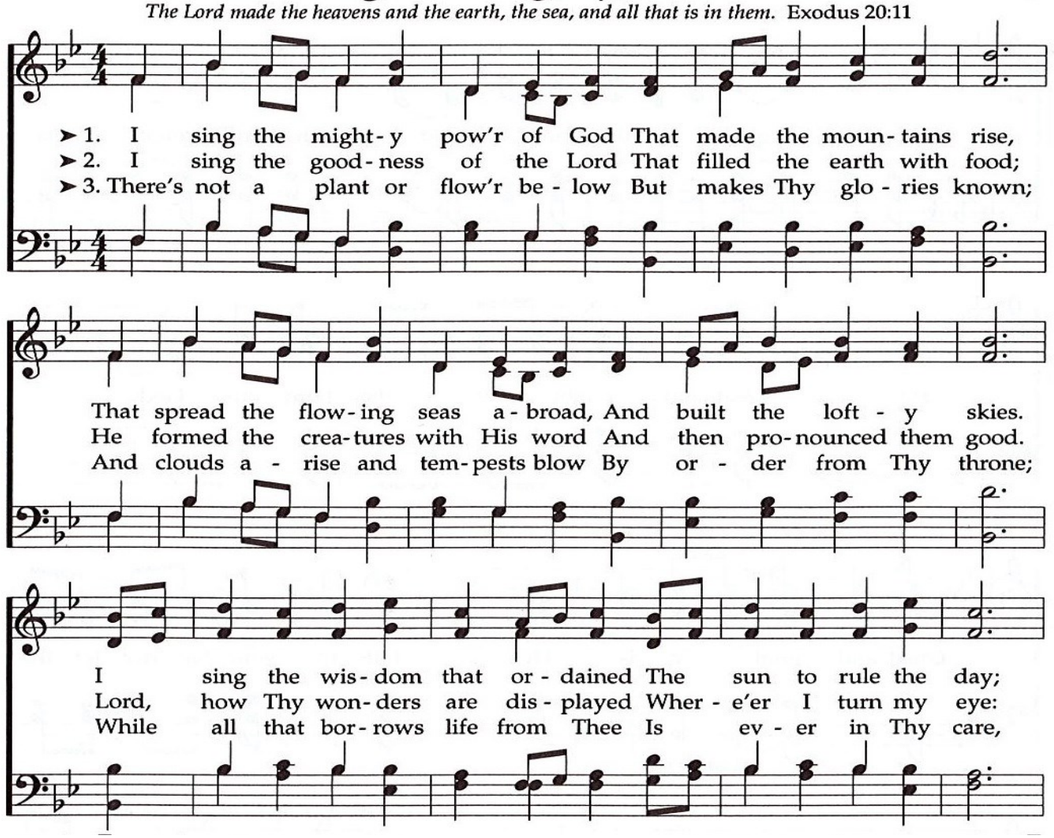
In His Cross I Glory
Words and Music by Tricia Walker

In the cross of Christ I glory,
There for all was grace made free,
None deserving, yet receiving
Life thru death at Calvary.

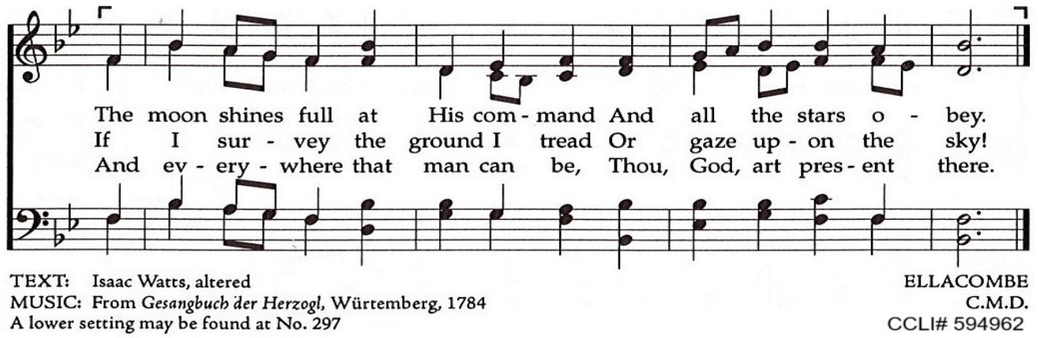
Call to Worship — Psalm 97:1-2

I Sing the Mighty Power of God 128

The Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them. Exodus 20:11



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We Meet with God through Prayer, Scripture & Song…

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent Confession

Heavenly Father, you are good beyond all thought, but we are vile, wretched, miserable, blind; Our lips are ready to confess, but our hearts slow to feel and our ways reluctant to amend. We bring our souls to you: Break them, wound them, mold them. Unmask to us sin's deformity, that we may hate it, abhor it, flee from it. Give us grace to bewail our folly. Grant us to know that the way of transgressors is hard, that evil paths are wretched paths, that to depart from you is to lose all good. Work in us a godly grief for our sin and grant that through the tears of repentance we may see more clearly the brightness and beauty of the glorious cross. We pray in the name of Christ Jesus, the completely righteous Son of God. Amen.

(adapted from The Valley of Vision)

Assurance of Forgiveness — Romans 5:20-21

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 Christ Alone with The Solid Rock

1. In Christ alone, my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm;
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My Comforter, my All in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless Babe;
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save;
'Til on that cross, as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied,
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again;
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

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4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny;
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow’r of Christ I'll stand.

Unison Scripture Reading — Isaiah 51:1-8

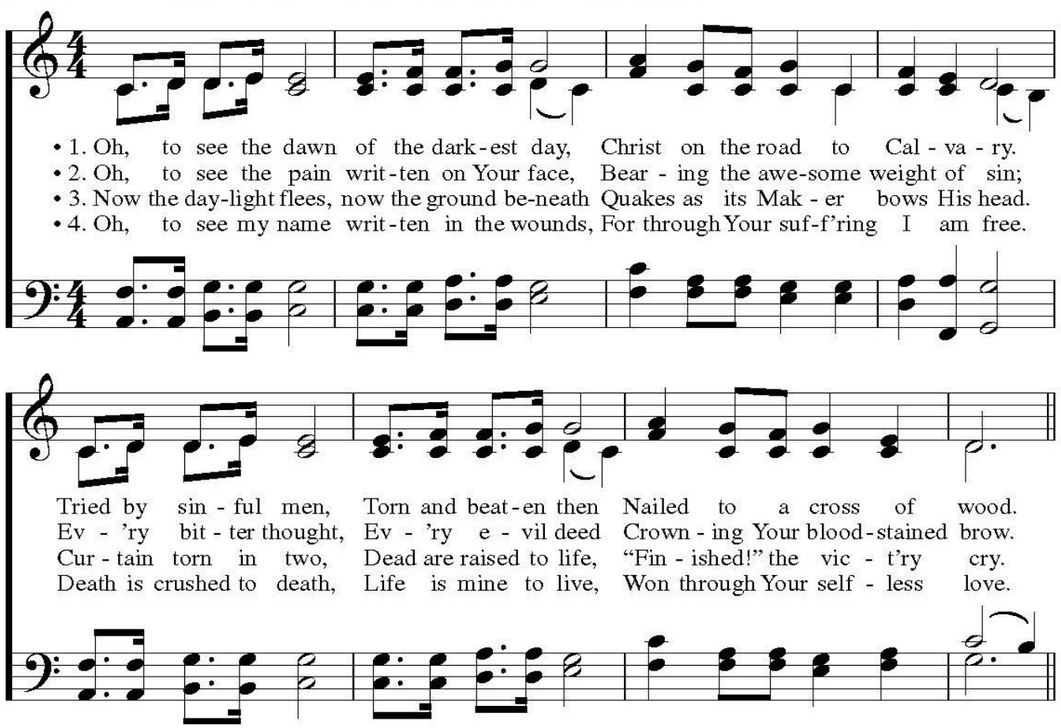
1 “Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,
you who seek the Lord:
look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.
2 Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
that I might bless him and multiply him.
3 For the Lord comforts Zion;
he comforts all her waste places
and makes her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the Lord;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

4 “Give attention to me, my people,
and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
5 My righteousness draws near,
my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me,
and for my arm they wait.
6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;

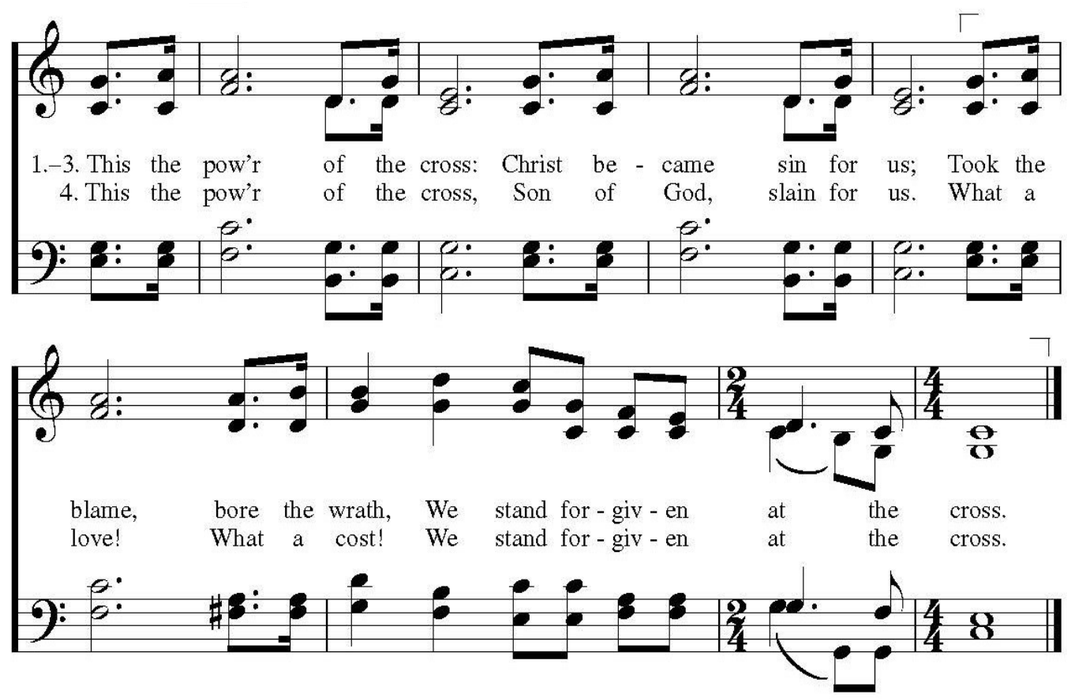
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for the heavens vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;
but my salvation will be forever,
and my righteousness will never be dismayed.
7 "Listen to me, you who know righteousness,
the people in whose heart is my law;
fear not the reproach of man,
nor be dismayed at their revilings.
8 For the moth will eat them up like a garment,
and the worm will eat them like wool,
but my righteousness will be forever,
and my salvation to all generations."

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We Hear the Word of God Preached…

Sermon — Elder Chris Holmberg

Romans 1:16-17, "The Gospel Is the Reason for It All"

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power
of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the
Jew first and also to the Greek. 17 For in it the
righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it
is written, "The righteous shall live by faith.

We Respond to the Word of God Preached…

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

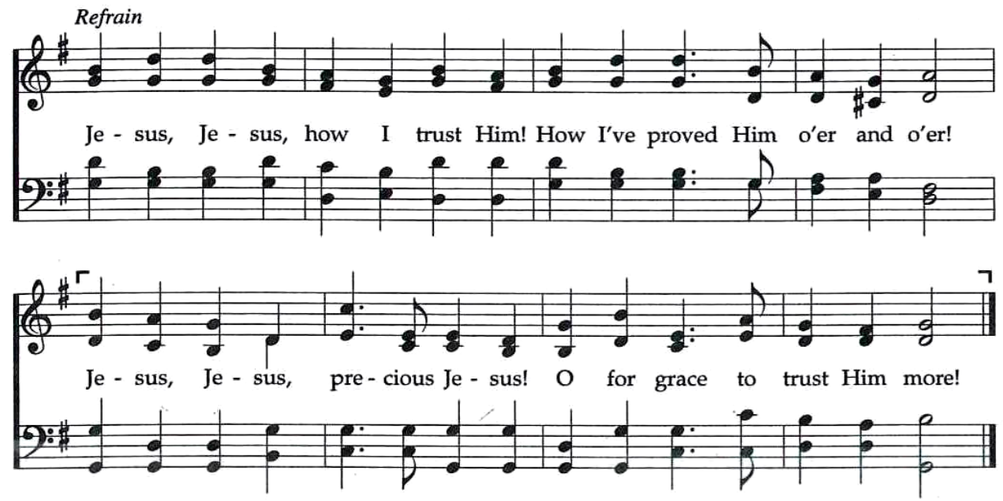
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.



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We Depart into the World…

Benediction

Parting Hymn

Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace. Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, Traveling thro' this wilderness.

Postlude

Featured Element of Worship: Elder in Worship

In the Presbyterian Church, pastors are ordained to the office of Teaching Elder, while other members of Session (the Board of Elders) are ordained as Ruling Elders. The fact that a Ruling Elder assists in worship each week is not merely a matter of making the pastor's job on Sunday morning a little bit easier. They assist in leading worship because the primary function of the office of both Teaching and Ruling Elders is to shepherd the flock of God (1 Peter 5:2). In assisting with leadership on Sunday morning, we make a statement that their role is not so much one of "managing the church's business," as it is shepherding the church's souls. Please keep Calvary's Session in your prayers as they undertake this weighty responsibility!

WELCOME to this morning's service of corporate worship.



Women's Christmas Luncheon - The Women's Ministry invites you to the annual Christmas Luncheon in Frankenmuth on Friday, December 4th.The luncheon will be at the Bavarian Inn Restaurant's Alpine Room. This year's theme is Jesus Changes Everything. Our guest speaker will be Rachel Everett. Tickets are $25 for adults, and will be on sale starting today, and each Sunday in November. Along with the luncheon, we will once again be collecting gifts for Voices for Children's Advocacy Center in Flint and Mott Children's Health. Come and share the joy of celebrating the birth of our Savior!

Holiday Food Drive - 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).



The Flowers adorning our worship service this morning have been provided by Jerry and Joanne Dosh.

This Week at Calvary

Today

9:40am Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
10:00am Worship Service followed by coffee, donuts & fellowship
11:30am Sunday School

Tuesday

2:00pm Tuesdays at Two
6:00pm Diaconate Meeting

Thursday

6:30pm Choir Practice

Friday **Office Closed**

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Church Staff

Pastor	Pete Scribner
Music Minister	Chris Holmberg
Secretary	Malyn Campbell-Greene
Custodian	Vicky Haughey



As you prepare your heart for worship next Sunday, be sure to read through 1 Peter 2:11-25 (which will be our sermon text), and spend some time with our Meditation for the Week and Scripture Memory Verse (printed on the bulletin insert).

Sermon Notes: Romans 1:16-17, "The Gospel Is the Reason for It All"

1. Gospel Pride (v. 16a)

2. Gospel Power (v. 16b)

3. Gospel Provisions (v. 17)

A. The Righteousness of God (v. 17a)

Meditation for the Week

Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions of the Week

Q. 57. Which is the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment is, *Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservent, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.*[1]

[1] Exodus 20:8-11; Deuteronomy 5:12-15.

Q. 58. What is required in the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his Word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy sabbath to himself.[2]

[2] Exodus 31:13, 16-17.

Q. 59. Which day of the seven hath God appointed to be the weekly sabbath?

A. From the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, God appointed the seventh day of the week to be the weekly sabbath;[3] and the first day of the week ever since, to continue to the end of the world, which is

Conference - Our friends at University Reformed Church in East Lansing are hosting a wonderful conference next month, with their former pastor, Kevin DeYoung speaking. You may recall Rev. DeYoung preaching at Rev. Scribner's installation service at Calvary back in 2014. The cost for the conference is very reasonable and it's not too far away. More information

Bible Memorization Verses

1 Peter 2:9-10: [9]But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. [10]Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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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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