

Liturgy for Corporate Worship

The Lord’s DaySeptember 8, 2024

PreludeChris Holmberg

Welcome and Announcements

IntroitChoir  
Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

Call to WorshipJames 1:17

Opening Hymn429  
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Corporate Prayer of Confession & Silent Confession  
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment for our offense, so we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and renew us that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Holy Name. Amen

Assurance of ForgivenessRomans 5:1-2

The Doxology567  
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 Al Dipzinski

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.

AnthemChoir  
I Feel the Spirit

Pastoral Prayer

Unison Scripture Reading2 Samuel 12:1-9

Sermon Hymn51C  
God Be Merciful to Me (vv. 1-4)

SermonRev. Pete Scribner  
Psalm 51

Closing Hymn51C  
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BenedictionNumbers 6:24-26

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 *The Book of Common Worship*.

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: Choir

After taking the summer off to recharge their batteries (and their voices!), this week we are blessed by the Choir’s return to our corporate worship gathering. Our worship is enhanced each week as the choir creates beautiful music for our Introit, Anthem and (sometimes) Special Music. If we see them as performers singing for our enjoyment though, we have completely missed the point. Rather than singing to entertain us, they utilize their gifts of song to offer up praises to God *on our behalf*. For this reason, we include the words of the Anthem in the bulletin to make it easier to follow along and enter into their praises. So as the choir sings, let’s not be merely an audience that passively listens to the music they create. Instead, may our hearts be joined with theirs and our spirits lifted into the very presence of the God we’ve come to worship!

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;  
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
 let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:  
 Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## I Feel the Spirit

There's a little wheel, little wheel, little wheel a turnin';  
 There's a little wheel, little wheel, turnin' in my heart.  
 There's a little wheel, little wheel, little wheel a turnin'  
 'cause the Spirit of the Lord is in my heart!

I feel the Spirit, I'll never let it go.  
 I feel the Spirit, I need to let it show.  
 I found the Spirit and I want the world to know  
 That the Lord is in my heart

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!  
 Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!

There's a little song, little song, little song a singin';  
 There's a little song, little song, singin' in my heart.  
 There's a little song, little song, little song a singin'  
 'cause the Spirit of the Lord is in my heart!

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!  
 Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!

There's a little wheel a turnin'.  
 There's a little song a singin'.  
 I can feel the spirit moving in my heart!

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<sup>1</sup> And the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. <sup>2</sup> The rich man had very many flocks and herds, <sup>3</sup> but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. And he brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children. It used to eat of his morsel and drink from his cup and lie in his arms, and it was like a daughter to him. <sup>4</sup> Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was unwilling to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the guest who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him." <sup>5</sup> Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man, and he said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die, <sup>6</sup> and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

<sup>7</sup> Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you out of the hand of Saul. <sup>8</sup> And I gave you your master's house and your master's wives into your arms and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah. And if this were too little, I would add to you as much more. <sup>9</sup> Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and have taken his wife to be your wife and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites.

1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;  
 2. My trans - gres - sions I con - fess, grief and guilt my soul op - press;  
 3. I am e - vil, born in sin; thou de - sir - est truth with - in.  
 4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust, by thy wrath and judg - ment just,

plen - teous in com - pas - sion thou, blot out my trans - gres - sions now;  
 I have sinned a - gainst thy grace and pro - voked thee to thy face;  
 Thou a - lone my Sav - ior art, teach thy wis - dom to my heart;  
 let my con - trite heart re - joice and in glad - ness hear thy voice;

wash me, make me pure with - in, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.  
 I con - fess thy judg - ment just, speech - less, I thy mer - cy trust.  
 make me pure, thy grace be - stow, wash me whit - er than the snow.  
 from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in bound - less grace.

5. Gracious God, my heart renew,  
 make my spirit right and true;  
 cast me not away from thee,  
 let thy Spirit dwell in me;  
 thy salvation's joy impart,  
 steadfast make my willing heart.

6. Sinners then shall learn from me  
 and return, O God, to thee;  
 Savior, all my guilt remove,  
 and my tongue shall sing thy love;  
 touch my silent lips, O Lord,  
 and my mouth shall praise accord.

7. Not the formal sacrifice  
 hath acceptance in thine eyes;  
 broken hearts are in thy sight  
 more than sacrificial rite;  
 contrite spirit, pleading cries,  
 thou, O God, wilt not despise.

8. Prosper Zion in thy grace  
 and her broken walls replace;  
 then our righteous sacrifice  
 shall delight thy holy eyes;  
 free-will off'rings, gladly made,  
 on thine altar shall be laid.

**Sermon Text...Psalm 51**

**Sermon Notes**

**51** TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A PSALM OF DAVID, WHEN NATHAN THE PROPHET WENT TO HIM, AFTER HE HAD GONE IN TO BATHSHEBA.

<sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

<sup>2</sup> Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

<sup>3</sup> For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

<sup>4</sup> Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

<sup>5</sup> Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

<sup>6</sup> Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

<sup>7</sup> Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

<sup>8</sup> Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

<sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

<sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

<sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

<sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

<sup>13</sup> Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

<sup>14</sup> Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

<sup>15</sup> O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

<sup>16</sup> For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

<sup>17</sup> The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

<sup>18</sup> Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; build up the walls of Jerusalem;

<sup>19</sup> then will you delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

1. A Confession to God

2. A Call on God

3. A Confidence in God

The Flowers adorning our worship this morning have been provided by Jim & Chris Campbell to the glory of God, and by Sharon Atchison in celebration of her sister Sandra, her brother-in-law Jerry, her daughter Marjie, and her friend Rex, all of whom celebrate birthdays in September!

“...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...

Leroy and Cora Cole celebrated their 67th anniversary on Friday, August 30th. The Coles, whose address is 9500 Gale Lake Road in Goodrich, have been blessed with four children, seven grandchildren, and with eight great-grandchildren. Leroy is the retired owner and Cora the retired secretary-treasurer of Cole’s Machine Inc. Leroy also retired as pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Otisville. They both enjoy family, church, and automotive history. They sponsor many children through Open Hand Children’s Home in Kenya, and are passionate about supporting that ministry. He became a member of Calvary in 1951 and she became one in 1991.

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 in chapter 7.

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 donations may 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!

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

**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

**Thursday**              1:00 Martha-Mary Circle  
                                 6:30 Choir Rehearsal

**Friday-Saturday**        Office Closed  
                                 Midwest Presbytery Meeting in Auburn, Indiana

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

Next Sunday’s Sermon Text will be **Philippians 2:1-18**. In addition to **Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 49-52** (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.

**Church Staff**

Pastor	Pete Scribner
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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 49-52**

Q. 49. Which is the second commandment?

A. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Exodus 20:4-6; Deuteronomy 5:8-10.

Q. 50. What is required in the second commandment?

A. The second commandment requireth the receiving, observing, and keeping pure and entire, all such religious worship and ordinances as God hath appointed in his Word.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Deuteronomy 12:32; Matthew 28:20.

Q. 51. What is forbidden in the second commandment?

A. The second commandment forbiddeth the worshiping of God by images,<sup>3</sup> or any other way not appointed in his Word.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Deuteronomy 4:15-19; Romans 1:22-23.

<sup>4</sup> Leviticus 10:1-2; Jeremiah 19:4-5; Colossians 2:18-23.

Q. 52. What are the reasons annexed to the second commandment?

A. The reasons annexed to the second commandment are, God's sovereignty over us,<sup>5</sup> his propriety in us,<sup>6</sup> and the zeal he hath to his own worship.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>5</sup> Psalm 95:2-3, 6-7; Psalm 96:9-10.

<sup>6</sup> Exodus 19:5; Psalm 45:11; Isaiah 54:5.

<sup>7</sup> Exodus 34:14; 1 Corinthians 10:22.

# 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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