



GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

GRACE CHANGES EVERYTHING.

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5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 21, 2021

8:30am, 10:00am

WELCOME to worship! We're in the Season of Lent, the 40 day preparation for Easter. As we follow Jesus, we learn of his courageous struggle. Today, we hear of his cries, tears, and prayers (Hebrews 5). No matter your struggle, you are not alone! God is with you and promises love will find a way through the dark.

THE PRELUDE: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist

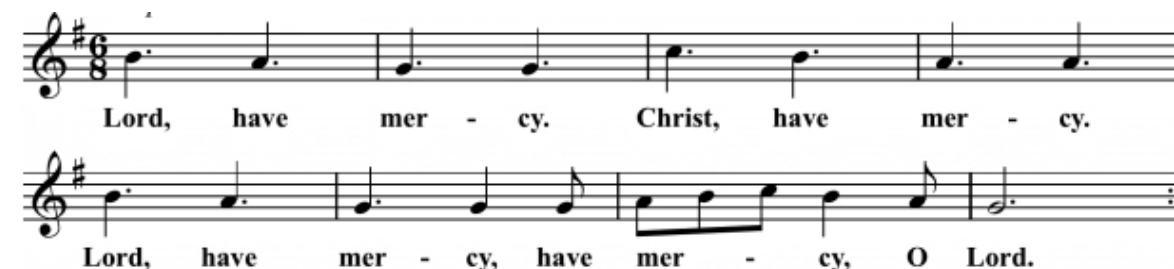
THE WELCOME AND INVOCATION

THE CONFESSION

(People read/sing **bold** words.)

THE KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord have mercy")

(Cantor sings verses/People sing refrain below.)



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

THE FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

THE SPECIAL MUSIC: *Grace Changes Everything* composed by Fred Johnson

Kathy Person, viola; Micaela Lum, Michelle Lum & Christian Try, vocals

THE SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 5:7-10

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

Let Your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.
Let Your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.
Save us as You promised. We will trust Your Word.
Let Your steadfast love come to us, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the twelfth chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**
THE GOSPEL: John 12:27-33

Jesus said, “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. (The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.)

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (sing 2x)

#752

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.

THE MESSAGE: “Praying Like Jesus”

Pastor David R. Mattson

OFFERING, OFFERTORY MUSIC: "Highlands/Song of Ascent"

Christian Try, soloist

THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

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Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER, THE BENEDICTION

THE SENDING HYMN: Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

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**Jesus, keep me near the cross, there's a precious fountain;
free to all, a healing stream flows from Calv'ry's mountain.**

Refrain: **In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever;
till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.**
**Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me;
there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. [Refrain]**

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

THE POSTLUDE: *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEVOTIONALS - April - June Devotional books are located on the Welcome Table or contact the office to have it sent to you.

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.

THE SEASON OF LENT 2021 - (Feb.-March), the “REVEALED” Traveling Art Exhibit will be on display in Bankson Hall. The art, along with the Scripture represented, will be our Lenten emphasis. Every Wednesday, we have worship at noon (livestreamed and in person).

LENTEN COIN BOXES at Welcome Table, coins for World Hunger. Bring them back by Palm Sunday.

LENTEN SOUP RECIPES - Highlighting some simple soup recipes that church members could make at home. Pick up at the Welcome Table or access via the newsletter on the website: mygloriadei.org.

SUMMER MINISTRY STUDENT will join us June. We look forward to her arrival. Housing needed - We are looking to rent a one bedroom or studio apartment for our summer ministry student, followed by our fall intern. If you have a long term rental connection, call the office.

NEW MEMBERS! Welcome to the following people who are joining the Gloria Dei family today: Bret & Maria Boyd; Til Dancker; 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. Their photos are at the Welcome Table.

BRASS MUSICIANS - Calling all brass players! All levels of ability are welcome! Rehearsals Tuesday at 4pm starting March 2nd. Contact Pastor David for more details. pastordavid@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.

HOLY WEEK: Palm Sunday (March 28) with Palms, Procession, special music, First Communion, and more. Maundy Thursday (April 1) - individual prayer opportunity with new candle station in the Sanctuary; Good Friday Tenebrae (April 2, noon and 7pm) - 7 last words of Christ, Nailing of Prayer

Concerns to the Cross, darkening, special music, Holy Communion. Easter – Resurrection Sunday - April 4 (6:30am, 8:30am, 10am) with trumpets, lilies, special music, and more.

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.

UPCOMING: Mother's Day/Petting Zoo (May 9); Ministry Celebration and Lunch (June 27).

THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!

8:30am: Lector: Tim Boyd; Usher: Tim Boyd; Welcome Table: Gail Rightmire

10am: Lector: Lisa Mers; Usher: Lisa Mers; Welcome Table: Sharon Miller

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MARCH 21 - 27, 2021

Today: Worship (8:30am & 10am); Confirmation Ed (11:15am)

Tuesday: AA Men (7am); Brass Practice (4pm); Heart Lifters (6:30pm)

Wednesday: AA Men (7am); Women's Bible Study (10am); Lenten Service (12pm)

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

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

Saturday: Quilting Group (9:30am)

CHURCH STAFF: Senior Pastor: David R. Mattson; Preschool Director: Shelli Parajekas; 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