

We Enter into Worship...

- Prelude Chris Holmberg
- Welcome and Announcements
- Introit Choir
- Psalm 32:11 Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart
- Call to Worship Psalm 149:1

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

Corporate Prayer of Confession

O great and everlasting God, who dwells in unapproachable light, who searches and knows the thoughts and intentions of the heart; we confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, nor with all our soul, nor with all our mind, nor with all our strength; nor our neighbors as ourselves. We have loved what we ought not to have loved; we have coveted what is not ours; we have not been content with your provisions for us. We have complained in our hearts about our family, about our friends, about our health, about our occupations, about your church, and about our trials. We have sought our security in those things which perish, rather than in you, the Everlasting God. Chasten, cleanse, and forgive us, through Jesus Christ, who is able to save all who approach you through him, since he always lives to make intercession for us. Amen.

Adapted from Deuteronomy 6 & Hebrews 7

Silent Confession of Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Isaiah 38:17b

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 Chris Holmberg

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.

166 You Who His Temple Throng

1. You who his tem - ple throng, Je - ho - vah's praise pro - long,
 2. O let his name em - ploy your ev - 'ry note of joy,
 3. You saints, your joy pro - claim and glo - ry in the name

new an - thems sing; you saints, with joy de - clare your Mak - er's
 his prais - es speak; he looks with lov - ing face up - on his
 of God a - bove; and when the day - light dies, ere sleep shall

lov - ing care, and let the chil - dren there joy in their King.
 cho - sen race, and will with ev - 'ry grace a - dorn the meek.
 close your eyes, let praise to God a - rise for all his love.

From Psalm 149
The Psalter, 1912; mod. CCLI# 594962 TRINITY (ITALIAN HYMN) 6.6.4.6.6.6.4.
 Felice de Giardini, 1769

Purify My Heart/Refiner's Fire

His Mercy Is More

Unison Scripture Reading

Psalm 2

Verse 1: What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Verse 2: What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus: Praise the Lord, His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness new every morn,
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Verse 3: What riches of kindness He lavished on us!
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus (two times)
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.
Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa
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- ¹ Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?**
- ² The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying,**
- ³ "Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us."**
- ⁴ He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord holds them in derision.**
- ⁵ Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,**
- ⁶ "As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill."**
- ⁷ I will tell of the decree:
The Lord said to me, "You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.**
- ⁸ Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.**
- ⁹ You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."**
- ¹⁰ Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.**
- ¹¹ Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.**
- ¹² Kiss the Son,
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.**

Featured Element of Worship: His Mercy Is More

Written by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell to be a modern hymn, *His Mercy Is More* is actually inspired by a John Newton sermon, in which Newton asks, "Are not you amazed sometimes that you should have so much as a hope, that, poor and needy as you are, the Lord thinketh of you? But let not all you feel discourage you. For if our Physician is almighty, our disease cannot be desperate and if He casts none out that come to Him, why should you fear? Our sins are many, but His mercies are more: our sins are great, but His righteousness is greater: we are weak, but He is power."

Papa writes, "Hymns have an aesthetic density that isn't present in all of the church's songs. They represent transcendence both as art for our culture and as a part of our sung worship of Jesus. My own focus on the Psalms as laments and the beauty of their emotional honesty brought these songs to life." He continues, "When we sing a lyric like 'Our sins they are many, His mercy is more' that is a truth for all time, all places and for all generations and it is worth the effort to sing

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know 478

1. Je - sus loves me, this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so.
 2. Je - sus loves me, this I know, he loved chil - dren long a - go.
 3. Je - sus loves me, he will stay close be - side me all the way;
 4. Je - sus loves me, loves me still, though I'm ver - y weak and ill;
 5. Je - sus loves me, he who died, heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;

Lit - tle ones to him be - long; they are weak, but he is strong.
 In his arms for all to see, say - ing, "Let them come to me."
 • he's pre - pared a home for me, and some - day his face I'll see.
 from his shin - ing throne on high comes to watch me where I lie.
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

Matthew 22:34-40

³⁴ But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵ And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" ³⁷ And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸ This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

Sermon Notes

- How We Approach Jesus
 - * Recognizing Him as God
 - * Loving Him as God
- How We Approach Others

We Respond to the Word of God Preached...

Statement of Faith

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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By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another. John 13:35

Unison

1. We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.
 2. We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.
 3. We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.
 4. All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come.

We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.
 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.
 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.
 And all praise to Christ Je - sus, His on - ly Son.

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And we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored.
 And to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
 And we'll guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each one's pride.
 And all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one.

Refrain
 And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

TEXT: Peter Scholtes; based on John 13:35

MUSIC: Peter Scholtes

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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 today's service of corporate worship, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, donuts & fellowship, and then Sunday School in our education wing.

Meditation for the Week

The life of Christianity consists very much in our love to Christ. Without love to Christ, we are as much without spiritual life—as a carcass when the soul is fled from it is without natural life. Faith without love to Christ is a dead faith, and a professor without love to Christ is a dead professor, dead in sins and trespasses. Without love to Christ we may have the name of Christians—but we are wholly without the nature of Christians. We may have the form of godliness—but are wholly without the power of godliness. "Give me your heart!" is the language of God to all people, Proverbs 23:26; and "Give me your love!" is the language of Christ to all His disciples. Christ knows the command and influence which love to Him, in the truth and strength of it, has; how it will engage all the other affections of His disciples for Him; that if He has their love, their desires will be chiefly after Him. Their delights will be chiefly in Him; their hopes and expectations will be chiefly from Him; their hatred, fear, grief, anger, will be carried forth chiefly unto sin—as it is offensive unto Him. He knows that love will engage and employ for Him, all the powers and faculties of their souls; their thoughts will be brought into captivity and obedience unto Him; their understandings will be employed in seeking and finding out His truths; their memories will be receptacles to retain them; their consciences will be ready to accuse and excuse as His faithful deputies; their wills will choose and refuse, according to His direction and revealed pleasure.

Thomas Vincent (1634-1678)

The True Christian's Love to the Unseen Christ

WELCOME to this morning's service of corporate worship!

The Flowers adorning our worship service this morning have been provided by Calvary's Diaconate to the glory of God.

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.

Tuesdays at Two: This week we will wrap up our study on the Holy Spirit, and next week we will began a new study, making this a perfect time to join us if you've never been. We meet each week at the church on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00.

Prayer Chain - 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.

Missions Update - We received a new quarterly newsletter from missionaries xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx telling us all about their ongoing work in xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx. Be sure to grab a copy at the Missions table in the Narthex after our worship service today.

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!

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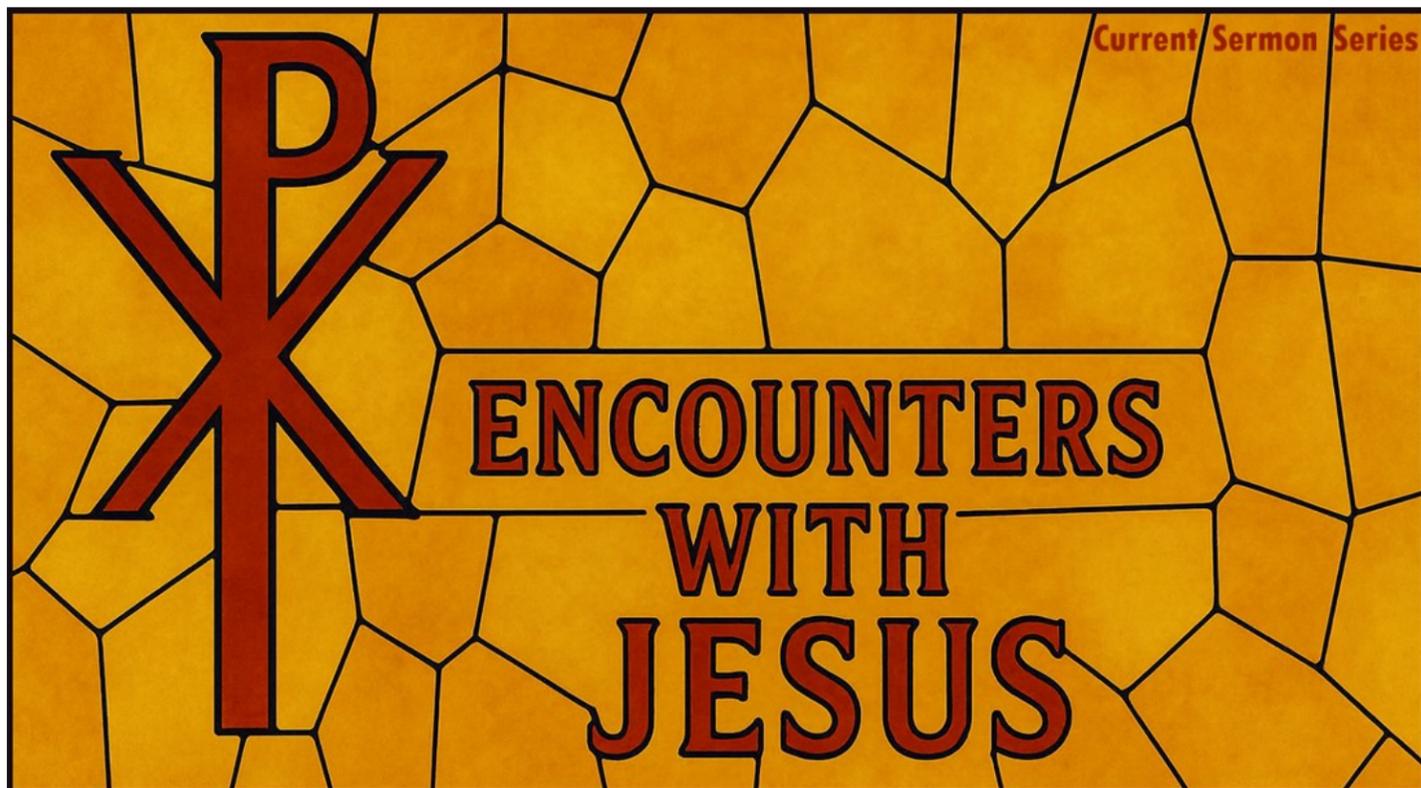
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This Week at Calvary

Today	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
	10:00	Worship Service followed by coffee, donuts and fellowship
	11:30	Sunday School
Tuesday	2:00	Tuesdays at Two
Thursday	6:30	Choir Rehearsal
Friday		Office Closed
	10:00	Session
Next Sunday	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
	10:00	Worship Service followed by coffee, donuts and fellowship
	11:30	Sunday School

Throughout the week, as you ready your hearts for next Sunday's service of corporate worship, consider our Meditation for the Week (printed inside the bulletin), and familiarize yourself with Luke 8:40-56 which will be next Sunday's sermon text.



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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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