



**CALVARY  
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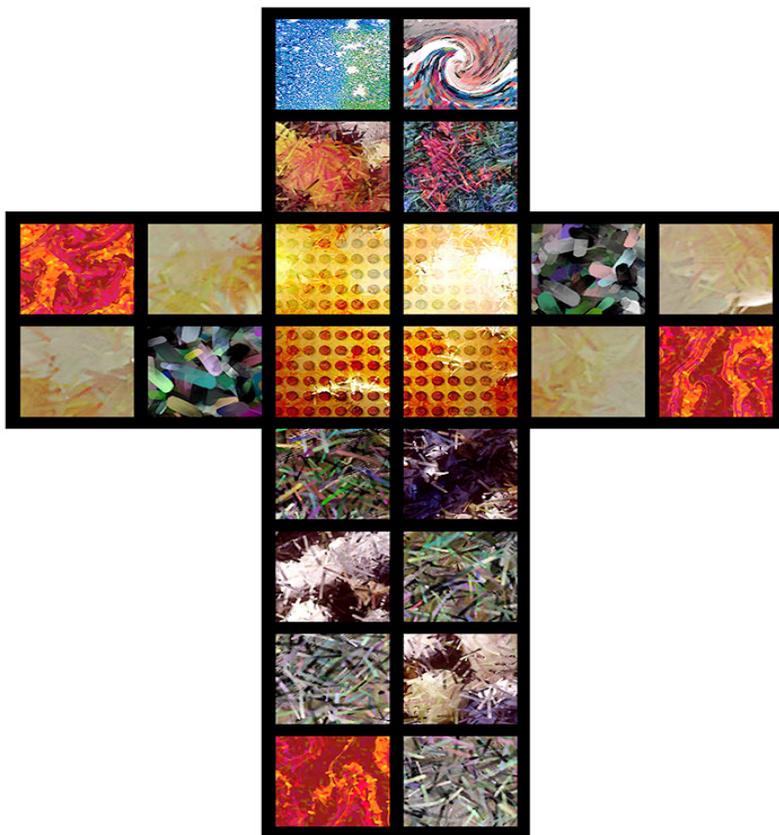
Rev. Kevin Barron  
*Pastor*

*Sunday Worship*  
10:00 a.m.

*Bible Class*  
8:45 a.m. - Sunday  
11:00 a.m. - Tuesday

*Sunday School*  
8:45 a.m.

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*“I am the  
resurrection  
and  
the life.”*

**CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
***“Forward in Faith and Mission”***

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**FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**10 a.m.**

**March 29, 2020**

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**OPENING HYMN**    *“My Song of Love is Unknown”*    #430 st. 1, 2, 7

- 1     My song is love unknown,  
      My Savior’s love to me,  
      Love to the loveless shown  
      That they might lovely be.  
      Oh, who am I  
      That for my sake  
      My Lord should take  
      Frail flesh and die?
- 2     He came from His blest throne  
      Salvation to bestow;  
      But men made strange, and none  
      The longed-for Christ would know.  
      But, oh, my friend,  
      My friend indeed,  
      Who at my need  
      His life did spend!
- 7     Here might I stay and sing,  
      No story so divine!  
      Never was love, dear King,  
      Never was grief like Thine.  
      This is my friend,  
      In whose sweet praise  
      I all my days  
      Could gladly spend!

**†THE INVOCATION/CALLING**

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

## † THE CONFESSION/ADMISSION OF SINS

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father,

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean.**

**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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

## † THE FORGIVENESS/PARDON

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## PSALM 130 (unison)

**Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!**

<sup>2</sup> **O Lord, hear my voice!**

**Let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**

<sup>3</sup> **If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,  
O Lord, who could stand?**

<sup>4</sup> **But with you there is forgiveness,  
that you may be feared.**

<sup>5</sup> **I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,  
and in his word I hope;**

<sup>6</sup> **my soul waits for the Lord  
more than watchmen for the morning,  
more than watchmen for the morning.**

**<sup>7</sup> O Israel, hope in the LORD!**

**For with the LORD there is steadfast love,  
and with him is plentiful redemption.**

**<sup>8</sup> And he will redeem Israel  
from all his iniquities.**

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was  
in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you.

L: Let us pray:

Almighty God, Your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of Your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve You in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **THE HYMN**    *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”*

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what Thou dost love,  
And do what Thou wouldst do.
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Until my heart is pure,  
Until with Thee I will one will,  
To do and to endure.
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
Till I am wholly Thine,  
Until this earthly part of me  
Glows with Thy fire divine.

## **THE SCRIPTURE READINGS**

## THE FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1-14

*(God gives hope through the Prophet, that Israel will return from death and exile and be restored in their own land.)*

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup> And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup> And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

R: This is the Word of the Lord

## THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:1-11

*(Those in Christ are set free from sin and death by the Spirit through the sin offering of Jesus.)*

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup> For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup> For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending

his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup> For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. <sup>8</sup> Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

<sup>9</sup> You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

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## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will never die.” (John 11: 25, 26)

## † THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 11:1-53

*(Jesus raises Lazarus from death.)*

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent to him, saying, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it he said, “This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

<sup>5</sup> Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup> So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup> Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” <sup>8</sup> The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?” <sup>9</sup> Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. <sup>10</sup> But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.” <sup>11</sup> After saying these things, he said to them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him.” <sup>12</sup> The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover.” <sup>13</sup> Now Jesus had spoken of

his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup> and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” <sup>16</sup> So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

<sup>17</sup> Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup> Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup> and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup> So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup> She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

<sup>28</sup> When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” <sup>29</sup> And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup> When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup> Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. <sup>34</sup> And he said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” <sup>35</sup> Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days.” <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me.” <sup>43</sup> When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.” <sup>44</sup> The man who had

died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

<sup>45</sup> Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, <sup>46</sup> but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. <sup>47</sup> Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. “What are we accomplishing?” they asked. “Here is this man performing many signs. <sup>48</sup> If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation.”

<sup>49</sup> Then one of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, spoke up, “You know nothing at all! <sup>50</sup> You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish.”

<sup>51</sup> He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, <sup>52</sup> and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one. <sup>53</sup> So from that day on they plotted to take his life.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”*

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1     Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;  
      I pray Thee, ne’er from me depart,  
      With tender mercy cheer me.  
      Earth has no pleasure I would share.  
      Yea, heav’n itself were void and bare  
      If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.  
      And should my heart for sorrow break,  
      My trust in Thee can nothing shake.  
      Thou art the portion I have sought;  
      Thy precious blood my soul has bought.  
      Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
      Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

**GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY**

Rev. Kevin Barron

## †THE APOSTLES' CREED/PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## † THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord in Your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

## † THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

## †THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

## THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

## CLOSING HYMN    *"Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense"*    #741 1, 2,4

1     Jesus Christ, my sure defense  
       And my Savior, now is living!  
       Knowing this, my confidence  
       Rests upon the hope here given,  
       Though the night of death be fraught  
       Still with many an anxious thought.

2 Jesus, my Redeemer, lives;  
Likewise I to life shall waken.  
He will bring me where He is;  
Shall my courage then be shaken?  
Shall I fear, or could the Head  
Rise and leave His members dead?

4 I am flesh and must return  
To the dust, whence I am taken;  
But by faith I now discern  
That from death I shall awaken  
With my Savior to abide  
In His glory, at His side.

### **TODAY'S SERVANTS**

<b>Proclaimer:</b>	Rev. Kevin Barron
<b>Organist:</b>	Barbara Sommer
<b>Cantor:</b>	Bridget Jones
<b>IT Assistants:</b>	Jim McWilliams and Bridget Jones

**\*\*OUR LIFE WITH GOD, March 29, 2020\*\***

**WELCOME IN JESUS CHRIST!** Prayer cards in the pew may be placed in the offering plate. See the ushers for LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, HYMNALS, Braille texts, and hearing devices. You may also request children's ACTIVITY BAGS.

*Prayers for comfort: the families of Denise Mackey and Floramae Mann on their passing. Prayers for healing: Gretel Kraemer, Amanda Richter, Walter Eline and Bev Brown, Bill Romberger (father of Cara Lucas), Tessa Willen (Segal family member), Mary Richter (Amanda's sister-in-law), Linda Watts (Bryan Mackey's mother-in-law), Debbie Middendorf (Heather Mackey's cousin), Deborah Bell (Cheryl Reek's sister), Al Booth (father of Garrett Booth), Joan Colliflower, Alison Baptiste, Kevin Burns, Pastor Bob Kretzschmar, Helen Abrecht (Betty Huckle's sister), Rachel Negley, Paul Schildwachter, Lavenia White (Rosa White's daughter), Dale & Chris Amendt, Carolyn Underwood, Frances Dunker, Jean Plitt, Drew Wallace (Olive Abt's cousin), Thelma Lucas (Ameous Lucas' mother), Ed Seufert, Alasaro Lucas, and prayers for all the victims of severe weather, and families of gun violence and senseless acts of terror in our world. We also pray for members and relatives of Calvary Lutheran Church whose families are serving in the Armed Forces and First Responders. Call the office for prayer requests, where they will remain for four weeks.*

If pastoral assistance is needed, please call the church office 410-426-4301 or email Pastor Kevin @pastorkbarron@gmail.com.

**ALL BIBLE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**The Fellowship Board would like to invite those willing to work on special events, soup suppers, and coffee hours to be part of the Board. Please speak with Carol Chapman if you have questions.**

**The CPR/AED class that was scheduled for Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> is canceled until further notice.**

**The Easter Egg Hunt will NOT be held this year on April 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**The Shredding event that was scheduled for Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> will be RESCHEDULED.**

Easter is quickly approaching and the Lay Ministry/Worship and Music Committee would again like to have a **Brass Quartet to play for Easter.** The Resurrection of Jesus is a real celebration and we would like the music to be the same. If anyone would like to make a donation toward the special music that Sunday, possibly in honor of a friend or family member, or in memory of a loved one, please direct your checks to Calvary Lutheran Church with the note of "Easter Music," and give it to the office or an usher. Donations will be listed in the Easter parish notes. Thank you!

Grace Place is closed for regular classes during the duration of the Covid 19 virus problem. Plans are still in place to have **Grief Share** starting Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Please contact Pastor, Pat Bell, or Barb Sommer with your interest to participate.

Thrivent Financial, the Lutheran Insurance company, has given many financial gifts to Calvary in the way of grants and Action Team money, especially to Grace Place. Their **CHOICE DOLLARS** are now available to members who have the insurance. Take a few minutes out to direct these dollars, free to you, to a local charity. If you don't know details, call your financial advisor for help. If you would like the money directed to Calvary, use that address listed; if, to Grace Place note "Calvary" and tell the treasurer to redirect them to Grace Place for programming. The deadline for this year is March 31, 2020. Thank you!

If you would like to contribute to Calvary's ongoing **Property Projects** (i.e., plumbing needs, new lighting, survey and fence repair for back parking lot, replacing parts of the air conditioning for the church) please contact Dave Kurrle.

**The Lutheran Church Extension Fund** is an investment company run by the Lutheran church which supports building churches and missions throughout the country. Be part of Christ's plans for the growth of His Kingdom. There are new rates with a limited time offering. If you need more information see Dave Kurrle.

**PLEASE SAVE the top to any of the bottles of Coke products (i.e., Sprite, Brisk).** There is a code inside that is entered online and Coca-Cola donates money to participating schools. See updated flier on bulletin board outside of church with sizes and value codes. Thank you for your continued support!

**Palm Sunday is April 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**Maundy Thursday is April 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Good Friday is April 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Sunday is April 12<sup>th</sup>**