



# CALVARY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Chandler, Arizona † May 9 & 10, 2026 † Easter 6*

**Welcome.** At Calvary, our worship is designed to praise God and enrich faith. We aim to make the service clear and appropriately reverent. For your convenience, the service is printed in its entirety in your bulletin. Please do sign the connection cards in the pews or the guest book by the entryway so that we know you were here in case we didn't get to say hello. Feel free to ask Pastor Spaude or Pastor Sprain any questions you may have or go to our website, [www.calvarychandler.net](http://www.calvarychandler.net)

**Bring the kids.** Our congregation enjoys the worshipping family. Please sit in any pew where you feel comfortable. We do have a message specifically for the children Sunday morning during worship.

**May we suggest:** Quietly explain the worship service as it takes place. Share with your children the "why" of what they are hearing. Sing the hymns, pray the prayers etc. Children learn behavior by mimicking you. And please remember, if you have to leave the sanctuary (the cry room is located in the back of church) with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. For Jesus said: "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

**To our Calvary Family,** the presence of children is a gift to the Church, and they remind us that our church is growing. Give a smile and warm encouragement to them and their families.

**Don't feel obligated.** Our members give offerings to the Lord as an expression of our thanks and praise for his amazing love! Visitors, please know you are not expected or required to give an offering. It is completely your choice. We are just glad you are here!

**Make yourself at home.** After the service, we join together for coffee, snacks and conversation. We would be honored if you'd join us.

**For those who have hearing issues** our sound system allows for you to engage the "T" setting on your hearing aid. There are also hearing devices available. Ask an usher.

## SERVICE NOTES FOR THIS SUNDAY

Jesus calls us to live for him.

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

# Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Blue: CW 606; Red: CW 169



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,  
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to  
sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus  
sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, hear our plea where the  
ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re-deemed us by his blood."  
songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?"

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, abr., alt.  
Tune: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1796–1867  
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**P:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

**P:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unending love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**P:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C:** Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**P:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### OH, TASTE AND SEE

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good."

**C:** Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are  
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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** Let us pray.

**O God, you are the giver of everything good. Inspire us, your humble servants, to long for what is right and, through your gracious guidance, accomplish it to your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**



**FIRST LESSON**

*Acts 17:22–31*

Then Paul stood up in front of the council of the Areopagus and said, “Men of Athens, I see that you are very religious in every way. For as I was walking around and carefully observing your objects of worship, I even found an altar on which had been inscribed, ‘To an unknown god.’ Now what you worship as unknown—this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

“The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples made with hands. Neither is he served by human hands, as if he needed anything, since he himself gives all people life and breath and everything they have. From one man, he made every nation of mankind to live over the entire face of the earth. He determined the appointed times and the boundaries where they would live. He did this so they would seek God and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘Indeed, we are also his offspring.’

“Therefore, since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by human skill and planning. Although God overlooked the times of ignorance, he is now commanding all people everywhere to repent, because he has set a day on which he is going to judge the world in righteousness by the man he appointed. He provided proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”

*God has determined exactly where and when we would live so that we can repent and believe the good news of Jesus' resurrection.*

## PSALM 66

*Psalm 66:  
Believers  
call on the  
world to  
give fitting  
praise to  
God for his  
blessings.*

*Refrain*

At the works of your hands, O Lord, I  
lift up my voice in song; I sing for joy.

*Psalm tone*

Shout with joy to God, all the earth!\*  
Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious!

Praise our God, O peoples,\*  
let the sound of his praise be heard.

He has preserved our lives\*  
and kept our feet from slipping.

### *Refrain*

Come and listen, all you who fear God;\*  
let me tell you what he has done for me.

If I had cherished sin in my heart,\*  
the Lord would not have listened;

but God has surely listened\*  
and heard my voice in prayer.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### *Refrain*

## SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 3:13–22

Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you should happen to suffer because of righteousness, you are blessed. Do not be afraid of what they fear, and do not be troubled. But regard the Lord, the Christ, as holy in your hearts.

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that is in you.

But speak with gentleness and respect, while maintaining a clear conscience, so that those who attack your good way of life in Christ may be put to shame because they slandered you as evildoers.

Indeed, it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil, because Christ also suffered once for sins in our place, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in flesh but was made alive in spirit, in which he also went and made an announcement to the spirits in prison. These spirits disobeyed long ago, when God's patience was waiting in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In this ark a few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. And corresponding to that, baptism now saves you—not the removal of dirt from the body but the guarantee of a good conscience before God through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. He went to heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

*Peter teaches that baptism saves us through the resurrection of Jesus.*

### VERSE OF THE DAY



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## GOSPEL

*John 14:15-21*

*Jesus  
promises  
to send  
the Holy  
Spirit to  
lead us in  
faith.*

“If you love me, hold on to my commands. I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever. He is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it does not see him or know him. You know him because he stays with you and will be in you.

“I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will see me no longer, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. The one who has my commands and holds on to them is the one who loves me. And the one who loves me will be loved by my Father. I too will love him and show myself to him.”

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (Sunday Morning)

Children are invited to come forward to the altar area for the children's sermon at this time. (Parents can come with their children if the children are hesitant to go by themselves.)

### How Great Thou Art

*Blue: CW 612; Red: CW 256*



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der  
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der  
3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing,  
4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion



con - sid - er all the works thy hand hath made,  
and hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the trees;  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!



I see the stars, I hear the might - y thun - der,  
 when I look down from loft - y moun-tain gran - deur  
 that on the cross my bur - den glad - ly bear - ing  
 Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o - ra - tion



thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
 and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
 he bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
 and there pro - claim: "My God, how great thou art!"



Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior-God, to thee, How great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my



Sav-ior-God to thee, How great thou art! How great thou art!

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Tune: Swedish

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## SERMON 1 Peter 3:18-22 Trust in Jesus through Hell and Back

### APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## OFFERING

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

## 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; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## Take My Life and Let It Be

*Blue: CW 695; Red: CW 469*



1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly for my King;  
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease-less praise.  
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

- 5 Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine;  
take my heart, it is thine own,  
it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879  
Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870  
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## PRAYER

**P:** O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Or*

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want Us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Blue: CW 617; Red: CW 334*





## **FREE: Remodel Giveaway!**

We are clearing out space for the exciting new remodel and have several items looking for a new home. All items are **FREE** and ready for pickup.

### **Available Items:**

#### **Recreation & Furniture:**

- Pool table (will need to be repaired)
- 2 accent chairs
- 4 sturdy bookshelves

#### **• Office & Tech:**

- Double monitor stand
- Rolling TV stand

#### **• Specialty Items:**

- Wheelchair
- Card rack
- "Portraits of Christ" collection plates (Set of 9)

**Interested?** Please contact **Jackie Corry** at **(480) 352-2368** or **Loretta Gannon** **(480) 299-6750** for more details or to coordinate a pickup.

### **Last week at Calvary:**

38 attended the Saturday night service and 178 attended the Sunday service.

\$7,520.61 was given for the work of the Lord. Included in this, \$1,298 for Parish Assistance, \$170 for Capital Improvement, \$1,000 for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary fund and \$2 by the Sunday School children.

**Pastor:** Martin Spaude

**Pianist:** Jean Wynia

**Ushers:** Blake Corry, Laramie Rasmussen, Kylan Rasmussen