

We Enter into Worship...

Prelude Chris Holmberg
Welcome and Announcements
Introit Choir
Praise Ye the Lord
Call to Worship Psalm 92:1-4

Rejoice, the Lord Is King 281

1. Re - jice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King a - dore! Re -
2. Je - sus the Sav - ior reigns, the God of truth and love; when
3. His king - dom can - not fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n; the
4. He sits at God's right hand 'til all his foes sub - mit, and
5. Re - jice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, and

Refrain
jice, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove.
• keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n. Lift up your
bow to his com - mand, and fall be - neath his feet.
take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.

heart, lift up your voice! Re - jice, a - gain I say, re - jice!

Charles Wesley, 1744; alt.
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DARWALL 6.6.6.6.8.8.
John Darwall, 1770

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

Corporate Prayer of Confession

O, Heavenly Father, your word tells us that our responsibility as creatures is simple: We are to love you with all that we are and love our neighbor as ourselves. In this, we have failed miserably. Do not rebuke us in your anger, we pray, nor discipline us in your wrath, for your arrows have sunk into us, and your hand has come down on us. There is no soundness in our flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in our bones because of our sin. Our iniquities have gone over our heads; they weigh like burdens too heavy for us. Forgive our sins, pardon our iniquities, and restore our communion with you, we ask through our Blessed Lord Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, and is now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, who by your grace tasted death for everyone. Amen.

Based upon Matthew 22, Psalm 38 and Hebrews 3

Silent Confession of Sins

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 5:6-9

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 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.

Unison Scripture Reading

John 6:35-40

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

Anthem

Choir

Fly Away to Glory

Pastoral Prayer

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Speak, O Lord

Unison

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re - ceive the food of your
 2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu -
 3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; help us grasp the heights of your

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Ho - ly Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and
 mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes in the
 plans for us: truths un - changed from the dawn of time, that will

fash - ion us in your like - ness, that the light of Christ might be
 ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our
 ech - o down thro' e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on your

seen to - day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord,
 eyes to see your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r
 prom - is - es; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord,

and ful - fill in us all your pur - pos - es for your glo - ry.
 that can nev - er fail, let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
 'til your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glo - ry.

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend
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¹¹ And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. ¹² And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. ¹³ Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. ¹⁴ And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶ And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

¹⁷ "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! ¹⁸ I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants." ' ²⁰ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹ And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²² But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. ²³ And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴ For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

²⁵ "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶ And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷ And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' ²⁸ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹ but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' ³¹ And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³² It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.' "

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.

Amazing Grace!

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1. A - maz - ing grace!—how sweet the sound—that saved a wretch like me!
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re - lieved;
3. Thro' man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;
4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his Word my hope se - cures;

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I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
he will my shield and por - tion be, as long as life en - dures.

5. And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace.

6. When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we've first begun.

St. 1–5, John Newton, 1779
St. 6, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790
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AMAZING GRACE C.M.
Traditional American melody
Adapted and harm. Edwin O. Excell, 1900

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 Jim & Ellen Jones in honor of family birthdays of sister Maxine, grandson Dylan & great-granddaughter Clara, and in memory of brother Jim.

Condolences are offered on behalf of the church to Jim & Chris Campbell at the death of Jim's father, Leroy, who died this week. A service will be held at Hansen Funeral Home tomorrow 11am, followed by a meal at the church.

Condolences are also offered on behalf of the church to the family of Bruce Dunn, who died this week as well. His service will be at the church Monday, March 16th at 11am, also followed by a meal.

WinSome Women - This conference for women takes place May 5th and 6th at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. This year's theme will be "He Restores My Soul" (inspired by Psalm 23:3a). See Esma Walker for more details.

Featured Element of Worship: Purple Paraments

You may have noticed that after having been green for a season, the paraments on the pulpit, lectern and communion table the last few weeks have been purple, signifying the season of Lent. This season in the church calendar is one of introspection and repentance, as we move toward Holy Week. The 40 days of Lent (the days between Ash Wednesday and Easter, excluding all Sundays) parallel the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness, during which he withstood the temptations of Satan.

Traditionally, some Christians have partaken in various fasts during Lent to symbolize their repentance. What is more important than anything we could do though, is remembering what Jesus has already done. Not only did he die for our sins; he also lived a holy life on our behalf. By the grace of God, the holiness and perfection of his good works are credited to us to us when we trust in him! This Lenten season, let us consider Christ's holy perfection, our sin which sent him to the cross, and the truth of 2 Corinthians 5:21 – "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of 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!

Meditation for the Week

Let us stand still, and admire and wonder at the love of Jesus Christ to poor sinners; that Christ should rather die for us, than for the angels. They were creatures of a more noble extract, and in all probability might have brought greater revenues of glory to God: yet that Christ should pass by those golden vessels, and make us vessels of glory, Oh, what amazing and astonishing love is this! This is the envy of devils. and the admiration of angels and saints.

The apostle, being in a holy admiration of Christ's love, affirms it to pass knowledge, Eph. iii. 18, 19; that God, who is the eternal Being, should love man when he had scarce a being, Prov. viii. 30, 31, that he should be enamored with deformity, that he should love us when in our blood, Ezek. xvi., that he should pity us when no eye pitied us, no, not our own. Oh, such was Christ's transcendent love, that man's extreme misery could not abate it. The deploredness of man's condition did but heighten the holy flame of Christ's love. It is as high as heaven, who can reach it? It is as low as hell, who can understand it? Heaven, through its glory, could not contain him, man being miserable, nor hell's torments make him refrain, such was his perfect matchless love to fallen man. That Christ's love should extend to the ungodly, to sinners, to enemies that were in arms of rebellion against him, Rom. v. 6, 8, 10; yes, not only so, but that he should hug them in his arms, lodge them in his bosom, dandle them upon his knees, and lay them to his breasts, that they may suck and be satisfied, is the highest improvement of love, Isa lxvi. 11-13.

That Christ should come from the eternal bosom of his Father, to a region of sorrow and death, John i. 18; that God should be manifested in the flesh, the Creator made a creature, Isa. liii. 4; that he that was clothed with glory, should be wrapped with rags of flesh, 1 Tim. iii. 16; that he that filled heaven, should be cradled in a manger, John xvii. 5; that the God of Israel should fly into Egypt, Mat. ii. 14; that the God of strength should be weary; that the judge of all flesh should be condemned; that the God of life should be put to death, John xix. 41; that he that is one with his Father, should cry out of misery, 'O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me!' Mat. xxvi. 39: that he that had the keys of hell and death, Rev. i. 18, should lie imprisoned in the sepulcher of another, having, in his lifetime, nowhere to lay his head; nor after death, to lay his body, John xix. 41, 42; and all this for man, for fallen man, for miserable man, for worthless man, is beyond the thoughts of created natures. The sharp, the universal and continual sufferings of our Lord Jesus Christ, from the cradle to the cross, does above all other things speak out the transcendent love of Jesus Christ to poor sinners. That wrath, that great wrath, that fierce wrath, that pure wrath, that infinite wrath, that matchless wrath of an angry God, that was so terribly impressed upon the soul of Christ, quickly spent his natural strength, and turned his moisture into the drought of summer, Psalm 32:4. And yet all this wrath he patiently underwent, that sinners might be saved, and that 'he might bring many sons unto glory,' Hebrews 2:10.

Thomas Brooks (1608-1680), *Christ's Love for Us*

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
	6:00	Diaconate
Thursday	10:00	Martha Mary Circle
	6:30	Choir Rehearsal
Friday		Office Closed
Saturday	9:00	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Next Sunday	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
	10:00	Worship Service with Communion followed by coffee, donuts and fellowship meal
	11:30	Sunday School

Calvary Presbyterian Church

March 8, 2026



Men's Fellowship Breakfast - Men and boys are invited to join us this upcoming Saturday, March 14th at 9am. Please sign up in the Narthex after worship today so that we can plan to prepare an appropriate amount of food.

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.

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 15:21-28, 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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