

**Calvary Episcopal Church**  
Indian Rocks Beach, FL

*“To know Christ and to make Him known”*

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 6, 2024



*Suffer the Little Children to Come unto Me (Laisser venir à moi les petits enfants)*  
1886–1896 James Tissot

**9:00 am**

**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
**Calvary Parking Lot**

# The Sunday Customary

## Order of Service

Supplemental Resources you may use today: **Cell Phones & Tablets**

Opening Hymn:

*Love divine, all loves excelling*

Hymnal 657

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to  
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy  
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,  
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

# The Word of God

## Opening Acclamation

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

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

## The Collect for Purity

*Celebrant:* 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 in excelsis *spoken in unison*

**G**LORY 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.

**A**Lmighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## THE LESSONS - *The people sit if able*

### The First Lesson (Genesis 2:18-24)

*Reader:* A reading from the Book of Genesis.

**T**HE Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.” Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 8**

*Domine, Dominus noster*

*Leader:* O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

*People:* **Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.**

*Leader:* You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

*People:* **When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**

*Leader:* What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
the son of man that you should seek him out?

*People:* **You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with glory and honor;**

*Leader:* You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under his feet:

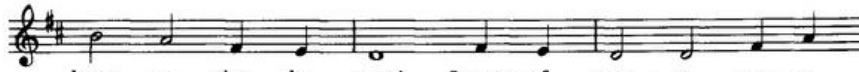
*People:* **All sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,**

*Leader:* The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

*People:* **O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!**



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
 2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
 by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
 I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
 fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
 prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
 from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
 leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
 dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.

Music: Nettleton, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813

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**The Gospel** (Mark 10:2-16) *Please stand, if able.*

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark ✠

*People:* **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

SOME Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Homily**

**The Rev. Jon Roberts**

**Nicene Creed** – *All stand, where you are, if able, and say in unison.*

**W**E 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.

### **Prayers of the People**

Form III

**BCP p. 387**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Leader:* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

*People:* **That we all may be one.**

*Leader:* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

*People:* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Leader:* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People:* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Leader:* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

*People:* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Leader:* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People:* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Leader:* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*People:* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Leader:* We pray for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries: Fr. Jon Roberts, Johnny Ballard, Roger Knickerbocker, Lindsey & Jim Robbins.

*Leader:* Give to the departed eternal rest, especially the estimate of two hundred people who died due Hurricane Helene and specifically those who died here in Indian Rocks Beach: Donna Fagerston and Aiden Bowles.

*People:* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Leader:* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People:* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Leader:* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*We invite you to share your intercessions*)

*Celebrant:* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## **Confession of Sin**

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Most merciful God,...

*All:* ... we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *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** (*All stand, if able*)

*Deacon:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

*The Oblations will be digital. Please use our Realm link. There are options for Hurricane Helene Relief, Pledged and Non-Pledged Giving, and Food Pantry. Please be generous. We need your support for us to recover and to be a resource for others in need.*

## Realm Donations

## Doxology

*Old 100<sup>th</sup> – Isaac Watts*

**Hymn #380 (vs.3)**

*People:* Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People:* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Sanctus - said*

All: Holy, holy, holy 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.

## The Lord's Prayer

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



**All:** 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.*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All:** *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*Celebrant:* 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.

*A line is formed and people are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion.*

### **Processional Hymn**

*Amazing Grace*

**Hymnal #671 (vss. 1-4)**

1. Amazing grace!  
How sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

3. The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

2. 'Twas grace first taught  
my heart to fear  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

4. Through many dangers,  
toils and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Let us Pray. Eternal God, ...

**All:** ...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.

### **Blessing & Dismissal**

*Celebrant:* The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

*Deacon:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## Those Serving Today

Fr. Jon Roberts  
Gabriel Johnston  
Dcn. Chad Olson  
Karen LaCorte-Nies

Simple attire – no vestments  
Simple chalice & bread for Communion

### After Service Prayers

All who wish to receive private prayers may gather by the white cross where there will be both Clergy and Lay members to pray and lay hands on you, praying for whatever need you may have. If it is raining and there are those present, prayers will be offered inside the church narthex.

### Prayers For Healing, Comfort & Strength

*Prayers are maintained on a weekly basis. Please notify the Office if prayers are requested for members or friends of the Parish.*

**Members:** Bob, Cherie & Molly Angelo, Lisa Galish, Gary & Juliette Spivack, Michelle, Kenneth & Kali Stegeby, Patti Brady & Ed Kloskowski, Ron & Pat Chorny, all other members impacted by Hurricane Helene, and Rich Deary, Connie Curran, Cynthia Laitinen, Dodie Spahr, Pat Whalen & Steve Hein, Martha Kelley, Melissa Willbee, Marilyn Clark, Kate Veeder.

**Friends of the Parish:** Kathy Deary, Diane Spahr, Dean Spahr, John Robb, Sgt. Billy Gudzak U.S. Army - Ret., Rachel Ballard, Aaron Sherwood, Manuel Sosa, Hudson Getreu, Paisley Blaskovich.

**For those serving in the Military (Active):** Jeremiah Gill (Schock family), Thomas Blaskovich (Beals family), Evan Chandler (Athanson family).

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:** Fr. Jon Roberts (7), Johnny Ballard (7), Roger Knickerbocker (12), Lindsey & Jim Robbins (6).

### Announcements

#### Storm Recovery Updates

Servpro began work on Saturday, September 28 with a full working crew that included mitigation efforts that accelerated over time. We can report that Calvary's mitigation (including removal of water, desiccation of entire building, overall evaluation of physical plant, removal of artifacts, evaluation and removal of inventory that was salvageable, tearing out interior walls 24" down, etc.) is 30% complete.

Complementing photos of evaluation have been recorded and published on our Facebook page to keep the parish apprised of the situation. The Executive Committee (Fr. Roberts, Julie, Gary, Karen and Lynne) have worked non-stop in the efforts of communicating to all parties involved,

including the Staff, Vestry, the Diocese, the Insurer, Servpro, and various committees, including Finance Committee, Altar Guild, Food Pantry, Prayer Team, etc.

The losses thus far are estimated to be in the range of \$750,000 - \$1M, but this is only an initial estimate as we are working with the process of vendor bids for repairs, replacements and refurbishing. There will be expected non-covered expenses where we will ask for assistance from FEMA, the parish and the local community. Aside from the mitigation of the church, as our largest expense, all furniture made of particle board will be replaced, the organ, certain speakers and electronics related, will be replaced, walls (24" down) will be replaced, and carpet replaced by new vinyl flooring in those areas. The Food Pantry inventory will need to be completely restocked. Sliding door replacements for Parish Hall and replacing the small conference room door with a window are projected.

Dumpsters are expected to arrive, and the removal of cabinetry and other damaged debris will be removed from property over the next two to three weeks.

If you are looking for certain things, please email Fr. Roberts or Karen LaCorte-Nies. Do not attempt to find things on your own or enter the building without permission. Most, if not all inventory has been removed to a satellite facility by Prism in St. Petersburg for evaluation.

### **Worship Expectations**

We plan to have a simple service in front of the North Narthex this Sunday at 9am. Volunteers have said they can put out some folding chairs for the service that were not harmed by the storm. Due to the projected tropical depression getting near us, if there is wind and rain, we ask you remain at home and join us on a livestream as we did last Sunday.

Due to safety concerns, the interior of the church, although dry and entered by response teams and certain church leaders, we feel that it requires the next two weeks of recovery before we invite any parishioners to enter and gather. Those wishing to enter would be at risk at this time due to the construction underway. However, weather permitting, Fr. Roberts is offering for folks to "peer" inside the church from the north entrance but not go further than inside the narthex. We know how many of you want to go inside and look for yourselves but now is not the time. Again, the church is in a pre-construction phase and we must insure safety for all. The Facebook page has many photos and is very comprehensive.

The following Sunday, Oct. 13, Servpro is prepared to erect a full size tent with chairs for us to be under, if needed due to the sun and heat. On Sunday, Oct. 20, Servpro has been asked to clean sufficiently the interior of the sanctuary so that we may assemble. Until further notice, you will need to download the Sunday customary on your phone or tablet if you intend to read or sing along. Simple instrument or a capella, will direct our singing of hymns, led by Gabriel and Fr. Jon. Holy Eucharist at all services.

**Join the Choir** – Our first choir practice of the new season will be offsite. Bells suffered damage, and we will wait until they are refurbished. We welcome people of all musical abilities. Gabriel Johnston will contact both choirs.

**Calvary Ladies Breakfast** Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am will be at Coconut Charlie’s Grill in the North Redington Beach Doubletree Resort.

**Book Club** The Bookies of Calvary meet on the third Monday of each month at 5:30pm. In October it will be held at Resurrection Episcopal in Largo. They would love to have you join them for great fellowship and discussion. The upcoming selections for the next two sessions are:

October – *First Lie Wins* by Ashley Elston;  
 November – *The Women* by Kristin Hannah;  
 Contact Cathy Athanson for more information.



**Winterfest '25 is on the Way Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>!** Chuck Pond, Patty Olsen, Susan Brillat, Joan Vogt, and Bob Cannistraro join the Silent Auction Team headed by Sandra Fulton. Julie Heinicka (Queen of the Pulled Pork) and her team are on board for preparing another “delish” Parish Hall eat-in or to-go lunch. And the Altar Guild will provide a beautiful bake sale led by Cathy Athanson. Volunteers are still needed! Contact the Liz Robb if you can help. Plans are underway.

**Diocesan Convention October 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>** Those who are new to the Episcopal Church may be interested to know there are 76 parishes in the Diocese of Southwest Florida, from Brooksville to Naples, going north to south and the Gulf to Arcadia, Myakka, west to east. Delegates from each church are called to attend the convention held at the Port Charlotte Convention Center in Punta Gorda.

**CONNECTIONS – THIS WEEK AT CALVARY**  
**October 6 - 12**

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|-----------------|-----|--|
| Sunday          | 9am | <b>The Holy Eucharist Rite II</b> – <i>Livestreamed on Facebook</i><br><i>Parking Lot service – Weather permitting</i> |
| Monday-Saturday |     | Church is closed for mitigation effort   |

**Weekly Financial Update for the Week of September 22 – 28, 2024**

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|------------------------|------------|
| Expenditures:          | \$ 9,598   |
| Revenues:              | \$ 3,305   |
| Year-to-date Expenses: | \$424,450  |
| Year-to-date Revenue:  | \$373,411  |
| Difference:            | (\$51,038) |

- \* This is the time of the year when our expenses are expected to overtake our revenue, mainly due to seasonal migration of our parishioners. Please do not forget your charitable gift to Calvary during the next two months. It is most important to be a regular giver to support our operation.
- \*\*The current deficit is a result of an anticipated bequest of stock, yet to be realized. The request for release of these funds remains tentative and we will continue to work with the Power of Attorney on the acquisition. In the meantime, we do ask for our parishioners to help us during the shortfall with making generous donations.
- \*\*The data source for weekly figures taken from the Calvary Regions checking account. YTD figures are from the REALM database.

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