



CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WORSHIP BOOKLET

PRELUDE

Ina Davenport

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

GATHERING I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry #732 (red book, rear section)

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you know belong.
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk to rising sun.

**In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise.**

**I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.**

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... **O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

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

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 32:7-14

The first lesson for today is from the book of Exodus, the 32nd chapter, beginning with the 7th verse.

God said to Moses,

“Go down at once!

Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt,
have acted perversely;

they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them;

they have cast for themselves an image of a calf,

and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said,

‘These are your gods, O Israel,

who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’”

God said to Moses,

“I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are.

Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them
and I may consume them;

and of you I will make a great nation.”

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said,

“O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people,

whom you brought out of the land of Egypt

with great power and with a mighty hand?

Why should the Egyptians say,

‘It was with evil intent that God brought them out

to kill them in the mountains,

and to consume them from the face of the earth?

Turn from your fierce wrath;

change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people.

Remember Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Israel, your servants,

how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them,

‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of the heaven,

and all this land that I have promised

will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’”

And God’s mind changed about the disaster that God planned to bring on the people.

[The New Revised Standard Version]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 51:1-10 (the congregation responds with the bold words)

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, **and my sin is ever before me.**
Against you, you alone, have I sinned, **and done what is evil in your sight,**
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.

Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

[New Revised Standard Version]

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

The Second Reading for today is from the book of First Timothy, the 1st chapter, beginning with the 12th verse.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me,
because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service,
even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, a man of violence.

But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief,
and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me
with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners –
of whom I am the foremost.

But for that very reason I received mercy,
so that in me, as the foremost,
Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience,
making me an example
to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.
To the Ruler of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever.
Amen.

[*The New Revised Standard Version*]

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Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (spoken)

Alleluia!
Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 15:1-10

The gospel lesson for today is from the 15th chapter of Luke, beginning with the 1st verse.

Glory be to you, Oh Lord.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus]

And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying,

“This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable:

“Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them,
does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness
and go after the one that is lost until they find it?

When they have found it, they lay it on their shoulders and rejoice.

And when they come home, they call together their friends and neighbors,
saying to them,

‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’

Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents
than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

‘Or what person having ten silver coins, if they lose one of them,
does not light a lamp, sweep the house,
and search carefully until they find it?

When they have found it, they call together their friends and neighbors, saying,

‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’

Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God
over one sinner who repents.”

[The New Revised Standard Version]

This is the gospel indeed.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON The Wideness in God's Mercy Pastor Brian Stein-Webber

SERMON HYMN There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #588 (red hymnal, rear section)

**There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heav'n.
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment giv'n.**

**There is welcome for the sinner, and the promised grace made good;
there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.
There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this;
there is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.**

**For the love of God is broader than the measures of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
But we make this love too narrow by false limits of our own;
and we magnify its strictness with a zeal God will not own.**

**'Tis not all we owe to Jesus; it is something more than all:
greater good because of evil, larger mercy through the fall.
Make our love, O God, more faithful; let us take you at your word,
and our lives will be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.**

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

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

Your people receive mercy and your grace overflows in our lives. Fill your church with faith and love, and give understanding hearts to those who work to strengthen our ecumenical and interreligious commitments. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your creation groans as it suffers the impacts of pollution and lack of care. As the seasons change, renew in us the will to protect plants, animals, and habitats: the grasses and sycamores, the otters and ospreys, the Back Bay and the valleys. Bless us with bountiful harvests that all may share. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your world seems shattered and the nations rage. Remember us in your mercy. Teach wisdom to our elected leaders, especially Representative Salud Carbajal, Senators Dianne Feinstein and Alex Padilla, Governor Gavin Newsom and President Joseph Biden, so that we may know peace in our world, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your children wander homeless and the hungry cry for bread. Seek out those who are lost or lonely, anxious or depressed, or struggling with addiction or illness. Provide for those in any need, especially:

- The Brochtrup family - Covid
- Denise Kenealy, daughter-in-law of Robin Karas, now in on-going rehabilitation care.
- Linda Luke- completed final round of chemotherapy
- Rebecca Aparicio, Nancy Padilla's mother-in-law, living in a nursing home
- Aparicio family dealing with an unexpected loss of a loved one, Jacob Tovar
- Edith Tway- multiple health problems, back at home
- George Tway- supporting Edith
- Becky Padilla- has responded well to treatment for cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- Lia, Ina Davenport's friend- recovering well from a broken back
- James Hecker- recovering from bladder replacement surgery
- The family of Tim Stein, whose memorial will be on September 24th
- 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
- 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, protection, and changes of heart for those attacking them
- For Diane Williams and Tyler Mitchell who celebrate their birthdays this week

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Your work is done in this congregation with our hands, feet, voices, minds, and hearts. Build up the ministries of this community, including community dinners in Morro Bay and Los Osos, that we serve our neighbors and welcome the stranger in your name. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

We also offer up prayers for the following:
(you may pray silently or out loud)
 God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your blessed saints who have died now rest in your presence. Give us thankful hearts for those who have been examples of faith in our lives, especially Timothy Stein, and receive us with joy when we come to share eternal life with you. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
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 (spoken)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,
heaven and earth are full of your glory!
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the one that 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 you with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us #789 (red hymnal, rear section)

**Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, your have bought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, your have bought us; we are yours.**

**We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.**

**You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
you have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.**

**Early let us seek your favor, early let us do your will;
blessed Lord and only Savior, with your love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Ina Davenport

DEDICATION of "Morro Rock and Jesus' boat" stained glass window in the narthex. Stay if you can!

Thank you to:

- **Joyce Bauer** for assisting in worship.
- **Nancy Koppl**, for teaching Sunday School.
- **Sandy McMillan and others** for counting the offering.
- **Ina Davenport** for accompanying worship.
- **Janet Lorenzo** and others for streaming worship.
- **Janet Lorenzo** 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 for conversation and fellowship.
- Happy **National Grandparents' Day!**
- **The Zoom discussion group** will meet tonight at 7:00 pm, discussing the interview with Dallas Jenkins and Jonathan Roumie (who plays Jesus on *The Chosen*).
- **Bible Study** on Wednesday, September 14th, 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.
- The **Church Council** will be meeting this Thursday, September 15th, at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall. (This is a change from previous plans.)

- You are encouraged to bring in your donations to the church for the **October 1st Rummage Sale**. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for help in receiving donations. Please, if you can, help with this very important fund raiser!
- **Sundy Undy!** Every Sunday in September will be a "Sundy Undy" Sunday! We're collecting underwear and socks in all sizes for Iglesia and the Prado center. If you prefer, you may make a cash donation instead of shopping for undies. Just place your donation in an offering envelope and mark it "undies".
- **Sunday, September 18th, 10:00 am**, worship in the sanctuary, Sunday School in the social hall.
- **Worship Planning Workshop** will be on Saturday, September 17th, 10:00 to 11:30 am in the sanctuary. Note the new time.
- **Note that we are still asking for the use of masks in worship**, for the sake of those whose health is compromised or weak. We are grateful that COVID cases are going down in our area, and that we may lift this requirement soon.
- 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**