

Featured Element of Worship: Liturgical Pattern

Have you ever wondered why Calvary’s worship service follows the pattern it does? It is not random, and it’s not just a matter of, “That’s the way we’ve always done it.” The very intentional pattern is as follows:

- First we have Announcements. Having taken care of this “business of the church,” we begin with an Introit that settles us and prepares our hearts to worship with one another, followed by a Scriptural Call to Worship, which ushers us into the very presence of God Almighty.
- Our Opening Hymn then is generally one that proclaims the glory and goodness and holiness of God.
- In light of his holiness in particular, at least one thing should be evidently apparent to us: we are not holy as God is holy, and this should drive us to repentance. This is why our next element is Confession of Sin, both corporately and individually.
- Having confessed our sin, what we desperately need is a reminder that though we are sinful, our sin need not define us. In Christ Jesus, forgiveness is ours, so the pastor offers this Assurance from Scripture.
- In light of this forgiveness, we respond with either *The Doxology* or *The Gloria Patri*, songs of praise and thanksgiving that have been part of the worship of the people of God for many centuries.
- The remaining elements lead up to the Sermon, where we open God’s Word, and listen to God’s voice, so that we might be shaped by the gospel.
- We respond to the sermon by proclaiming our common faith in the words of a creed, confession or catechism, and then sing another hymn, worshiping the God from whom we’ve just heard. Finally, there is a Benediction (a Scriptural blessing from God). As we leave, we do so with a Parting Hymn that reminds us that though we are leaving, we do so as members of one Body, with a Spirit that joins us together until we gather for corporate worship once more, be it here next Sunday, or in glory!

1. Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
 2. See the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,
 3. Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4. Sav - ior, if of Zi - on's cit - y I, thro' grace, a mem - ber am,

he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move;
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near;
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in thy name;

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
 who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows their thirst t'as - suage?
 thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 fad - ing is the world - ling's plea - sure, all his boast - ed pomp and show;

With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 Grace, which like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which he gives them when they pray.
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sure none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

We Enter into Worship...

Prelude Chris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Chris Campbell

Let There Be Praise

Call to Worship Hebrews 11:8-10

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. O Lord, have mercy upon us as we are ashamed and sorry for everything in which we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins, for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us, we beseech you to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Based on a prayer from *The Book of Common Worship*

Assurance of Forgiveness

Galatians 4:4-7

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 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

Revelation 21:1-8

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. ⁸But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."

Musical Offering

Chris Campbell

There Is a Higher Throne

Pastoral Prayer

1. The church - 's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
 4. The church shall nev - er per - ish! Her dear Lord to de - fend,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word:
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth;
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 to guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish, is with her to the end;

from heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
 though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 a - gainst both foe and trai - tor she ev - er shall pre - vail.

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5. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
 and tumult of her war,
 she waits the consummation
 of peace forevermore;
 till with the vision glorious
 her longing eyes are blest,
 and the great church victorious
 shall be the church at rest.

6. Yet she on earth hath union
 with God the Three in One,
 and mystic sweet communion
 with those whose rest is won:
 O happy ones and holy!
 Lord, give us grace that we,
 like them, the meek and lowly,
 on high may dwell with thee.

Samuel J. Stone, 1866
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 Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

We Hear the Word of God Preached...

Sermon

Rev. Pete Scribner

Revelation 22:1-7

¹ Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

⁶ And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."

⁷ "And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

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.

299 Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Musical score for 'Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come' with four verses of lyrics. The score is in 2/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#).

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Musical score for the first system of the hymn, including lyrics: King; let ev-'ry heart pre-pare him room, ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains ground; he comes to make his bless-ings flow prove the glo-ries of his righ-teous-ness

Musical score for the second system of the hymn, including lyrics: and heav'n and na-ture sing, and heav'n and na-ture re-peat the sound-ing joy, re-peat the sound-ing far as the curse is found, far as the curse is and won-ders of his love, and won-ders of his and heav'n and na-ture sing,

Musical score for the third system of the hymn, including lyrics: sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na-ture sing. joy, re-peat, re-peat the sound-ing joy. found, far as, far as the curse is found. love, and won-ders, won-ders of his love. heav'n and na-ture sing,

Based on Psalm 98
Isaac Watts, 1719
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ANTIOCH C.M.rep.
George Frederick Handel, 1742
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1836

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

WELCOME to this morning's service of corporate worship!

The Flowers adorning our worship service this morning have been provided by Linn Aikins to the glory of God.

General Assembly - Please be in prayer for our denomination this week as the Evangelical Presbyterian Church's General Assembly meets to conduct the business of the church. Pray for the peace and purity of the church, and especially that Christ would be glorified through the work conducted there.

Ladies' Tea

Ladies...save the date Saturday, July 25th, for an old fashioned tea hosted by Women's Ministries. More details to follow in coming weeks.

New Member Class - We are in the process of scheduling a class for prospective new members. If you are interested in joining the church (or just would like to go through the class!) please indicate so as you sign the friendship folder and we'll be in touch.

HELP WANTED!

We are currently looking to hire a part-time church secretary to work 10-15 hours per week on various projects, primarily (but not limited to) putting together our weekly bulletin and other communications for the church. We are looking for a reliable person with a kind disposition, problem-solving skills, and a facility with computers, specifically publishing and office-related software. If you or someone you know might be interested, please reach out to either Elder Randy Heidtman or Rev. Pete Scribner.

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

Our Lord Jesus Christ, then, comes from heaven; and He comes with glory at the end of this world, in the last day. For of this world there is to be an end, and this created world is to be re-made anew. For since corruption, *and theft, and adultery*, and every sort of sins *have been poured forth over the earth, and blood has been mingled with blood* (Hosea 4:2) in the world, therefore, that this wondrous dwelling-place may not remain filled with iniquity, this world passes away, that the fairer world may be made manifest. And would you receive the proof of this out of the words of Scripture? Listen to Isaiah, saying, *And the heaven shall be rolled together as a scroll; and all the stars shall fall, as leaves from a vine, and as leaves fall from a fig-tree* (Isaiah 34:4). The Gospel also says, *The sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven* (Matthew 24:29). Let us not sorrow, as if we alone died; the stars also shall die; but perhaps rise again. And the Lord rolls up the heavens, not that He may destroy them, but that He may raise them up again more beautiful. Hear David the Prophet saying, *You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands; they shall perish, but You remain*. But some one will say, Behold, he says plainly that *they shall perish*. Hear in what sense he says, *they shall perish*; it is plain from what follows; *And they all shall wax old as does a garment; and as a vesture shall Thou fold them up, and they shall be changed*. For as a man is said to perish, according to that which is written, *Behold, how the righteous perishes, and no man lays it to heart* (Isaiah 57:1), and this, though the resurrection is looked for; so we look for a resurrection, as it were, of the heavens also. *The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood* (Joel 2:31). Here let converts from the Manichees gain instruction, and no longer make those lights their gods; nor impiously think, that this sun which shall be darkened is Christ. And again hear the Lord saying, *Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away* (Matthew 24:35); for the creatures are not as precious as the Master's words.

The things then which are seen shall pass away, and there shall come the things which are looked for, things fairer than the present; but as to the time let no one be curious. For *it is not for you*, He says, *to know times or seasons, which the Father has put in His own power* (Acts 1:7). And venture not thou to declare when these things shall be, nor on the other hand supinely slumber. For he says, *Watch, for in such an hour as you expect not the Son of Man comes*.

St. Cyril of Jerusalem (310-386), *Catechetical Lectures*, 15:3-4

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

Church Office Closed This Week

Saturday 9:00 Property Management Work Day
(weather permitting)

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 Romans 1:1-7, which will be next Sunday's sermon text.

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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