



GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 11, 2025

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

WELCOME to worship! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! As Christ overcame the grave, God continues to empower our living with faith and compassion.

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday and Mother's Day. We give thanks for those important people who have shared God's grace with us in countless ways. We also continue our Easter series: "*Navigating Life's Waters*." We will look at many 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!

THE PRELUDE: *La Menetou* by François Couperin

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

Harrison Michael, 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 forever.
Amen.

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord have mercy.") (People sing refrain below/Leader sings verses.) #184

Refrain

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

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

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:30am/10am) Pastor David R. Mattson
(Children may leave for Sunday school and return at Holy Communion.)

THE LESSON: Revelation 7:9-17
After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
(Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**)

PSALM 23 - VISUAL PRESENTATION

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand.) p. 188

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 10th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**
THE GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

At that time the Festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me, but you do not believe because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, in regard to what he has given me, is greater than all else, and no one can snatch them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."
(The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**)

ANTHEM (8:30am): *Praise the One Who Makes Us One* Sanctuary Choir/Art & Music Director Michelle Lum

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE HYMN: ***'Tis the Old Ship of Zion*** (Spiritual)
Refrain: 'Tis the old ship of Zion, 'tis the old ship of Zion,
'tis the old ship of Zion, get on board, get on board.

It has landed many a thousand, it has landed many a thousand,
it has landed many a thousand, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

It was good for my dear mother, it was good for my dear mother,
it was good for my dear mother, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

It was good for my dear father, it was good for my dear father,
it was good for my dear father, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

It will take you home to glory, it will take you home to glory,
it will take you home to glory, get on board, get on board. [Refrain]

THE MESSAGE: *Navigating Life's Waters Series - The Calm Harbor* Pastor David R. Mattson

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Reckless Love* arr. By Dustin Loehrs Harrison Michael

THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE: ***The Doxology***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (After each prayer - Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**)

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;

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
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
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,

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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 BLESSINGS

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.)

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SENDING WORDS

THE POSTLUDE: *Prelude in F Major, BWV 556* by J.S. Bach Micaela Lum, Organist/Pianist
Harrison Michael, Worship Leader (5pm)

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THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!
8:30am: Coffee Prep: Martyn & Vanessa Frost; Communion: Shelli Parajeckas & Pam Weiss; Lector: Pat McKinley; Ushers: Matt Dubow & Bob Gaumer; Welcome Table: Diane Kelly
10am: Coffee Clean-up: Lora & William Stoll; Communion: David & Susan Warneke; Lector: Jim St. Martin; Ushers: Kathi Anderson & Susan Behnke; Welcome Table: Donna & Jerry Combe
5pm: Communion & Lector: Gary Bridge

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by Anne & Guy Boicey in celebration of Mother's Day & their anniversary!

THANKS to the many people who donated blood this past Wednesday at our Red Cross Blood Drive. You saved roughly 105 lives!

SAILBOAT in the Sanctuary - Thanks to Sean Salimian for providing it as a visual for the Easter Season theme: *Navigating Life's Waters*.

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY meets on Wednesdays, 10am, Knudson Hall. Join in this weekly study led by Pastor David or Deacon Daneen.

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. Next Sunday - Sunday school awards and teacher acknowledgements.

MOTHER'S DAY/GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY - Today, May 11, enjoy muffins & daisies to celebrate moms & between morning services check out a petting zoo in the parking lot, to celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday!

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

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.

CELLI À DEUX CONCERT - 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.

PLEIN AIR PAINTING - Thursday, May 29 from 10am-12pm. Questions, speak with Art & Music Minister Michelle Lum (michellelum@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.

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.

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.

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 11-17, 2025

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

Monday: South Coast Literacy Council (10am); ALAnon (5:30pm); Alateen (5:30pm); AA Coed Meeting (7pm)

Tuesday: AA Meeting (7am); Surfside Quilters Guild General Meeting (9am); Heart Lifters (6:30pm)VFW Auxiliary (6:30pm);Al Anon (7pm) Church Council (7pm)

Wednesday: AA Men (7am); Surfside Quilters Guild (9am); Women's Bible Study (10am); Mission Hospital Alumni AA (6pm); Set-up Synod Assembly (6pm); 12 Step Couples (7:30pm)

Thursday: AA Men (7am); Synod Assembly Set-up (9am); Handbell Choir (6:30pm); Sanctuary Choir (7:30pm)

Friday: Synod Assembly (All Day)

Saturday: AA Men (7am); Synod Assembly (9am-12:30pm); ACA Group (11:30am); Ukrainian School of OC (1:30pm)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

✚ Joyce Jensen Memorial (June 21) ✚ Prime Time Seniors Day at the Races in Los Alamitos (June 21) ✚ Family Tree for Beginners Workshop (June 22) ✚ 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)