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7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

June 1, 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 is also Confirmation Sunday - young people will "affirm" their faith. We thank God for them and pray for God's guidance throughout their life.

THE PRELUDE: *Voluntary in G* by John Stanley

Micaela Lum, Organist/Pianist (8:30/10am)
Harrison Michael, Worship Leader (5pm)

THE GATHERING HYMN: A Mighty Fortress is Our God

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**A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.**

**No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.**

**Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat-'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot o-ver-pow'r us.
Let this world's tyrant rage in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.**

THE WELCOME AND INVOCATION

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 100)

(People read **bold** words.)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.
Worship the LORD with gladness;

come into his presence with singing.
Know that the LORD is God.

It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.
For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations. Amen.

THE HYMN: A Mighty Fortress is Our God

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**God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.**

Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day. The Kingdom's ours forever!

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

THE LESSON: Acts 16:16-34

One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand.) p. 188

(The holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 14th chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.)

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately Jesus 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!**)

CONFIRMATION - AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (10am)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN: *Lord, I Want to be a Christian*
Lord, I want to be a Christian, in my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian, in my heart,
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more loving . . .

Lord, I want to be like Jesus . . .

Lord, I want to be more loving...

Lord, I want to be a Christian, In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian, in my heart,
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian, in my heart.

THE MESSAGE: Navigating Life's Waters Series: *"In-N-Out of the Boat"* Pastor David R. Mattson

OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Voluntaries for Trumpet and Organ* Nathan Wilson, Trumpet

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;

Borning Cry #732
"I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell."

“When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.”

“In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise.”

“I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.”

Lord of the Dance

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain: **Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.**

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John -
they came with me and the dance went on. (Refrain.)

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;
the holy people said it was a shame.
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
and they left me there on a Cross to die. (Refrain.)

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the Dance, and I still go on. (Refrain.)

They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me -
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. (Refrain.)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSINGS

SENDING HYMN: Lift High the Cross
Refrain: **Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim**

till all the world adore his sacred name.

**Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.** (Refrain)

**All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.** (Refrain)

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.** (Refrain)

SENDING WORDS
THE POSTLUDE: *Lift High the Cross*

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

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THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!

8:30am: Coffee Prep: Bill Jonas; Communion: Scott Neiderhiser & Henri Nurminen; Lector; Shelli Parajeckas ;
Ushers;; Welcome Table: Judy Young
10am: Coffee Clean-up: Ann St. Martin ; Communion: Donna & Jerry Combe; Lector: Dennis Pysz; Ushers: Bob
Schultz & Dianne Scott; Welcome Table: Kathi Anderson
5pm : Lector & Communion: Jeannie Moyer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Linda Curie in honor of her son, Jeffrey's birthday & Toni & Gary Nelson for their 46th Wedding Anniversary..

CONFIRMATION TODAY - Congratulations to William Brayden Dyes, Reed Matthews Jensen, Jillian Elizabeth Yaegher on “Affirming their Baptism”. May God bless you always!

PENTECOST is next Sunday, June 8, “the birthday of the church” and the celebration of the Holy Spirit. In observance, the color of the day is red. Get your red on!

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) is now on summer break. We love children in worship! For young children, there is a nursery at morning services. (Parents, it's a process! Try to keep your very young ones with you. Grab a kid's bag or bring a special church bag from home. It's amazing how fast they learn and absorb what's going on.)

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 or email: youth@mygloriadei.org.

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.

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BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY - Child or grandchild graduating from high school this year? Gloria Dei will have special prayers, a blessing, and a gift for them on Sunday, June 8. Call the office. And if they are going away for school, we want to be sure they are receiving "care packages." (A ministry of our congregation).

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) -June 16-20, 9am-12pm. Children ages 4 (Pre-K) - 5th grade are welcome! Online registration: 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 at Welcome Table.

VINTAGE FAITH - *A New Look at the Small Catechism* (10 Commandments, Lord's Prayer, Creed, Sacraments, and more). This summer theme (beginning June 22) is all about the basics of the faith and there will be vintage cars!

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.

MEMORIAL SERVICE for Joyce Jensen Memorial, Saturday, June 21, 10:30am. (Reception following).

ADULT KICKBALL LEAGUE - Gloria Dei will have a team in this local league (18+). Games on Wednesday, July 16-Aug. 27 (Del Obispo Fields). \$20/person. See sign-up. Questions, speak to the team captain Matt Dubow.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY: ORNAMENT WORKSHOP - July 17, 10:30-12:30pm in Bankson Hall. Learn how to use alcohol inks to make vibrant Christmas ornaments! Sign ups will be at the welcome table in June.

MICAELA LUM TALK & CONCERT - July 26, 2:00pm in the sanctuary. Come enjoy an afternoon of music as Micaela gives a lecture-concert on Olivier Messiaen's *Vingt Regards sur l'Enfant-Jésus*.

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 JUNE 1-7, 2025

Today: Worship (8:30am, Confirmation 10am, & 5pm); Nursery (8:30am & 10am)

Monday: AlAnon (5:30pm); Alateen (5:30pm); AA Coed Meeting (7pm)

Tuesday: AA Meeting (7am); Al Anon (7pm)

Wednesday: AA Men (7am); 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); Laundry Love (2pm); Church Campout

Saturday: AA Men (7am); Prayer Shawl Meeting (9pm); ACA Group (11:30am)

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)

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS: ✚ Prime Time Seniors Day at the Races in Los Alamitos (July 5) ✚ Summer Bible Study begins (July 23) ✚ Angels' game & tailgating (August 2) ✚ Kintsugi Sessions (August 14 & 16) ✚ Fantasy