

We Enter into Worship...

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Welcome and Announcements

IntroitCooper Family

Psalm 150 - Praise the Lord

Call to WorshipPsalm 104:1

O Worship the King219

1. O wor-ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the
3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, your
4. Your boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the

sing his pow'r and his love; our Shield and De - fend - er, the
light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep
pow'r has found - ed of old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a
air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it de -

An - cient of Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
thun - der - clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
change-less de - cree, and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
scends to the plain, and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn you above,
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

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

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent 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 Mathew Henry

Assurance of ForgivenessRomans 8:1

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 DedicationElder Andy Black

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.

¹² **A worthless person, a wicked man,**
goes about with crooked speech,
¹³ **winks with his eyes, signals with his feet,**
points with his finger,
¹⁴ **with perverted heart devises evil,**
continually sowing discord;
¹⁵ **therefore calamity will come upon him suddenly;**
in a moment he will be broken beyond healing.
¹⁶ **There are six things that the Lord hates,**
seven that are an abomination to him:
¹⁷ **haughty eyes, a lying tongue,**
and hands that shed innocent blood,
¹⁸ **a heart that devises wicked plans,**
feet that make haste to run to evil,
¹⁹ **a false witness who breathes out lies,**
and one who sows discord among brothers.

Musical Offering

For You Are Holy

Cooper Family

Pastoral Prayer

Featured Element of Worship: Pastoral Prayer

In the Pastoral Prayer, the pastor intercedes on behalf of his congregation and brings their concerns before the Lord—to pray for his people with his people. This means it is often a comparatively lengthy prayer, which is why it is sometimes known as the “long prayer.” It may include each of the standard elements of a well-rounded prayer—Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication—but it may also leave some out if they have already been included in the service in other ways. It will usually bring to God the particular cares of specific members of the church, the general concerns of the whole congregation, and the wider concerns of God’s Kingdom.

Tim Challies



1. Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther safe - ly
2. God his own doth tend and nour - ish, in his
3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the
4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, your Pro -

in his bo - som gath - er; nest - ling bird nor star in
ho - ly courts they flour - ish; from all e - vil things he
Lord his chil - dren sev - er; un - to them his grace he
tec - tor nev - er slum - bers; at the will of your De -

heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
fend - er ev - 'ry foe - man must sur - ren - der.

5. Though he giveth or he taketh,
God his children ne'er forsaketh;
his the loving purpose solely
to preserve them pure and holy.

6. More secure is no one ever
than the loved ones of the Savior;
not yon star on high abiding
nor the bird in home-nest hiding.

Sermon

Rev. Pete Scribner

1. The Tongue of the Wicked

Psalm 52

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A MASKIL OF DAVID, WHEN DOEG, THE EDMITE, CAME AND TOLD SAUL, “DAVID HAS COME TO THE HOUSE OF AHIMELECH.”

¹ Why do you boast of evil, O mighty man?
The steadfast love of God endures all the day.
² Your tongue plots destruction,
like a sharp razor, you worker of deceit.
³ You love evil more than good,
and lying more than speaking what is right. *Selah*
⁴ You love all words that devour,
O deceitful tongue.

2. The Judgment of God

⁵ But God will break you down forever;
he will snatch and tear you from your tent;
he will uproot you from the land of the living. *Selah*
⁶ The righteous shall see and fear,
and shall laugh at him, saying,
⁷ “See the man who would not make God his refuge,
but trusted in the abundance of his riches
and sought refuge in his own destruction!”

3. The Response of the Righteous

⁸ But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God.
I trust in the steadfast love of God
forever and ever.
⁹ I will thank you forever,
because you have done it.
I will wait for your name, for it is good,
in the presence of the godly.

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.

246 Though Troubles Assail Us

1. Though trou - bles as - sail us and dan - gers af - fright,
2. The birds, with - out gar - ner or store - house, are fed;
3. When Sa - tan as - sails us to stop up our path,
4. No strength of our own and no good - ness we claim;

though friends should all fail us and foes all u - nite,
from them let us learn to trust God for our bread.
and cour - age all fails us, we tri - umph by faith.
yet, since we have known of the Sav - ior's great name,

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yet one thing se - cures us, what - ev - er be - tide,
His saints what is fit - ting shall ne'er be de - nied
He can - not take from us, though oft he has tried,
in this our strong tow - er for safe - ty we hide:

the prom - ise as - sures us, "The Lord will pro - vide."
so long as 'tis writ - ten, "The Lord will pro - vide."
this heart - cheer - ing prom - ise, "The Lord will pro - vide."
the Lord is our pow - er, "The Lord will pro - vide."

John Newton, 1779
The New Christian Hymnal, 1929 CCLI# 594962 JOANNA (ST. DENIO) 11.11.11.11.
Traditional Welsh hymn melody

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 in worship this morning were provided by Larry & Vickie Konya in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on September 5th.

"...and the Two became One..."

The Diaconate, as an expression of the church's commitment to marriage, recognizes couples who are members of the church on certain wedding anniversaries (their first, all divisible by five, and all over 50).

Today we are pleased to celebrate with:

- Leroy & Cora Cole (69 years on August 30th)
- Larry & Vickie Konya (60 years on September 5th)

Hearing Assistance - If you have trouble hearing during the service, we do have devices that can assist you. See Bob Isaacson and he will help get you taken care of.

Missionaries of the Month

Our featured missionaries for the month of September will be Brandon & Christina Cooper, who we are blessed to have with us as their family leads us in music this morning. The Coopers serve as missionaries at Camp Barakel in Fairview, Michigan, and we have been thrilled to be able to support them in those efforts ever since sending them out with our blessing in 2023 after many years as members of Calvary.

It is always a special joy when they visit us and we get to see how much their five children have grown, and discuss with them during fellowship hour all they've been up to! And while we certainly want to always remember them in our prayers, in the month of September we want to make sure that we make a special commitment to pray as we focus on them as our Missionaries of the Month.

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

Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 27-30:

- Q. 27. Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?
- A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition,¹ made under the law,² undergoing the miseries of this life,³ the wrath of God,⁴ and the cursed death of the cross;⁵ in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.⁶
- ¹ Luke 2:7; Corinthians 8:9; Galatians 4:4.
² Galatians 4:4.
³ Isaiah 53:3; Luke 9:58; John 4:6; John 11:35; Hebrews 2:18.
⁴ Psalm 22:1; Matthew 27:46; Isaiah 53:10; 1 John 2:2.
⁵ Galatians 3:13; Philippians 2:8.
⁶ Matthew 12:40; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4.
- Q. 28. Wherein consisteth Christ's exaltation?
- A. Christ's exaltation consisteth in his rising again from the dead on the third day,⁷ in ascending up into heaven,⁸ in sitting at the right hand⁹ of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.¹⁰
- ⁷ 1 Corinthians 15:4.
⁸ Psalm 68:18; Acts 1:11; Ephesians 4:8.
⁹ Psalm 110:1; Acts 2:33-34; Hebrews 1:3.
¹⁰ Matthew 16:27; Acts 17:31.
- Q. 29. How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?
- A. We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.¹¹
- ¹¹ Titus 3:4-7.
- Q. 30. How doth the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?
- A. The Spirit applieth to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us,¹² and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.¹³
- ¹² Romans 10:17; 1 Corinthians 2:12-16; Ephesians 2:8; Philippians 1:29.
¹³ John 15:5; 1 Corinthians 1:9; Ephesians 3:17.

Church Staff

Pastor	Pete Scribner
Director of Music	Susan Lechota
Music Minister	Chris Holmberg
Custodian	Vicky Haughey

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 **Church Office Closed**

Next Sunday	9:40	Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
	10:00	Worship Service with Communion followed by coffee, donuts and fellowship meal
	11:45	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 in the bulletin), and familiarize yourself with Psalm 123, which will be next Sunday’s sermon text.

