



**Calvary
Presbyterian
Church**

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All Saints Sunday
November 7, 2021

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.

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper today. For those at home, we encourage you to have bread and juice on hand so that you may participate.

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

We gather to worship with the cloud of the faithful,
to praise God with the saints of generations past.
Let us worship the One who weeps with us, laughs with us,
and offers us a promise of life everlasting.

HYMN

Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm

1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all a -
 2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, be - yond mere
 3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a spar - kling
 4 Give thanks for saints of a - ges past and saints a -

(D) (A) (D) (G) (Em) (A) (F#m)
 E^b B^b E^b A^b Fm B^b Gm



round seems bleak: on God's good prom - ise they re - ly, so
 mor - tal sight: who seek the cit - y God has planned, the
 pre - cious stone: they show by what they say and do an
 live to - day: though of - ten by this world de - spised, their

(Bm) (G) (Em) (A7) (D)
 Cm A^b Fm B^b7 E^b



while they live and when they die how force - ful -
 true, e - ter - nal prom - ised land, and steer on
 in - ward beau - ty, warm and true, for God's con -
 hearts by God are rich - ly prized. Give thanks that

(A7) (B) (Em) (G) (A7) (D)
 B^b7 C Fm A^b B^b7 E^b



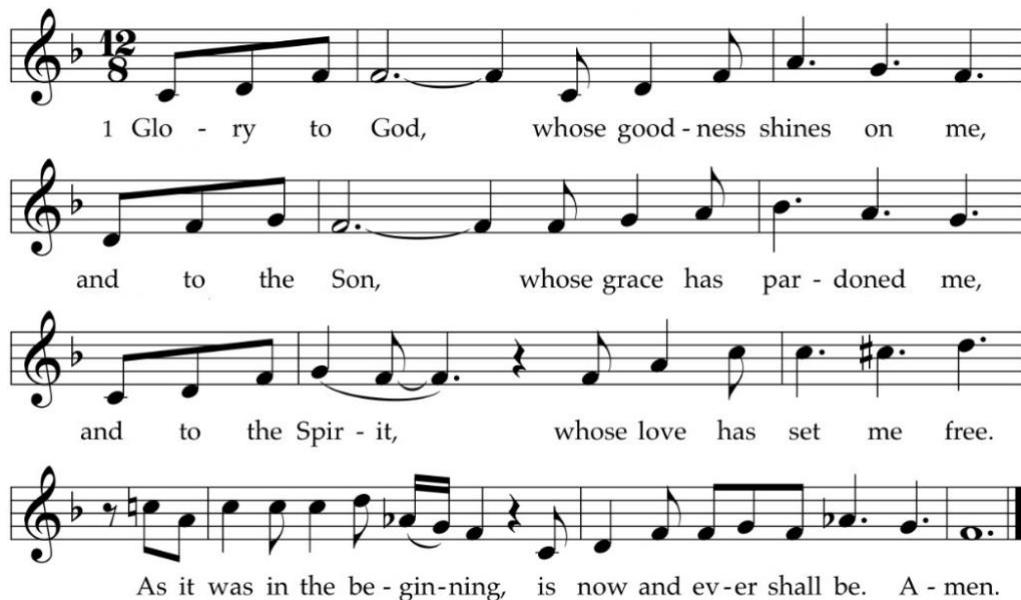
ly they speak: the strong, who once were weak!
 toward that light, a bea - con ev - er bright.
 cerns they own: God's love through them is known.
 we may say we share their pil - grim way.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Christ, when you saw that Lazarus died,
you began to weep.
So you weep with us, O Lord,
when we are surrounded by death and decay.
Unbind us, O Lord, from the destructive forces of this world.
Unbind us from greed, power, and shame.
Unbind us from solitude, self-righteousness, and self-doubt.
Bind us instead to one another and to you.
Forgive us when we do not live like your new creations,
and, by your grace, free us from all that keeps us bound.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE *Glory to God*



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your will discover your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 21:1-6a

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, the 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, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true."⁶Then 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 water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

The Word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 11:33-44

³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see."³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days."⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me.⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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SERMON

God's Handkerchiefs

Tom Speers

A TIME FOR REFLECTION

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Blue #364

*1 I sing a song of the saints of God,
Patient and brave and true,
Who toiled and fought and lived and died
For the Lord they loved and knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,
And one was a shepherdess on the green:
They were all of them saints of God, and I mean,
God helping, to be one too.*

*2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear,
And God's love made them strong;
And they followed the right, for Jesus' sake,
The whole of their good lives long.
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest,
And one was slain by a fierce wild beast;
And there's not any reason, no, not the least
Why I shouldn't be one too.*

*3 They lived not only in ages past,
There are hundreds of thousands still;
The world is bright with the joyous saints
Who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,
In church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;
For the saints of God are just folk like me,
And I mean to be one too.*

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CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The prayers continue.

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.

SHARING BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

**Blessed are you, O Lord our God,
creator and ruler of the universe,
for you have satisfied our souls
with this feast of your grace.
Keep us faithful in your service
until your realm of glory comes;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

HYMN

For All the Saints

Blue #526

*For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave, again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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.



SECOND SUNDAY SHARING NOVEMBER

**Please help the deacons feed as many people as we can with our
Thanksgiving Baskets.**

The Deacons' Food Closet needs the following specific items for the baskets:

Large bottles of apple juice	Boxes of stuffing mix
Boxes of tea bags	\$25 ShopRite gift cards,
Cans of coffee	\$10 or \$25 Sav a Lot gift cards,
Quart cartons of shelf milk	or financial donations
Jars of turkey gravy	Peanut butter
Cans of turkey broth	Jelly
Large jars of applesauce	Canned meat / tuna
Cans of cranberry sauce	Cereals
Canned vegetables	Hearty soups, stews,
Canned sweet potatoes, large	canned pasta items
Cake mixes	Other standard pantry items
Canned icing	

On Sunday, November 14, the following are needed: 5-lb bags of potatoes, packaged cookies, 1-lb. cartons of butter and turkeys (please make sure the turkeys are frozen and not thawed, turkeys will be placed in the freezer until the baskets are handed out)

Please request a Deacon to assist you when bringing in food, we will take care of placing the food in the closet. Please let Jenn Swarter or Charmane Engle know if you plan to bring any cold items that would need to be placed in the refrigerator or freezer (butter, turkey, etc.)

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The Rev. Thomas G. Speers, III, Pastor
Barbara Cronin, Organist
Elder Jill Lewis, Reader

FLOWERS

The flowers are given to the Glory of God
by Johann and Wally Haynie in memory of their parents,
Mary and Frank Fiorelli and Margaret and Wallace Haynie.

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.