



GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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2ND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 28, 2021

8:30am, 10:00am

WELCOME! We are in the Season of Lent, the 40 day preparation for Easter. Today, we hear of Jesus' words regarding "taking up the cross". Also, "REVEALED" Traveling Art Exhibit is on display - featuring 23 works of various printmaking techniques. The art, along with the Scripture represented, will be our Lenten emphasis. The art exhibit is in Bankson Hall.

THE PRELUDE: *A Contemplative Prayer* by David Lasky

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist

THE WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Daneen Pysz

THE CONFESSION (Psalm 51)
words.)

(People read/sing **bold**

THE KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord have mercy")
below.)

(Cantor sings verses/People sing refrain

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy, O Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**)

THE LESSON: Romans 4:13-25 (Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**)

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand.)

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Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

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Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.

Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark the 8th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

THE GOSPEL: Mark 8:34-37

Jesus called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?

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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (10am)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Annette Fettis

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN: Take, Oh, Take Me as I Am (repeat 3x)
#814

**Take, oh, take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

THE MESSAGE: "*Nice Return!*"

Pastor David R. Mattson

OFFERING, OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Just As I Am* arr. by McChesney Sharon Guilliams, Handbells

THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE: **Take, Oh, Take Me as I Am** (repeat 2x)

#814

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THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(After each prayer - Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

THE BENEDICTION

THE SENDING HYMN: Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

#886 vv.

1-3

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.**

**The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease,
sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.**

SENDING WORDS: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

THE POSTLUDE: *My Song Is Love Unknown* by Robert Hubble Fred Johnson,
Organist/Pianist

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are glad you have joined us today! Please sign in at the "Welcome Table" and receive a gift.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Kirsten & Stefan Tan in celebration of their son, Miles, first birthday which was February 19th!

NEW MEMBERS! Welcome to the following people who are joining the Gloria Dei family today: Bret & Maria Boyd; Mark, Liz, Cole and Samantha Flippin; Kevin, Ashleigh, Reed & Easton Jensen; Mike & Dellita Kobold; and Cathy Savage. May God bless your lives through the Gloria Dei family as we work to serve our neighbors and world in Jesus' name.

THE SEASON OF LENT 2021 - (Feb.-March), the "REVEALED" Traveling Art Exhibit will be on display in Bankson Hall. *Revealed* features 23 works of various printmaking techniques. The art, along with the Scripture represented, will be our Lenten emphasis. Every Wednesday, we have worship at noon (livestreamed and in person). Thanks to the members sharing their faith at these services.

LENTEN COIN BOXES are available today and during Lent. Collect coins for World Hunger. Bring them back on Palm Sunday or drop them at the office at any time.

LENT SOUP SUPPER, AT-HOME, RECIPES - We are highlighting some simple soup recipes that church members could make at home, in-lieu of our traditional Lenten soup suppers. Pick them up at the Welcome Table or access via the March newsletter on our website: mygloriadei.org.

BACK INSIDE - Worship is now inside the sanctuary (25% capacity), sit wherever you see a bulletin and outside in the courtyard. Face masks are required. Thanks for following Gloria Dei's guidelines.

G.I.F.T. GROUP (Growing in Faith Together) Small group - resumes on March 1, 6:30pm in Knudson Hall. Study is open to all adults - for more information about this study, contact Dave & Susan Warneke or the office at gloriadei@mygloriadei.org.

BRASS PRACTICE - Resumes each Wednesday at 4pm starting March 2nd. Contact Pastor David for more details. pastordavid@mygloriadei.org

FIRST COMMUNION classes for children (age 10 or younger at discretion of parent/pastor) is three Wednesdays - March 3, 10, 17 - 4:30pm. For more information, email: gloriadei@mygloriadei.org. First Communion will take place on Palm Sunday, March 28.

GLORIA DEI YOUTH - Bowling at Saddleback Lanes Friday, March 12, 6pm! Contact Paige if you'd like to attend. youth@mygloriadei.org.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS - Not feeling well or at risk (pre-existing conditions/elderly), please watch the livestream. Extra masks & hand sanitizers available at Welcome Table.

THANKING GOD ON FRIDAY (TGOF): Prayer service, Friday, 8am. Micaela Lum leads music. Link: www.youtube.com/GloriaDeiLutheranChurchDanaPoint.

"CALLING ALL CHEFS" - We're looking for people interested in participating as a host chef for monthly virtual cooking events. Contact Susie Boland at fellowship@mygloriadei.org.

DEVOTIONAL - January-March Devotionals have arrived! Pick it up at the Welcome Table, the church office or contact the office to have it mailed. 949-493-3414.

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY continues Wednesdays, 10am. All women are welcome. A link will be sent out for the meeting. They are studying the Gospel of Mark.

OFFERING - Place check/money in boxes, 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.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP - Contact the office: gloriadei@mygloriadei.org or 949-493-3414.

ANNUAL REPORT is ready for pick up at the Welcome Table or the office, however the annual meeting has been postponed until June 27, 2021.

UPCOMING: Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday (March 28); Maundy Thursday - A reflection on artwork in the Sanctuary - "The Last Supper with the Twelve Tribes" (April 1); Good Friday Tenebrae Worship (April 2, noon and 7pm); Easter Sunday (April 4 - 6:30am outside, 8:30am, 10am).

THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!

8:30am: Lector: Katy Desmond; Usher: Matt Dubow; Welcome Table: Katy Desmond

10am: Lector: Dennis Pysz; Usher: Dennis Pysz; Welcome Table: Betty Prock

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEBRUARY 28 - MARCH 6, 2021 (Events are online, outdoors or 25% indoors)

Today: Worship (8:30am & 10am); New Members Received (10am); Baptism Til Dancker (11:30am)

Monday: GIFT Group (6:30pm)

Tuesday: AA Men (7am); Brass Practice (4pm)

Wednesday: AA Men (7am); Women's Bible Study (10am); Lenten Service (12pm); 1st Communion Instruction (4:30pm); Bethel Bible (6:30pm)

Thursday: AA Men (7am); Bell Rehearsal (6:30pm)

Friday: Thanking God On Friday - TGOF (8am)

Saturday: Prayer Shawl (9am)

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; PM Music Leader: Micaela Lum; Administrative Assistant: Carol Weinhardt