

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WILLIAMSVILLE, NEW YORK

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
MAY 3, 2026

HOLY EUCHARIST

Welcome to Calvary Church! This service is livestreamed.

If you do not wish to appear on camera, sit in the back eight pews and receive communion in the Chapel.

If you are a visitor, please fill out the visitor card in the pew rack and turn it in to the clergy or an usher.

Your presence is a blessing to us, and we hope that you are blessed by God in your worship here.

*Please add your voice to our service by singing the hymns and praying aloud the prayers printed in **bold**.*

Our service of worship begins with the Prelude. Observe silence during this time of prayer.

Prelude *Regina Cæli*

Everett Titcomb

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Processional: *Christ is made the sure foundation*

Hymn 518

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1856), alt.
 Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt.

Opening Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria

f
 Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on
 earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fath-er, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

mp
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly

Son of the Fath-er, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have

mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fath-er: re- ceive_

our prayer.

f
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the

Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the

ff
Fath-er. A-men.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Antiphon



**1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.**

**2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me. *Antiphon***

**3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.**

Antiphon



4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.

5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O Lord, O God of truth. *Antiphon*

15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me. *Antiphon*

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The Second Lesson

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Anthem *By all your saints still striving*

Hymn 231



1 By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,
 2 All praise, O Lord for Steph - en, who, mar - tyred saw you stand
 3 Then let us praise the Fa - ther and wor - ship God the Son



your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus, for ev - er - more be blessed.
 to help in time of tor - ment, to plead at God's right hand.
 and sing to God the Spi - rit, e - ter - nal Three in One,



You rose, our King vic - tor - ious, that they might wear the crown
 Like you, our suff - ering Sav - ior, his en - e - mies he blessed,
 till all the ran - somed num - ber who stand be - fore the throne



and ev - er shine in splen - dor re - flect - ed from your throne.
 with "Lord, re - ceive my spir - it," his faith, in death, con - fessed.
 a - scribe all power and glo - ry and praise to God a - lone.

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The Gospel Lesson

John 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes

to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth,
live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and
peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our
struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness,
and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort the people in all war-torn parts of our world, and the refugees and families forced to leave their homes.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A

Offertory Anthem *The Call*

Roland Martin

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath: Such a Truth, as ends all strife: And such a Life, as killeth death. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light, as shows a Feast: Such a Feast, as mends in length: Such a Strength, as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move: Such a Love, as none can part: Such a Heart, as joys in love.

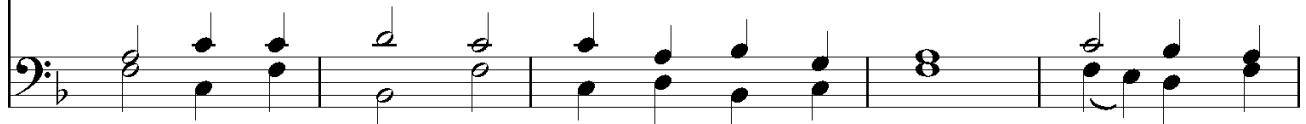
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Presentation Hymn *God of the prophets*

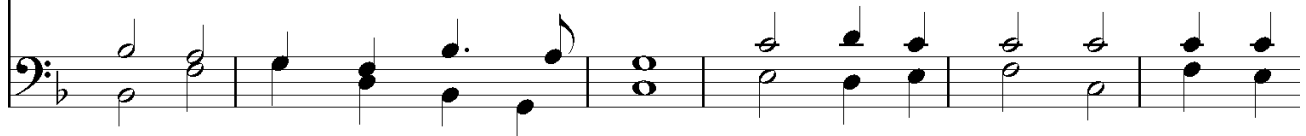
Hymn 359, verses 1-3, 5



1 God of the pro - phets, bless the pro - phets' heirs! E - li - jah's
2 A - noint them pro - phets! Teach them thine in - tent: to hu - man
3 A - noint them priests! help them to in - ter - cede with all thy
5 Make them a - pos - tles, her - alds of thy cross; forth may they



1 man - tle o'er E - li - sha cast: each age for thine own sol - emn
2 need their quick - ened hearts a - wake; fill them with power, their lips make
3 roy - al priest - hood born of grace; through them thy Church pre - sents in
5 go to tell all realms thy grace: in - spired of thee, may they count



1 task pre - pares, make each one strong-er, no - bler than the last.
 2 el - o - quent for right-eous - ness that shall all e - vil break.
 3 word and deed Christ's one true sac - ri - fice with thank - ful praise.
 5 all but loss, and stand at last with joy be - fore thy face.

Words: Sts. 1-2 and 4-5, Denis Wortman (1835-1922), alt.; st. 3, Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944). Music: *Toulon*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, abridged; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944). Words: St. 3, © 1982, by Hope Publishing Co. All rights reserved. Reprinted/ Podcast/ Streamed under OneLicense A-718649

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

f
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



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Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem

The musical notation is written on a single staff with a treble clef and a common time signature (C). It begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. A double bar line with repeat dots follows. The melody then consists of a half note C5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The lyrics "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the" are aligned under the notes.

world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sins of the world. Grant us peace, grant us peace.

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The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Everyone is invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

Communion Voluntary *Over My Head*

Afro-American Spiritual

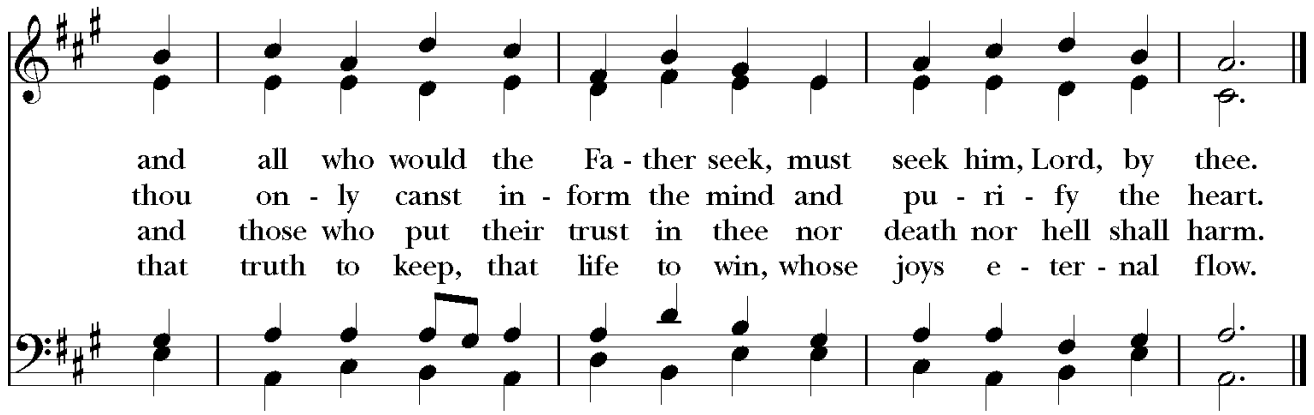
Emily Selitto, soprano

Over my head, I hear music in the air; there must be a God somewhere. Oh, when the world is silent, There must be a God somewhere. And when I'm feeling lonely, There must be a God somewhere. Now when I think on Jesus, There must be a God somewhere.

Communion Hymn *Thou art the way*

Hymn 457

1 Thou art the Way, to thee a-lone from sin and death we flee;
2 Thou art the Truth, thy word a-lone true wis-dom can im-part;
3 Thou art the Life, the rend-ing tomb pro-claims thy con-que-ring arm;
4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life: grant us that way to know,



and all who would the Fa - ther seek, must seek him, Lord, by thee.
 thou on - ly canst in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.
 and those who put their trust in thee nor death nor hell shall harm.
 that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Words: George Washington Doane (1799-1859), alt. Music: *St. James*, Raphael Courteville (d. 1735)

Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING FORTH

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn *The church's one foundation*

Hymn 525



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
 4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
 5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
 2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
 3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
 4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
 5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
 4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
 5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
 5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900). Music: *Aurelia*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1818-1876)

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

*We encourage you to remain seated through the Postlude.
 If you need to leave during the Postlude, please be as quiet as possible. Thank you.*



Ministers of the Liturgy

Celebrant/Preacher:	The Rev. Dr. Robert Harvey
Deacon:	The Rev. Leann McConchie
Musicians:	Roland Martin, organist; The Calvary Church Choir
Eucharistic Ministers:	Karen Davidson, George Faeth, Bob Preston
Crucifer:	Debbie Mendel
Lector I:	Ryan Fleming
Lector II:	Pam Agostinelli
Intercessions:	Lorrie Archdeacon
Ushers:	Chris Coburn-Miller, Kim Alexander-Thomson, Owen Joachimiak, Glenn Joachimiak
Vestryperson in charge:	Dennis McCoy
Coffee Hour:	Outreach
Monday Counters:	Nancy Nuzzo, Larry Bernhard, Guy Whalen
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