



GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 18, 2025
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 continue the series: "Navigating Life's Waters." We will look at stories related to water, storms, ships, and how Jesus' provides calm and peace. Make sure you pick up your passport and follow along each Sunday! Today, the scripture lesson is about Paul's shipwreck! God is with us in the most difficult of times.

THE PRELUDE: *New Each Morning* by Lani Smith

Micaela Lum, Organist/Pianist (8:30/10am)

Harrison Michael, Worship Leader (5pm)

(The Sacrament of Holy Baptism - Claire Cowan - Outdoor Baptismal Font, 9:45am.)

THE GATHERING HYMN: **Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer**

#618

Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your pow'r-ful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and ever-more, feed me now and ever-more.

Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv-'rer, strong deliv-'rer,
shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises
I will raise forever-more, I will raise forever-more.

THE WELCOME AND INVOCATION

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (People sing refrain below/Leader sings verses.)

#167

Refrain

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion
sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;
praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

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

PRESCHOOL CHOIR (8:30am): *Rain or Pour* by Jana Alayra

Art & Music Director Michelle Lum

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

Youth Director Paige Gulck

(Children may leave for Sunday school and return at Holy Communion.)

THE LESSON: Acts 27:1-20

When it was decided that we were to sail for Italy, they transferred Paul and some other prisoners to a centurion of the Augustan Cohort, named Julius. Embarking on a ship of Adramyttium that was about to set sail to the ports along the coast of Asia, we put to sea, accompanied by Aristarchus, a Macedonian from Thessalonica. The next day we put in at Sidon; and Julius treated Paul kindly, and allowed him to go to his friends to be cared for. Putting out to sea from there, we sailed under the lee of Cyprus, because the winds were against us. After we had sailed across the sea that is off Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra in Lycia. There the centurion found an Alexandrian ship bound for Italy and put us on board. We sailed slowly for a number of days and arrived with difficulty off Cnidus, and as the wind was against us, we sailed under the lee of Crete off Salmone. Sailing past it with difficulty, we came to a place called Fair Havens, near the city of Lasea. Since much time had been lost and sailing was now dangerous, because even the Fast had already gone by, Paul advised them, saying, “Sirs, I can see that the voyage will be with danger and much heavy loss, not only of the cargo and the ship, but also of our lives.” But the centurion paid more attention to the pilot and to the owner of the ship than to what Paul said. Since the harbor was not suitable for spending the winter, the majority was in favor of putting to sea from there, on the chance that somehow they could reach Phoenix, where they could spend the winter. It was a harbor of Crete, facing southwest and northwest. When a moderate south wind began to blow, they thought they could achieve their purpose; so they weighed anchor and began to sail past Crete, close to the shore. But soon a violent wind, called the northeaster, rushed down from Crete. Since the ship was caught and could not be turned head-on into the wind, we gave way to it and were driven. By running under the lee of a small island called Cauda we were scarcely able to get the ship's boat under control. After hoisting it up they took measures to undergird the ship; then, fearing that they would run on the Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor and so were driven. We were being pounded by the storm so violently that on the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard, and on the third day with their own hands they threw the ship's tackle overboard. When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest raged, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.

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

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand.)

p. 188

THE GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

(The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 13th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**)

When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

ANTHEM (10am): *Praise the One Who Makes Us One*

Sanctuary Choir, Art & Music Director Michelle Lum

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN: God of the Sparrow

God of the sparrow, God of the whale

God of the swirling stars

How does the creature say Awe

How does the creature say Praise

#740 vv. 1-3, 6

God of the earthquake, God of the storm

God of the trumpet blast

How does the creature cry Woe

How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow, God of the cross

God of the empty grave

How does the creature say Grace

How does the creature say Thanks

God of the ages, God near at hand

God of the loving heart

How do your children say Joy

How do your children say Home

THE MESSAGE:

Navigating Life's Waters Series: “*When Anchors Do Not Hold*”

“*Shelter*”

Pastor David R. Mattson (8:30/10am)

Deacon Daneen Pysz (5pm)

OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Fount of Every Blessing* arr. Jason W. Krug

Gloria Dei Handbell Choir

OFFERTORY PRAYER, PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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) p. 191;

Abide with Me

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.

The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.

When other helpers fail and comforts flee,

help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

#629 vv.1-3, 5

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;

earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;

change and decay in all around I see;

O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence ev-'ry passing hour;
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes,
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Ev-'ry-where I go, I'm goin'a let it shine;
ev-'ry-where I go, I'm goin'a let it shine;
ev-'ry-where I go, I'm goin'a let it shine;
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'a let it shine;
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSINGS

SENDING HYMN: *Thine the Amen*

Thine the amen thine the praise al-le-lu-ias angels raise
thine the everlasting head thine the breaking of the bread
thine the glory thine the story thine the harvest then the cup
thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

Thine the life eternally thine the promise let there be
thine the vision thine the tree all the earth on bended knee
gone the nailing gone the railing gone the pleading gone the cry
gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

Thine the truly thine the yes thine the table we the guest
thine the mercy all from thee thine the glory yet to be
then the ringing and the singing then the end of all the war
thine the living thine the loving evermore evermore.

SENDING WORDS

#677

#826 vv.1-3

THE POSTLUDE: *Fugue in F Major, BWV 556* by J.S. Bach

Micaela Lum (8:30/10am)
Harrison Michael(5pm)

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THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!
8:30am: Coffee Prep: Kristina Mayfield; Communion: Gene Rathbun & Diane Kelly; Lector: Elvia Gustavson; Ushers: Phil Furlong & John Gustavson; Welcome Table: Diane Kelly
10am: Coffee Clean-up: Gloria Dei Staff; Communion: Katherine Dickinson & Sharry Hilyard; Lector: Cora Weaver; Ushers: Dennis Pysz & Dave Warneke; Welcome Table: Katherine Dickinson
5pm: Communion & Lector: Jeannie Moyer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Melody & Ron Bacon in honor of God's Endless Love & Grace.

THANKS to the Preschool Choir for singing this morning and to all the helpers for making this happen! A special thank you to the parents and families for supporting them and to Art & Music Dir. Michelle Lum.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! Please welcome the following people to the church family: Bryan and Carmen Hand; Jim and Madelyn Jansma; Jordan Kaiser; Gene Mack; Lin McNaughton; Rich Niemi; Rohan Williams; and Nathan Wilson and Krystal McCarty.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (preschool-5th grade) meets during both morning services. Children leave after the Children's Message and return at Holy Communion. Summer break begins May 25. Today, there will be special recognition for children who have been attending this year and teacher acknowledgements. Thanks to Children's Ministry Director Susie Boland for her leadership.

THANKS to our Sunday school teachers: Laura Brodrick, Barb Collins, Kristen Doorn, Molly Healey, Ashleigh Jensen, Kristina Mayfield, Shannon Schroeder, and Laura Welin for their loving dedication to our young children.

THANKS to the Sanctuary Choir for a wonderful year of music and worship leadership. If you would like to join this wonderful group, please contact Art & Music Director Michelle Lum (michellelum@mygloriadei.org).

THANKS to the Gloria Dei Bell Choir for playing the offertory this morning and for a wonderful year of music. They start up again in the fall. Information: Art & Music Director Michelle Lum (michellelum@mygloriadei.org).

COUPLES WITH YOUNG KIDS - Today, May 18 - beach play date at Dana Cove Park/Baby Beach, 11:30am. For more details contact Kristina Mayfield or the office. Invite a friend!

SUMMER HIGH SCHOOL TRIP - Youth Director Paige is leading a service trip to help with Maui Wildfire Recovery and Kihei Lutheran Church, June 26-July 1. Sign-up at the Welcome Table for or email her: youth@mygloriadei.org.

CELLI À DEUX CONCERT - This Wednesday, May 21, 6pm in the Sanctuary. Come hear cello duo Paul Hyun and Carolyn Regula perform a wide variety of music from classical to pop. Free-will offering.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (20/30s/no kids) email - contact list. If you'd like to be contacted related to this group's activities, see the sign-up at the Welcome Table. Questions, call the office or speak with Lindsey Engel.

SOUTH COAST LITERACY COUNCIL – End of year celebration on May 19, 10am. The next session is June 9 - August 11. If interested in attending or volunteering: esldanapoint@mygloriadei.org.

PLEIN AIR PAINTING – Thursday, May 29 from 10am-12pm at Lantern Bay Park. Join the art ministry in painting outdoors. Details and sign up at the welcome table.

LAUNDRY LOVE – Looking for volunteers at Sparklean Laundromat in San Juan Capistrano on Friday, June 6, 2pm - 5:30pm. Sign-up at the Welcome Table. For more info: deacondaneen@mygloriadei.org.

ANNUAL CHURCH CAMPOUT – at O'Neill Regional Park, June 6-8, campers & tents. Come for the weekend or Saturday for the Horseshoe Tournament, potluck, and worship service. Sign-up at the Welcome Table.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) – “True North – Trusting Jesus in a Wild World”. June 16-20, 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.

FAMILY TREE FOR BEGINNERS WORKSHOP – Meets Sunday, June 22, 11:30am, Bankson Hall. This genealogy/family tree class will be led by Gia Lugo Overton. Sign-up.

LOS ANGELITOS ORPHANAGE TRIP – June 28, 7am – 7pm. If interested, sign up at the Welcome Table. Passport required. If you can't attend, but want to help, contact Eric Houser for donation ideas.

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.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MAY 18 - 24, 2025

Today: Worship (8:30am, 10am, & 5pm); Nursery & Sunday School (8:30am & 10am); Preschool Choir (8:30am); Claire Cowan Baptism (9:45am); Confirmation (11:15am); Couples with Young Kids Beach Play Day (11:30am)

Monday: South Coast Literacy Council Graduation (10am); RIOT (Reading Is Our Thing) Book Club (2pm); AlAnon (5:30pm); Alateen (5:30pm); AA Coed Meeting (7pm)

Tuesday: AA Meeting (7am); GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Group (10am); Al Anon (7pm)

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

Thursday: AA Men (7am); AA Women (9:30am); Al Anon Coed (5:30pm); AA Men (7pm)

Friday: Al Anon (10am); Kenny's Music Rehearsal (2pm)

Saturday: AA Men (7am); Confirmation Union Rescue Mission Trip (7am); ACA Group (11:30am); Ukrainian Worship (1pm); Ukrainian School of OC (1:30pm)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

❖ Joyce Jensen Memorial (June 21) ❖ Prime Time Seniors Day at the Races in Los Alamitos (July 5) ❖ Summer Bible Study begins (July 9) ❖ Kintsugi Sessions (August 14 & 16) ❖ Fantasy Football Draft Day (August 23) ❖ 60th Anniversary of Party and Dinner (September 19) ❖ Rally Sunday (September 21) ❖ Women's Retreat (October 3-5) ❖ Oktoberfest (October 11)