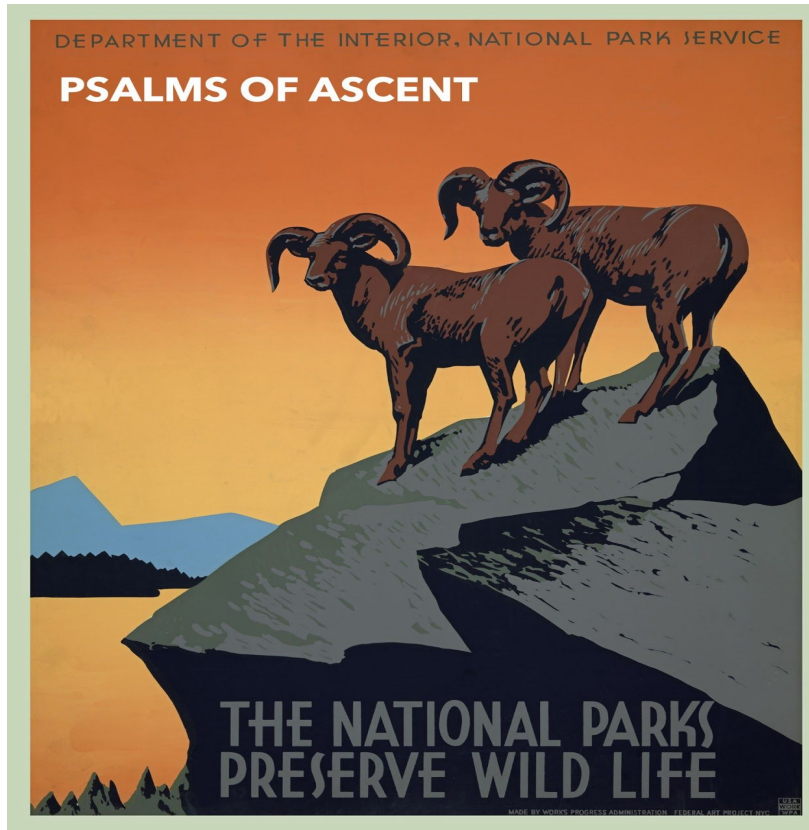


7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 19, 2020 (Worship: 8:30am)



WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Today we continue our summer emphasis on the “*Psalms of Ascent*.” These Psalms are all about going up, journeying upward and so their connection to the beauty of California’s National Parks is natural - they point to the Creator. May this time inspire your living with gratitude and wonder.

PRELUDE MUSIC: *Prelude in G major* by Felix Mendelssohn Fred Johnson,
Organist/Pianist

THE WELCOME AND GREETING

Paige Gulck, Youth Director

THE HYMN: *Holy Spirit* (Soloist sings verses, people sing refrain below.)

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence Lord.

THE INVOCATION AND CONFESSION

(People read **bold**

words.)

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Silence for reflection and confession. Pastor proclaims the forgiveness.)

THE LESSON: Romans 8:12-25

(Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**)

PSALM 131 (Read responsively)

A Song of Ascents. Of David. O Lord, my heart is not lifted up,
my eyes are not raised too high;

I do not occupy myself with things

too great and too marvelous for me.

But I have calmed and quieted my soul As a child at rest in its mother's arms

My soul is like a child resting in its mother's arms

O Israel, hope in the Lord

from this time forth and forevermore.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Please stand.)

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 13th chapter. **Glorify to You, O Lord.**

THE READING OF THE GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-30

(The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ!**)

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Neta Wenrick

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: Children of the Heavenly Father

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MESSAGE: Psalms of Ascent Series - "*An Old Growth Me*"

Pastor David R. Mattson

THE OFFERING AND OFFERTORY MUSIC: *God is in Control* by T. Parris

Michelle Lum

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (After each prayer - Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BLESSING

CLOSING PRAYER ("The Serenity Prayer" by Reinhold Niebuhr)

**God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.**

Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time;

accepting hardship as a pathway to peace;

taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it;

trusting that You will make all things right if I surrender to Your will;

so that I may be reasonably happy in this life

and supremely happy with You forever in the next. Amen.

THE SENDING HYMN: Day by Day (soloist sings verse 1, people sing verse 2-3)

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THE SENDING WORDS: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE MUSIC: *Trumpet Tune on "Laudate Dominum"*

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Carol & Merrill Clisby in celebration of their new great grandchildren.

NEW ADDRESS for Pastor Sabrina LaBelle and family (as of 8/1): 826 Blythe Avenue, Drexel Hill, PA 19026.

SUMMER CHURCH-WIDE THEME - Psalms of Ascent. Each Psalm (beginning with Psalm 121) will be connected to one of the nine National Parks in California. Passports/stickers given out and for each Psalm/Park. Today, we consider Psalm 131 and Redwood National Park.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP - Please contact the office at 949-493-3414 or gloriadei@mygloriadei.org to sign-up.

SR. HIGH CATALINA TRIP - July 29, this group will take a day excursion (socially distanced & outdoors) to Catalina Island. Cost is \$60 plus food. Reservations needed, so please email your RSVP: youth@mygloriadei.org.

GLORIA DEI IS OPENING - Those not feeling well or at risk (with pre-existing medical conditions/elderly), please watch the livestream service at home or listen to our FM Station, while in your car, in the church parking lot.

- DETAILS: Please wear face coverings. We are blocking off certain areas for more "elbow room" and encouraging people to sit on the patio (Bring an umbrella for sun). Initially no coffee time.
- EXTRA face coverings and hand sanitizers are available at the Welcome Table. Thank you!
- HOLY COMMUNION - For the time being, the Sacrament will be observed on the 1st Sunday/ month.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY - Psalms of Ascent. The study takes place every Wednesday, 4pm, a great preparation for Sunday and takes place in Bankson Hall and also online. Contact: gloriadei@mygloriadei.org.

CHURCH CONDO (3 bed/3bath) will be rented in August. For details, please contact the office.

BLOOD DRIVE - August 13, 9am-3pm in Bankson Hall. Please sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: Gloria Dei. Alternatively, you may contact the office at 949-493-3414 or email - gloriadei@mygloriadei.org to request a time. CDC recommended precautions will be taken.

FACE MASK CHALLENGE: Lutheran World Relief is seeking face masks. Nearly 100,000 have already been made (lwr.org). Our Quilting Ministry is leading the way. Contact Donna Combe or email the church for information

DAILY DEVOTIONAL: For July - September is available to pick up at the Welcome Table or the office.

OFFERING - Place check/money in boxes as you leave, or **ELECTRONIC GIVING** - Venmo app - @GloriaDei-Dana Point. For Text to Give, text \$ amount to 949-356-5326. First time, initial set up instructions texted back. Once set up, simply text donation. You can also give via credit card or debit card through our secure site - go to mygloriadei.org/donate.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Philippians/Perseverance Series - begins September 6 with members' faith stories; First Communion - October 4; Confirmation/Reformation Sunday - October 25

THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS!

8:30am: Lector: Debbie Holzkamp; Ushers: Craig Backhus & Wiley Ehrke; Welcome Table: Diane Kelly

CHURCH STAFF: Senior Pastor: David R. Mattson; Preschool Director: Shelli Parajeckas; Children & Family Director: Barb Collins; Congregational Life Director: Susie Boland; Youth Director: Paige Gulck; Music Director: Kathy Person; Organist: Fred Johnson; Micaela Lum, 5pm worship leader; Administrative Assistant: Carol Weinhardt.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR JULY 19 - 25, 2020

Today: Worship (8:30am)

Monday: Online Women's Book Club (3pm); ACA (7pm)

Tuesday: AA (7am, Men); Brass Rehearsal (4pm); Alanon (7pm)

Wednesday: AA Men (7am); Summer Bible Study online & in Bankson Hall (4pm); NAMI (7pm)

Thursday: AA Men (7am); AA Co-Ed (7:30pm)

Friday: AA Men (10am); AA Men (8pm)

Saturday: NA (7pm)

