

# Unity. Liberty. Love. Serve.



Calvary Moravian Church (Gail Morris)

# THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 25, 2022

### The Church of Christ, in Every Age 694



Alternate kev, hymn 469

5 We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord, to care for all, without reserve, and spread his liberating word.

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TUNE: William Knapp (1738)

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

(Standing)

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God, creator of all things visible and invisible, powerful beyond measure, good beyond all understanding.

#### God's steadfast love endures forever.



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Lord, our God, you bring forth and nourish every living being.

#### We lift up our hearts to you.

We assemble here celebrating the joys of human life, shared one with the other. We recall the ministry of Jesus, crucified and raised up for our salvation, still present among us through the mystery of the Holy Spirit.

#### We praise you for new life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Confessing that we have strayed from your holy will, we humbly acknowledge our sins before you.

#### (Kneeling or sitting)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in many ways, times, and places. We have mishandled this good earth entrusted to our care, and we have misused our personal gifts, hurting both ourselves and others. Forgive our false pride which hides our negligence, and forgive our careless acts which destroy your handiwork. In your mercy correct our faults and restore us to responsible, compassionate living.

#### SILENT CONFESSION

Hear and know that the Lord is good. God forgives those who are contrite in heart. Live in peace, for God's steadfast love endures forever.



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Let us taste and see that the Lord is good. Let us be grateful for all that God has provided.

#### Inspire us, God of mercy, to be thankful for what we have received.

Let our lives resound with the wonder and beauty of all that God has been creating from the beginning. As caretakers of creation, may we learn anew to enjoy the land, preserve the water, respect all living creatures, and meditate upon the grandeur of open sky and sea.

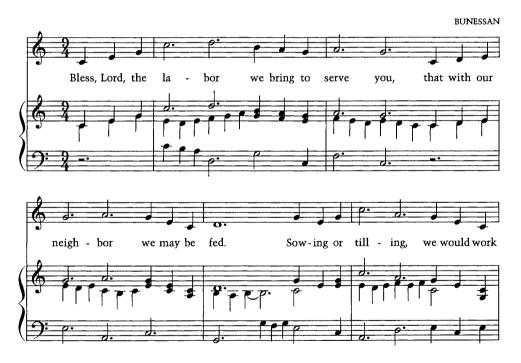
#### Teach us, God of creation, to walk the earth with gratitude and wisdom.

Let our eyes be opened to the needs of all people, especially the poor.

# Move us, God of justice, to share what we have and to be just and merciful in our nation and the world.

Let us hear God's call to the urgent tasks of our time: studies to pursue, projects to begin, communities to build, individuals to support, damages to restore.

Use us, God of the covenant — use our time, our talent, our treasure.





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Our Creator God calls us to become the servant body of Christ, ministering to the world, and grants us the blessings of membership in the holy, universal church.

#### We thank you for our place in the church.

The Spirit of the Lord fills this house. God delights in its beauty, and sings through the music of the faithful. God speaks by the reading and proclamation of the word, stirs in the waters of baptism, nourishes through the gifts of bread and wine. God hears the prayers of the people and rejoices in our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

#### We thank you for your presence and power among us.

The Lord gathers us into the fellowship of this congregation. Here we share our spiritual gifts and employ them to build up the body. Some of us teach and proclaim, some shepherd and heal, some lead and administer, some serve, prophesy, and evangelize. All of us dwell in God's love, and all pray for one another in the peace of Jesus Christ our Lord.

# We offer our gifts to honor your holy name and to strengthen one another in faith.

God calls us to commit our financial resources to the building of the kingdom, to tithe, and to give generously of our wealth in proportion to the blessings we have received.

### Search our hearts and try our ways that we might give to your glory, O God.

Jesus leads us onward in the high mission of the church. We proclaim the gospel to all nations by word and deed, that people everywhere may find new life in God.

We hear your call. We pledge the best of our labors that your glory may be known in all the earth.

Let us now rise to serve God. Let us renew our commitment to Christ's call for servanthood, obedience, and sacrifice to establish a world of justice, prosperity, and peace.

#### We rise as one to love and serve the Lord!

(Standing)



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May the words of our lips and the meditations of our hearts —

May the deeds of our hands and the action of our lives —

Be pleasing in your sight, O God our Creator.

Through Christ our Lord, and the Holy Spirit,

One God of all, world without end.

Amen!



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We welcome all members and guests to our service today and we are glad that you have joined us for worship at Calvary!

#### SERVING IN WORSHIP

The Rt. Rev. Lane A. Sapp, Preaching
The Rev. Chaz Snider, Associate Pastor
Mrs. Amanda Schumpert, Director of Music
Mrs. Lilyann Sapp, Lay Reader
Mrs. Mary Louise Kapp Peeples, Organist
Mr. Jamie Allbritten, Tenor
Mr. Brian Lott, Band Director
The Calvary Band
The Calvary Chancel Choir
Makenna Gibson & Hannah Price, Nursery Attendants
Mike McCollum, Susan McCollum, & Chese Trivette, Ushers

Nursery is available for all children infant through Pre-K.
Children Kindergarten through 2nd grade can find *New to the Pew* bags up front filled with fun activities to help them in worship. All children are welcome!

#### **GATHERING IN UNITY**

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK (1 TIMOTHY 6:6)

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment.

**BAND PRELUDE** 

**TRINITY CHIME** 

**PRELUDE** Adagio from Sonata No. 1 — Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME

#### **PROCLAIMING GOD'S LOVE**

**HYMN #694** The Church of Christ, in Every Age — WAREHAM

LITURGY OF STEWARDSHIP Page 154, The Moravian Book of Worship

**OFFERTORY** Ye people, rend your hearts... If with all your hearts (Elijah) — Felix Mendelssohn

**DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER** 

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Join We All with One Accord — GAUDEAMUS PARITER

Join we all with one accord; praise we all our common Lord; for we all have heard his voice, all have made his will our choice.

Join we with the saints of old, no more strangers in the fold, one the Shepherd who us sought, one the flock his blood has bought.

Children Kindergarten to 2nd grade are invited to leave for Godly Play during the singing of this hymn.

#### THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

EPISTLE: I CORINTHIANS 15:51-58 (Pg. 1002) GOSPEL: JOHN 12:20-26 (Pg. 936)

The Word of God for the People of God Thanks be to God.

**QUIET MEDITATION AND PRAYER** 

**SERMON** Our Labor Is Not in Vain!

**SENDING TO SERVE** 

HYMN #351 (Pg. 5)

Take My Life, and Let It Be — HENDON

**BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE

Allegro Maestoso Vivace from Sonata No. 2. — Felix Mendelssohn

**TRINITY CHIME** 

#### REMEMBER CALVARY MEMBERS IN PRAYER

Eddie Johnson; Jane Sofley; Margaret Higgins; Ursula Pierce; Camilla Williams; Ron Griggs; Bernard Williams; Carloyn Perry; Logan Shaw; John Polychron; Hubert Poindexter; Larry Linville; Patricia Poindexter Garr; Earline Pryor; Richard and Frances Swing; Ramona Prestwood; Beth Nance; Charles Mecimore; Ramona Burke; Jan Trivette; Mary Hampton; Joel C. Lineback; Betsy Oerter; Rameth McKnight; The Fearrington family; Wesley Davis; Charles Forest; Jane Sofley; Linda Seippel; Pat George; Mike Hattaway

#### REMEMBER FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN PRAYER

Dr. Tad Lowdermilk; Cheryl Morrison; Stephanie Miller; Andrea Burke Yeager; Will Streicker; Susan Johnston; Anita Cirba; Gordon Bascom; Knox Peterson; Marty Clark; Mary Beard

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- 5 Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own! It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure-store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

#### THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

#### Discipleship 2023

Today is Discipleship Dedication Sunday when we present to the Lord our commitments to the Lord for 2023. Many of you have already returned your invitation to give cards to the church office and we are deeply grateful. If you would like to turn your card in today, please place it in the offering plate located in the narthex as you leave today. If you did not bring your card with you and would like to complete one, extra copies are located on the narthex table. Thank-you again for your commitment to the ministry of Calvary Moravian Church.

#### **Brunson Elementary Snack Request**

The Missions Committee is collecting snack donations for our partner school Brunson Elementary. We are looking for donations of goldfish, graham crackers, pretzels, and freeze pops. Please leave donations in the marked boxes at the first floor door or in the West Lobby by October 3rd. Thank you!

#### **Donation Request**

The Missions Committee is collecting items for greeNest to give to clients who have recently obtained apartments. The following ten items can be bought at the Dollar Tree, and we ask that you please leave your donations in the kitchen. For any questions, please call Adrienne Polychron at (336)416-3700. The ten items needed are: bucket, shower curtain liner, shower curtain hooks, bath soap, dish soap, cleaning powder (like Ajax), disinfectant (like Pine-Sol), toilet brush, toilet paper, and paper towels. We thank you.

#### Calvary Moravian Breakfast Bunch

We would like to invite you to come and eat breakfast at the Carriage House on October 4 at 9:00 a.m. This is a great time to reconnect with our church family and we encourage visitors to come with you. Please let us know by the Monday before our breakfast on Tuesdays we can let the Carriage House know our party's size ahead of time. You will need to cover your own breakfast but the fellowship is free. Please contact Pat George (336) 971-3429 or Linda Seippel (336)-406-1747 for more information.

#### Wednesday Night Bible Study

As a part of our Wednesday night Calvary at the Table program, our fall adult Bible study has resumed Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Burke Room. The study will be hybrid, meaning you can attend in person or use the following ZOOM link to attend virtually: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84813460990?pwd=ZkQydkpsQjhsbTU0Wk01N0RzNUQ0dz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84813460990?pwd=ZkQydkpsQjhsbTU0Wk01N0RzNUQ0dz09</a> This year we will be studying Paul's letter to the Romans. Pastor Lane will be leading the study, and he will use the NRSV translation. Each Bible study session begins with intercessory prayer as we remember our individual needs and the needs of our community. We hope you will plan to join in person or online.

#### **New Directory**

Calvary is excited to share our plans to publish a new church directory later this fall. We are utilizing Instant Church Directory after hearing many positive reviews about their service. For those with smart phones, there is a downloadable app where you can look up contact information any time. You can also access the directory online from your web browser. For those who prefer a physical copy, we can easily print the directory as a booklet for you. We hope this new endeavor enables Calvary members to stay even more connected with each other. Starting today, there is a paper copy of our current directory information available in the narthex. Please peruse this and make any changes necessary by writing next to your family's entry. If you aren't able to be here in person and your contact information has changed recently, please call the office or email Jacob at jacob@calvarymoravian.org.

#### **Calvary Moravian Hoodie Order**

We are proud to partner with local printing company "House of Rodan" in Ardmore to do a group order for Calvary Moravian hoodies. They are available in adult sizes XS-2XL in black or grey with our color logo and are \$32.00 each. Please email Jacob at jacob@calvarymoravian.org with the quantity, color, and sizes you would like by October 1st. Payment can be made to Calvary Moravian Church with cash placed in an envelope marked Hoodie Order or by check with "Hoodie Order" in the memo line. **Orders are due by October 1st.** Thank you!

#### Salem Walk

"Salem Walk" is an in-person opportunity to learn about three people enslaved by Moravians in Salem between 1771 and 1860. Stories about Sambo/Abraham, Cathy, and Phoebe will be shared by walking to places where they lived, worked, and are buried. After gathering at Home Moravian Church (529 S. Church St.), participants will split into groups, each group focusing on the life of one individual. Discussion and worship will follow. The experience will take approximately two hours. Salem Walk is sponsored by the Moravian Team for Racial, Cultural, and Ethnic Reconciliation. Dates: Oct 1 at 1:30 PM, Oct 4 at 10 AM and Nov 8 at 10 AM. Pre-registration is required. Register by emailing the Moravian Team for Reconciliation at MTR@mcsp.org. Provide your name, email, contact information, and the date you plan to attend. You'll receive more specific information near the date of the walk. If we don't have enough sign up on a particular date to have the Walk, we will contact you to reschedule at another date. Please be prepared for a lot of walking, some of it on uneven ground. We will cancel if it is raining. If you have questions, please email Betsy Bombick at MTR@mcsp.org.

### Sunday Mornings at Calvary Moravian

9am Handbell Choir Rehearsal

9:45am Nursery for children infant through Pre-K

Adult Sunday School Class Offerings

New Life Adult Class 1st floor, Room 120

Friendship Adult Class

1st floor, Burke Conference Room

9:45-10:15am Family Chime-Time

3rd floor handbell room

10:15am Youth (6th-12th grades)

3rd floor youth room

Early Elementary (Kindergarten through 2nd grade)

2nd floor Children's Wing Elementary (3rd through 5th grade) 2nd floor Children's Wing

Fellowship Coffee Time at Footnote Cafe

llam Worship

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday 8 AM-4 PM Lunch Hour: 12:30-1:30 PM Closed on Fridays

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