



Our mission at Calvary is to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ as revealed in Holy Scripture.

**Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 4 & 5, 2012**

Sat. - 5:00 pm

Sun. - 9:00 am

Welcome to Worship!

We welcome you in Christ's name and thank you for sharing this worship moment with us. May this time of praise both honor God and inspire you.

If you are looking for a church home, come and explore all that Calvary has to offer. Please fill out a 'Communion Participation & Visitor Registration' card, located in the pew pockets, so that we may get to know you better. Then join us after worship for a time of coffee and fellowship in Calvary's Fellowship Hall, located through the glass doors behind the gathering area.

In Isaiah it is the one God who sits above the earth and numbers the stars—it is that God who strengthens the powerless. So in Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service (diakonia). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up to health and diakonia. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.



Please silence cell phones during worship.

Order of Worship

FEBRUARY 4 & 5, 2012

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

*indicates when congregation should stand

LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)

WOV: With One Voice (blue)

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)

Gathering

*ENTRANCE HYMN: *Rise, Shine You People* (LBW 393)

*GREETING (LBW p. 78)

*KYRIE (LBW p. 78)

*HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 79) *Glory to God in the Highest...*

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...

C: **Almighty God, you sent your only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Word

The Judeans in exile have a good reason to be hopeful: the One who will bring them to freedom is the God who created the world, the God who subdues the rulers of the earth and gives strength to those who are weary.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 40:21–31

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; ²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

PSALM: 147: 1-11, 20c

(read responsively or chanted, Psalm Tone #1: LBW p. 291)

P: Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises | to our God!
How pleasant it is to honor | God with praise!

**C: The LORD re- | builds Jerusalem,
and gathers the ex- | iles of Israel.**

P: The LORD heals the | brokenhearted
and binds | up their wounds.

**C: The LORD counts the number | of the stars
and calls them all | by their names.**

P: Great is our LORD and might- | y in power;
there is no limit | to God's wisdom.

**C: The LORD lifts | up the lowly,
but casts the wicked | to the ground.**

P: Sing to the LORD | with thanksgiving;
make music upon the harp | to our God,

**C: who covers the heav- | ens with clouds
and prepares rain for the earth,
making grass to grow up- | on the mountains.**

P: God provides food | for the cattle
and for the young ravens | when they cry.

**C: God is not impressed by the might | of a horse,
and has no pleasure in the speed | of a runner,**

P: but finds pleasure in those who | fear the LORD,
in those who await God's steadfast love.^{20c} | Hallelujah!

God entrusted Paul with the responsibility of bringing the Gospel to diverse people. Hence the focus of Paul's ministry is not his own rights or privileges as an apostle but the privilege of serving God by freely sharing the good news of Christ with others.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 9:16–23

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

***VERSE: Alleluia (LBW p. 83)**

Everywhere Jesus goes, many people expect Him to set them free from oppression. Everywhere He goes, He heals them and sets them free. Disease, devils, and death are running for their lives. The forces that diminish human life are rendered powerless by Jesus.

***GOSPEL: Mark 1:29–39**

*P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter.

***C: ♪ Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁹As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He

answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

*P: The Gospel of the Lord.

*C: ♪ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S TIME (*Please sing as the children come forward*)

*Jesus loves the little children
All the little children of the world
Red, brown, yellow, black and white
They are precious in His sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

SERMON

Rev. Richard Warber

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *I Love to Tell the Story* (LBW 390)

***APOSTLE'S CREED** (LBW P. 85)

***PRAYERS**

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs...

A time of silent reflection: then following each petition...

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY** *What Shall I Render?* (LBW p. 87)

***OFFERTORY PRAYER** *Blessed are You...* (LBW p. 88)

Meal

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 88)

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91)

COMMUNION: *Lamb of God* (LBW p. 92)

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING (LBW P. 92)

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (LBW p. 94)

Sending

*BLESSING & BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SENDING HYMN: *Go My Children With My Blessing* (WOV 721)

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Thank You

Thank you to Pastor Richard Warber for his message this weekend, filling in for Pastor Cathi while she is in Guatemala with the Medical Missions group..

Announcements

Christian Education

Christian education is held for all ages on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am.

First Steps (ages 0-3): Meet in the nursery.

Sunday School (P3-Gr. 5): Meet in designated rooms.

Confirmation (Gr. 6): Room 113; *(Gr. 7-8):* Media room.

High School Sunday Ed.: Meet in the youth room.

Adult Ed.: Meet in Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Noon Study

Join us on Wednesdays as we study Holy Scriptures. We meet at noon in Fellowship Hall. Bring your Bibles!

Next Week's Lessons & Gospel

1st Reading - 2 Kings 5:1–14

Psalm 30

2nd Reading - 1 Corinthians 9:24–27

Gospel: Mark 1:40–45

Prayers

For: Those who care for God's home; Guatemala Medical Missions and all who are participating in the mission trip.

For strength & support: Pastoral Search Team; the unemployed and underemployed.

For healing: Jan Mertins; Donna Tretheway, John Rupnick; Don Schuelke; Don Anderson, Lou Fuller; Beverly Meinke; Liz Frigerio (daughter of Judy DeBruine); Ted & Pat Grossman (parents of Alicia Huettl); Sue Doherty (daughter of Tom Funk); Betty Knight (sister of Dottie Riemer); Jim Uhren (son of Lily Uhren); Chuck Herbst (great-nephew of Judy DeBruine), Dean Elske (father of Kim Steiner), Carol Kaebisch (friend of Donna Schroeder & Bette Forbes); Ruth Zarse (friend of Jeanette Ketelsen); Ingrid Bensler (aunt of Sandy Notzke); Connor Semenske (infant son of friends of Marion & Don Heinz).

Ongoing prayer concerns: Don Heinz; Patty Gross (daughter of Beverly Meinke); Chris Clemens (father of Jessie Brovold); Carol Manning (cousin of Pat Treutelaar); Jann Savre (mother-in-law of Matthew Busche); James Anthony (cousin of Judy Kestly); Karen Reiter (niece of Hugh & Jane Taufner); Faith Madden (neighbor of Pat & Wayne Dieck).

Serving in the Military: Kyle Pierce (son of Karen & Keith Pierce, serving in the US Army); Samantha Harmon (daughter of Kim Nyka, serving in the US Airforce, at boot camp); Nick Johnson (friend of Jeanette Ketelsen family, serving in the US military and deployed to Afghanistan); all military chaplains.

For sympathy: Jon Vollmar and family on the sudden death of Jon's father, David Vollmar.

For more information or to submit a prayer request, please see a Deacon.

Missions

February Mission of the Month: Compassion International's Water of Life

How far do you walk to get safe water? Do you count it in steps or miles? Seconds or hours? Over 1 billion people do not have access to safe water. Women and children spend hours each day carrying water. Worse yet, lack of safe water leads to diarrhea and the estimated death of 4,500 children each day. Shocking isn't it? How can you help? Calvary's mission of the month is Compassion International's Water of Life program. For every \$55 that is contributed, Compassion will be able to supply a system that removes all bacterial contaminants from water to make nearly any water source safe to drink. Each system will provide enough safe water for an entire family for their entire life! Will you prayerfully consider donating to help meet our goal of buying 10 units? Help support Compassion's Water of Life program through contributions using your weekly offering envelopes or white pew envelopes. Make checks out to Calvary Church & note "Compassion."

Please welcome Dave DeBruine back to Calvary! Dave will be sharing information and success stories about Compassion International's Water of Life program at worship this weekend.

News and Opportunities

Membership Directory

Updated membership directories are available in the church narthex. These are for personal & ministry use by Calvary members only. Please help us save paper and take just one copy per family, please.

Participation Cards

Please fill out a worship participation card, located in the pew pockets, and either drop it in the offering basket or hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. You may also submit prayer requests on the reverse. Please note your relationship to those for whom you request prayers.

Youth & Family Ministry

Bridge & Connect Summer Camp Information Meeting

Sunday, February 12 at 10:30 in the Youth Room For Students and Parents

This summer we are encouraging our youth to come and spend a week at church camp! During the week of June 24-29, 2012, Pine Lake Camp offers programs for both our Bridge and Connect age groups. Bring your questions, concerns, and excitement to this informational session.

High School Mission Trip Information Meeting

Sunday, February 19 at 10:30 in the Youth Room For Students and Parents

Join us on an exciting mission trip to the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota, during the week of July 7-14, 2012. While there, we will be serving with the Youth-Works Kids Club and completing work projects.

Fat Tuesday / Mardi Gras Meal! Tuesday, February 21 (5:15 – 6:30pm)

Come and experience a little bit of Mardi Gras, Calvary Youth Style! Pancakes, Jazz, Beads, and Friends! This will be a fun-filled evening meal to share with our Calvary family as we celebrate the friendships, connections, and Joy for Jesus that we all embrace. Made and served by our fabulous youth group, we will have a delicious meal to fill your Fat Tuesday Cravings! Everyone is welcome: members, non-members, parents, grandparents, neighbors, cousins; go ahead and bring them ALL!

We believe children belong in worship!

But if your child is all commotion and needs a break, please seek out the services of our staffed nursery. An usher can direct you. Blessing bags (children's activity bags) are available at the south sanctuary entrance.

Music

Choir Rehearsals

Just a reminder that there are no choir rehearsals this week (Feb. 7 & 8) for either Celebration Ringers or Alleluia Choir. There **will** be rehearsals on Feb 14 & 15.

Attendance & Offering

Attendance last week: Sat. (5 pm): 54 Sun. (9am): 109

Received in January:

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| General Offering: | \$ 29,097.04 |
| Mission of the Month: | \$ 911.50 |
| Debt Reduction: | \$ 566.50 |

Mark Your Calendars

- **February 18 & 19:** Transfiguration of Our Lord
- **February 21:** Fat Tuesday Dinner (5:30 - 6:30 pm)
- **February 22:** Ash Wednesday, worship at 12:10 pm and 7 pm (no supper)
- **February 29:** Mid-week Lenten Worship—simple supper (served by Council) at 6 pm and worship service at 7 pm (Lenten drama)

Serving at Worship this Weekend

Presiding Minister: Rev. Richard Warber

Assisting Minister: Kevin Wahlgren

Pianist: Mary Anna Salo

Ushers: Mary Ellen Thiede, Tom Thiede, Erik Zipp, Jim Marsho

Greeters: (Sat.) Ray & Jan Chesner; (Sun.) Grace & Gordy Gunnlaugsson, Herb & Judy Grospitz

Deacons: (Sat.) Jonni Roush, RoJean Holler; (Sun.) Kim Nyka, Leah Morris, Marge Blockland

Acolytes: Michael Anderson, Daniel Berger

Lector: (Sat.) Jonni Roush; (Sun.) Larry Bonier

Nursery: Janet Otten

Altar Guild: Bill & Shirley Jordan

Mug-A-Newcomer: Peggy Langelin

Altar flowers are provided Deb Wolff in memory of Craig Wolff.

Fellowship time is provided by the Baumgartner family.

Calvary Staff

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This week at Calvary

Sunday, February 5, 2012 *Name Tag Weekend; Compassion Sunday*

9:00a Worship (Compassion International Temple Talk)

10:30a Christian Education; Confirmation

Monday, February 6, 2012

7:00p Pastoral Search Team

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

9:30a Staff Meeting

6:30p Amazing Grace Adult Bible Study

7:00p Families Anon

7:30p Non-Smoking AA

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

7:00a Men's Breakfast

12:00p Bible Study

Thursday, February 9, 2012

9:30a Calvary Knitting Group

2:00p Foster Small Group

Friday, February 10, 2012

12:00p Al Anon

5:00p Creative Memories Class

Saturday, February 11, 2012

5:00p Worship

Sunday, February 12, 2012

9:00a Worship

10:30a Christian Education; Confirmation; Church Life Ministry Team

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