



CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WORSHIP BOOKLET

PRELUDE

John Cribb

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Brian Stein-Webber

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.
Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
 we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
 love kindness,
 and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
 through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

Beloved of God:
 our sins are forgiven † and we are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
 who meets us on the road.
May we journey now in God's abiding love
 through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

GATHERING A Mighty Fortress is Our God #504 (red book, rear section)

A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be?

**The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.**

**Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpow'r us.
Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.**

**God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child or spouse,
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!**

GREETING

In the name of God the Creator,
in the name of Christ the Redeemer,
in the name of the Guiding Spirit,
Alleluia, Amen.

GATHERING SONG (call and response)

Ray Makeever

Come, let us worship God....**Come let us worship God.**
Come, let us worship God....**Come let us worship God.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

Rest for the weary....**Rest for the weary.**
Rest for the weary....**Rest for the weary.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

Food for the hungry....**Food for the hungry.**
Food for the hungry....**Food for the hungry.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

Hope for the children...**Hope for the children.**
Hope for the children...**Hope for the children.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

KYRIE (call and response)

Ray Makeever

Kyrie eleison.....**Kyrie eleison**
Kyrie eleison.....**Kyrie eleison**
Kyrie....**Kyrie**

Christe....**Christe**

Kyrie....**Kyrie**

Christe....**Christe**

Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison

Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison

Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray together... **Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The first lesson for today is from the book of Jeremiah, the 31st chapter, beginning with the 31st verse.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,

when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors

when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt –

a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord.

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days,
says the Lord:

I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts;

and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other,

“Know the Lord,”

for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,

says the Lord;

for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46 (the congregation responds with the bold words)

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

**though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city;

it shall not be moved;

God will help it when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;

God speaks, the earth melts.

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of God;

see what desolations God has brought on the earth.

God makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

God breaks the bow and shatters the spear;

God burns the shields with fire.

“Be still, and know that I am God!

I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our refuge.

[New Revised Standard Version]

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

The Second Reading for today is from the letter to the Romans, the 3rd chapter, beginning with the 19th verse.

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law,
so that every mouth may be silenced,
and the whole world may be held accountable to God.

For “no human being will be justified in their sight” by deeds prescribed by the law,
for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed,
and is attested by the law and the prophets,
the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.

For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God;
they are now justified by God’s grace as a gift,
through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,
whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood,
effective through faith.

God did this to show God’s own righteousness,
because in God’s divine forbearance
the sins previously committed have been passed over;
it was to prove at the present time that God alone is righteous
and that God justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting?

It is excluded.

By what law?

By that of works?

No, but by the law of faith.

For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

[The New Revised Standard Version]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #174 (red hymnal, rear section)

**Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL LESSON: John 8:31-36

The gospel lesson for today is from the chapter of John, beginning with the 31st verse.

Glory be to you, Oh Lord.

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him,

“If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples;
and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”

They answered him,

“We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone.
What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

Jesus answered them,

“Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin.

The slave does not have a permanent place in the household;
the son has a place there forever.

So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

I know that you are descendants of Abraham;

yet you look for an opportunity to kill me,

because there is no place in you for my word.

I declare what I have seen in the Father’s presence;

as for you, you should do what you have heard from the Father.”

[The New Revised Standard Version]

This is the gospel indeed.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Knowing God

Pastor Stein-Webber

SERMON HYMN My Hope is Built on Nothing Less #596 (red hymnal, rear section)

**My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

REFRAIN

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
in ev'ry high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.**

REFRAIN

**His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood;
when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay.**

REFRAIN

**When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,
clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne!**

REFRAIN

APOSTLE'S CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come to judge the living and dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

God our fortress, we pray for the church. Write your law of love on the hearts of your people, that we remain steadfast in our witness to your grace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our liberator, we pray for your earth. Bring new life to overused land and contaminated rivers. Reform and reorient our relationship with the environment, that we faithfully care for all of your creation. Bless the meetings of the nations as our leaders seek a way toward a quieter planet. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God, our refuge and strength, we pray for the nations. Where they are in an uproar, bring wise leadership and comfort for those in distress. Make wars to cease and peace to enter every land. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God, our very present help in trouble, we pray for those in need. Show mercy to refugees and all fleeing from danger. Shelter any without homes. Calm all who are facing illness, surgery, or a new diagnosis, or who otherwise are in need of our prayers, especially,

- Ina Davenport - dealing with glaucoma and housing issues
- Family of Edith Tway who passed on October 12
- Pastor Jim Berg – dealing with health issues
- Sally Mingo - Jennifer Kurrle's mother - knee injury
- Arthur Hendey, Kea McKee's brother - spine surgery
- Paul Weggenmann - Jean Senter's cousin - pain with arthritis and dying of a disease that weakens muscles
- Denise Kenealy, daughter-in-law of Robin Karas, now in on-going home rehabilitation care.
- Linda Luke- recovering from spot radiation and healing
- Rebecca Aparicio, Nancy Padilla's mother-in-law, living in a nursing home
- Becky Padilla- responding well to treatment for cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- Lia, Ina Davenport's friend- recovering well from a broken back
- James Hecker- experiencing new complications following bladder replacement surgery
- Christopher Buckles, Kate Anderson's son
- Katie Brochtrup- adjusting to her baclofen pump
- Marcia and Rick Walt, friends of Cindy Haener
- Janelle Muff, for continuing good health
- Elaine Grawe- recovering well from brain surgery
- Darel and Betty Sorenson, as Betty remains in nursing care on Hospice
- Mercedes Stevens, Katie Edson's mother
- For Laura Salazar and her family
- Iglesia Santa Cruz, Pastor Esteban and Angie- ministering boldly in Santa Maria, and for our support of their ministry
- For those who are contracting the new COVID-19 omicron variants, and that we might continue to observe mitigation guidelines
- For the people of Ukraine, for strength, healing and protection, and changes of heart for those attacking them.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our redeemer, we pray for our congregation. Bless us on this Rededication Sunday, as we plant seeds for our future. Open our hearts to your Holy Spirit, teach us your word, and give us courage to proclaim our faith. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our stronghold, we give thanks for those who have gone before us in faith, especially Martin Luther and all reformers, and Edith Tway. Renew and reform us as we strive to continue in your word. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.... **Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.**

**Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.**

Amen.

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 our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

SANCTUS p. 173 (red hymnal, front section)

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it
and gave it to his disciples saying,
"Take and eat, this is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Drink this, all of you. It is the new covenant of my blood,
shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let pray the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us:

**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.**

CHRIST HAVE MERCY

Ray Makeever

**Christ, have mercy on us all,
keep us steadfast e'er we fall.
Break the bread, pour the wine.
Come and dine.**

**God, be with us at the feast.
Grant us wisdom, give us peace.
Break the bread, pour the wine.
Come and dine.**

**Holy Spirit, breathe again.
Light the darkness, be our friend.
Break the bread, pour the wine.
Come and dine.**

**Bake a great loaf, give it time;
choose the best grapes from the vine.
Break the bread, pour the wine
Come and dine.**

TAKING OF HOLY COMMUNION

[All who desire may come forward to take the body and blood of Christ. During the distribution of Communion, you may also seek prayers of healing at the chair by the baptismal font.]

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in eternal life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:
**God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
AMEN.**

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless us with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
guide us always in faith, hope, and love.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

We Are the Church

Ray Makeever

REFRAIN

**We are the church, the body of our Lord.
We are all God's children and we have been restored.**

**The church is not a building, where people go to pray.
It's not made out of sticks and stones, it's not made out of clay.**

REFRAIN

**You can go to worship but you cannot go to church.
You can't find a building that's alive, no matter how you search!**

REFRAIN

**The church is not a business, a committee or a board.
It's not a corporation for the business of the Lord!**

REFRAIN

**The church, it is the people, living out our lives,
Called, enlightened, sanctified for the work of Jesus Christ!**

REFRAIN

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

John Cribb

Thank you to:

- **Brenda Ouwerkerk** for assisting in worship.
- **Cindy Haener** for teaching Sunday School.
- **Sandy McMillan and others** for counting the offering.
- **John Cribb** for accompanying worship.
- **Nikki Rocha** and others for streaming worship.
- **Sandy McMillan** for assembling worship bulletins.
- **Nancy Padilla**, for setting up and welcoming.
- **Gary and Mark Orback**, for tending to our outside property.
- **Sophia and Janet Lorenzo**, for tending to our inside property.
- **Ken Brocks** for his handyman work.

Events this week:

- **All are welcome** to linger after worship in the fellowship hall.
- **Stewardship** responses may be placed in the sealed box in the narthex.
- **The Zoom discussion group** will meet tonight at 7:00 pm, discussing the movie *The Power of Forgiveness*.
- **Bible Study** will meet on Wednesday, November 2nd, 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.
- The **Church Council** will be meeting on Thursday, November 3rd, at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall.
- The **Memorial Service for Edith Tway** will take place on Saturday, **November 5th, 2:00 pm**, in the sanctuary. A reception will follow in the fellowship hall.
- Let Pastor Brian know if you would like to **start receiving his weekly emails**.
(bsteinwebber@gmail.com)

**Don't forget to check the Calendar website page for upcoming events:
morrobaylutherans.org**