



# GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

GRACE CHANGES EVERYTHING.

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UP FROM THE WATER

You are God's child.

## 14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 29, 2021

(8:30am, 10:00am, 5:00pm)

WELCOME to worship! Today, we celebrate Baptism, the Sacrament giving thanks for God's gracious desire and action for all people. As we bring a young child to the "waters of life", we also affirm our own identity as children of God. May you sense God's mercy for you and for all people during this time of worship.

PRELUDE: *Morning Meditation* by Jason W. Krug

Fred Johnson, Pianist/Organist

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (8:30am)

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

THE BAPTISM OF NOAH DEAN TURNER (10am)

**THE HYMN: *Baptized in Water***

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**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our king:  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our king:  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our king:  
born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praise we sing.**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ... be with you all. **And also with you.**

THE KYRIE (Kyrie eleison = "Lord have mercy.")

Kyrie, eleison - **Kyrie, eleison.** Kyrie, eleison - **Kyrie, eleison.**

Lord of reconciliation, heal our wounds in darkest times.

Kyrie, eleison - **Kyrie, eleison.**

In the midst of fear and violence, make our lives a prayer of peace.

Christe, eleison - **Christe, eleison.**

Healer of the broken-hearted, guide us to heaven's shores.

Kyrie, eleison - **Kyrie eleison.** Kyrie, eleison - **Kyrie eleison.**

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

THE FIRST LESSON: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances

as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children. (Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**)

THE SECOND LESSON: James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world. (Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**)

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Please stand for the Gospel.)

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

READING OF THE GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-2, 5-8, 14-15, 21-23

**Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."**

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

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Neta Wenrick

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE SONG OF THE MONTH: Here is Bread**

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**Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.**

Refrain: **In this bread there is healing, in this cup is life forever.  
In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.**

**Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here.** (Refrain.)

**Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified.** (Refrain.)

THE MESSAGE: "*Presence and Promise*"

Pastoral Intern Veronica Gould

OFFERTORY AND OFFERTORY MUSIC: *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

Fred Johnson, Pianist

OFFERTORY RESPONSE: *The Doxology*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION** (All who believe Christ is present in this Sacrament are welcome to receive. Non-communing children and others who wish to receive only a blessing may come forward also. For those who prefer, white juice is located in the center of each tray.)

**HOLY COMMUNION MUSIC:**

*Lamb of God* (People repeat each phrase after the cantor.)

**Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil** (sing 2x)

**Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
open to the seed of your Word.  
Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
where love can grow and peace is understood.  
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.  
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.  
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.  
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart be good soil.**

**Up From the Waters** (Cantor sings verses, congregation joins in on refrain)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

**THE SENDING HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**  
**Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation, enter ev-'ry trembling heart.**

**Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit into ev-'ry troubled breast;  
let us all in thee inherit; let us find thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.**

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

POSTLUDE: *A Joyous Song of Praise* by David Lasky

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GUESTS** - We're glad you have joined us! Please sign-in at the Welcome Table to receive a gift. Thank you for worshiping with us.

**WELCOME** again to Seminary Intern Veronica Gould to Gloria Dei. Veronica is a graduate of Williams College, Princeton Seminary, and is now finishing her Lutheran studies through PLTS. She will be with us for nine months of learning and work as she prepares to be ordained as a pastor in the ELCA.

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**HELP** - With coffee/refreshment time coming back and with more people attending, we need help with clean-up. If you enjoy a cup of coffee, please sign-up for a Sunday to clean up. Thanks!

**NEW GUIDELINES** for worship - Sit wherever you see a bulletin. Face masks are required for everyone sitting inside! Extra facemasks are at the Welcome Table. We continue to livestream the 8:30am service: [www.youtube.com/GloriaDeiLutheranChurchDanaPoint](http://www.youtube.com/GloriaDeiLutheranChurchDanaPoint)

**SANCTUARY CHOIR** (Teens/Adults) - Due to changing Covid-19 situation, startup has been postponed, but planning is still happening. If you love to sing and are fully vaccinated, grab a folder and join in. Rehearsals will take place on Thursdays, 7:30 pm. Beginning date is still to be determined.

**PRAYER LABYRINTH** will be set up for Saturday, September 11, 9am - noon. Sign-up for your 15 minute slot and pick up a pamphlet to guide you through this time of prayer.

**RALLY SUNDAY** - Sept. 12: Fall programming and Sunday school begins at both morning services. There will be special music, refreshments, and more. Invite a friend to this kick-off event!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION** - For all children (preschool-5th grade), register your child at the Welcome Table or online - [www.mygloriadei.org/children-and-family-ministries](http://www.mygloriadei.org/children-and-family-ministries).

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED** - Sign up at the Welcome Table for either the 8:30am or 10am services (teachers, subs, co-teachers, etc. needed). Sunday School begins September 12. Questions? [sundayschool@mygloriadei.org](mailto:sundayschool@mygloriadei.org).

**MEMBERSHIP AT GLORIA DEI:** Sign-up at the Welcome Table. There are two ways to join: 1. For those from a non-Lutheran background, attend the Adult Inquiry Class led by Pastor David (Sept. 11, 9am), or, 2. Transfer your membership from a Lutheran congregation. For all joining there will be a New Member Orientation Sept. 12, 11am. New members received Sept. 19. Detailed at Welcome Table.

**WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** begins on Wednesday, September 15, 10am in Knudson Hall. All women are welcome to attend this hour-long study led by a pastor.

**CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION** (6th-8th graders and parents), Sept. 19, 11:15am. Questions, speak with Pastor David or Youth Director Paige. Schedule: [www.mygloriadei.org/confirmation-program](http://www.mygloriadei.org/confirmation-program).

**BEACH PARTY** - Doheny State Beach, Sunday, September 19, 4pm. Hot dogs and s'mores will be provided by the church. Bring a drink and a side dish to share. Details & a sign-up sheet coming soon.

**NURSERY** is available at the 8:30am & 10am services. Services for babies - pre-K. The attendants are vaccinated and they will be wearing masks. They will be inside preschool room or at the playground.

**HEART LIFTERS** - 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month. Social 6:30 PM; Study 7pm - 8pm. Book: *"Praying with Power"* by Christa Kinde (Amazon & [Christianbook.com](http://Christianbook.com)). To be added to Zoom, contact Ann St. Martin, Daneen Pysz or the office at 949-493-3414 or [gloriadei@mygloriadei.org](mailto:gloriadei@mygloriadei.org).

**MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY** meets the second Saturday (September 11) of every month at 8:00am in Knudson Hall. Pastor David will be leading the study. All men are welcome.

**G.I.F.T.** (Growing in Faith Together) - Study on Ephesians and led by David & Susan Warneke and is typically held in Knudson Hall on the first Monday of the month, at 6:30pm. To join, contact the church office 949-493-3414 or [gloriadei@mygloriadei.org](mailto:gloriadei@mygloriadei.org), so we can add you to the group.

**WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY** - The first and third Wednesday of every month, beginning September 15, 7am at RJ's in the Harbor. Led by a pastor.

**COVID LONG HAUL RELIEF** - Support group meets first Wednesday of each month. Next meeting: Wednesday, September 1, 7pm. Questions, call office or Kayla Carlson.

**OFFERING** - Please place check/money in boxes, or **ELECTRONIC GIVING** - Venmo app - @GloriaDei-Dana Point. Alternatively, you can give via credit card or debit card through our secure site: [mygloriadei.org/donate](http://mygloriadei.org/donate). Thank you for supporting the ministry of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church!

**VACCINATIONS** - If you or someone you know is having difficulty registering for a shot, please contact the church office. Volunteers are also able to drive people to receive their shot.

**DEI-LY UPDATE EMAILS** - If interested in receiving notices regarding Gloria Dei, please go to our website to sign-up: [mygloriadei.org](http://mygloriadei.org). You can opt in or opt out at any time. Email will not be shared.

**GEN2GEN GIVING: \$418,543.00** - This 3 year program to reduce our debt, finish building projects, and start new ministries has concluded. Thanks to all who gave a little extra and helped make this program a success both financially & from a sense of fellowship across generations. Well done!

**UPCOMING:** Women's Succulent Planting (Sept. 25); VFW Auxiliary Fundraiser (Oct. 2); St. Francis/Blessing of the Animals (Oct. 3); Oktoberfest (Oct. 9); Trick or Trunk (Oct. 24)

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR AUGUST 29 SEPTEMBER 4, 2021**

**Today:** Worship (8:30am, 10am & 5pm); Nursery Care (8:30am & 10am); Noah Turner Baptism (10am); NA (6:30pm)

**Monday:** Alanon (5:30pm); ACA (7pm); Alanon (7pm)

**Tuesday:** AA Men (7am); Staff Meeting (1pm); Reflections (3pm); Alanon (7pm)

**Wednesday:** AA Men (7am); 12 Step Couples Group (7pm); CLHR Covid Long Haul Relief (7pm)

**Thursday:** AA Men (7am); AA Women (9:30am); Southcoast Literacy Group (10am); AA Men (7pm)

**Saturday:** AA Men's (7am); Prayer Shawl (9am); ACA (2pm); NA Meeting (7pm)

**THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!**

**8:30am:** Coffee: Bob & Bonny Gillespie; Communion: Denise Boyd & Liane Schuller; Lector: Carol Weinhardt; Usher: Matt Dubow & Sandy Hall; Welcome Table: Janice Olson

**10am:** Coffee: Melody & Ron Bacon; Communion: Melody Bacon & Dave Warneke; Lector: Susan Warneke; Usher: Susan Behnke & Willie Knottnerus; Welcome Table: Dave Warneke

**5pm:** Communion & Lector: Stephanie Anderson