

Liturgy for Corporate Worship		
The Lord's Day	September 15, 2024	
Prelude	Chris Holmberg	
Welcome and Announcements	Rev. Pete Scribner	
Introit	Choir	
	Come Christians, Join to Sing	
Call to Worship	Psalm 146:10	
Opening Hymn	121 (Hymns of Grace)	
	Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning	

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent Confession

Most just and gracious God, you are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all who repent and truly trust in him. Therefore we confess that we are sinful by nature and that we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have neglected and abused your holy worship and your holy name. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first your kingdom and your righteousness. We have not been content with your daily bread. You have revealed your wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in him, but we have turned away. We have run into temptation, and the sin that we should have hated, we have cherished. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father! We confess that you alone are our hope. Make us your children and give us the Spirit of your Son, our only Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness	2 Corinthians 5:17
The Gloria Patri	572
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 Chris Holmberg

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	We Will Glorify	Choir
Unison Scripture Reading	1 Timothy 6:11b-19	
Sermon Hymn	172	
	Speak, O Lord	
Sermon	Pastor Joe Swords	
	Philippians 2:1-18	
Closing Hymn	488	
	May the Mind of Christ, My Savior	

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

Our prayer of confession was adapted from a prayer by Richard Baxter.

Nursery care is available for children from birth to age 3 during the sermon. Please feel free to take your child to the nursery during the Sermon Hymn.

Featured Element of Worship: Children in Worship

At Calvary, while we do offer a nursery and a cry room, we welcome and even encourage having your children in the sanctuary during worship from the earliest days that you are comfortable having them there. Some people fret over the distraction that little children might be as they fidget and fuss. We actually welcome those noises, as they are a joyful reminder of the presence of little ones in our midst as members of the family of God. As Scott Clark notes, “God doesn’t mind that your emotional experience is less intense. He takes the long view. Your children will grow up not segregated from public worship and the means of grace. They’ll grow up a part of the community of the redeemed and watching baptisms (so they can see what happened to them). They’ll see the supper administered and they’ll ask, “When can I have it?” They’ll hear the Law and the Gospel and they’ll grow up knowing that this is their identity, that it’s really true, that God said, ‘I will be your God and your children’s God.’”

121 Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

Anthem

1. Christ tri - um - phant, ev - er reign-ing, Sav - ior, Mas - ter, King!
2. Word in - car - nate, truth re - veal-ing, Son of Man on earth!
3. Suf - f'ring ser - vant, scorned, ill - treat-ed, vic - tim cru - ci - fied!
4. Priest - ly King, en - throned for - ev - er high in heav'n a - bove!
5. So, our hearts and voic - es rais - ing through the a - ges long,

Lord of heav'n, our lives sus - tain - ing, hear us as we sing:
Pow'r and maj - es - ty con - ceal - ing by Your hum - ble birth:
Death is through the cross de - feat - ed, sin - ners jus - ti - fied:
Sin and death and hell shall nev - er sti - fle hymns of love:
Cease - less - ly up - on You gaz - ing, this shall be our song:

Yours the glo - ry and the crown, the high re - nown, e - ter - nal name.

Words: Michael Seward
Music: John Barnard

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We Will Glorify

We will glorify the King of Kings;
We will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of lords
Who is the great I AM

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty;
We will bow before His throne.
We will worship Him in righteousness;
We will worship Him alone.

O Worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender,
The Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with Praise.

O tell of His might, and sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

He is Lord of Heaven, Lord of earth;
He is Lord of all who live.
He is Lord above the universe;
All praise to Him we give.

Hallelujah to the King of kings:
Hallelujah to the Lamb!
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords
Who is the great I AM!

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Unison Scripture Reading... Timothy 6:11b-19

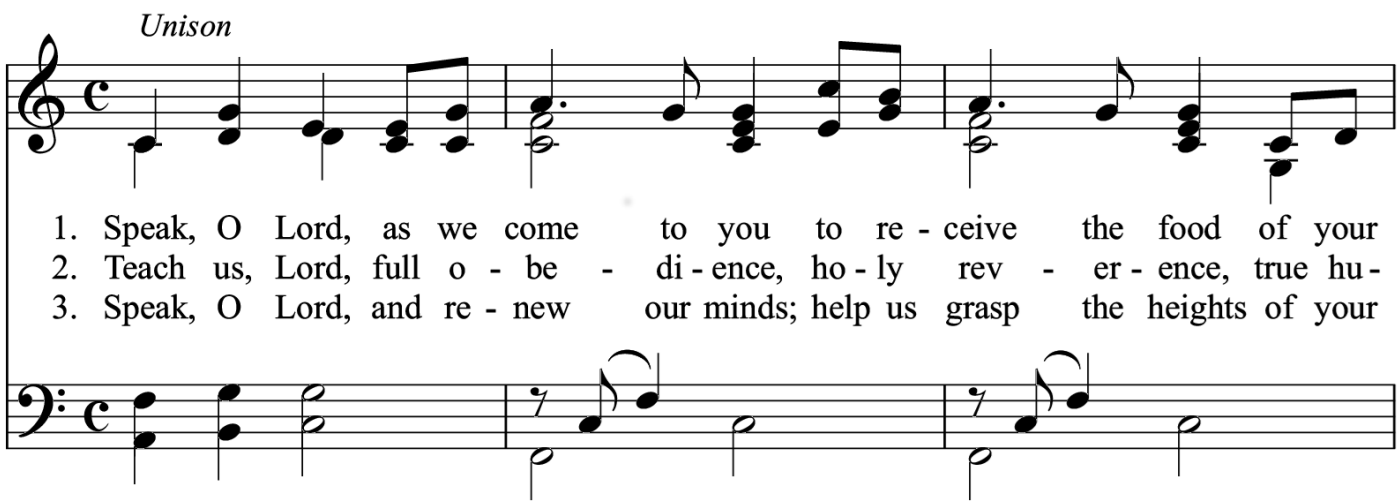
^{11b}Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, ¹⁴to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

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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



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.

Sermon Text...Philippians 2:1-18

Sermon Notes

Sermon Big Idea: Help One Another Shine with Joy

1. Building for Joy (vv. 1-4)

2. Established in Joy (vv. 5-11)

3. Working toward Joy (vv. 12-13)

4. Shining with Joy (vv.14-18)

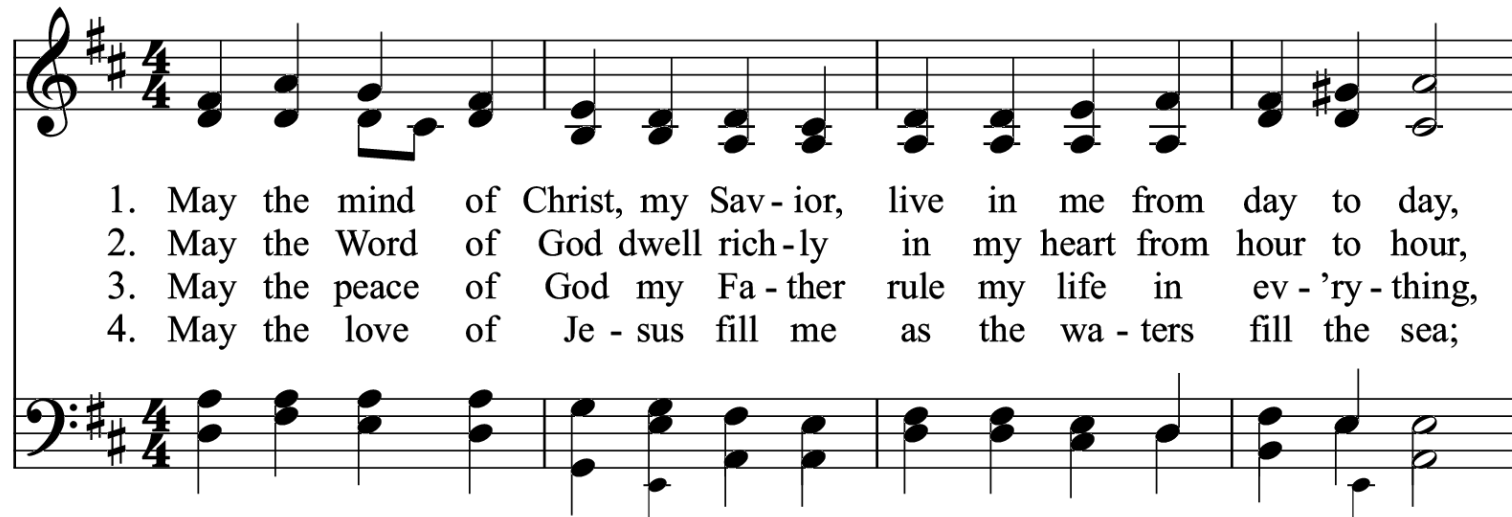
¹ So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

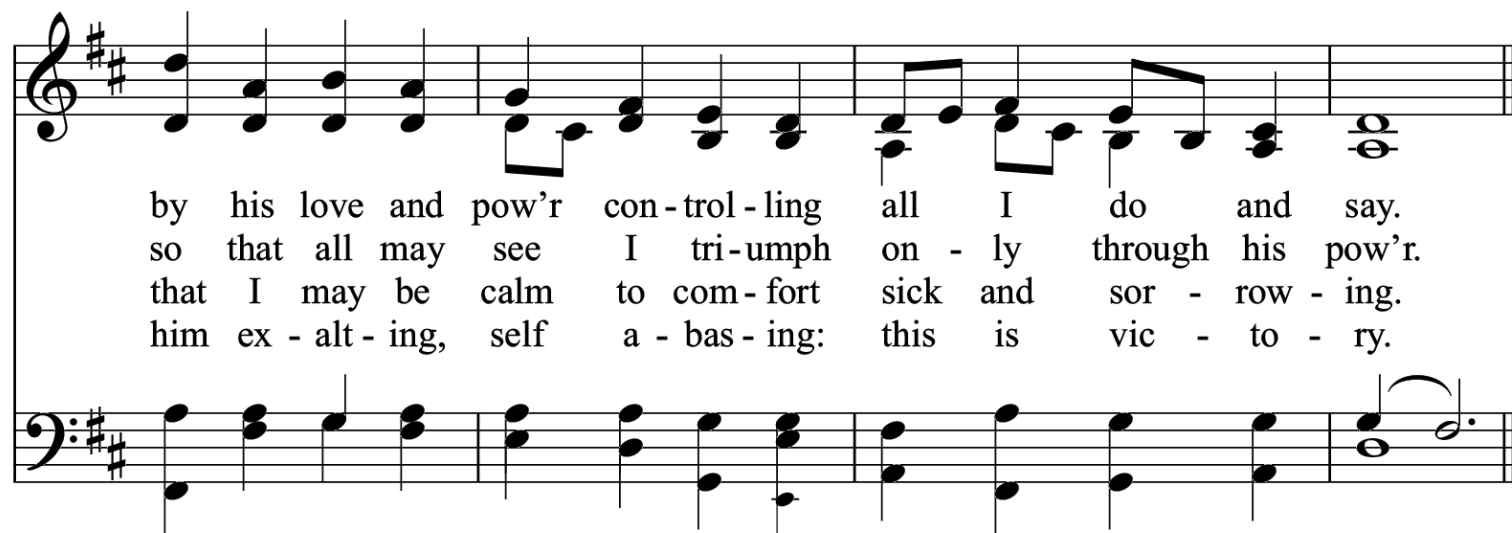
¹⁴ Do all things without grumbling or disputing, ¹⁵ that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶ holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷ Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸ Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

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1. May the mind of Christ, my Sav - ior, live in me from day to day,
2. May the Word of God dwell rich - ly in my heart from hour to hour,
3. May the peace of God my Fa - ther rule my life in ev - 'ry - thing,
4. May the love of Je - sus fill me as the wa - ters fill the sea;



by his love and pow'r con - trol - ling all I do and say.
so that all may see I tri - umph on - ly through his pow'r.
that I may be calm to com - fort sick and sor - row - ing.
him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing: this is vic - to - ry.

5. May I run the race before me,
strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus
as I onward go.

6. May his beauty rest upon me
as I seek the lost to win,
and may they forget the channel,
seeing only him.

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A. Cyril Barham-Gould, 1925; alt. 1990

The Flowers adorning our worship this morning have been provided this morning by Mark & Kim Freeman in celebration of their granddaughter Taylor's fourth birthday, as well as by Pete & Erin Scribner, who will celebrate their 29th anniversary on September 16th!

"...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 anniversaries of their wedding days (first, all divisible by five, and all over 50).

Today we are pleased to introduce...

Brian and Julie Ebert, who will celebrate their 30th anniversary on Tuesday September 17th. The Eberts, whose address is 5373 S. Dyewood Drive in Flint, have been blessed with two wonderful children. Brian has started a non-profit, Dolphin Recreation Team, whose vision is making sure all kids and families have access to recreational opportunities and learning experiences Julie works as a financial analyst for Nexteer Automotive. They both enjoy family, hiking, and spending time together.

Our Preacher this morning is Joe Swords. In 2011, Joe graduated with an M.Div. from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Following his graduation from seminary, he planted and pastored a church in Clio, which helped plant three more churches throughout the state. He has also worked with churches to assess over fifty church planters across the Midwest and coached numerous church leaders in gospel-centered, expositional teaching.

Joe now serves as the Director of Communications at WordPartners, an international missions organization that trains pastors to study and preach the Bible. He is passionate about WordPartners' mission to elevate God's life-giving Word in the hearts, lives, and ministries of pastors and their people. Through his work, he strives to highlight ways God is spreading his Word powerfully through every church to every nation.

Joe and his wife, Ashley, were married in 2005. They currently live in Clio with their five sons and have been attending Calvary since May. They enjoy cidering in the Fall, sugaring in the Spring, and brewing home-roasted coffee year round. When time allows, they delight in traveling to epic landscapes and engaging in epic stories.

Church Picnic: After worship next Sunday, we will gather in the Pavilion for our annual church picnic! Please bring a dish to share and we will provide the hot dogs and drinks! And the Lions don't play until 4:25, so you won't even need to hurry off to catch the game!



Sunday School has a new start time of 11:30 to enable more time for fellowship after worship. Grab a donut and a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall, then join us as we resume our study of Romans.

Tuesdays at Two: Join us each at the church each Tuesday afternoon for a time of discipleship, prayer and fellowship.

Food Baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas are being prepared again this year by the Martha Mary Circle. Any donated non-perishable food items will be gratefully accepted, (purchased in 2024). Ideas for food may donations include: Canned meats, canned dinners, boxed meals, peanut butter & jelly, condiments, boxed Velveeta Cheese, Chunky Soups & canned vegetables, breakfast foods, turkey dinner fixings. Laundry soap and toilet tissue are also needed. Any money donated specifically to this effort will be used to purchase turkeys, hams, and other items for each family's basket. If you know of a family in need of a basket (two requests per person), there are sign-up forms on the desk in the Church Office. Thank you!

Prayers: As you pray for your church family, please remember the following who people recovering from recent hospitalizations:

Bruce Dunn (at home)

Roberta Eisinger (at Wellbridge)



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This Week at Calvary

Today 9:40 Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
 10:00 Worship Service
 followed by Fellowship & Refreshments
 11:30 Sunday School

Tuesday 2:00 Tuesdays at Two
 6:00 Diaconate

Thursday 4:00 Session
 6:30 Choir Rehearsal

Friday-Saturday Office Closed

Next Sunday 9:40 Prayer in Office Conference Room (All Welcome)
 10:00 Worship Service
 followed by Church Picnic in Pavilion

Next Sunday's Sermon Text will be **Psalm 146**. In addition to **Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 53-56** (printed on the back of the bulletin), consider spending some time this week meditating upon this passage as you reflect on this week's service and look forward to our next gathering.

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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:

Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 53-56

Q. 53. Which is the third commandment?

A. The third commandment is, *Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.*¹

¹ Exodus 20:7; Deuteronomy 5:11.

Q. 54. What is required in the third commandment?

A. The third commandment requireth the holy and reverent use of God's names, titles,² attributes,³ ordinances,⁴ Word,⁵ and works.⁶

² Deuteronomy 10:20; Psalm 29:2; Matthew 6:9.

³ 1 Chronicles 29:10-13; Revelation 15:3-4.

⁴ Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 11:27-28.

⁵ Psalm 138:2; Revelation 22:18-19.

⁶ Psalm 107:21-22; Revelation 4:11

Q. 55. What is forbidden in the third commandment?

A. The third commandment forbiddeth all profaning or abusing of anything whereby God maketh himself known.⁷

⁷ Leviticus 19:12; Matthew 5:33-37; James 5:12.

Q. 56. What is the reason annexed to the third commandment?

A. The reason annexed to the third commandment is, that however the breakers of this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not suffer them to escape his righteous judgment.⁸

⁸ Deuteronomy 28:58-59; 1 Samuel 3:13; 1 Samuel 4:11.

Calvary Presbyterian Church

September 15, 2024



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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