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11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 24, 2025 **8:30am, 10:00am, 5:00pm**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Guests, please sign in at the "Welcome Table" and receive a gift. For young children, a nursery is available. Sign in and grab a pager. We also love children in worship!

Today, we hear the story of Jesus healing a woman who had been "bent" for 18 years. The healing accounts in the New Testament happen in a variety of ways, but they always reconnect the person with their community. May the Gloria Dei community be a place of healing, strength, and peace.

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

GATHERING HYMN: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow-'ry meadow, flashing sea chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other lift us to the joy divine!

THE CONFESSION

(People read/sing **bold** words.)

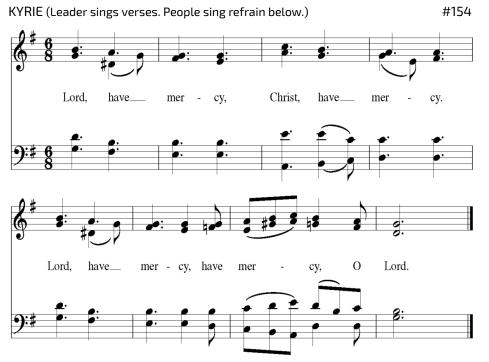
Gracious God, have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(A moment of silence. Proclamation of forgiveness.)

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 1:4-10

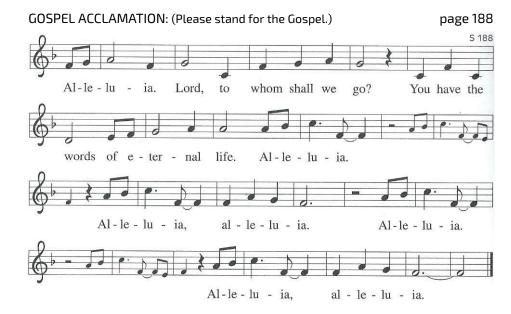
Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy,' for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD." Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant." (Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**)

THE SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of

the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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



(The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 13th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**) THE GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom

Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

Lisa Zylstra

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF THE DAY: <u>Lord Whose Love in Humble Service</u> #712 vv.1-3 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev-'ry gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the deeds and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

THE MESSAGE: Miracle after Miracle

Pastor David R. Mattson (8:30/10am) Deacon Daneen Pysz (5pm)

OFFERTORY MUSIC: Who You Say I Am arr. Galbraith (8:30/10am) Andy Degan

OFFERTORY RESPONSE: <u>The Doxology</u>

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (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

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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.

Will You Come and Follow Me

#798

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

"Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?"

"Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the pris-'ners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

"Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

THE BENEDICTION

THE SENDING HYMN: Love Divine All Loves Excelling

#631 vv.1.4

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;

visit us with thy salvation, enter ev-'ry trembling heart.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee! Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise!

SENDING WORDS

POSTLUDE:

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY has given 525 shawls away! They could use another 2-3 experienced knitters to join. If interested, please call the church office for details.

LAUNDRY LOVE - Next volunteer service will be September 5, 2pm - 5:30pm. Sign-up at the Welcome Table. For more info: deacondaneen@mygloriadei.org.

WOMEN'S BUNCO NIGHT - Friday, September 5, 6pm - Come join the Women's Group for a fun night! \$5. Bring an appetizer to share. No experience needed. See sign-up.

MEMBERSHIP AT GLORIA DEI - See the sign-up for details or speak with Pastor David. (New members will be received on Rally Sunday - September 21.)

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY - Beginning September 10. All women are invited to this weekly study led by Pastor David and Deacon Daneen, 10am.

SEPTEMBER ART GATHERING - Our monthly gatherings are starting back up on the 2nd Wednesdays of each month. Join us on September 10 at 6:30pm in Bankson Hall.

PRIME-TIMERS (SENIORS) - Visiting the South Coast Butterfly & Botanical Gardens Friday, September 12, 10:30 am, located in Palos Verdes Peninsula. Sign-up.

MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY: All men are invited to join in on Saturday, Sept. 13, 8:30am, Knudson Hall. Join in the 2nd Saturday/month for a good breakfast, brief study, and wonderful fellowship. Questions, speak with Pastor David.

SUNDAY SCHOOL begins Sept. 14 during morning services for children ages 4-5th grade. Teachers and helpers needed. See the sign-up. Contact Children's Ministry Director, Molly Healey with any questions. (childrensministry@mygloriadei.org)

ANDY DEGAN CONCERT - September 14, 5pm in the sanctuary. Come out for an evening of good music and fellowship!

DENIM AND DIAMONDS JUBILEE - <u>60th Anniversary of Gloria Dei</u>! - Celebration Dinner - Friday, Sept. 19, 5pm, upper circle & Bankson Hall. Music, BBQ, games, kids' activities - Bubbleologist, childcare offered, photo booth, and more. Sign-up.

PARENTS CONFIRMATION MEETING: 6th-8th grade youth meet with Pastor David and Paige for Confirmation. An orientation for parents will be held Sunday, September 21, 9:30am (sanctuary). Schedule/program will be discussed.

LOS ANGELITOS ORPHANAGE TRIP - Saturday, September 27. Details: See sign-up.

2025 WOMEN"S RETREAT WEEKEND: Friday- Sunday, October 3-5 in Escondido at the Welk Resort! Come for the weekend or even just join the group on Saturday. Fellowship, Bible study and lots of fun activities! Sign-up at the Welcome Table.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (20/30s) email list. If you'd like to be contacted related to activities, sign-up. Questions, call the office or speak with Lindsey Engel.

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.

PRAYERS? - Before or after services, meet a prayer partner at the Candle Station.

THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!

<u>8:30am</u>: Coffee Prep: Dave Ross; Communion: John Adams & Shelly Higgins; Lector: Richard Carlson; Ushers: Matt Dubow & Bob Gaumer; Welcome Table: Judy Young. <u>10am</u>: Coffee Clean-up: Jim & Ann St. Martin; Communion: Dennis Pysz & Lisa Mers; Lector: Jay Pederson; Ushers: Jeanne Mills & Willie Knottnerus; Welcome Table: Julie Sweany

5pm: Lector & Communion: Jeanne Moyer

OPPORTUNITIES FOR AUGUST 24-30, 2025

Today: Worship (8:30am, 10am & 5pm); Nursery (8:30am & 10am) **Monday**: Al Anon (5:30pm); Alateen (5:30pm); AA Coed (7pm)

<u>Tuesday</u>: AA Men (7am); Staff Meeting (11am); Men's Book Club (6pm); Al Anon (7pm)

Wednesday: AA Men (7am); Mission Hospital AA (6pm); 12 Step Couples (7:30pm) Thursday: AA Men (7am); AA Women (9:30am); Al Anon (5:30pm); AA Men (7pm)

<u>Friday</u>: Al Anon (10am); Kenny's Music (2pm) <u>**Saturday</u>**: AA Men (7am); ACA Group (11:30am)</u>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Rally Sunday (September 21) ❖ Blessing of the Animals (October 5) ❖ Oktoberfest (October 11) ❖ Reformation Sunday - Bible Presentation (October 25) ❖ Trick-or-Trunk (October 25)

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5pm Worship Leader Harrison Michael