

Matthew 6:16-18

“And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. 17 But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, 18 that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Notes

SINGLE SERVICE SUNDAY MAY 5TH

To help our entire congregation deepen our journey through the Sermon on the Mount, we will be holding a single worship service on May 5th to experience all together an original masterwork composed by Faith Zimmer and inspired by the Beatitudes. This single service will be held at 11:00 AM on May 5th - mark your calendars and prepare your hearts!

There will be an All-Church Salad Potluck at 12:15 immediately following the combined morning service. See weekly update for details!

Centennial Legacy Campaign Update: We praise God that early givers to the campaign have committed **over \$4.2 million** to help secure the enduring legacy of God's ministry through this church! Wow! (And this was *before* our 3 exciting desserts!) We'll keep you updated as new commitments come in, but in the meantime check out more about this strategic new initiative at firstandcalvary.org/legacy.

Family Business

Upcoming:

Sunday 4/21

8:45 am – Service / Sanctuary

9:00 am – Children's Musical Rehearsal / Choir Room

9:45 am – Sunday Morning Classes

11:00 am – Service / Sanctuary

6:30 pm – Service / Sanctuary

7:30 pm – Dessert & Sermon Discussion / The Gathering Place

Tuesday 4/23

1:00 pm - Abigail Mary Martha Circle Meeting / Room 114

6:30 pm – Men's Bible Study Group / Room 015

Wednesday 4/24

11:30 am – Women's Non-Denominational Bible Study / Room 020

6:00 pm – Pastor's Book Club / Library

6:00 pm – Adult Pickleball / Gym

7:15 pm – Chancel Choir / Choir Room

Thursday 4/25

11:00 am – Prayer Meeting / Prayer Room

Friday 4/26

12:00 pm – Women's Table Talk / Room 114

Children's Musical Announcement: You are invited to a special worship service next Sunday at 11 am when our children will be presenting the musical: *The Star Factor!* You'll be inspired by the biblical message our children will be sharing through this special play.

Graduate Luncheon: Each spring, First & Calvary celebrates high school and college graduates in a special service. This year, Graduate Sunday will take place on April 28th during the 11:00 am service. A special lunch will be served to the graduates and their families following the service at 12:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

New to First and Calvary? Welcome! Please take a gift bag at our exits for some goodies and to learn more about our church. Please connect with us by using the blue response cards in the pew and placing them in the offering plate or offering box at the exit. Children are always welcome in the service; worship bags for children are available at each entrance. Parents are welcome to use the Baby Break Room and a nursery on our first floor. Children ages 3 through 3rd grade are welcome to attend our Worship and Wonder program after the Children's message; check in at the station near the sanctuary exit at the front left.

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Journey Through the SERMON ON THE MOUNT

April 21st, 2024



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Prelude | Dr. Jim Davidson Kristin Gram, harp

Praise to the Lord

Music: S. McDonald and L. Wood

Call to Worship | Tyler Heckman

Leader: The Lord is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

People: **The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.**

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Let us worship the Lord with all of our being!

*Opening Hymn

77 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Words: Joachim Neander, 1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.

Music: Erneuernten Gesangbuch, Stralsund, 1665

Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, You are so gracious and we acknowledge Your constant care and devotion for us. You have promised to give Your children the peace that is beyond our understanding. And still, we are guilty of trying to control the stresses of life on our own and in our own strength.

Forgive us, Lord, for not trusting in Your precepts. Forgive us for not fully believing in Your faithfulness and goodness. Calm our spirits and deepen our faith in You. We give our stress and anxiety to You and receive Your mercy. Help us to overcome the challenges before us and to glorify You in all things. In Christ's Name we pray. Amen.

Hymn 817

Hear Our Prayer, Oh Lord

Words: Based on Psalm 143:1

Music: George Whelpton

Declaration of Forgiveness

The LORD is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.

—Psalm 145:13-14, NRSV

Christian, be at peace and know you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn 805

Glory be to the Father

Words: Gloria Patri

Music: Henry Greatorex

Time for Children | Emily Phillips

Jesus Loves Me

Oh, How I Love Jesus

Children who have checked into Worship & Wonder may be released after this time.

Scripture | Matthew 6:16-18

See Scripture Panel

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Special Music

Amazing Grace

Music: S. McDonald and L. Wood

Sermon | Rev. Don Everts

Fasting & Oil

Confession of Faith | The Apostles' Creed

Hymn No. 14

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Feel free to use the offering plates or contact the church for online or direct deposit giving. Guests, please do not feel obligated.

Offertory

Fairest Lord Jesus

Music: S. McDonald and L. Wood

*Doxology

Hymn 809

Words: Thomas Ken

Music: Genevan Psalter

Offering Prayer

*Closing Hymn

333 How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely

Words: Psalm 84, para. Arlo D. Duba, 1980

Music: Hal H. Hopson, 1983

*Benediction

*Postlude