



GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 13, 2023

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

WELCOME to worship! Today, we continue our series on the Psalms and we will use the “people’s choice” of favorite hymns for this summer. Thank you for joining us. May you experience God’s grace through this time of worship and may you know deeply that God is for you, always.

PRELUDE: *Prelude on “Converse”* by Lani Smith Fred Johnson, Pianist/Organist (8:30am/10am)
Micaela Lum, Worship Leader (5pm)

GATHERING HYMN: *To God Be The Glory*

To God be the glory, Great things He has done
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life-gate that all may go in

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord Let the earth hear His voice
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord Let the people rejoice
Come to the Father Through Jesus the Son
Give Him the glory Great things He has done

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood
To every believer the promise of God
The vilest offender who truly believes
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives (Refrain)

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see (Refrain)

THE PSALM: Psalm 85:8-13 (People read/sing bold words.)
Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.

The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness will go before him and will make a path for his steps.

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

FIRST LESSON: 1 Kings 19:9-18

At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

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

SECOND LESSON: Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?' "(that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart." (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim), because if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart, leading to righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, leading to salvation. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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



Leader: Speak, O Lord, Your servant is listening. You have the words of eternal life.
(People sing Alleluia again.)

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 14th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**
THE GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33
Immediately he made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."
(The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:30am/10am) Minister of Arts & Outreach Michelle Lum

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF THE DAY: What a Friend We Have in Jesus #742
What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev-'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear
all because we do not carry ev-'ry-thing to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged, take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev-'ry weakness, take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

THE MESSAGE: "For Pete's Sake!" Associate Pastor Dana Becker

OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Greater Things* Student Ministry, Prince of Peace Lutheran, Burnsville MN

OFFERTORY RESPONSE: *In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful* (Taizé) (Sing 2x)
In the Lord I'll be ever thankful.
In the Lord, I will rejoice.
Look to God, do not be afraid,
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

OFFERTORY PRAYER
Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love; through the One who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION
(All who believe Christ is present in this sacrament are welcome. Non-communing children and adults who choose not to receive, may come forward for a blessing. Please cross your arms as a signal you would prefer a blessing. Juice is located in the center of each tray, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION MUSIC:
Lamb of God(Agnus Dei) #195
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.

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)
Refrain: **Bless the Lord, O my soul**
O my soul, worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes. (Refrain.)

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. (Refrain.)

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore. (Refrain.)

He Came Down #253
He came down that we may have love;
he came down that we may have love;
he came down that we may have love; hallelujah forever more.

He came down that we may have light;
he came down that we may have light;
he came down that we may have light; hallelujah forever more.

He came down that we may have peace;
he came down that we may have peace;
he came down that we may have peace; hallelujah forever more.

He came down that we may have joy;
he came down that we may have joy;
he came down that we may have joy; hallelujah forever more.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

THE BENEDICTION

THE SENDING HYMN: *Lord of All Hopefulness* #765 vv. 1, 2, 4
Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,

**whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts Lord, at the noon of the day.**

**Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**

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

POSTLUDE: *Toccata Animato* by Lani Smith Fred Johnson, Pianist/Organist (8:30am/10am)
Micaela Lum, Worship Leader (5pm)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Dick and Sharon Lehman on their 64th wedding anniversary!

TIME & TALENT ASSIGNMENTS - for August 2023 - January 2024 have been sent out via email (if you have an email address) or sent by regular mail if you don't use email. Thanks again to all who volunteer to help Sundays run smoothly!

NURSERY is available at the 8:30am & 10am services. Services for babies - pre-K. The attendants are vaccinated. They will be inside the preschool room closest to the church. Sign in and grab a pager.

DARIUS MIERTSCHIN CLASSICAL GUITARIST RECITAL - Wednesday, August 16, 2pm. You may have seen Darius play at church recently. Come enjoy more of his amazing music! Free will offering.

HAMMER MUSEUM BUS TRIP - Guided by Michelle Lum on August 19. Meet at Gloria Dei parking lot at 9:15am to board the bus. Cost: \$25 per person. Sign-up at the Welcome Table.

BLOOD DRIVE - Mitch Redden 3rd Annual Memorial Blood Drive, Tuesday August 22, 9am - 3pm. Sign up online at redcrossblood.org & enter 92629, then scroll for August 22 drive at Gloria Dei or call the office to have Carol Weinhardt help you sign up at 949-493-3414. It will be held in Bankson Hall.

FANTASY FOOTBALL - Owner spots are available in our Fantasy Football league. This is an opportunity for great friendship and fellowship. Draft is August 26 & draft times will be assigned. For more details, contact Paul or Matt Dubow or contact the office at 949-493-3414.

SOCIAL SAIL - Saturday, August 26, Captain Jeff Chipman is offering two sailing options 10am - 1pm or 2pm - 5pm. The sailing adventure will be on a 36' Catalina, which can hold up to 7 people. First come, first served via the sign-up at the Welcome Table. Cost: \$50

WOMEN'S BUNCO EVENT is Friday, September 8, 6pm in Bankson Hall. All ladies - 10 years & older. No experience needed. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Cost \$5. Sign up at the Welcome Table.

MEMBERSHIP AT GLORIA DEI - Two ways to join: 1) For from a non-Lutheran background, attend the Adult Inquiry Class, September 9, 10am OR 2) Transfer your membership from a Lutheran church. To all joining (new & transfer), there will be a New Member Orientation , Sunday, September 10, 11:15am. New members will be received in church on Sunday, September 17. Sign-up at the Welcome Table.

RALLY SUNDAY - September 10, includes the start of fall programming, music groups & Bible studies. Our theme is The Bible Year. The Sanctuary Choir will sing at the morning services, Sunday school begins and the Education Team will be installed. There will also be special refreshments. Invite a friend to join you for festive worship!

LOS ANGELITOS ORPHANAGE TRIP - A day trip to Los Angelitos (Tijuana, Mexico) on September 23, 7am - 7pm. Passports are required. Please sign-up at the Welcome Table for more information.

RAISE THE ROOF - Thanks to the many people who have given to this effort! To date, we have raised \$104,044.15 for the Bankson and Knudson Hall roofs! Roofing on Bankson Hall is currently in progress.

SANCTUARY CHOIR - We are going to be starting choir again on Rally Sunday, September 10. If you are interested in joining in the fall, speak with Music Director Kathy Person - music@mygloriadei.org.

DEVOTIONALS - "Christ In Our Home". Pick up your July - Sept., 2023 devotional at the Welcome Table.

PASTOR DAVID MATTSOn is gone on sabbatical until mid-August. For pastoral assistance or questions, please contact the church office.

OFFERING - Please place check/money in boxes in the sanctuary or at the Welcome Table, or give ELECTRONICALLY - [Venmo](#) app - @GloriaDei-DanaPoint. Or you can give via [credit card or debit card](#) through our secure site: mygloriadei.org/donate. Thank you for supporting Gloria Dei Lutheran!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Festival of Saint Francis/Pet Blessing (October 1, 5pm); Art Ministry Gathering (October 13, 6:30pm); Oktoberfest (October 14, 5pm); Stewardship Sunday (October 15); Israel Trip (October 24 - November 2); Reformation Sunday (October 29); Trick or Trunk (October 29, 4pm).

OPPORTUNITIES FOR AUGUST 13 - 19, 2023

Today: Worship (8:30am & 10am & 5pm); Nursery (8:30am & 10am); NA (6:30pm)
Monday: Preschool Begins (8:30am); South Coast Literacy Council (10am); Al Anon (5:30pm); GIFT Group (6:30pm)
Tuesday: AA Men (7am); Al Anon (7pm)
Wednesday: AA Men (7am); Surfside Quilters Guild (9am); Darius Miertschin Guitar Concert (2pm); Mission Hospital Alumni Group (6pm); 12 Step Couples Group (7:30pm)
Thursday: AA Men (7am); AA Women (9:30am); Al Anon Coed (5:30pm); AA Men (7pm)
Friday: Nancy Ficken Memorial (11am)
Saturday: AA Men's (7am); Serra's Pantry (8:30am); Hammer Museum Trip (9:15am); ACA Meeting (11:30am); Ukrainian School (1:30pm); Simitrio Silva Event (3pm); NA Meeting (7pm)

THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!

8:30am: Coffee Prep: Daneen & Dennis Pysz; Communion: Sharry Hilyard & Henri Nurminen; Lector: David Macher; Ushers: Christian Asis & Matt Dubow; Welcome Table: Judy Young

10am: Coffee Clean-up: Melody & Ron Bacon; Communion: Daneen & Dennis Pysz; Lector: Melody Bacon; Usher: Donna & Jerry Combe; Welcome Table: Melody & Ron Bacon

5pm: Communion & Lector: Jeannie Moyer

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