

# Unity. Liberty. Love. Serve.



Enter In (Jacob Patrick)

PROPER EIGHTEEN
EDUCATION KICKOFF SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2025



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 Rev. Dr. Chaz Snider, Preaching
Amanda Schumpert, Director of Music
Chi-Chi Messick, Pianist
Alexander Stultz, Violinist
Carter Nance, Lay Reader
Brian Lott, Band Director
The Calvary Band
Clyde George & Carter Nance, Ushers

The flowers in the sanctuary are placed to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Fred and Marjorie Crouch by their son Fred Crouch.

Nursery is available for all children infant through Pre-K.

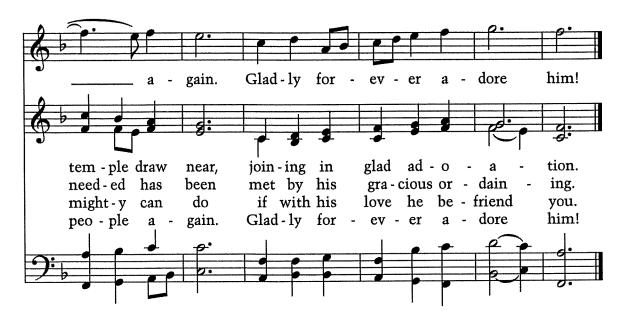
Children Kindergarten through 2nd grade may leave for Godly Play after the Children's Moment. For those children remaining in the sanctuary, New to the Pew bags can be found up front filled with fun activities to help them in worship. All children are welcome!

# Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

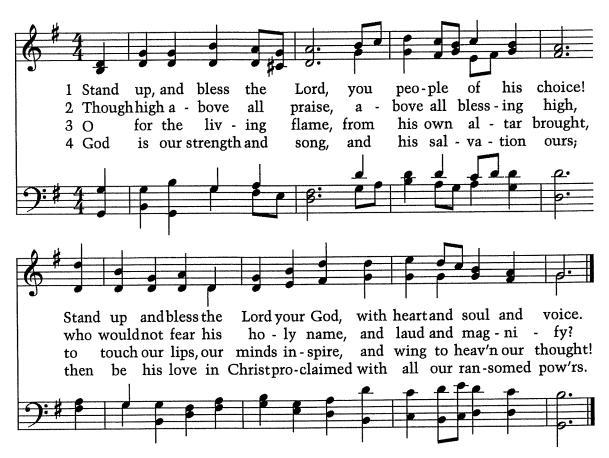


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# Stand Up, and Bless the Lord 531



5 Stand up, and bless the Lord!
The Lord, your God, adore!
Stand up, and bless his glorious name, henceforth, for evermore.

TEXT: James Montgomery (1824) TUNE: Aaron Williams (1770)

# **EDUCATION**

(Standing)

We praise you, Lord! We give thanks to you with our whole heart!

Great are your works, full of honor and majesty and studied by all who delight in them.

The works of your hands are faithful and just.

# Your precepts are trustworthy.

Our reverence for you is the beginning of wisdom.

You are to be praised forever.



All-knowing Creator, from whom comes every good and perfect gift, we praise you for the wisdom, power, and love displayed in the natural universe and in humanity, whom you have placed within it to care for it and nurture it.

### All glory to you, omniscient God!

Light of the world, we praise you for being the eternal truth.

# All glory to you, Christ our teacher!

Revealer of the deep things of God, we praise you for your gifts of awe and wonder which lead us on the path of true wisdom.

### All glory to you, Holy Spirit!



TEXT: © by Jane Parker Huber

Let us pray:

#### (Kneeling or sitting)

God of vision and wisdom, we confess our short-sightedness and folly in our search for knowledge and understanding. For our pride in pursuing and using knowledge in ways that make us think we are superior to others, we ask your forgiveness.

For our misuse of science and technology, leading to the oppression of people and the abuse of creation, we ask your forgiveness.

For our failure to ask hard questions and our willingness to be satisfied with easy answers, for our ignorance of history and tradition, and for our stubborn resistance to new insights of both heart and mind, we ask your forgiveness.

We neglect the study of Scripture, the foundation of all true learning. Although your splendor has illuminated our path, we have chosen to walk in darkness.

Although your guidance is always available, we have relied upon our own will.

Although you have given us wise counsel, inspired writers, and thoughtful teachers, we have turned to our own ways.

Gracious God, you forgive us through Jesus Christ. In humble acknowledgement of your love revealed in him, we give you thanks, and pray the prayer he taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

(Sitting)



TEXT: © by W. L. Jenkins

Divine Teacher, to you we commend all who learn: infants tasting and touching, children exploring in play, youth testing and challenging, and adults continuing the quest.

### Bless our learning with your Spirit.

In the disciplined mastery of subject and skill, in the reflection on life experience, in the practical wisdom of long years,

# Bless our learning with your Spirit.

At every age and in every circumstance of life,

### Bless our learning with your Spirit.

Give patience and understanding to those who teach. Give perseverance and openness of heart and mind to those who learn.

### Bless our learning with your Spirit.

Spirit of truth, to you we commend all the educational ministries of the church. Guide us in the search of the Scriptures, in the study of creation, and in the pursuit of truth. Give to parents your wisdom and thoughts, that with love and understanding they may guide to Christian maturity the young lives entrusted to their care. May congregations nurture faith in children, youth, and adults.

# Hear our prayer, Spirit of truth.

Bless all those responsible for education in our community and country: teachers and administrators, custodians and clerks, students and families. For their gifts and their service,

# We give you thanks.

For all the diversity of human study and knowledge — for science and art, for literature and drama, for labor and play — for all the teaching experiences of life,

### We give you thanks.

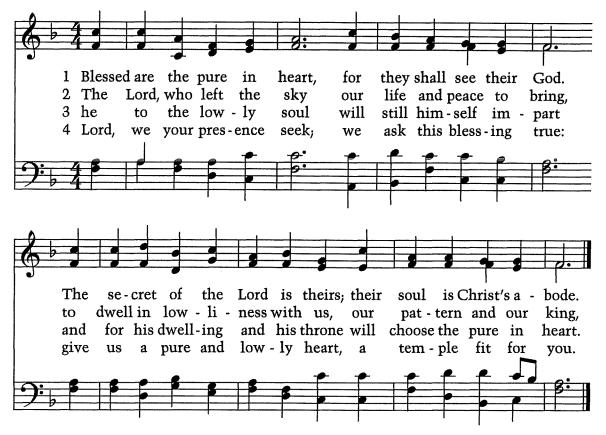
#### (Standing)



To the God of lasting wisdom, to the God of relentless change, to God be glory, majesty, dominion, and power,

Now and forever. Amen.

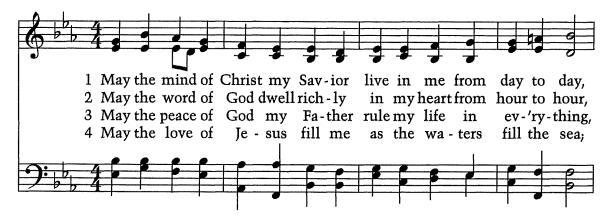
# 584 Blessed Are the Pure in Heart



TEXT: John Keble (1819), alt. TUNE: German melody

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# 585 May the Mind of Christ My Savior

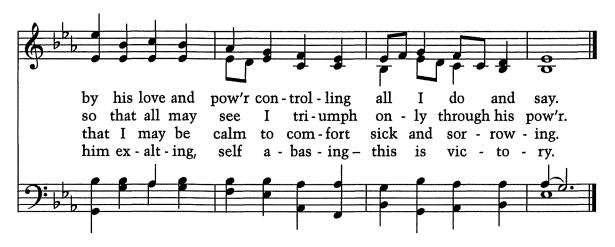


TEXT: Kate B. Wilkinson (1925)

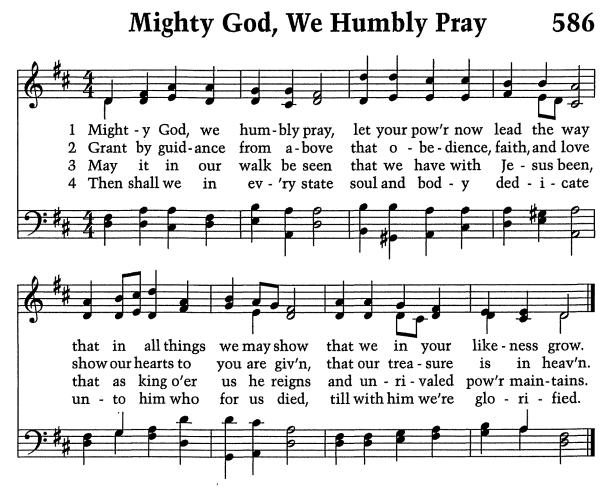
TUNE: Arthur Cyril Barham-Gould (1925). Music by permission of D. R. Gould.

8.7.8.5. ST. LEONARDS

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- 5 May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe, looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.
- 6 May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win, may they look beyond my witness seeing only him.

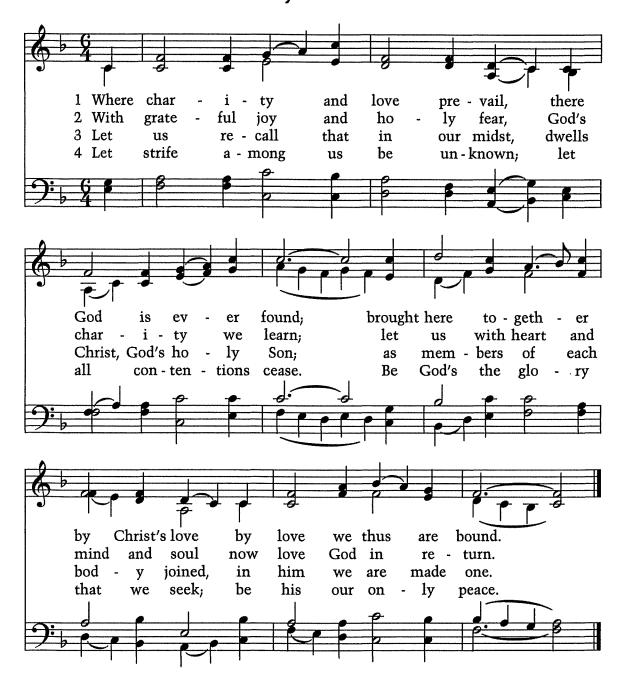


TEXT: St. 1 Veni Redemptor Gentium of Ambrose of Milan (c. 374). Tr. Johann Christian Jacobi (1720), alt. St. 2-4 Nicholas L. von Zinzendorf (1740). Tr. William Horne (1754), alt.

TUNE: Seelenlust (1657)

CULBACH

# Where Charity and Love Prevail 785



- 5 For love excludes no race or clan that names the Savior's name; his family embraces all whose Father is the same.
- 6 We now forgive each other's faults as we our own confess, that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness.

TEXT: Latin (9th cent.). Tr. Omer Westendorf (b. 1916), alt. ©1961 by World Library Publications, a Division of J. S. Paluch Company, Inc., Schiller Park, IL 60176

TUNE: American melody. Harm. Nola Reed Knouse (1995)

#### **GATHERING IN UNITY**

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK (DEUTERONOMY 30:19-20)

Choose life so that you and your descendants may live,
loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him.

\* Please stand as you are able.

**BAND PRELUDE** 

**TRINITY CHIME** 

**PIANO PRELUDE** There's a Land that is Fairer than Day — John Carter

**W**ELCOME

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S LOVE** 

\*HYMN #530 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty — LOBE DEN HERREN

\*LITURGY FOR EDUCATION Pg. 127, Moravian Book of Worship

PIANO OFFERTORY

Jesus Loves Me — Charles Callahan

\*Doxology and Offertory Prayer

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

\*FISTLE: PHILEMON 1:1-21 \*GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God.

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

#### **QUIET MEDITATION AND PRAYER**

**HYMN #585** May the Mind of Christ My Savior — St. Leonards

SERMON RECONCILE RELATIONSHIP

SENDING TO SERVE

\*HYMN #785 Where Charity and Love Prevail — LAND OF REST

\*BENEDICTION

PIANO POSTLUDE Praise Him, Praise Him — Mark Hayes

**TRINITY CHIME** 

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Eddie Johnson; Camilla Williams; Bernard Williams; Earline Pryor; Misty Hayes and family; Noelle Nichols; Rameth McKnight; Ursula Pierce; Steven Nixa; Gary Willis; Lily Shaw; Patsy Lineback; Patrick Biggam; Lynn Biggam; Tommy & Nancy McKoon; Scott & Elaine Peddycord; Betty Troutman; Judi Chandler; George Tasedan; Sandra Shugart; Bill & Mary Hampton; Haley and Zelda Covert, Richard Hughes, and their family; George Hege; Linda Neighbors; Paul Marshall; Denise Williams; Lisa Hampton; Karen Stewart; Holly and Barry Broadstreet; Ellen Steadman (sister of Jane Sofley); William Hughes; Dallas & Ramona Prestwood; Charles Mecimore; J. Frank & Jan Trivette; Johnnie Pearson; Romaine Poindexter; Mary Louise Kapp Peeples; Joeann Settle

# THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

#### **TOILET PAPER DRIVE FOR BRUNSON ELEMENTARY**

Due to budget cuts, the admins at Brunson Elementary have let us know that they have a limit to how much toilet paper the district will pay for during the year. We are continuing our partnership with them during the month of September by asking for donations of toilet paper. Any and all kinds are welcome! We will be collecting toilet paper through the end of the month. Boxes to place your donations are in the West Lobby & 1st floor stairwell. You can also donate funds and we will purchase as many rolls as we can. Please put "Brunson TP" in the memo line.

#### **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**

We're looking for volunteers to help with the nursery during Sunday service! If you'd like to sign up to help watch our youngest church members, please contact Kayla Stewart (<a href="mailto:stewcrew1215@gmail.com">stewcrew1215@gmail.com</a>)

#### **OCTOBER BLOOD DRIVE**

Be part of saving lives at Calvary's Blood Drive on Thursday, October 9th from 2 to 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall! Every donation matters, and yours could make all the difference. Sign up today at the link below with sponsor code "Moravian." If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please reach out to the church office by email or phone.

www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive

#### **MEAL TRAIN FOR THE TRIVETTES**

Thank you to everybody who has brought meals to J & Jan Trivette! With their blessing, we've extended the meal train for them through October. Thank you for your love and care for them in their time of need!

Sign up here: mealtrain.com/1450nq

#### LAY READERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

We are currently looking for people to serve in worship by reading scripture on Sunday mornings. If you would like to sign up for a Sunday to read, please use the Signup Genius link below. We would love to have you share your gifts with the congregation!

www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448AEAF28AAFE3-57929550-2025

#### **BREW YOUR FAITH**

This Tuesday, September 9th at 7 PM, Pastor Chaz will have his next Brew Your Faith discussion group. The topic of discussion this month will be "Human Nature." These discussions happen on the 2nd Tuesdays of each month. The meetings are held at Lot 63 in Old Salem (614 S Main St). We hope to see you there for fellowship!

#### **OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY & PRAYER**

Virtual prayer meetings will be offered on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, at 9:00 AM via Zoom. The next meeting will be this Tuesday, September 9th. This Zoom prayer time will last about 15 minutes, and gives us an additional opportunity to check in and share the people and things that we hold in our hearts. The link to join the meeting is <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81364100880">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81364100880</a>

#### MUSIC REHEARSALS RESUMING

Choir rehearsals will resume this Wednesday, September 10th at 7 PM. If you are interested in participating in either Calvary's Chancel Choir or Calvary Ringers, please see Amanda Schumpert. We would love to welcome you as a part of one or both! Additionally, our Calvary Band meets every Sunday morning in the balcony of our sanctuary to practice and provide our worship prelude each week. If you are interested in playing as a part of this beautiful ensemble, please see our band director, Brian Lott.

#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND OPPORTUNITY FOR FELLOWSHIP

Our Wednesday morning women's Bible study will resume on September 10th from 10-11:30 AM in the Burke Room and go through November 19th. It is not necessary to attend every week. Feel free to attend when you can and bring a friend if you'd like. We will be studying Genesis 1-11 this fall with the book "God of Creation" by Jen Wilkins. The book is available on Amazon. For any questions or if you need help getting a book, you can contact Bette Peterson (321-403-1707 or bettepeterson@icloud.com)or Barbara Howard (336-254-4572 or howardbb97@gmail.com).

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Mid-Week Adult Bible Study with Pastor Chaz will resume this Wednesday evening, September 10th at 6pm in the Burke Conference Room. We will meet in person and via Zoom so all are welcome! The Zoom meeting link is us02web.zoom.us/i/84879938980

#### **BREAKFAST BUNCH**

September 16th, 9 AM at Carriage House. Please contact Pat George (336) 971-3429 or Linda Smith (336) 978-6082 to RSVP.

#### CIRCLE #2

Circle #2 meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 12 PM at the church. Anyone interested in meeting with us would be welcome. Please contact Betty Troutman (336-403-0207) if interested in getting added to our email list or if you have questions about our meeting. Our next meeting will be on September 11th.

#### FINANCIAL DEEP DIVE - SEPTEMBER 14TH

Next Sunday, September 14th, following worship, our Finance Committee will hold another deep dive session and share financial information connected to the feasibility study, and talk about how the Joint Board plans to address the top priorities identified by our congregation. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP by contacting Jacob (jacob@calvarymoravian.org or 336-722-3703).

#### **CALVARY MORAVIAN WOMEN'S DAY**

Have you registered for Calvary Women's Day? Saturday, October 4, will be a day of fellowship, fun, and service for us! See the recent Calvary Connections for details about the day's activities. Register at www.calvarymoravian.org or by calling the church office. Questions? Ask Pastor Nola!

#### **UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

September 8th at 1 PM - Finance Committee Meeting September 9th at 5:30 PM - Joint Board, Elders, & Trustees Meetings September 11th at 7 PM - Christian Education Meeting September 18th at 4 PM - Music & Worship Committee Meeting

## Sunday Mornings at Calvary Moravian

9 AM Handbell Choir Rehearsal

9:45 AM Nursery (Infant-PreK) — 2nd floor Children's Wing

Early Elementary (K-2nd) — 2nd floor Children's Wing

Elementary (3rd-5th) — 2nd floor Children's Wing

Youth (6th-12th grades) — 3rd floor youth room

Friendship Adult Class — 1st Floor Diener Room

10:30 AM Adult Chancel Choir Rehearsal

11 AM Worship

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#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

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

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