

We Enter into Worship...

Prelude Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Choir

Glory to God

Call to Worship Isaiah 6:1-3

230 Holy, Holy, Holy!



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!



Reginald Heber, 1783-1826  
 NICA EA 11.12.12.10.  
 John B. Dykes, 1861  
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We Meet with God through Prayer, Scripture & Song...

Corporate Prayer of Confession

**O Lord, our Maker, our Defender, and our Redeemer, we have sinned against you. Our natures are corrupt and sinful; prone to fall away from you, sluggish to do good and swift to do evil. Vain thoughts have come upon us and found lodging within us, defiling and disquieting our minds, and keeping out good thoughts. We have burdened ourselves with that care which you have commanded us to cast upon you. We have failed in our duties one to another, and have provoked one another as much to folly and anger as to love and good works. We have been cold in our love to you, weak in our desires toward you, unsteady in our walking with you, and are even at this time poorly prepared to serve you. We beseech you - forgive all our sins, for Christ's sake, and be at peace with us in him who died to make peace and lives to make intercession for us. Amen.**

Adapted from a prayer by Matthew Henry

Silent Confession of Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 5:6-8

The Gloria Patri

**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 Randy Heidtman

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

Matthew 13:10-17

<sup>10</sup> Then the disciples came and said to him, “Why do you speak to them in parables?” <sup>11</sup> And he answered them, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. <sup>12</sup> For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>13</sup> This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. <sup>14</sup> Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says:

“ ‘ “You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive.”

<sup>15</sup> For this people’s heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.’

<sup>16</sup> But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. <sup>17</sup> For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.”

Anthem

Choir

His Grace Will Lead Us Through

Pastoral Prayer

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your  
 2. “Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed; for I am your  
 3. “When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the riv - ers of  
 4. “When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my grace, all - suf -

faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What more can he say than to  
 God, and will still give you aid; I’ll strength - en you, help you, and  
 sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for I will be with you, your  
 fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I

you he has said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 cause you to stand, up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 trou - bles to bless, and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.  
 on - ly de - sign your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.

5. “E’en down to old age all my people shall prove  
 my sov’ reign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
 and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,  
 like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

6. “The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
 I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

Sermon

Elder Sam Winegarden

Matthew 25:14-30

<sup>14</sup>“For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup>To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. <sup>17</sup>So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup>But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. <sup>19</sup>Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.’ <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ <sup>22</sup>And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.’ <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ <sup>24</sup>He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.’ <sup>26</sup>But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ”

What are you doing with what you have been given?

I. Intro/Parable Set-up/Context

II. Parable of the Tenants

III. The Lessons of the Parable

A. Diligence in Kingdom Work

B. There will be a reckoning.

C. How am I using the gifts God has given me?

D. How are we as a church using our gifts?

## Featured Element of Worship: Sermon

Why do we have a sermon each week? Isn't preaching an outdated mode of communication? Pastor Zack Hicks shares these thoughts on the importance of preaching in our current world:

"In a postmodern American society that prizes radical equality (everyone's the same), the relativity of truth (everyone's beliefs are equally valid), and suspicion of power (I can't trust people in authority), we need to realize just how subversive and shaping it is for us to sit and listen to a sermon. When we sit, our posture is saying, 'I'm submitting myself to the authority of the Bible.' When we listen to preaching with receptive ears, we are saying, 'I'm looking to something outside myself to tell me what is true and inform my life.' The very act of listening to a sermon makes us a counter-cultural people who begin to doubt some of the above-mentioned assumptions about the world. We become a people who look to God—not ourselves—to inform us, grow us, lead us, and equip us. Now we can see that it's not only the *content* but the very *action of listening* to a sermon that shapes us into who God wants us to be."

## We Respond to the Word of God Preached...

### Statement of Faith

### 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.**

## Jesus Calls Us

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1. Je - sus calls us o'er the tu - mult of our  
2. As, of old, a - pos - tles heard it by the  
3. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
4. In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
5. Je - sus calls us; by thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,

life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his sweet voice  
Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and  
• vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thine o -

sound - eth, say - ing "Chris - tian, fol - low me."  
kin - dred, leav - ing all for his dear sake.  
• keep us, say - ing "Chris - tian, love me more."  
plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

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, 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.

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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 Thank You Note from Dick & Pat Abel to the congregation has been posted on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board expressing the Abels' appreciation for the love and support they have received in the wake of their daughter Pam's death.

A Memorial Service for Nina Fenner will be held at the church tomorrow, February 9th, at noon. Visitation will begin at 10am and there will be a meal served afterwards in the Fellowship Hall.

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!

## Meditation for the Week

Some say that all love arises from self-love; and that it is impossible in the nature of things, for any man to have any love to God, or any other beings, but that love to himself must be the foundation of it. But I humbly suppose it is for want of consideration that they say so. They argue, that whoever loves God, and so desires his glory or the enjoyment of him, he desires these things as his own happiness; the glory of God, and the beholding and enjoying his perfections are considered as things agreeable to him, tending to make him happy; he places his happiness in them, and desires them as things, which (if they were obtained) would be delightful to him, or would fill him with delight and joy, and so make him happy. And so, they say, it is from self-love, or a desire of his own happiness, that he desires God should be glorified, and desires to behold and enjoy his glorious perfections. But then they ought to consider a little further, and inquire how the man came to place his happiness in God's being glorified, and in contemplating and enjoying God's perfections.—There is no doubt but that after God's glory, and the beholding his perfections, are become so agreeable to him, that he places his highest happiness in these things then he will desire them, as he desires his own happiness. But how came these things to be so agreeable to him, that he esteems it his highest happiness to glorify God, etc.? Is not this the fruit of love? A man must first love God or have his heart united to him, before he will esteem God's good his own, and before he will desire the glorifying, and enjoying of God as his happiness.

Jonathan Edwards  
*Religious Affections*

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### This Week at Calvary

<b>Today</b>	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
	10:00	Worship Service followed by coffee, donuts and fellowship
	11:30	Sunday School
<b>Tuesday</b>	2:00	Tuesdays at Two
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday</b>		<b>Office Closed</b>
<b>Next Sunday</b>	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
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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 Matthew 22:34-40 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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