

We Enter into Worship...

Prelude Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Choir

Come, Let Us Sing

Call to Worship 1 Timothy 1:17

417 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -  
 2. To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his  
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner  
 5. Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 thron - g to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -  
 • love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 leaps to lose his chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with

shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume, shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 • shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Based on Psalm 72 Isaac Watts, 1719 CCLI# 594962 DUKE STREET L.M. John Hatton, 1793

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

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, and have violated your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore the penitent, according to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, for his sake, that we may hereafter live godly, righteous, and sober lives, to the glory of his holy name. Amen.

Adapted from the 1662 Book of Common Prayer

Silent Confession of Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness Romans 3:21-22a

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 Bob Daily

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

Only God

Unison Scripture Reading

Exodus 34:4-9

<sup>4</sup> So Moses chiseled out two stone tablets like the first ones and went up Mount Sinai early in the morning, as the Lord had commanded him; and he carried the two stone tablets in his hands. <sup>5</sup> Then the Lord came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the Lord. <sup>6</sup> And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation."

<sup>8</sup> Moses bowed to the ground at once and worshiped. <sup>9</sup> "Lord," he said, "if I have found favor in your eyes, then let the Lord go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance."

Musical Offering

Yes, My Jesus Loves Me

Ladies Ensemble

Pastoral Prayer

Be Thou My Vision

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all  
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er  
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my  
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -  
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by  
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,  
 • dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,  
 her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,  
 heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what -

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.  
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vis - ion, O Rul - er of all.

Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th cent.  
Tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1905  
Vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

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SLANE 10.10.10.10.  
Traditional Irish melody  
Harm. OPC/URCNA 2016  
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**Featured Element of Worship – *Be Thou My Vision***

This morning we are singing the hymn, “Be Thou My Vision.” It is one of the best known and most beloved ancient hymns still commonly sung today. It is impossible to have definite knowledge of the hymn’s original writer. It dates back at least to 8<sup>th</sup> century Ireland, though some have suggested that it might have originally been penned by the 6<sup>th</sup> century Irish poet, Dallan Forgaill. It was first translated into English in 1905 by Mary Byrne, and then seven years later further translated by Eleanor Hull. Another seven years later it was set to the Irish folk tune “Slane,” providing us with the version of the hymn we sing today.

As Zac Hicks notes, “What we can discern is that our ancient Irish brothers and sisters had a very holistic spirituality, and this song exemplifies this in desiring God to be in and around everything that we do, anywhere we are. God is personified as our ‘Vision,’ the idea being that He is at the forefront of all of our thoughts and actions. Everywhere we go, and in everything we do, He is there!” Let us join with our brothers and sisters spanning the globe from throughout the centuries in rejoicing in this truth!

Seeking Jesus:

- For Mercy

- With Persistence

*We Hear the Word of God Preached...*

Sermon

Rev. Pete Scribner

Matthew 15:21-28

<sup>21</sup> And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” <sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” <sup>26</sup> And he answered, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>27</sup> She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

- By Faith

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.**

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1. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, In the dawn - ing of the King;  
 2. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, He the per - fect Son of Man;  
 3. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ the Lord up - on the tree,  
 4. Come, be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Slain by death the God of life;

He the theme of heav-en's prais - es, Robed in frail hu - man - i - ty.  
 In His liv - ing, in His suf - f'ring Nev - er trace nor stain of sin.  
 In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners, Hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry.  
 But no grave could e'er re - strain Him, Praise the Lord, He is a - live!

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In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, Now the light of life has come;  
 See the true and bet - ter Ad - am, Come to save the hell-bound man;  
 See the price of our re - demp - tion, See the Fa - ther's plan un - fold;  
 What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, How un - wa - ver - ing our hope;

Look to Christ, who con - de - scend - ed, Took on flesh to ran - som us.  
 Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment Of the law, in Him we stand.  
 Bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry, Grace un - meas - ured, love un - told.  
 Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed, As we will be, when He comes.

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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.

WELCOME to this morning's service of corporate worship!

The Flowers adorning our worship service this morning have been provided by Barb Milloy to the glory of God in celebration of her 93rd birthday yesterday, as well as by Jimmy & Karen Hayden in celebration of the birthdays of their son, Junior Hayden, today, and Karen's brother on March 18th.

Condolences are also offered on behalf of the church to the family of Bruce Dunn, who died March 5th. There will be a service at the church tomorrow, March 16th at 11am, followed immediately by a meal.

Wednesday Night Gathering - March 18th we will be gathering once more as a church family. Make sure to put it on your calendar and join us that night for dinner at 6pm followed by a prayer service at 7pm. If you plan on attending, please sign up today in the Narthex to help us with planning.

### Holy Week Events:

April 3rd - Good Friday Tenebrae Service (7:00 pm)

April 5th - Easter Breakfast (8:30 am) & Worship (10:00 am)

### Church Staff

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Director of Music  
Music Minister  
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Vicky Haughey

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

I come now to declare what it is wherein peculiarly and eminently the saints have communion with the Father; and this is love,—free, undeserved, and eternal love. This the Father peculiarly fixes upon the saints; this they are immediately to eye in him, to receive of him, and to make such returns thereof as he is delighted withal. This is the great *discovery* of the gospel: for whereas the Father, as the fountain of the Deity, is not known any other way but as full of wrath, anger, and indignation against sin, nor can the sons of men have any other thoughts of him (Romans 1:18; Isaiah 33:13,14; Habakuk 1:13; Psalms 5:4–6; Ephesians 2: 3),—here he is now revealed peculiarly as love, as full of it unto us; the manifestation whereof is the peculiar work of the gospel, Titus 3:4.

1. 1 John 4:8, “God is love.” That the name of God is here taken personally, and for the person of the Father, not essentially, is evident from verse 9, where he is distinguished from his only begotten Son whom he sends into the world. Now, saith he, “The Father is love;” that is, not only of an infinitely gracious, tender, compassionate, and loving nature, according as he hath proclaimed himself, Exodus 34:6,7, but also one that “eminently and peculiarly dispenseth himself unto us in free love.” So the apostle sets it forth in the following verses: “This is love,” verse 9;—“This is that which I would have you take notice of in him, that he makes out love unto you, in ‘sending his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.’” So also, verse 10, “He loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” And that this is peculiarly to be eyed in him, the Holy Ghost plainly declares, in making it antecedent to the sending of Christ, and all mercies and benefits whatever by him received. This love, I say, in itself, is antecedent to the purchase of Christ, although the whole fruit thereof be made out alone thereby, Ephesians 1:4–6.

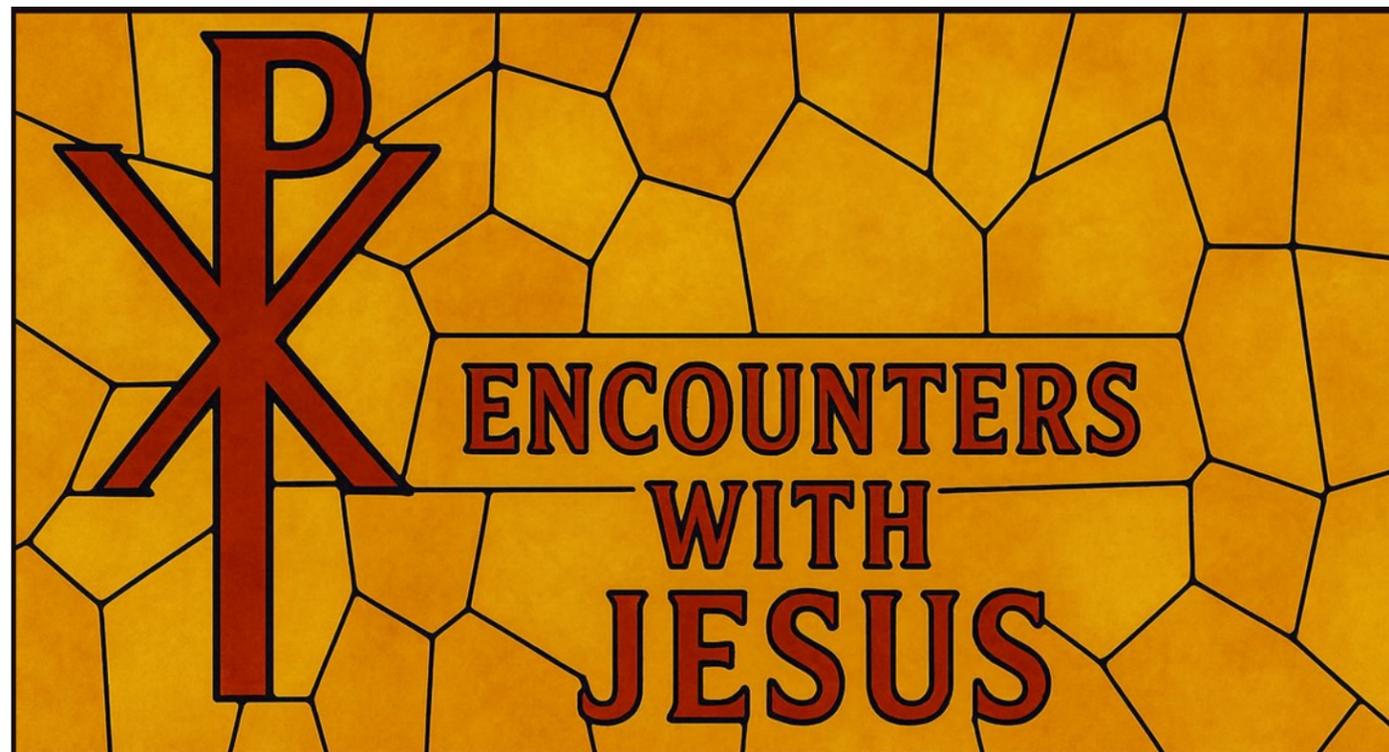
2. So in that distribution made by the apostle in his solemn parting benediction, 2 Corinthians 13:14, “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.” Ascribing sundry things unto the distinct persons, it is *love* that he peculiarly assigns to the Father. And the fellowship of the Spirit is mentioned with the grace of Christ and the love of God, because it is by the Spirit alone that we have fellowship with Christ in grace, and with the Father in love, although we have also peculiar fellowship with him; as shall be declared...

John Owen (1616-1683)  
*Of Communion with God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost*  
Chapter Three

## 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>Wednesday</b>	6:00	Fellowship Dinner
	7:00	Prayer Service
<b>Thursday</b>		<b>Office Closed</b>
<b>Next Sunday</b>	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
	10:00	Worship Service followed by coffee, donuts
	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 John 7:53-8:11, which will be next Sunday's sermon text.



# Calvary Presbyterian Church

March 15, 2026



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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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