

Prelude Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Choir

You Are Worthy of My Praise

Call to Worship Philippians 2:9-11

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
 throng 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

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, since you delay with so much forbearance the punishments which we have deserved and daily draw on ourselves, grant that we may not indulge ourselves, but carefully consider how often and in how many different ways we have provoked your wrath against us. May we learn to present ourselves to you humbly for pardon, and with true repentance to implore your mercy. With all our hearts we desire to submit ourselves to you, whether you chastise us, or according to your infinite goodness, forgive us. Let our condition be ever blessed, not by flattering ourselves in our apathy, but by finding you to be our kind and bountiful Father, reconciled to us in your only-begotten Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by John Calvin

Silent Confession of Sins

Featured Element of Worship: Confession of Sin

Some have questioned whether confession of sin has a place in worship. Such acknowledgment of our shortcomings may be perceived as a "downer" or a "turnoff" to congregants who have little background in church. However, it is reasonable to question whether worship is Christian worship at all if there is no opportunity for confession. Human confession is the reflex response of divine encounter. If there really has been no confession in a worship service, then there has been no real apprehension of God. His praise necessitates our humility. We cannot truly honor his worth without sensing our unworthiness. We cannot really see who he is and fail to bow.

From *Christ-Centered Worship* by Bryan Chapell

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Peter 1:18-19

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.

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

Romans 8:1-11

¹ There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸ Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Pastoral Prayer

Come, Bless the LORD with One Accord 134

PSALM 134

1. ¹Come, bless the LORD with one ac - cord, you faith - ful
 2. ²Lift up your hands, in prayer draw nigh un - to his
 3. ³The LORD now bless you from a - bove, from Zi - on

ser - vants of the LORD, who in his house do
 sanc - tu - ar - y high; O bless the LORD, kneel
 in his bound - less love; our God, who heav'n and

stand by night, and praise him there with all your might.
 at his feet, and wor - ship him with rev - 'rence meet.
 earth did frame, blest be his great and ho - ly name.

Sermon

Rev. Pete Scribner

John 7:53-8:11

1 - God's Law

1A - Its demands

1B - Its scope

2 - God's Grace

2A - Its nature

2B - Its impact

⁵³They went each to his own house, ¹but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ²Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and taught them. ³The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and placing her in the midst ⁴they said to him, "Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. ⁵Now in the Law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" ⁶This they said to test him, that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. ⁷And as they continued to ask him, he stood up and said to them, "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her." ⁸And once more he bent down and wrote on the ground. ⁹But when they heard it, they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. ¹⁰Jesus stood up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" ¹¹She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you; go, and from now on sin no more."

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.

344 Grace Greater than Our Sin

Where sin increased, grace increased all the more. Romans 5:20

1. Mar - vel - ous grace of our lov - ing Lord, Grace that ex - ceeds our
 2. Sin and de - spair, like the sea waves cold, Threat - en the soul with
 3. Dark is the stain that we can - not hide - What can a - vail to
 4. Mar - vel - ous, in - fi - nite, match - less grace, Free - ly be - stowed on

sin and our guilt, Yon - der on Cal - va - ry's mount out - poured,
 in - fi - nite loss; Grace that is great - er, yes, grace un - told,
 wash it a - way? Look! there is flow - ing a crim - son tide;
 all who be - lieve! You that are long - ing to see His face,

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Refrain

There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.
 Points to the ref - uge, the might - y cross. Grace, grace,
 Whit - er than snow you may be to - day. Mar - vel - ous grace,
 Will you this mo - ment His grace re - ceive?

God's grace, Grace that will par - don and cleanse with - in! Grace,
 in - fi - nite grace, Mar - vel - ous

grace, God's grace,
 grace, in - fi - nite grace, Grace that is great - er than all our sin!

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MUSIC: Daniel B. Towner

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MOODY
9.9.9.9. with Refrain

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 Calvary's Diaconate to the glory of God.

Easter Lilies - Sign up today in the Narthex to purchase your Easter Lilies. They are available for \$16 apiece, will beautify the sanctuary on Easter and can be taken home afterwards.

Holy Week Events:

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

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

Free Literature - Under the announcements screen in the Narthex, you will find a free literature table with items to contribute to your spiritual growth. Included among these are past sermons on CD, Bibles, daily devotionals such as Daily Bread and Table Talk (April's issue just came out!) and other items for you to have or share with others. All of these items are free of charge.

Church Staff

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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

(continued from last week)

3. (John 16:26-27) Saith our Saviour, "I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you; for the Father himself loveth you." But how is this, that our Saviour saith, "I say not that I will pray the Father for you," when he saith plainly, (John 14:16), "I will pray the Father for you?" The disciples, with all the gracious words, comfortable and faithful promises of their Master, with most heavenly discoveries of his heart unto them, were even fully convinced of his dear and tender affections towards them; as also of his continued care and kindness, that he would not forget them when bodily he was gone from them, as he was now upon his departure: but now all their thoughts are concerning the Father, how they should be accepted with him, what respect he had towards them. Saith our Saviour, "Take no care of that, nay, impose not that upon me, of procuring the Father's love for you; but know that this is his peculiar respect towards you, and which you are in him: 'He himself loves you.' It is true, indeed (and as I told you), that I will pray the Father to send you the Spirit, the Comforter, and with him all the gracious fruits of his love; but yet in the point of *love itself*, free love, eternal love, there is no need of any intercession for that: for eminently the Father himself loves you. Resolve of that, that you may hold communion with him in it, and be no more troubled about it. Yea, as your great trouble is about the Father's love, so you can no way more trouble or burden him, than by your unkindness in not believing of it." So it must needs be where sincere love is questioned.

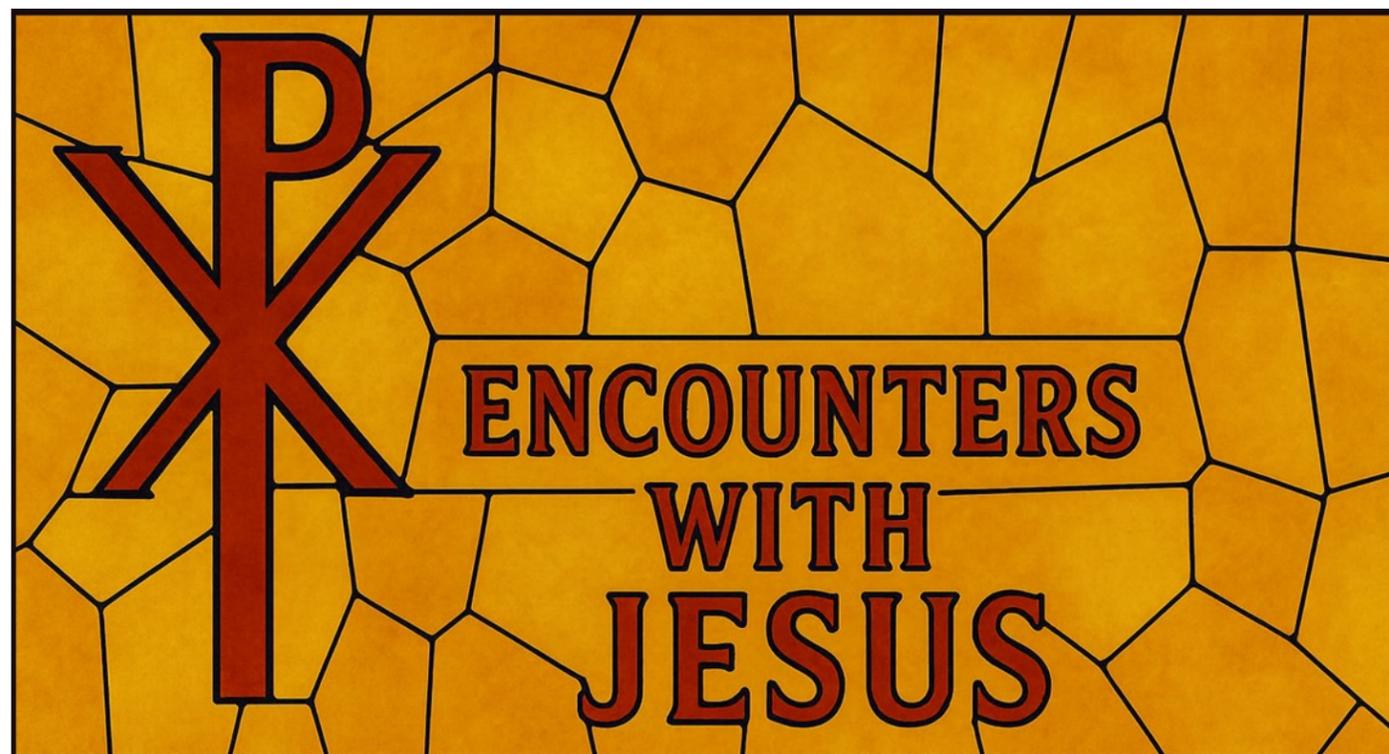
4. The apostle teaches the same (Romans 5:5), "The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, which is given unto us." God, whose love this is, is plainly distinguished from the Holy Ghost, who sheds abroad that love of his; and (Romans 5:8), he is also distinguished from the Son, for it is from that love of his that the Son is sent: and therefore it is the Father of whom the apostle here specially speaketh. And what is it that he ascribes to him? Even love; which also (Romans 5:8), he commendeth to us, — sets it forth in such a signal and eminent expression, that we may take notice of it, and close with him in it. To carry this business to its height, there is not only most frequent peculiar mention of the love of God, where the Father is eminently intended, and of the love of the Father expressly, but he is also called "The God of love," (2 Corinthians 13:11), and is said to be "love:" so that whoever will know him, (1 John 4:8), or dwell in him by fellowship or communion (1 John 4:16), must do it as he is love."

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

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 7:00	Tuesdays at Two Session
Thursday	6:00	Choir Rehearsal
Friday		Office Closed
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 19:28-48, as next Sunday's sermon text will come from this passage.



Calvary Presbyterian Church

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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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