



# GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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October 3, 2021  
(8:30am, 10:00am, 5:00pm)

**WELCOME** to worship! Today is the Festival of Saint Francis and we will sing some songs attributed to this leader of the church. In honor of this saint who "preached to the birds," we will have our annual "Blessing of the Pets" at the 5pm service.

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

PRELUDE: *Four Variants on "Rendez a Dieu"* by Douglas E. Wagner Fred Johnson, Pianist/Organist

## THE GATHERING HYMN: All Creatures of our God and King

#835 v. 1-3

All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice with us and sing:  
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
O burning sun with golden beam, And silver moon with softer gleam:  
Oh, praise him! Oh, praise him! Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

O rushing wind and breezes soft,  
O clouds that ride the winds aloft:  
Oh, praise him! Al-le-lu-ia!  
O rising morn, in praise rejoice, O lights of evening, find a voice.  
Oh, praise him! Oh, praise him! Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

O ev'ryone of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part,  
Oh, praise him! Al-le-lu-ia!  
All you who pain and sorrow bear, Praise God and lay on him your care.  
Oh, praise him! Oh, praise him! Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. 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.**  
(Moment of silence for confession and then proclamation of forgiveness.)

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING (The grace of our Lord... be with you all. **And also with you.**)

THE KYRIE (Kyrie eleison = "Lord have mercy.") (Leader sings verses. People sing refrain.)

*Refrain*

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev'ry day.

(The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Veronica Gould

(10am: Children, ages 4 - 5th grade going to Sunday school can leave with teachers.)

THE FIRST LESSON: Song of Songs 2:8-13

Listen! My beloved! Look! Here he comes, leaping across the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look! There he stands behind our wall, gazing through the windows, peering through the lattice. My beloved spoke and said to me, "Arise, my darling, my beautiful one, come with me. See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land. The fig tree forms its early fruit; the blossoming vines spread their fragrance. Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me."

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

THE SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:12-25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" It is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

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

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Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

READING OF THE GOSPEL: Matthew 6:25-33

**Jesus said, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."**

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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE SONG OF THE DAY: All Things Bright and Beautiful**

Refrain: **All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.**

**Each little flow'r that opens, each little bird that sings,  
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings.** (Refrain)

**The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky;** (Refrain)

**The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them, ev'ry one.** (Refrain)

**God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.** (Refrain)

THE MESSAGE: "*Silly Love Songs*"

Pastor David R. Mattson

OFFERTORY AND OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Creating God, Your Fingers Trace* by Michael Burhardt  
Pastor Veronica Gould & Michelle Lum with Christian Try, flute; Gloria Dei Bells; Fred Johnson, organ

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**

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**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.**

**Here is Bread**

#483

**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.)

**Tis the Gift to Be Simple**

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,  
'Tis the gift to come down where I ought to be;  
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,  
To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed;  
to turn, turn, will be my delight.  
Till by turning, turning we come round right.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

THE PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

**Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is discord, unity; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen**

**THE SENDING HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

#631

**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 Joyful Trumpeting* by Lani Smith

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are provided by Dianne & Bob Schultz on the 15th anniversary of William's death.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS** - Barbara Ercanbrack, Edward (Wally) & Kathleen Hayes, Ruth Johnson, Sonja Krafcik, Colleen McCray, Jan Nastoff, Betty Nies, Randy, Ashley, Gavin & Romy Rettig.

**CONFIRMATION** (6th-8th graders) begins today, 11:15am. Lunch provided. Bring a Bible /pen/pencil.

**THANKS** to all our musicians this morning for the special music - Music Director Kathy Person, Pastor Veronica Gould, Michelle Lum with Christian Try, flute; Gloria Dei Bells; Fred Johnson, organ/piano. We are blessed by your willingness to share your talents!

**NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING** (July 24-28 - Minneapolis, MN): Our high school students are invited to join 30,000 other youth. \$150 non-refundable deposit is due November 12. See information at the Welcome Table. Questions, see Youth Director Paige (youth@mygloriadei.org).

**BLESSING OF PETS** (Festival of Saint Francis): Today, 5pm outside the sanctuary. Bring your dog, cat, goldfish, gecko, etc. to a very brief order of blessing, a "paws" for a prayer.

**BRASS GROUP** is rehearsing Tuesdays, 5pm (Sanctuary). All levels of ability are welcome! Questions - [pastordavid@mygloriadei.org](mailto:pastordavid@mygloriadei.org).

**SYNOD WIDE BOOK STUDY** led by Susan Warneke on "*Rich Christians in an Age of Hunger*." 5 weeks beginning 10/11, 6:30pm. Several books are available on the patio (\$10). To be included in this conversation, register, and get the zoom link, email the church office: [gloriadei@mygloriadei.org](mailto:gloriadei@mygloriadei.org).

**SANCTUARY CHOIR** (Teens/Adults) - All levels of ability welcome! 1st practice is this Thursday, October 7, 7:30pm. 1 hour. Choral masks provided. For details - Kathy Person: music@mygloriadei.org.

**3RD-5TH GRADE GROUP** - October 13 at 4:30pm, church kitchen, to bake pumpkin bread for shut-ins. Kids are welcome to bring friends! Questions, email Barb Collins [sundayschool@mygloriadei.org](mailto:sundayschool@mygloriadei.org).

**TRICK OR TRUNK** - Sunday, October 24, 5:30pm. Costume parade, games, IN-N-OUT truck. Pre-purchase meal tickets at the Welcome Table. Decorate your trunk & pass out candy or just come. Invite your friends for this fun event!

**OCTOBER NEWSLETTER** online - [mygloriadei.org/newsletter](http://mygloriadei.org/newsletter) - & printed version at Welcome Table.

**REFORMATION SUNDAY** - October 31. Festive worship. Wear something red. Bibles presented to 3rd graders - child/grandchild in that age range, sign-up at the Welcome Table to receive one..

**OCTOBER 2021 - JANUARY 2022** volunteer assignments have been sent out (primarily email & a few mail). If you have any questions, contact Carol Weinhardt at the office: [gloriadei@mygloriadei.org](mailto:gloriadei@mygloriadei.org).

**ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY** - Nov. 7. Tolling of the Bells takes place. If you would like the name of a loved one mentioned in worship, please fill out the form at the Welcome Table. At 9:30am, we will hold a brief time of prayer and thanksgiving at the Columbarium for those interred there.

**GUIDELINES** for worship - Spread out and sit wherever you see a bulletin. Face masks 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)

**WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** meets weekly on Wednesday at 10am in Bankson Hall. All women are welcome to attend this hour-long study led by a pastor.

**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).

**WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY** - The first and third Wednesday of every month, 7am at RJ's in the Harbor. Next meeting is this Wednesday, October 6. Led by a pastor.

**CLHR GROUP** (Covid Long Haul Recovery) - October 6, 7pm. Questions, call office or Kayla Carlson.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY:** 2nd Saturday of every month at 8:00am in Bankson Hall. All men are welcome. Next class: October 9.

**G.I.F.T.** (Growing in Faith Together) - Study on Ephesians led by David & Susan Warneke (Knudson Hall), first Monday/month, 6:30pm. To join, contact the office, so we can add you to the group.

**OFFERING** - Please place check/money in boxes, or **ELECTRONIC GIVING** - [@GloriaDei-Dana Point](https://venmo.com/GloriaDei-DanaPoint). 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.

**UPCOMING:** Blood Drive (Nov. 10); Thanksgiving Eve Service (Nov. 24).

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR OCTOBER 3 - 9, 2021**

**Today:** Worship (8:30am, 10am); Nursery Care & Sunday School (10am); Confirmation (11:15am); Blessing of Pets (5pm); NA (6:30pm)

**Monday:** Southcoast Literacy Group (10am); Alanon (5:30pm); GIFT Group (6:30pm); Alanon (7pm);

**Tuesday:** AA Men (7am); Brass Practice (5:30pm); Alanon (7pm); Men's Book Club (7pm)

**Wednesday:** AA Men (7am); Breakfast Bible Study (7am); Women's Bible Study (10am); 12 Step Couples Group (7pm); Covid Long Haul Group (7pm)

**Thursday:** AA Men (7am); AA Women (9:30am); Southcoast Literacy Group (10am); Bell Choir (6:30pm); AA Men (7pm); Sanctuary Choir (7:30pm)

**Saturday:** AA Men's (7am); Men's Bible Study (8am); ACA (2pm); NA Meeting (7pm)

**THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!**

**8:30am:** Coffee: Carol Weinhardt; Communion: Denise Boyd & Liane Schuller; Lector: Zac Welin; Usher: Craig Collins & Matt Dubow; Welcome Table: Janice Olson

**10am:** Coffee: Melody & Ron Bacon; Communion: Sharon Miller & Jim St. Martin; Lector: Shannon Schroeder; Usher: Willie Knottnerus & Pat Kramer; Welcome Table: Melody & Ron Bacon