



GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY



April 21, 2024

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

WELCOME to worship! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! As Christ overcame the cross and the grave, God continues to empower our living with faith and compassion. Today we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday and Christ as our shepherd. Between services there will be a petting zoo in the parking lot. Grab a cup of coffee and pet the sheep! Thanks for joining us today!

THE PRELUDE: *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist (8:30/10am)
Micaela Lum, Worship Leader (5pm)

THE GATHERING HYMN: *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

#853 vv. 1, 4, 5

**When morning gilds the skies, My heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
When evening shadows fall, This rings my curfew call:
May Jesus Christ be praised!**

**Let all of humankind, In this their concord find;
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let all the earth around, Ring joyous with the sound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!**

**Sing, sun and stars of space, Sing, all who see his face,
Sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!"
God's whole creation o'er, Today and evermore,
Shall Jesus Christ be praised!**

THE INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 23)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters

He restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil,
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord have mercy.")

(People sing refrain below. Leader sings verses) p.184

Refrain

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

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:30am/10am)

Youth Director Paige Gulck

(Children may leave for Sunday school at 8:30am & 10am)

THE FIRST LESSON: Acts 4:5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are being asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' "There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

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

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers and sisters. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us, for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God, and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand.)

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The

hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM (8:30am): *Now the Green Blade Rises* Sanctuary Choir, Music Director Kathy Person

THE HYMN: Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

#659

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?

Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

**We are pilgrims on a journey, we are travelers on the road;
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.**

**I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.**

**I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.**

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?

Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

THE MESSAGE: "*Holy Sheep*"

Assistant Minister Dana Becker

OFFERTORY: *The Lord's My Shepherd* arr. Dan Edwards

Gloria De Bell Choir

THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE: The Doxology

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE 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)

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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.**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

#502

**The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.**

**Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth
and, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing brought me.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me,
thy rod and staff my comfort still; thy cross before to guide me.**

**Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth;
and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!**

**And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.**

My Shepherd, You Supply My Need

#782

**My Shepherd, you supply my need,
most holy is your name;
in pastures fresh you make me feed,
beside the living stream.
You bring my wand'ring spirit back.
when I forsake your ways;
you lead me, for your mercy's sake,
in paths of truth and grace.**

**When through the shades of death I walk,
your presence is my stay;**

**one word of your supporting breath
drives all my fears away.**

**Your hand in sight of all my foes,
does still my table spread;
my cup with Blessings overflows,
your oil anoints my head.**

**Your sure provisions gracious God
attend me all my days;
oh, may your house be my abode,
and all my work be praise.
Here would I find a settled rest,
while others go and come;
no more a stranger, nor a guest,
but like a child at home.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

THE BENEDICTION

**THE SENDING HYMN: Earth and All Stars!
Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blowing snowstorm!
Sing to the Lord a new song!**

#731 vv. 1, 2, 5

Refrain: **God has done mar-vel-ous things.
I too sing praises with a new song!**

**Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellos!
Sing to the Lord a new song! (Refrain.)**

**Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying members!
Sing to the Lord a new song! (Refrain.)**

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

THE POSTLUDE: *Easter Paean* by David Lasky

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist (8:30/10am)
Micaela Lum (5pm)

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THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!

8:30am: Coffee Prep: Bob & Bonny Gillespie; Communion; Phil & Sandy Furlong; Lector: Melody King; Ushers: John Gustavson & Scott Neiderhiser; Welcome Table: Denise & Tim Boyd

10am: Acolyte: Jillian Yeager; Coffee Clean-up: Lisa Mers; Communion: Harold Limbong & Roger Grefsrud; Lector: Lisa Mers; Ushers: John Cummings & Dean Fräsché; Welcome Table: Sharon Miller

5:00pm: Communion & Lector: Guy Boicey

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Chelsea Weiss in celebration of Pam Weiss' retirement after 50 years of nursing! They are also given by Tom McKeown & Barb Baldwin celebrating their 1st wedding anniversary!

OFFERING - Thank you for supporting Gloria Dei! Please place check/money in donation boxes or give electronically - Venmo app - @GloriaDei-DanaPoint or Zelle - gloriadei@mygloriadei.org. You can also donate via credit/ debit card through Vanco, our secure site: mygloriadei.org/donate.

BIBLE YEAR STUDY Thursdays, 6:30pm, Pastor David leads a weekly study on the readings. (Amos 1:1 - Micah 7:20). All are welcome.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY PETTING ZOO - Enjoy the petting zoo (with sheep) *today*, between the morning services (9:30am).

MEMORIAL - Gail Rightmire's memorial service will be on Friday, May 3 at 10:30am; Luncheon immediately following in Bankson Hall.

ORDINATION - Deacon Daneen Pysz - Sunday, May 5, 5pm. Bishop Dave Nagler presides. Afterwards, (6pm) Cinco de "Magico" fellowship event takes place - great food and drink, entertainment, a magician, and more. All ages invited! Sign-up for the dinner (adults/\$10, children/free).

MOM'S MIMOSAS & MUFFINS - On May 12, please join us on the patio for a quick refreshment following each morning service, to celebrate our Gloria Dei moms!

GLORIA DEI BLOOD DRIVE - Wednesday, May 22, 9am - 3pm. Sign up at the Welcome Table or online: www.redcrossblood.org. Type *Gloria Dei* in the "Find a Blood Drive" red box in the upper right corner and Gloria Dei blood drive will "pop up".

LADIES TEA - Please join us for Gloria Dei Women's Tea on Sunday, June 2 at 2pm in Bankson Hall. Food catered by Ellie Snyder. Cost: \$30 via Venmo, Zelle, check or cash. No charge for table hostesses and military families. Invite a friend! Sign up at the Welcome Table to attend or host a table.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY at Gloria Dei - "Save the Date" flier, for Summer & Fall events, is available at the Welcome Table.

VBS (VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL) - "SCUBA - Diving into Friendship with God", June 17-21, 9am-12pm. Children ages 4 (Pre-K) - 5th grade are welcome! VBS Registration is open online www.mygloriadei.org/vbs_form. More details: email Susie Boland at fellowship@mygloriadei.org.

VOLUNTEERS FOR VBS - Sign-up to be a volunteer helper at the Welcome Table. Middle School and High School kids are needed as helpers and volunteer hours will be signed off. Questions, email Susie Boland at fellowship@mygloriadei.org.

NURSERY is available on Sunday mornings at 8:30am & 10am services (babies - pre-K.). It is located up the steps, inside the preschool room, closest to the church. Sign your child in and grab a pager.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Age 4 - 5th grade/8:30am & 10am services). Kids leave worship with their teacher following the Children's Message and return at Communion. To register your child for Sunday school, speak with Susie Boland: fellowship@mygloriadei.org.

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY - Every Wednesday at 10am all women are invited to join in! Study is led by Assistant Minister Dana Becker and Pastor David and meets upstairs in Knudson Hall.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Confirmation Sunday (May 5, 10am); Synod Regional Gathering at Gloria Dei (May 18, 10am); Baccalaureate Sunday (June 2); Church Campout (June 7-9).

OPPORTUNITIES FOR APRIL 21 - 27, 2024

Today: Worship (8:30am, 10am, & 5pm); Nursery & Sunday School (8:30am & 10am); Good Shepherd Petting Zoo (9:30am); Confirmation Class (11:15am); NA Meeting (6:30pm)

Monday: South Coast Literacy Council (10am); Al Anon (5:30pm); Alateen (5:30pm)

Tuesday: AA Men (7am); Heart Lifters (6:30pm); Men's Book Club (7pm); Al Anon (7pm)

Wednesday: AA Men (7am); Women's Bible Study (10am); Staff Meeting (12:30pm); Mission Hospital Alumni AA Group (6:30pm); 12 Step Couples Group (7:30pm)

Thursday: AA Men (7am); AA Women (9:30am); South Coast Literacy Council Book Club (1pm); Potable Water Shutoff Testing at Gloria Dei (3pm); Fred Johnson Rehearsal (5pm); Al Anon Coed (5:30pm); Bell Choir (6:30pm); Bible Year Study (6:30pm); AA Men (7pm); Sanctuary Choir (7:30pm)

Saturday: AA Men (7am); ACA Meeting (11:30am); Ukrainian School of Orange County (1:30pm); NA Meeting (7pm)

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