We are here for God, and we are here for you.

The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany, The Year of our Lord, 2022, being February 13th Year C
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Call to Worship

The Parish Chimes

The Processional Anthem

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing #493 v 1-3

For Covid safety, all music will be sung by choir only. Congregants are asked to please sing in their hearts, not with their voices.)

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People: And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

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.
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse--who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*All:* Thanks be to God.
Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners, 
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
They are like trees planted by streams of water, 
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you
are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Anthem
If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee #635
(sing from your hearts only)

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 6:17-26

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:
“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon Reverend Charles Plummer

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 worshipped 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

Please stand or kneel, sitting if your health requires.

Intercessor:

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer:

For the peace of the world, the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord saying, Lord, hear our prayer
As we pray for all people, and all expressions of faith, and as we pray for the church throughout the world, we pray for Calvary Church, Lombard, St. Mark's Church, Glen Ellyn, and for the people, churches, and ministries of the Diocese of Chicago and The Episcopal Church,
let us pray to the Lord, saying,

Lord, hear our prayer

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Paula, our Bishop Elect, Chilton, our Assisting Bishop, Robin, our pastor, Charles our visiting pastor, Jennifer and Jim, our Churchwardens, for Jan, Jeri, Joe, Drew, Lisa, and Marilyn, our Vestry, for all Members of Calvary Church, and for all who visit and worship with us,
let us pray to the Lord, saying,

Lord hear our prayer

For Joseph, our President, Kamala, our Vice President, JB, our Governor, Keith, our Village President, and for all others in authority, that they may "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly" with God,
let us pray to the Lord, saying,

Lord, hear our prayer

For the good earth that God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to honor and conserve it,
let us pray to the Lord, saying,

Lord, hear our prayer

For the poor, the persecuted, the homeless and the hungry, for the unemployed and the underemployed, for all immigrants and refugees, for all prisoners and captives, for all who are trafficked, and for all in any trouble,
let us pray to the Lord, saying,

Lord, hear our prayer
For the aged, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, especially Gavin, Jan, Jim, Gloria, Bruce, Tom and Don, for the addicted, for those who are alone, for those seeking a church home, and for those whose names we now remember in spoken or silent prayer, [the intercessor pauses to allow names to be spoken]

let us pray to the Lord, saying, **Lord, hear our prayer**

For all children and young people, for all in military serve, especially Alyssa Elliott, Edgar Arellano, Eric M. Casper, Clint, Michael Jancaric, and Brian Visney
let us pray to the Lord, saying, **Lord, hear our prayer,**

For an end to domestic, gender, and all forms of violence, and for an end to injustice, bigotry, and oppression,
let us pray to the Lord, saying, **Lord, hear our prayer**

For all the + Faithful Departed +, especially Rocky Berrier, Dr. Luis A. Guerrero, and for all Departed Clergy and Members of Calvary Church, and for those who died alone, and for those whose deaths are largely unknown,
let us pray to the Lord, saying, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant offers a concluding prayer.*

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God, our neighbors, and ourselves.
Celebrant and People:

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us, through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace Please stand.

Celebrant: The Peace of Christ be with you always. People: And also with you.

Please be seated.
The Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem

Choir Anthem
(sing from your hearts only)

The people’s offerings are collected and brought forward to the altar. As we offer all these gifts to God’s work, we pray (please stand):

Celebrant: All Things come of thee O Lord
People: And of thine own have we given thee.

The Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: 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. 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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant:

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:

**Celebrant and People:**

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant Continues:

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.**

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, then says:

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant: The gifts of God, for the people of God. All are
welcome at God’s table.

Please be seated.

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All baptized people, regardless of denominational affiliation,
are welcome and invited to receive
the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
from the love and ministry of Calvary Church.

Please let an Usher know if you need
the Sacrament brought to you in your pew

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The Holy Communion Anthem
Blest Are the Pure in Heart
(sing from your hearts only)

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After all have received Communion, the people kneel or stand,
sitting if their health requires, as we pray:
Celebrant and People:

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.

A Blessing of the People of God

The Recessional Anthem

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*  
(sing from your hearts only)

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The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.  
*People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Altar Flowers are given by Kate Pierson in honor of our guest, Pastor Charles Plummer.
PRAYER REQUESTS

Calvary Members:
Jim, Jan, Nancy and Mick Caspar, Edward FitzPatrick, The Reverend Deacon Tom Smith, Francis Mercier, Don Bradley, Jan B., Gwen, Brynn, Kelly, Callie, Lynn L., PK, Amauri, Jayne, Janis Family, Carol Halla, Bill Kendall, Sally McClure, Lee Davis, Eileen, Alex, Kyle, Rocky, Crystal Hacker, Lynda Neely, Bruce Schuurmann, Gloria, Jim N., Marge, Carol, Kelly, Tranita, Kortney, Bill, Lynne, Amanda, Ron Berrier, Barbara, Janet, Don, Gavin Janis

For those who are ill, in need, or experiencing hardship:

Missionaries:
Alpha &Hakha Traore, Rev. Pat in Guinea West Africa Connecting with Love, Fr. Russ & Heidi Smith

For those under/unemployed:
Stephen, Ricky, Michael, Dave

Home bound:
Jim H.

For those in prison:
Gary

For those in the Armed Forces/First Responders:
Alyssa Elliott, Edgar Arellano, Eric M. Casper, Clint, Michael Jancaric, Brian Visney

For those involved at Magdalene House Ministry:
Gwen O'Loughlin

College Students:
Austin Nolan, Phoebe Ceplecha, Kyle Castle, Benjamin Dakis, Ryan Hentrich, Allie Castle, Mason Ceplecha

THEN WHEN YOU CALL UPON ME AND COME AND PRAY TO ME, I WILL HEAR YOU.
-Jeremiah 29:12
Please consider serving Christ and Calvary by sharing in one of our much needed and much appreciated ministries. Please contact Kate Pierson or one of our Churchwardens if you are interested. Training and support will happily be provided.

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Welcome Reverend Plummer!

Our visiting pastor, Reverend Charles B. Plummer is an ordained minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. For the last ten years he has served as pastor at Saint Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glen Ellyn; previous to that he served three years as pastor at First Lutheran Church in Portsmouth, Ohio.

Pastor Charles is a native of Ohio, a 2004 graduate of Xavier University in Cincinnati, and a 2008 graduate of The Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He is a lover of Cleveland sports teams, all things Chicago, and exploring new places and things.

Daughters of the King

The February meeting of Daughters of the King will be held at Belmont Village, Carol Stream, on Saturday, February 19 at 10AM. In order to enter Belmont Village Rehabilitation Center you are required to present your Vaccinations Record Card/photo copy with your booster shot included. Also, a N95 mask (available at Belmont) is required at all times.
Midweek Compline on Wednesdays on Zoom

Calvary and St. Mark’s are joining together for a midweek Compline service Wednesdays on Zoom at 8 PM. Compline is an ancient service of prayers that derives its name from a Latin word meaning "completion" (completorium). Being brief, usually twenty minutes, Compline offers reflection at the end of the day and includes the opportunity to name people and situations for prayer and thanksgiving.

The Zoom ID is 851-6533-8475.

A link is also available on the Calvary and St. Mark's web sites. If you would like to help lead Compline or have questions, please contact Pastor Robin at revdoc04@sbcglobal.net or Fr. George at rector@stmarkglenellyn.org

Episcopal Church Men of Calvary

Our Parish mens’ organization, Episcopal Church Men of Calvary meets the third Saturday of each month at 9 am in Castle Hall.
Centering Prayer

For those of you who would like more information on Centering Prayer, which is also the fourth step in Lectio Divina (Contemplatio, or Resting in God's presence), here are two excellent resources:

1. Contemplative Outreach of Greater Chicago (centeringprayerchicago.org)

2. A recent documentary that shows the powerful impact of a Centering Prayer ministry in Folsom Prison ("Holding Still," available for free on You Tube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yAIAUDUxUe0)
February Celebrations

Happy Birthday

Father Alonzo
Daven Janis Sr.
Jeri Kellan
Dave Pardue
Get Well Wishes for Jan and Gloria

If you would like to send Jan Bruesch get well wishes while she recovers from surgery, please send them to the address below:

Belmont Village Senior Living
545 Belmont Road
Jan Bruesch, Unit 314
Carol Stream, Ill. 60188

Gloria Sparrow is doing well and getting physically stronger and her voice is coming back! She would love to receive cards from her friends at Calvary. You can mail them to:

Villas of Holly Brook
722 Stone Bridge Center Drive
Attn: Gloria Sparrow, room 12
Rantoul, IL 61866

Get well Soon
Ministers of the Liturgy

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Robin Currie
Director of Music: Jeri Kellan
Parish Administrator: Laura Waterman
Audio Visual Minister: Francisco Delgado
Sunday School Minister: Victoria Sowa

The Vestry

Senior Warden: Jim Filkins
Junior Warden: Kate Pierson
Buildings & Grounds: Drew Nolan
Events/Outreach: Joe Latona
Finance: Lisa Pardue
Formation/Education: Marilyn Stein
Stewardship: Jeri Kellan
Welcome: Jennifer Hentrich