

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church



November 17, 2024

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING MUSIC

Prelude and Fugue in G Minor

attr. Johann Sebastian Bach

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

GATHERING

WELCOME

You are invited to stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the

→ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/sit

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Congregation sits. Children are invited to come forward during the song and sit on the chancel steps.

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me, this I know For the Bible tells me so Little ones to him belong, They are weak, but he is strong! Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, for the Bible tells me so.

READINGS

A reading from Daniel (12:1-3).

¹ "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ² Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (16) is read responsively.

¹ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

² All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

³ But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴ I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,

never take their names upon my lips.

⁵O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶ My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

⁷ I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸ I have set the Lord always before me;

because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰ For you will not abandon me to the grave,

nor let your holy one see the pit.

¹¹ You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

A reading from Hebrews (10:11-25).

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³ and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. ¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

¹⁶ "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,

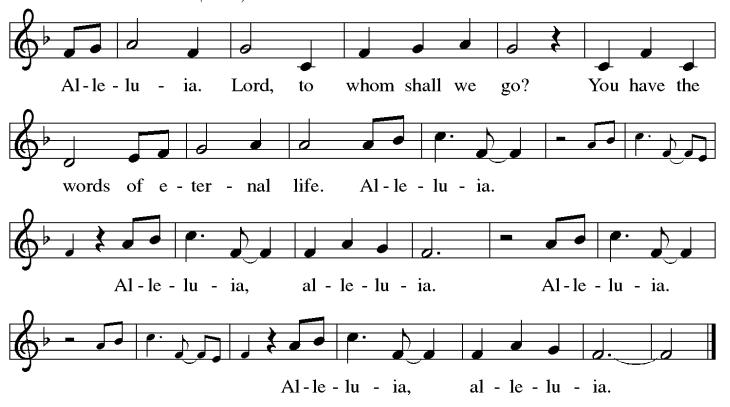
and I will write them on their minds,"

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Stand)



¹⁷ he also adds,

[&]quot;I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

Congregation sings:



¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ² Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

The gospel of the Lord.

Congregation sings:



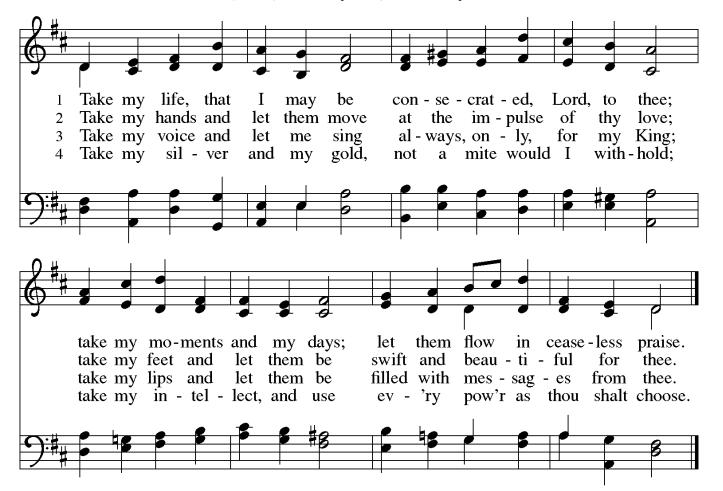
SERMON (Sit) Pastor Dave

Silence is kept for reflection.

During the Hymn of the Day, the congregation is asked to come up and place their pledge card in the basket. For those who pledged online or by email, please come up and symbolically place your pledge in the basket.

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 685 (Stand) Take My Life, That I May Be

Patmos



5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

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 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.

THE PRAYERS

You are invited to either sit or kneel.

The response to each prayer will be Merciful God, receive our prayer.

THE MEAL

SHARING OF THE PEACE (Stand)

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING (Sit)

Support the mission and ministry of Gloria Dei by giving your financial tithes and offerings by:

- placing your offering envelope into the offering plate as it is passed.
- mailing to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 250 Fox Hill Road, Hampton, Virginia 23669.
- *using the Tithe.ly app: https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app.*
- *using the Kiosk in the lobby.*
- using online bill pay with your own banking institution, using your envelope number as your account number.

For electronic offerings, see back page for QR codes.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

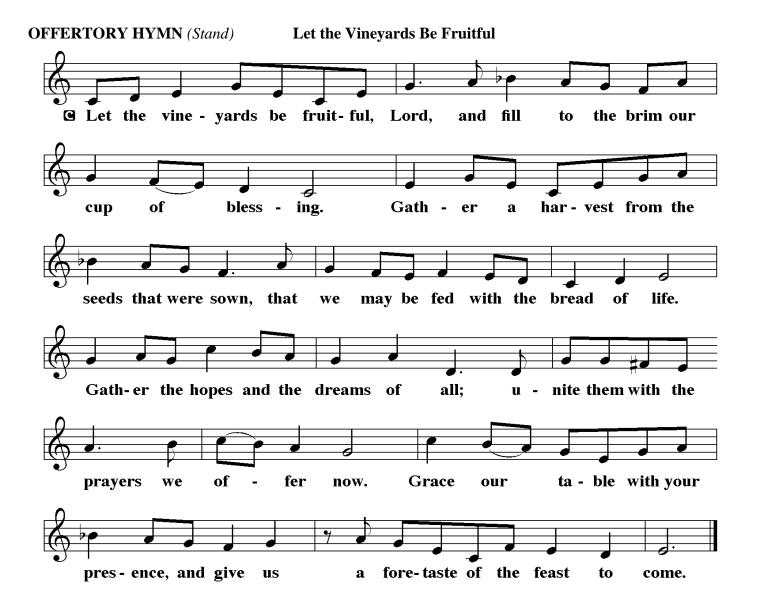
Claire de Lune

Claude Debussy

Sandy Dunn, piano Shannon Schubert, flute

^{*}Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

^{**}Lower case "c" means universal.

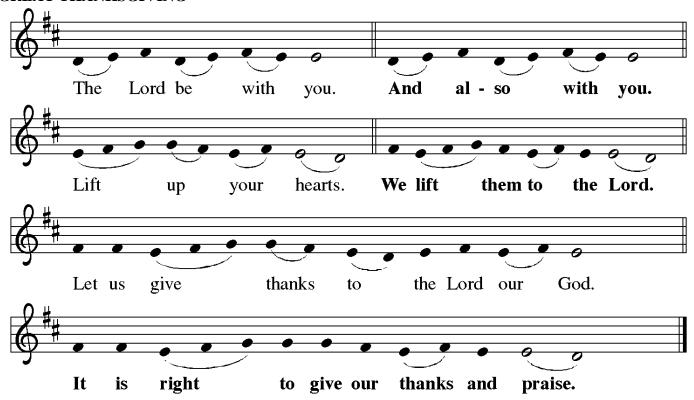


OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

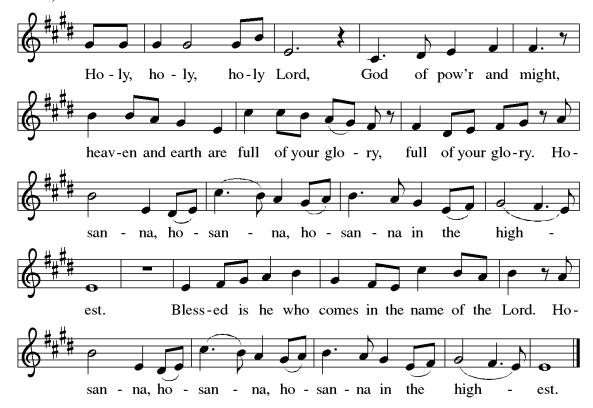
GREAT THANKSGIVING



PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;

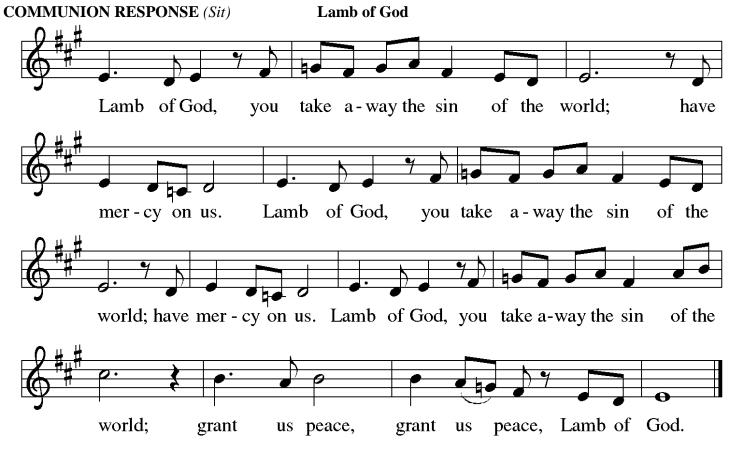
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.



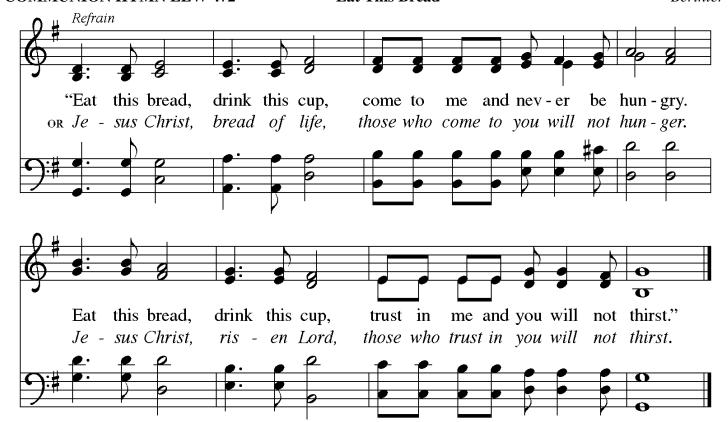
We believe that in the Eucharist our Lord Jesus Christ offers us His gifts of love and forgiveness. All are welcome to share in Communion. If you would like to receive communion by common cup instead of individual cups of wine or grape juice, after you consume your wafer, hold your hands out (palms up), just like you did for your wafer.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.





SENDING

BLESSING AFTER THE MEAL (Stand)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



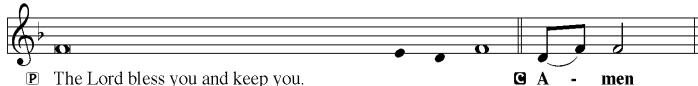
Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.







BENEDICTION



The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



ANNOUNCEMENTS (Sit)

POSTLUDE

O World, I Must Now Leave Thee

Brahms

Please take this time to ponder what Christ may be calling you/us to do through today's prayers, readings, sermons, and hymns as we listen to the postlude.

If you are particularly moved by the Postlude, please hold your applause and congratulate the musician in person after worship.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

My Generosity Story



For as long as I can remember, Gloria Dei has been a huge part of my life. My family joined the church when I was about four years old, and we quickly became involved in the life and activities of the congregation. My mom started singing in the Adult Choir, my dad joined the Men's Bible Study, and my brother and I participated in everything from Vacation Bible School to Youth Groups, Choirs, Handbells, and Confirmation. Our family soon found that Gloria Dei wasn't just a church—it was a second home.

Now, as an adult, I choose to remain an active member of Gloria Dei, because I've experienced firsthand the power of this community. Over the years, I've seen how this church comes together in times of joy and celebration—whether it's welcoming new members, celebrating milestones, or sharing in the triumphs of one another. At the same time, we have stood by each other in moments of grief and hardship, offering comfort, support, and prayers when it was needed most. Through it all, we've moved forward together, united in our faith, and our commitment to one another. This shared journey has shown me the strength of a loving, faith-driven community, and it's one of the reasons I continue to call Gloria Dei my spiritual home.

My parents and many of the families here have shown me how to be generous with my time, but I learned true generosity from my Grandma Jan. She was a single woman with very limited income, yet she always made it a priority to give financially to her church.

When I started my career, I didn't think I made enough money to make a meaningful contribution to the church, so I started giving my time instead. But as I've grown, I've come to understand that both time and financial support are essential to sustaining the church and its ministries. When I think of my Grandma Jan and how much she sacrificed to give, I'm reminded that giving, in all its forms, is about more than just meeting practical needs—it's about faith, love, and putting Christ's teachings into action.

I'm grateful for the generosity of this congregation, who made it possible for me and countless other youth to grow up in a church that nurtured us in so many ways. Today, I give to Gloria Dei because I want the next generation to have the same opportunities—to know that this is a place where they are loved, supported, and encouraged to deepen their relationship with God.

My hope for Gloria Dei is that we continue to expand our ministries and outreach, to truly reflect God's love by welcoming all people, especially those who may feel excluded elsewhere. I know that together, we can ensure that Gloria Dei remains a beacon of love and goodness, not only on Sunday mornings, but every day of the week. By continuing to give—both our time and resources—we ensure that Gloria Dei will be a place of refuge and hope for generations to come. I invite you to join me in supporting our mission, so that we can continue to grow in our faith, reach out to those in need, and make God's love known in our community.

Rachel Lomax



GLORIA DEI WEEKLY

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The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Frank and Jerri Dickseski in celebration of Julia's 28th birthday.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS are available for each Sunday's service on the table in the Atrium.

PARENTS, if you would like your child to have a coloring book and colored pencils during worship, please ask an usher.

RESTROOMS are located in the Atrium.

INDIVIDUAL HEARING AIDS are available from the ushers. Please return them to an usher after the service.

#1—Serving Today

COFFEE CREATORS: Rowena Cornwell, Debbi Ortiz CROSS AND CROWN: Ruth Hutchison, Thomas Kipper

GREETER: Rita Foringer
LAY ASSISTANT: Diane Washburn
READER: Rita Foringer

TECHNICAL TEAM: Barry Hutchison, Derry Mace, Mike Riley, Aaron Sutherland, Jenny Sutherland

USHERS: John Campbell, Peggy Todd

#2—Pledge Cards

Commitment Sunday is today, November 17. Please have your pledge ready to turn in during worship. If you forgot your pledge cards, please turn it in within the next week or two. Your pledge cards help us to plan the next year's budget. We will celebrate the pledges submitted so far and will let you know how many pledges were submitted and how much money has been pledged for 2025.

#3—Celebration Sunday Light Brunch

Please join us for a light brunch, consisting of croissants, immediately following the worship service on **Sunday, December 8,** in celebration of our Stewardship Campaign.

#4—Worship on YouTube

We are excited to make our worship more accessible to those who want to worship with us at Gloria Dei who are not physically able to be with us in the nave. YouTube is available to anyone with the internet to worship with us. To worship with us on YouTube, you will go to the link below or scan the QR code below with your smartphone. You can worship live, or at a more convenient time.

**Scan this QR code with your smartphone: OR

**Use this link:

https://www.youtube.com/@gloriadeilutheranchurchhampton

#5—Watterton Fund

Kevin Watterton, spouse of Amy Watterton (long-time teacher at Gloria Dei), has been diagnosed with a rare and terminal cancer. If you would like to support the Watterton family, you may send a contribution to the church office through one of our payment methods. Please add "Watterton Fund" to the memo area of your chosen payment method.

#6—Poinsettias to Decorate for Christmas

It is time to place your order for poinsettias to decorate our Nave for the Christmas season. Each poinsettia is \$19.00 pre-paid. Deadline for ordering is **Sunday, December 1**. Please use your packet envelope dated November 3, fill in the information on the back, and return it to the Church Office. If you are using online bill pay or *Tithe.ly*, enter how many flowers you are paying for on the memo line and then call, 757-851-2838, or email, tbialk@gloriadei.net, to let us know who the flowers are in honor of or in memory of, or if they are given to the Glory of God.

#7—Nave Chrismon Tree Set-up

On **Tuesday, December 3**, we will start at **5:00 p.m.** with tree set-up and fluffing. Pizza will be provided. If needed, we will meet again on Thursday, **December** 5.

#8—Hanging of the Greens

Hanging of the Greens will be **on Friday, December 6,** at **6:00 p.m.** Soup and hotdogs with chili will be served for dinner. We invite you to join us for singing, decorating, fellowship, and kids' activities. Nursery will be available. Please lend us your inflatable Christmas decorations for the kids' hay ride.

#9—Christmas Caroling

Christmas Caroling begins at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 22. Carolers will travel by Gloria Dei bus. All are welcome to join in the singing. Following caroling, we will come back to the church to enjoy some more fellowship over a spaghetti lunch. Please RSVP by signing up on the sheet provided on the table in the Narthex or you may call the Church Office, 757-851-2838, or email tbialk@gloriadei.net or psipes@gloriadei.net so we can plan on enough food.

#10—Our Love and Prayers go out to...

If you have any prayer requests during the week, you may email psipes@gloriadei.net, or call the church office, 757-851-2838.

Our members: Charlie Venable, Melvin Lanning, Debbi Ortiz, Judy Wagner St. Pierre, Buzz Hamilton, Vickie Roark, Abby Hella, Joann Morrison, Russ Morrison, Madeleine Etheridge, Dorie Scherer, Sharon Rose, Joan Ehlers, Tommy Vanorsdale, Donna Vanorsdale, Ernie Atkins, Chris Tucker, Craig Ruhl, Susan Krebs, Roger Ward, Marna Mayo, Wivi Pelt-Detlie, Bill Siefers, Max Vanpelt, Nancy Monroe, Bill Monroe, Bill Swanson, Joan Hudgins, Emily Urban, Jill Ruhl

All names below will remain on the prayer list for the current month. Should you wish your loved one to remain on this list for another month, please call the church office the first week of each month to have them added.

Prayers for our families and friends:

Lori Peters, sister of Sheri Yarrington (GDLS employee)

JR Giles, friend of Rick and Lynn Graves Deborah Bone, sister of Vicki Venable

Mike and Roni Hull, grandparents of Amelia Venable

Kevin Watterton, husband of Amy Watterton (GDLS employee)

Nedra Clark, friend of Sharon Bennett

Chuck Gravley, friend of Sharon Bennett

Jane Barefoot, GDLS employee

Michelle Nisbet, GDLS employee

Larry Mullins, friend of the Fullens

Siggi Williams, friend of the Fullens and Atkins

Charlotte Tyeryar, mother of Pam Hess

Bernard Allen family, friends of Jim and Jeane Fullen

Julia Mutch, friend of Jim and Jeane Fullen

Jude (GDLS student) and Monte (GDLS parent) Kuligowski

Erin Weigel, friend of the Pfahls

Marc Schaub, brother of Kim Miller

Corie Amell, niece of Julie Hutchison

Mike May, brother of Deborah Walker, GDLS employee

Sheila May, mother of Deborah Walker, GDLS employee

Tom Vanorsdale, husband of Donna Vanorsdale

#11—Birthdays

- 19 Donna Vanorsdale
- 20 Julia Dickseski, Dawn Olson
- 21 Eliza Summerfield
- 22 Bill Monroe
- 23 Vicki Venable, Lane Mitchell, Jonah Hutchison

#12—Anniversary

21 Bob and Nancy Haberman

#13—H.E.L.P. Donations

Please, join us in filling up the red wagon to feed the hungry in our community. The following are items on their most needed list:

- * Mac & Cheese
- * Toilet Paper
- * Juice (individual size)
- * Soap
- * Shelf-stable milk
- * Peanut Butter
- * Canned or Boxed Potatoes
- * Canned veggies-corn, beans, green bean

#14—Members and friends serving in the military who have asked for our prayers:

Ian Bogy, USN **Husband of Tamara Bogy** Mark Bradford, USN Husband of Marilyn Bradford Friend of Mike Canny Colin Chambers, USA Son of Lynn and Cathy Curtis Ryan Curtis, USAF Daughter-in-law of Lynn and Cathy Curtis Crystal Curtis, USAF Son-in-law of Bill and Carolyn Swanson John Demitraszek, USMC Friend of the Venables Matthew Dudek, USA Tyler Green, USAF Son-in-law of Judy Wagner St. Pierre Nicholas Griese, USAF Son of Vivian Griese Granddaughter of Buzz and Anita Hamilton Megan Haskell, USA Jack Jones, USA Family friend of Mike Canny Member of Gloria Dei Dylan Kremp, USMC Member of Gloria Dei Kerri Masters, USA W. Allan Monroe, MSC Son of Bill and Nancy Monroe Matthew Morse, USMC Son of Kevin Morse Troy Newton, USN Friend of Laura and Berto Lopez Marc St. Pierre, USMC Son of Judy Wagner St. Pierre Son of Judy Wagner St. Pierre Paul St. Pierre, II, USCG/FSO Bradley Rollyson, USMC Son of Mark and Marilyn Bradford Son of Bill and Carolyn Swanson Steve Swanson, USN Nick Tavarez, USN Grandson-in-law of Donna and Tom Vanorsdale J.P. Venable, III, USAF Member of Gloria Dei Richard Williams, USAF Husband of Stephanie Williams and Son of Joan Ehlers

#15—Next Week at Gloria Dei

Today TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	
9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP/Commitment Sunday
11:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	ExAdCom Meeting
Monday 6:00 p.m.	Pack Meeting
6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Meeting
7:00 p.m.	Troop 10 Meeting
Tuesday 10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Bible Study
Wednesday 12:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study
5:45 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesday
Thursday 10:30 a.m.	Colonial Williamsburg Tour
Friday-Sunday Lost and Found Retreat	
Next Sunday CHRIST THE KING	
9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP
11:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal

#16—Cereal Offering on Sunday Mornings

Running late? Short on time? We will have milk and a small selection of cereals available before worship each Sunday morning. Please visit the Coffee Bar for available cereal choices.

#17—Colonial Williamsburg Art Museums Outing

All are welcome to meet at the Colonial Williamsburg Art Museums at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 21. We will specifically tour in the Conservation Department. Their collections building houses nine specialized labs, where their skilled conservators work diligently to preserve and restore their valuable artworks—a unique aspect of their museum that many people don't often have the opportunity to see.

Following the tour, we will enjoy lunch (at your expense) at the museum café, after which attendees will have the option to explore the museum further.

Please **RSVP** to Peggy Sipes in the Church Office by **Tuesday**, **November 19**. You can scan the QR code below; call the Church Office, 757-851-2838; or send an email to <u>psipes@gloriadei.net</u>.



#18—A Pint with Pastor

Please join Pastor Dave from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 21, at The White Oak Lodge, 3533 Kecoughtan Rd, Hampton.

#19—School Employment Opportunities

Gloria Dei Lutheran School has the following positions available:

*Bus Drivers

*Kitchen Staff

*Maintenance Director

*Substitutes

*Afternoon Childcare Aides

*Transportation Coordinator

*Instructional Aide FT

If you are interested in applying, you can find an application online at http://www.gdlshamptonva.com/school-forms. Once completed, you may turn it in to the School Office at 250 Fox Hill Rd., Hampton, VA 23669, attention: Lisa Dadez.

#20—Harris Teeter School Fundraiser

<u>Harris Teeter.</u>—You can help Gloria Dei Lutheran School raise funds by shopping at Harris Teeter. Once you ask for and receive your VIC card, you can go to *https://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education*, click on "Link your school today," log in or register, then go to "My Account," and scroll down to "Together in Education," and click to link a school. You will then enter our School code, 6528, and click on *Gloria Dei Lutheran School*. Thank you!

#21—Papa John's School Fundraiser

<u>Papa Johns</u>—You can help Gloria Dei Lutheran School raise funds by shopping at <u>www.papajohns.com</u> or on their mobile app. Simply apply the promo code "GDLS" and 20% of your order will benefit our school. This offer applies to delivery or carryout orders year-round. All proceeds will be donated for the new playground equipment.

#22—Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the second Sunday of each month in front of the fireplace following worship. **We are asking for your help!** If you knit or crochet, it would be wonderful if you would contribute to this important ministry. You don't need to "formally" join the group, however, if you are able to create a prayer shawl, a lap robe of a baptismal blanket and will donate it to the church, it would be most welcome. The church is an active community of saints and there are deaths and baptisms occurring throughout the year.

Stop past on a Sunday and see what we do. Obviously, you are welcome to join us, but it that isn't possible, please consider helping. If you have any questions, contact Rita Foringer@verizon.net.

#23—Fellowship Bible Study

You are invited to join us in Bible study every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. We are meeting in the Simeon Center and using the Augsburg Adult Bible Study Series. This is a small group study, where you will find fellowship and a relaxed atmosphere. For information, email Sharon L. Padula at slpadula1@gmail.com.

#24—Community Bible Study

Our weekly Community Bible Study, is held at H.E.L.P., 329 Buckroe Avenue, on **Wednesdays at noon.** All are invited to attend. This is a great opportunity for us to learn the needs of our community and help us to become more outreach-oriented.

#25—2025 Flower Calendar

The 2025 flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board just outside the church office suite for those wishing to give the flowers for our Sunday worship services. These flowers cost approximately \$63.00. You may designate your flowers in celebration of something, in memory of someone, in honor of someone, to the glory of God, etc. You will be billed directly by *Jeff's Flowers, Of Course*. Thank you!

#26—Little Library

Our Little Library, located at the middle set of doors, gets a lot of action from parents as they are dropping off or picking up their children. We are asking that you please consider donating any children's books by placing them on the back counter at the Information Desk. These books will be used to refill when the Little Library gets low on books. Thank you for your generosity.

#27—Lutheran Disaster Response



LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE

With your help, Lutheran Disaster Response will continue to be there to support people affected by Milton, Helene and any other storms that may strike this season.



Please note "Hurricane Response" on your donation.

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Checks made to "Gloria Dei"

All church gifts

received by December 31 will be matched up to \$125,000!



#28—Wonderful Wednesdays

You are invited to

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

5:45 PM - 7:30 PM

BIBLE STUDY • FOOD • MUSIC • CRAFTS

2nd Session

Oct. 30 Nov. 6, 13, 20 Dec. 4 & 11

3rd Session

Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb. 5 & 12

4th Session

Apr. 23, 30 May 7, 14, 21 & 28 We are excited to offer this program to all students in





Please scan this QR Code to register your child.



Gloria Dei Annual Coat Drive



November 10-December 29

Andrew Sutherland is kicking off his annual coat drive. He is collecting coats and many other items for the homeless again this winter. There will be a collection box in the atrium. Also, there will be a drive-thru drop-off on Saturday, December 14, from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. (rain or shine). He collects items for men, women and children. All items are distributed with H.E.L.P. at A Night's Welcome shelters in Hampton and the Boys and Girls Club of the Peninsula.

WINTER GEAR Items collected (please no spring and summer items):

Please share the news with your family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors. Feel free to call with any questions, 757-513-4943.

Thank you for your support!!

QR Codes for Online Giving

If you would like to give electronically to the church, you can do so by scanning one of the QR codes below.

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