**Liturgy for Corporate Worship** 

The Lord's Day

**February 16, 2025** 

Prelude Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Choir

Psalm 32:11 Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart

Call to Worship Psalm 95:1

Opening Hymn 291

O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent Confession

Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all those who call upon you; hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness; and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward others. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, and of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Colossians 1:13-14

The Gloria Patri 572

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.

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.

Unison Scripture Reading John 11:38-44

The Earth Is the Lord's

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem

Sermon Hymn 344\*

Choir

Grace Greater than Our Sin

Sermon Rev. Pete Scribner

Ephesians 2:1-10

Closing Hymn 277

Before the Throne of God Above

Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

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, till we meet again.

Postlude

\* - The Celebration Hymnal

Our Prayer of Confession is adapted from *The Book of Common Worship*.

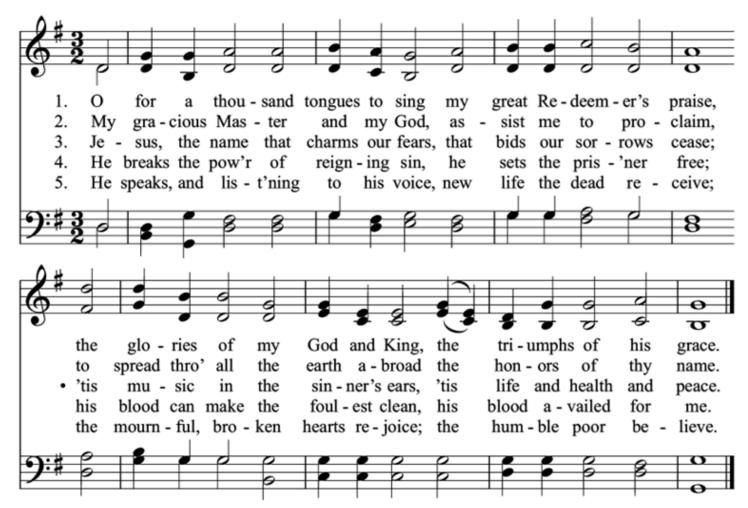
#### Featured Element of Worship: O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Charles Wesley (1707-1789) is one of the great hymnists of the 18th century, having written over 6,500 hymns, including no less than 17 which are found in our hymnal. Among these are Rejoice the Lord is King (281), Come Thou, Long-Expected Jesus (300), Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (311), Christ the Lord is Risen Today (360), And Can It Be That I Should Gain (431), Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (465), and today's opening hymn, O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (291).

Once, upon a ship with his brother John, heading back to home England after missionary work in the the American colonies, Charles was speaking with Moravian church leader Peter Bohler, whose faith the Wesley brothers deeply respected. Bohler made the comment, "Oh, Brother Wesley, the Lord has done so much for my life. Had I a thousand tongues, I would praise Christ Jesus with every one of them." It was these words that inspired inspired Wesley to write this great hymn of the church. As we sing it this morning, may our hearts echo that of Bohler, and may the words of Wesley continue to sing in our souls!

#### O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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- Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ; ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.
- To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n;
   by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

Charles Wesley, 1739; alt. Alt. 1961

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## **Unison Scripture Reading...Psalm 2**

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup> When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." <sup>44</sup> The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Anthem

## The Earth Is the Lord's

The Earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof. (4x)

All creatures who live on the Earth are the Lord's. (4x)

For who can rightly ascend the hill of the Lord,

And who may enter His house to hear his word?

The pure in heart and hand, The pure in heart and hand.

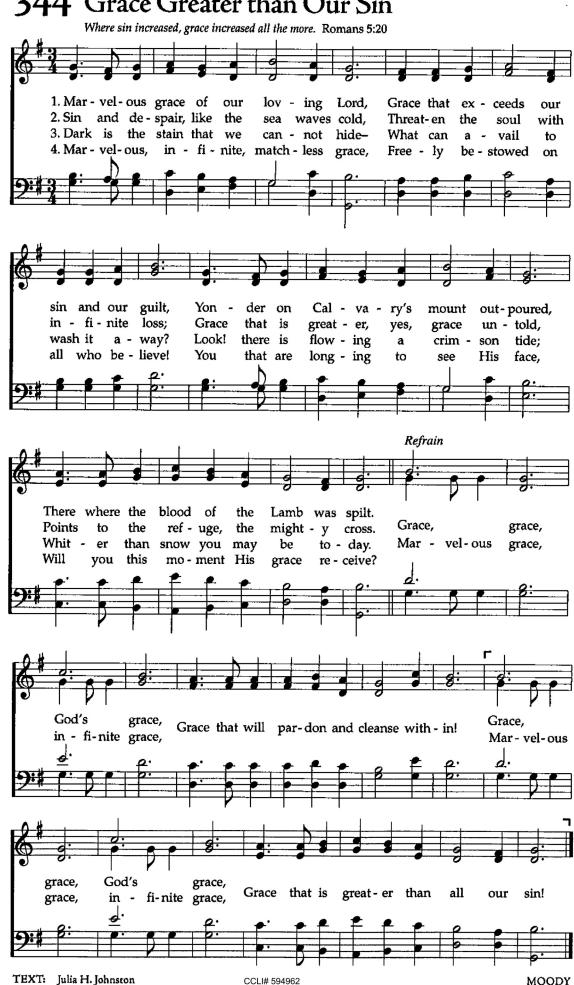
Such are the people of God who understand.

The Earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof. (4x)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Amen.

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# 344 Grace Greater than Our Sin



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MUSIC: Daniel B. Towner

# **Sermon Text...Ephesians 2:1-10**

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—<sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup>But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, beven when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 'so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

#### **Before the Throne of God Above**



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BEFORE THE THRONE 8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8.8. Vikki Cook; arr. Ruth Coleman

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<u>The Flowers</u> adorning our worship this morning have been provided by Jim and Chris Campbell to the glory of God.

<u>Prayers</u>: Be sure to remember the following members and friends of Calvary who have recently been in the hospital:

Henry Ford—Genesys
Roberta Eisinger
Pat Fournier

McLaren
Barb Milloy
Recovering at Home:
Pat Fournier
Jim Jones
Mary Winegarden

Reminder for Parents: At Calvary, while we do offer a nursery and a cry room, we welcome and even encourage having your children in the sanctuary during worship from the earliest days that you are comfortable having them there. Jesus says, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven," (Matthew 19:14, Mark 10:14, Luke 18:16). We take this command to heart. Some people fret that as their little children fidget and fuss, they might be a distraction, disrupting our emotional experience in worship. We actually welcome those noises, as they are a joyful reminder of the presence of little ones in our midst as members of the family of God. As Scott Clark notes, "God doesn't mind that your emotional experience is less intense. He takes the long view. Your children will grow up not segregated from public worship and the means of grace. They'll grow up a part of the community of the redeemed and watching baptisms (so they can see what happened to them). They'll see the supper administered and they'll ask, "When can I have it?" They'll hear the Law and the Gospel and they'll grow up knowing that this is their identity, that it's really true, that God said, 'I will be your God and your children's God."

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!

#### This Week at Calvary

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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
	6:30	Choir Rehearsal
Friday	10:00	Session
		Office Closed
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In addition to our Meditation for the Week (found on the bulletin insert), spend some time in next week's sermon text (Ephesians 2:11-21) throughout the week as you prepare your heart for corporate worship.

<u>Prayer Chain</u>: If you have prayer requests or would like to be involved with praying for your church family, please do not hesitate to reach out to Rev. Scribner at 618-795-4319.

#### **Church Staff**

Pastor	Pete Scribner
Director of Music	Susan Lechota
Music Minister	Chris Holmberg
Custodian	Vicky Haughey

## **Sermon Notes...Ephesians 2:1-10**

1. How We Were

2. What God Did

3. Who We Are as a Result

# Calvary Presbyterian Church

February 16, 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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