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## 14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 14, 2025  
8:30am, 10:00am

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** Guests, please sign in at the "Welcome Table" and receive a gift. Sunday School starts this week for children age 4-5th grade. For young children, a nursery is available. Sign in and grab a pager. We also love children in worship!

This Sunday we look at the well-known parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin. May we always remember the depth of God's love for us and for all those in need.

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

**GATHERING HYMN: All Are Welcome**

#641 vv.1, 4-5

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

**All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger: (Refrain.)

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed  
as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: (Refrain.)

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

THE CONFESSION

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

Gracious God, have mercy on us.

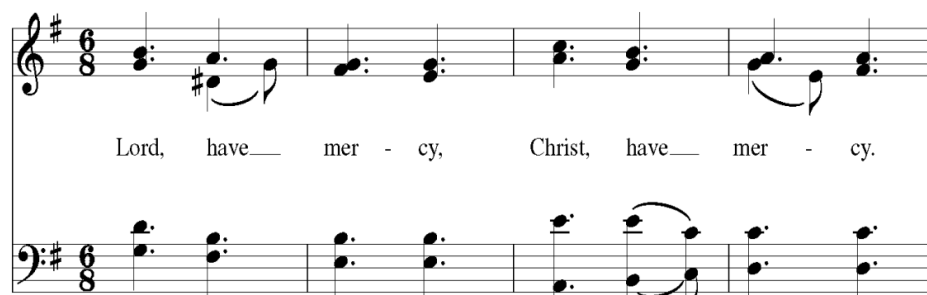
**We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may 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

KYRIE (Leader sings verses. People sing refrain below.)

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

### THE FIRST LESSON: Exodus 32:7-14

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' " And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

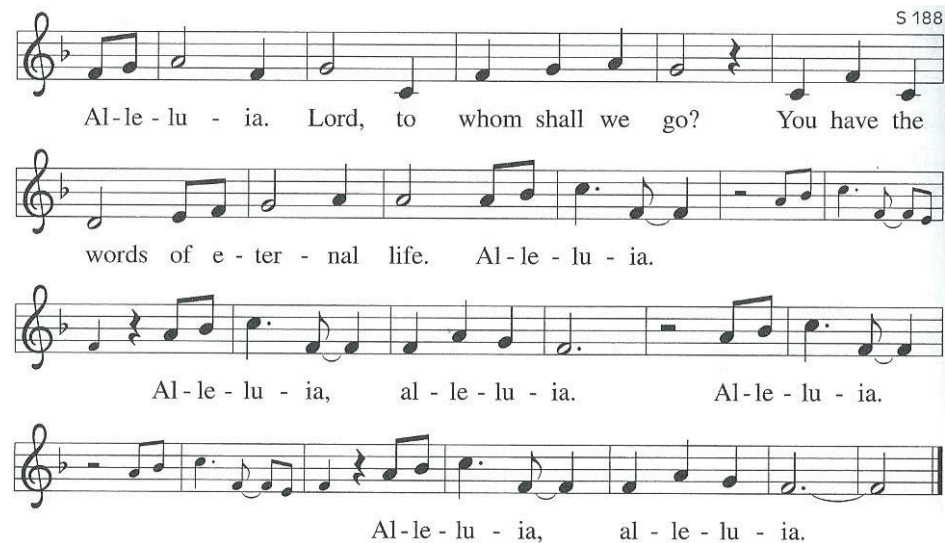
### THE SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Please stand for the Gospel.)

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(The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 15th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**)

### THE GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

**Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."**

(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)

Youth Director Paige Gulck

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HYMN OF THE DAY: Canticle of the Turning**

#723 vv. 1-3

**My soul cries out with a joyful shout  
that the God of my heart is great,  
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things  
that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,  
and my weakness you did not spurn,  
so from east to west shall my name be blest,  
Could the world be about to turn?**

Refrain:

**My heart shall sing of the day you bring.  
Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,  
and the world is about to turn.**

**Though I am small, my God, my all,  
you work great things in me,  
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past  
to the end of the age to be.  
Your very name puts the proud to shame,  
and to those who would for you yearn,  
you will show your might, put the strong to flight,  
for the world is about to turn. (Refrain.)**

**From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r,  
not a stone will be left on stone.  
Let the king beware for your justice tears ev-'ry tyrant from his throne.  
The hungry poor shall weep no more,  
for the food they can never earn;  
there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed,  
for the world is about to turn. (Refrain.)**

THE MESSAGE: *The "Reckless" Love of God*

Michelle Lum

OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Reckless Love* arr. Loehrs

Andy Degan

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE: The Doxology**

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.**

**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.**

**What Wondrous Love Is This**

#666

**What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What won-drous love is this, O my soul!  
What won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?**

**When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.**

**To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I Am,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.**

**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing his love for me,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and through eternity I'll sing on.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

THE BENEDICTION

**THE SENDING HYMN: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #834 vv.1-3  
Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light in-ac-ces-si-ble hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!**

**Un-resting, un-hasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

SENDING WORDS

POSTLUDE: Micaela Lum (8:30/10am)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** begins **TODAY** during morning services for children ages 4-5th grade. Teachers and helpers are still needed, especially for the 10am service. See the sign-up. Contact Children's Ministry Director, Molly Healey with any questions. ([childrensministry@mygloriadei.org](mailto:childrensministry@mygloriadei.org))

**ANDY DEGAN CONCERT** - Today, 5pm in the sanctuary. Come out for an evening of good music and fellowship! Donation taken for the musicians.

**RALLY SUNDAY** - Sunday, September 21 - Special music, refreshments, new members received, new Gloria Dei logo presented, and more. Invite a friend to join you for worship!

**MEMBERSHIP AT GLORIA DEI** - New Members will be received on Rally Sunday - September 21. Questions, speak with Pastor David or call the church office.

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

**SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER** is available to pick up as a paper copy at the welcome table or go to the Church website to see an online version.

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

**CHOIR AUDITIONS & VOCAL PLACEMENT** - September 25 from 6-9pm. For new and preexisting members of our Sanctuary Choir and Gloria Dei Chorale (new). Please sign up for a 6 minute audition slot at the welcome table.

**YOUNG FAMILIES WITH KIDS** - Game Night and Pizza! Sunday, September 28, 4:30-6:30pm in Bankson Hall! See the Welcome Table to sign-up.

**PARENTS CONFIRMATION MEETING:** 6th-8th grade youth meet with Pastor David and Paige for Confirmation. An orientation for parents will be held next 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.

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** - Sunday, October 5, 5pm. Bring your pet out for a special blessing.

**CHOIR REHEARSALS** begin October 9. Handbell Choir (6pm), Sanctuary Choir and Gloria Dei Chorale (7:15pm). Interested in joining an ensemble? Sign up for an audition (vocal only) or email [michellelum@mygloriadei.org](mailto:michellelum@mygloriadei.org).

**SCULPTURE WORKSHOP: ANIMALS** - Thursdays October 9, 16, & 23 from 12:30-2:30pm in Bankson Hall. Create a sculpture of your favorite animal with polymer clay. Cost: \$10 (members) or \$20 (public). Sign up at the welcome table.

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

**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](mailto:gloriadei@mygloriadei.org). You can also donate via credit/ debit card through Vanco, our secure site: [mygloriadei.org/donate](https://mygloriadei.org/donate).

### **THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!**

**8:30am:** Coffee Prep: Greg & Dianne Blanda; Communion: Henri Nurminen & Diane Kelly; Lector: Sandy Furlong; Ushers: Pam Weiss & Kathy Martino; Welcome Table: Barb Collins

**10am:** Coffee Clean-up: Lin McNaughton; Communion: Peggy Johnson & Wayne Johnson; Lector: Wayne Johnson; Ushers: Sharon Miller & Lisa Mers; Welcome Table: Rebecca Horner

**5pm :** Andy Degan Concert

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR September 14-20, 2025**

**Today:** Worship (8:30am & 10am); Nursery (8:30am & 10am); Andy Degan Concert (5pm)

**Monday:** South Coast Literacy (10am); RIOT Book Club (2pm); Al Anon (5:30pm); Alateen (5:30pm); AA Coed (7pm)

**Tuesday:** AA Men (7am); Preschool Grandparents Day (8:30am); GIFT (10am); Staff Meeting (11am); Al Anon (7pm)

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

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

**Friday:** Al Anon (10am); 60th Set-up (10am); Wedding Rehearsal (3pm); 60th Anniversary Party (5pm)

**Saturday:** AA Men (7am); Serra's Pantry (8:30am); ACA Group (11:30am); Ukrainian Worship (1pm); Ukrainian School; (1:30pm); Wedding (3pm)

**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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