

Welcome to Calvary! We invite you to pray and dance in whatever way the Spirit might move you this morning. You'll notice there are things printed in BOLD throughout the bulletin. Those are your parts. Although we will not be singing together, we invite you to join your voices with us in prayer and praise.

Please wear your mask while inside the building and maintain a distance of at least six feet from those who are not a part of your household.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MOMENT

We use this time to center ourselves in worship.

The lighting of the candles symbolizes God's presence among us.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come away and rest for a while. Leave your busyness.

Be fully present to God.

Many: We come for relief from life's turmoil.

One: God's steadfast love surrounds us. This is a time for renewal in faith.

Many: God offers us goodness and mercy all our days.

All: Let us worship God.



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Healing God, whose touch we have sought and known and whose compassion has surrounded us like a shepherd's care for wandering sheep, let us hear once more of your love which can restore us to faithful living and fruitful service. This we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 6:30-44

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. 32And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. 34As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. 35When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; ³⁶send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat." ³⁷But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸And he said to them, "How many loaves have you? Go and see." When they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. 40So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. 41 Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. 42And all ate and were filled; ⁴³and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. 44Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

The Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

A TIME FOR REFLECTION Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

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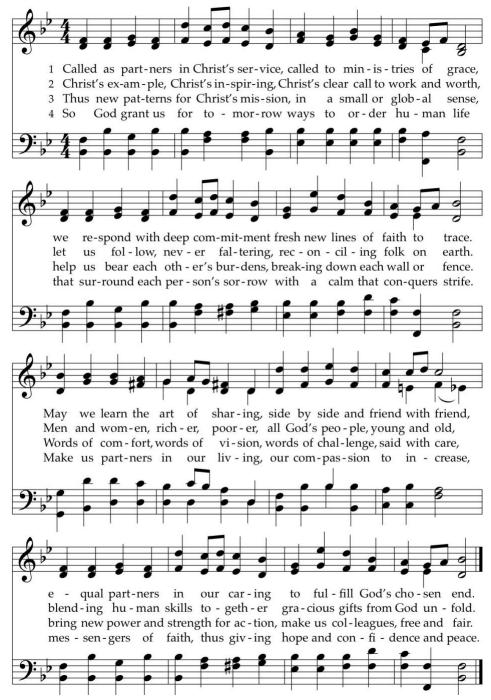
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Feel free to pray in any version or language you like.)

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; and 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.



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*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We invite you to greet each other outside the church.

OFFERING

Please leave your offering in one of our offering plates located by the door or visit our website, or use your cell phone to scan this barcode to make a gift.



Welcome to the Rev. Jim Mehler.

Rev. Jim Mehler is a many times retired pastor now living in New Castle with the beloved spouse and about 200 to 300 Canada Geese across the street in Battery Park. Jim has served churches in Western Pennsylvania and Central Ohio and most recently completed a third retirement from serving as Parish Associate for Congregational Care at Grace United Methodist Church in downtown Wilmington. Jim jogs, bikes, walks, golfs and fashions flower boxes from Delaware River driftwood.

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FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God by Eileen Major in loving memory of her parents between their birthdays.

CONTACT TRACING

In this time of COVID-19, we ask for the name and email address or phone number of any visitors so we can contact you in the event of a COVID-19 concern arising.