FIRST CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
NORTH ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS  

9:30 AM. JANUARY 24, 2021  

“All shall from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands.” Jonah 3:8b  

CALL TO WORSHIP: We come to the light from the four corners of the earth, from the north, from the south, from the east, and from the west. We come from many nations and many cultures. We come seeking the light that guides us to life, but we are all one in Jesus Christ. Let us lift up our many voices and praise the God of all peoples.  

INVOCATION: Almighty Lord God, you gave your Son, Jesus Christ, to be the light of the world: We praise and magnify your holy name that in him you have revealed the wonder of your saving love to all people. With those of old who brought their tribute to his feet, confessing him as King of heaven and earth, we now present the worship of our grateful hearts, asking you to give us grace to give ourselves to you, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord in whose name we pray the prayer he taught us when he said, “Our Father….  

ACT OF PRAISE: Psalm 62  
1 For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.  
2 He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall never be shaken.  
3 How long will you assail a person, will you batter your victim, all of you, as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?  
4 Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence. They take pleasure in falsehood; they bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse.  
5 For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him.  
6 He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.  
7 On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.  
8 Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.  
9 Those of low estate are but a breath, those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath.  
10 Put no confidence in extortion, and set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.  
11 Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God, steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord. For you repay to all according to their work.  

ANNOUNCEMENTS  

JOYS AND CONCERNS  

PASTORAL PRAYER  

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Jonah 3:1-10  
1 The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, 2 “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” 3 So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. 4 Jonah
began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” 5 And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. 6 When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. 7 Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: “By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. 8 Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. 9 Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.” 10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

MESSAGE: Jonah

BENEDICTION: Almighty God has given each of us everything we need to see our lives as a sheer gift from his hand: The Father has created us and sustains our lives daily; the Son has paid for our sins and brought us new life; the Spirit keeps us in our Savior’s love and empowers us to live for him. All glory be to the triune God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. May his name be honored and adored, now and forevermore. Amen.