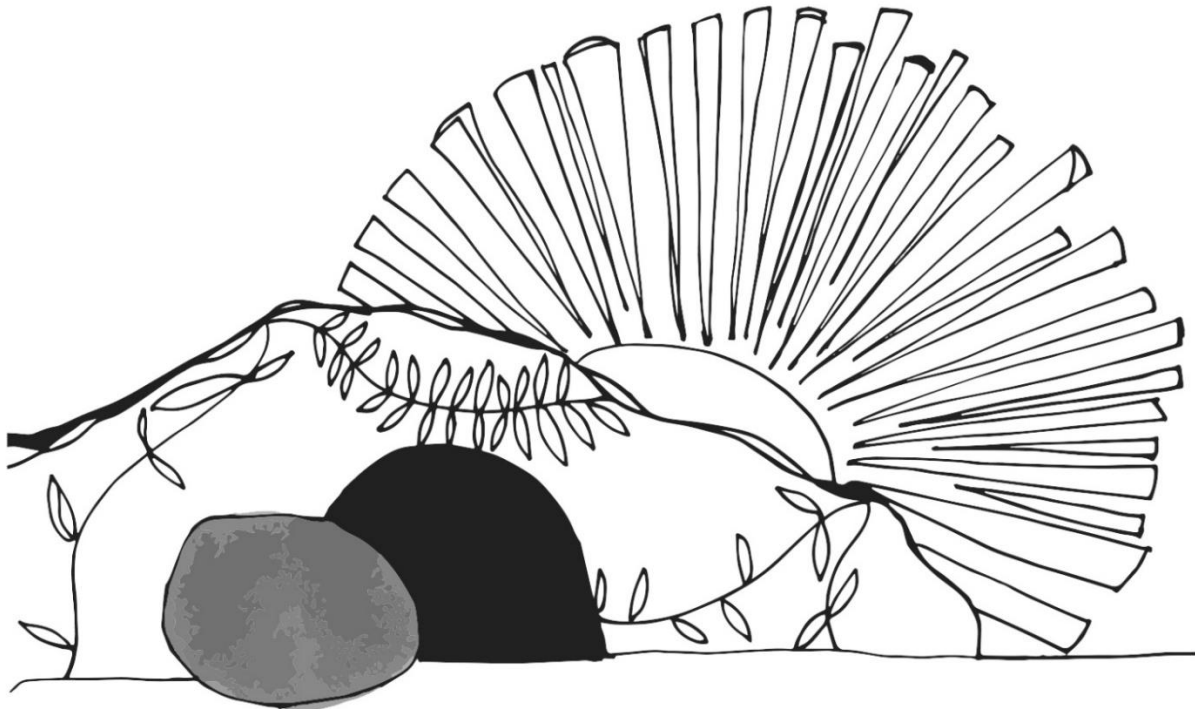


*Christ is Risen!*  
*Alleluia!*



**The Resurrection of Our Lord**

**Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025**

**9:30 a.m.**

# *Christ Is Risen! He Is Risen Indeed!*



Welcome to worship this Easter Day! “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

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## **GATHERING MUSIC**

### **Easter Celebration Medley**

Sandy Dunn, piano

Gabe Hutchison, trumpet

Shannon Schubert, flute

## **RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL**

## **GATHERING**

### **WELCOME**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*The assembly stands. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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/Stand*

*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.**



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

### EASTER DIALOG *(Stand)*

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

This is the day the Lord has made!

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Death has been swallowed up in victory!

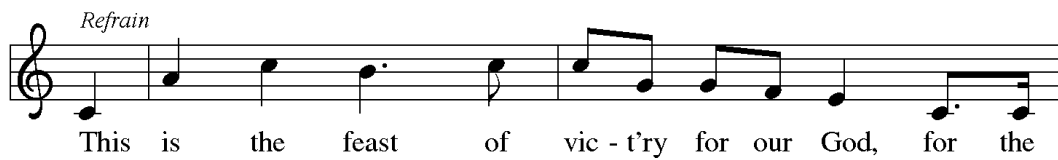
**Thanks be to God!**

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

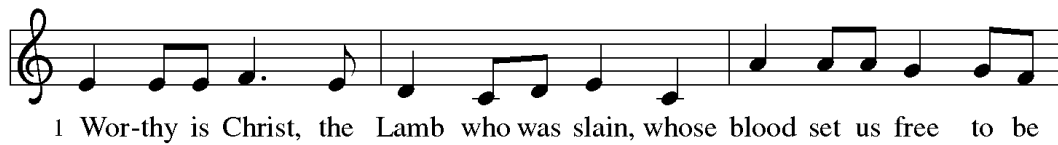
*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be

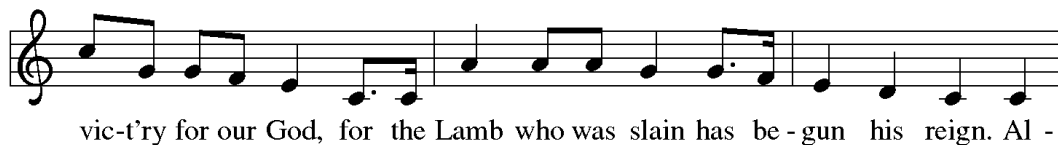


peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and

*Refrain*



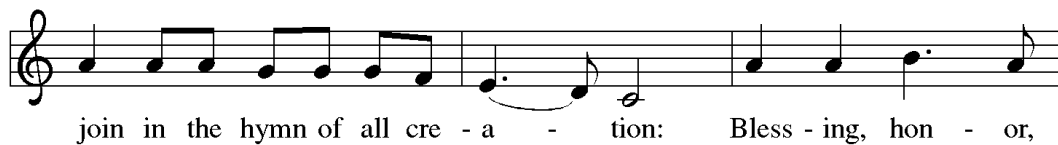
hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-



le-lu-ia. 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and

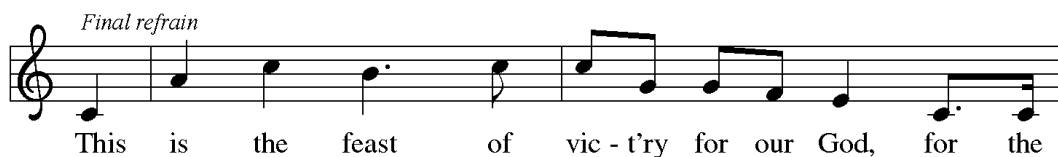


join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,



glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

# THE WORD

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:

**O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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

## WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

### This Little Light

*This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;  
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

## READINGS

A reading from Isaiah (65:17-25) (*Sit*)

- <sup>17</sup> I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
- <sup>18</sup> But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.
- <sup>19</sup> I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;  
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.
- <sup>20</sup> No more shall there be in it  
an infant that lives but a few days,  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;  
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,  
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
- <sup>21</sup> They shall build houses and inhabit them;  
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- <sup>22</sup> They shall not build and another inhabit;  
they shall not plant and another eat;  
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,  
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
- <sup>23</sup> They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;  
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—  
and their descendants as well.
- <sup>24</sup> Before they call I will answer,  
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- <sup>25</sup> The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,  
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;  
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!  
They shall not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm (118:1-2, 14-24) is read responsively.

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;  
God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>**Let Israel now declare,  
"God's mercy endures forever."**

<sup>14</sup>The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:  
"The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"**

<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup>**I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the Lord.**

<sup>18</sup>The Lord indeed punished me sorely,  
but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>**Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.**

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the Lord;  
here the righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup>**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and you have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>**By the Lord has this been done;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

A reading from First Corinthians (15:19-26).

<sup>19</sup> If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup> for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL PROCESSION** (*Stand*)

*Please stand and face the Processional Cross as the Gospel Procession proceeds down the center aisle. The light of Christ is in our midst! Congregation is invited to sing the Processional Hymn below as the procession enters the Nave and again as the procession returns to the Chancel.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN ELW 172**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

*Caribbean traditional*

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
Hal - le - lu - jah.  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains the first two lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next two lines, including a double bar line and repeat sign. The third system contains the final two lines, also ending with a double bar line and repeat sign. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

## HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

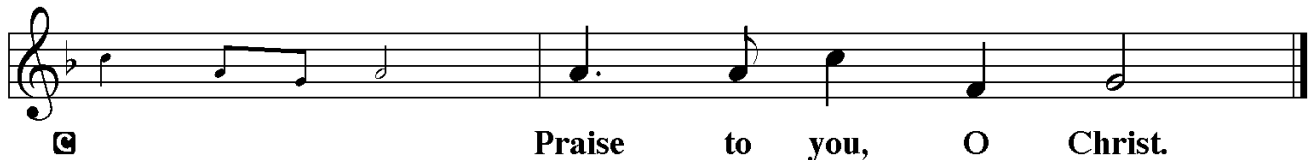
*Congregation sings:*



<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Congregation sings:*



**PROCESSIONAL HYMN ELW 172**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

*Caribbean traditional*

*Halle, halle, halle-lujah. Halle, halle, halle-lujah.  
Halle, halle, halle-lujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.*

**SERMON** (*Sit*)  
*Silence for Reflection*

Pastor Dave



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness  
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;  
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

*Refrain*  
 where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring  
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

## **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen**

*\*Lower case "c" means universal.*

## **THE PRAYERS**

*You are invited to either sit or kneel.*

The response to each prayer will be *God of grace, hear 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.
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## MUSICAL MEDITATION

### Hallelujah

*Leonard Cohen*

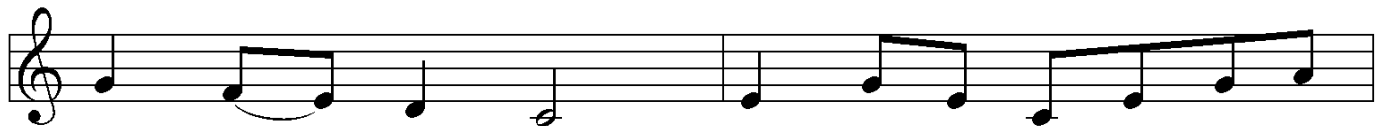
Nancy Haberman, soloist

## OFFERTORY HYMN *(Stand)*

### Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



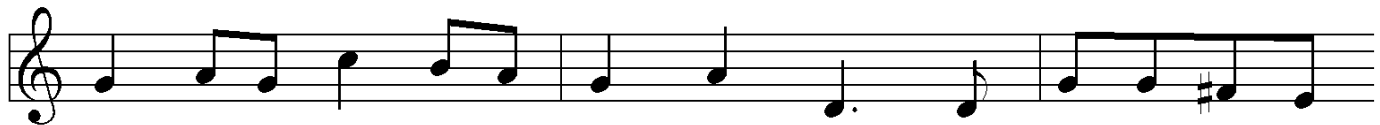
Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



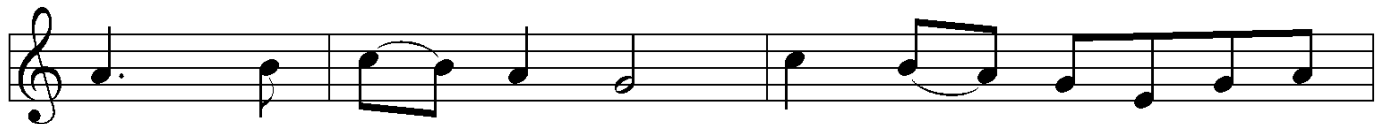
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

**Generous God,  
in this meal you offer your very self.  
We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.  
In the breaking of this bread  
reveal to us the Risen One.  
In the pouring of this wine  
pour us out in service to the world;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**


## DIALOGUE



**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## 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,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.  
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



**Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:**



**Heav-en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.**



**Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who**



**comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
in the beginning you formed the heavens and earth  
and created us in your likeness.

You made us guardians of your good creation and left the earth in our care.

All through our weary years and our silent tears,  
you did not abandon us to ourselves,  
but sought us out in love.

When we were captives in Egypt, you did not abandon us.

When we wandered in the wilderness, you did not abandon us.

When we turned to false gods, you did not abandon us.

Through your holy prophets you called us to return  
to your graciousness, to your mercy, and to your steadfast love.

In the crowning act of love you gave your only Son,  
that whoever believes in him will have eternal life.

For you sent Jesus not to condemn the world,  
but to save the world from sin.

Through his death on the cross, we who were once far off  
have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

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.  
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

With this bread and cup, we remember Christ's life among us;  
his association with outcasts, his eating with sinners,  
his healing of the sick, his care for the poor.

Send, we pray, your Holy Spirit  
upon us and upon this bread and wine,  
that we who share this meal  
may become a holy communion,  
the body of Christ in the world.  
Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

## LORD'S PRAYER

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

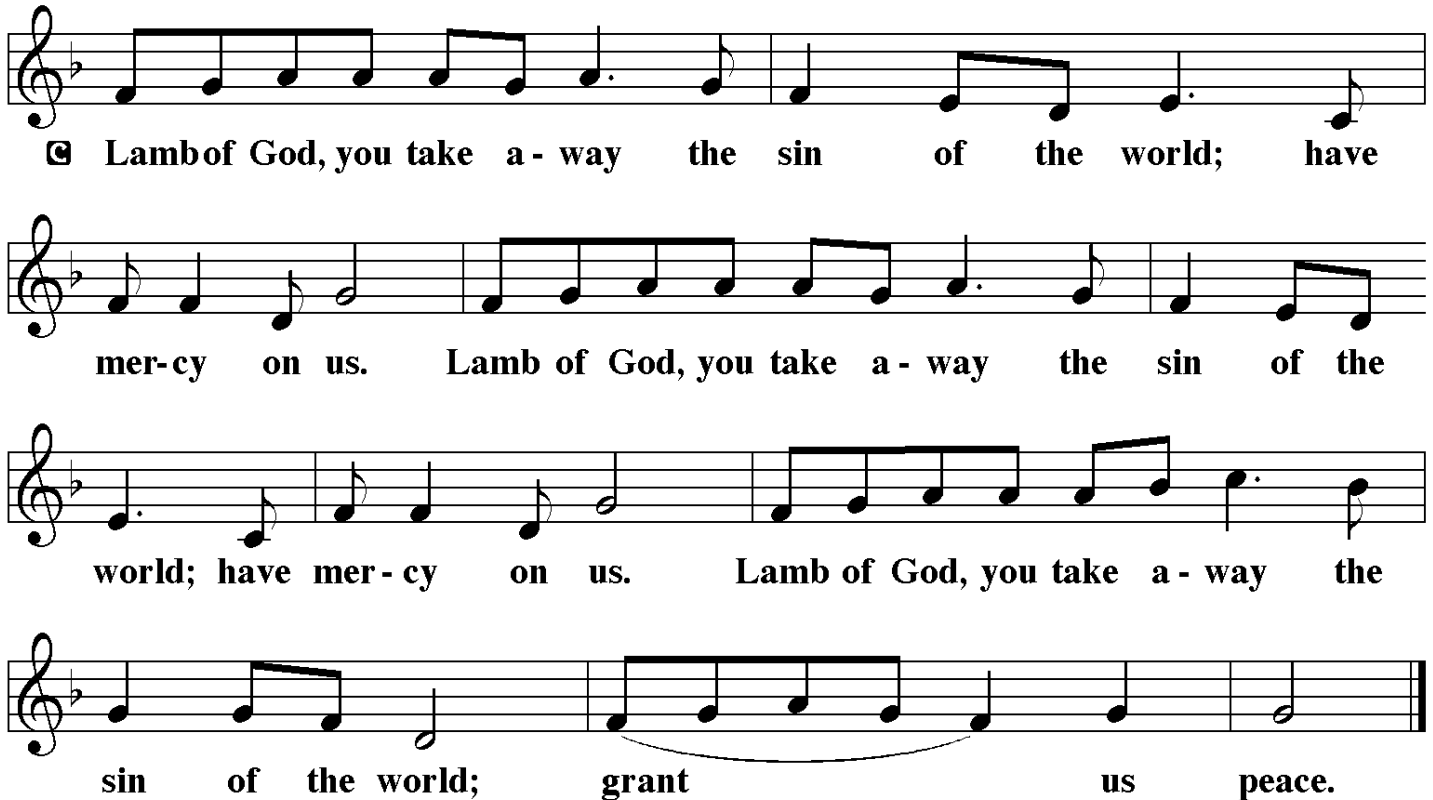
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ dwells with us here.  
All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

### COMMUNION RESPONSE *(Sit)*

### Lamb of God



**Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have**  
**mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the**  
**world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the**  
**sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*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.**

## MUSICAL MEDITATION

**The Prayer** *Carole Bayer Sager and David Foster*  
Cassy Todd, soloist  
Sandy Dunn, piano

## CHOIR ANTHEM

**Ubi Caritas**

*Maurice Durufle*

*Refrain*

All

“And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

and I will raise you up on the last day.”



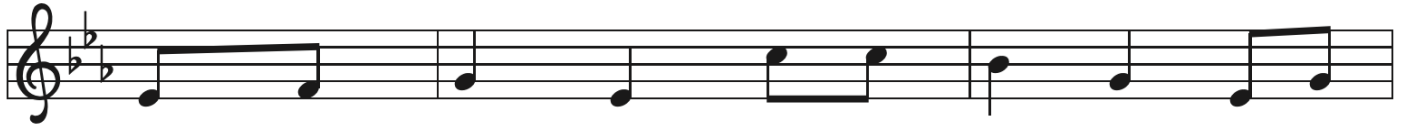
1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the  
 2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a  
 3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in  
 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us



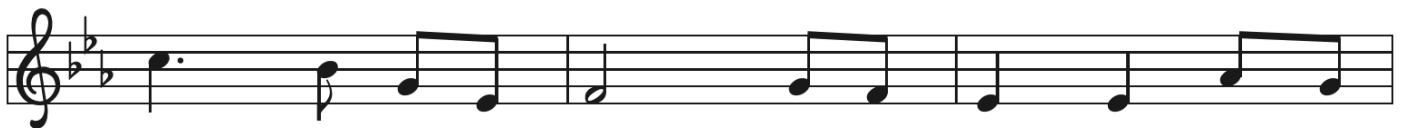
Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of life from  
 qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you  
 faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the  
 in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions



heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.  
 gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.  
 a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"  
 hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.

*Refrain*

By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

## 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:

**We give you thanks, generous God,**

**for in this bread and cup**

**we have tasted the new heaven and earth**

**where hunger and thirst are no more.**

**Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,**

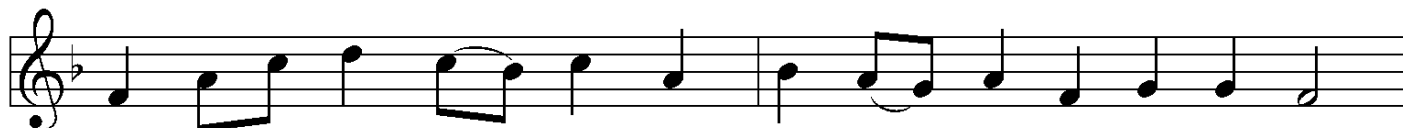
**that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.**

**Amen.**

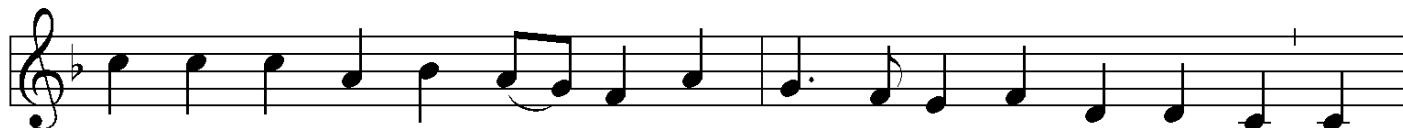
### POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



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



**Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.**

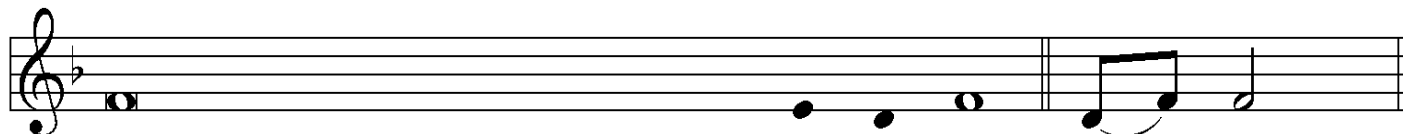


**He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with**



**shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.**

### 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.**

**☩ A - men**

1. I heard an old, old sto - ry, how a Sav - ior came  
 2. I heard a - bout his heal - ing, of his cleans - ing power  
 3. I heard a - bout a man - sion he has built for me

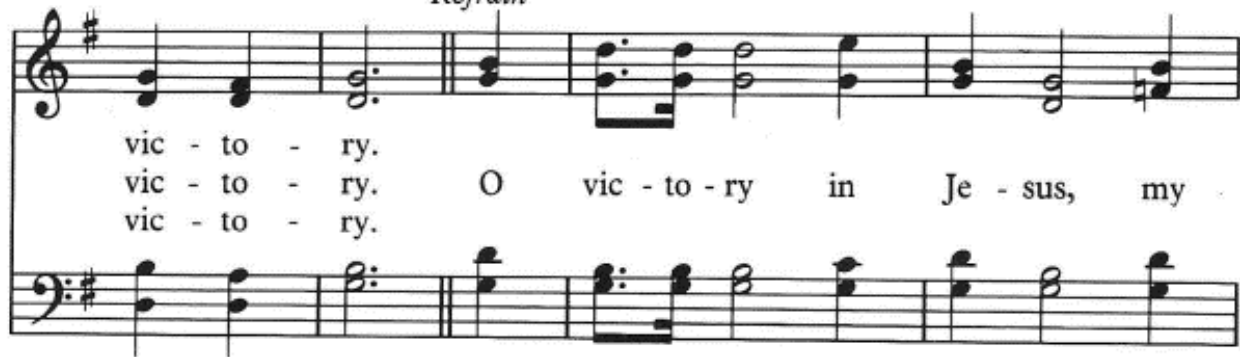
from glo - ry, how he gave his life on Cal - va - ry  
 re - veal - ing, how he made the lame to walk a - gain  
 in glo - ry, and I heard a - bout the streets of gold

to save a wretch like me; I heard a - bout his  
 and caused the blind to see; and then I cried, "Dear  
 be - yond the crys - tal sea; a - bout the an - gels

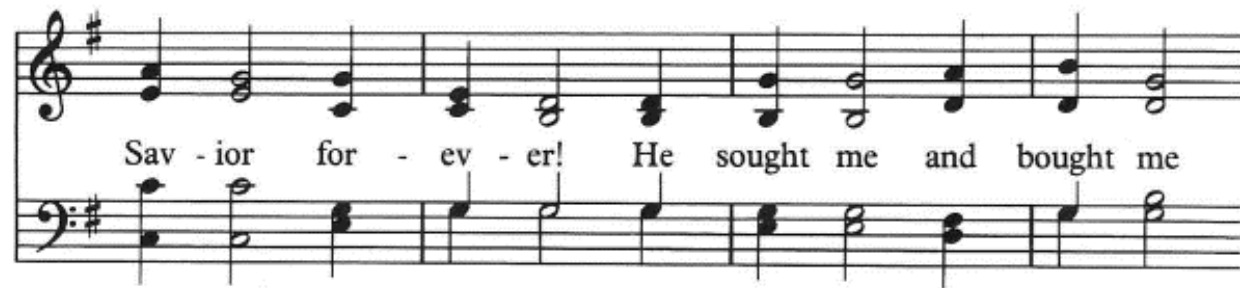
groan - ing, of his pre - cious blood's a - ton - ing,  
 Je - sus, come and heal my bro - ken spir - it,"  
 sing - ing and the old re - demp - tion sto - ry,

then I re - pent - ed of my sins and won the  
 and some - how Je - sus came and brought to me the  
 and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of

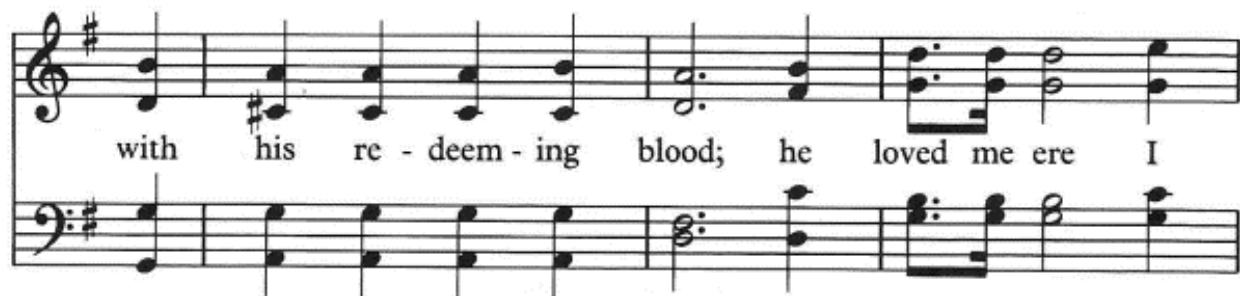
*Refrain*



vic - to - ry.  
vic - to - ry. O vic - to - ry in Je - sus, my  
vic - to - ry.



Sav - ior for - ev - er! He sought me and bought me



with his re - deem - ing blood; he loved me ere I



knew him, and all my love is due him; he



plunged me to vic - to - ry be - neath the cleans - ing flood.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** *(Sit)*

**POSTLUDE**

**Lord of the Dance**  
*Sandy Dunn, piano*  
*Brandon Spence, organ*

*Joel Rainey*

*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** *(Sit)*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

*\*\*Coffee is available for everyone after service in the Coffee Bar. Happy Easter!\*\**



# Lilies and Flowers



## To the Glory of God

Anonymous

Jim and Jeane Fullen

Vivian Griese

Jack Adams

In memory of Marie L. Adams

In honor of Ashley, Emily, Spencer, Michael, Micaela, Jacob,  
Maya, Isabella, Aaliyah, Lochlan, and Lincoln

Tad and Rita Foringer

In honor of our Gloria Dei Family

Don and Sandi Glenn

In memory of our mom and dad

Vivian Griese

In honor of Stephanie, Richard, Sophia, and James Williams

In honor of Nicholas, Sarah, Harper, and Luke Griese

Bob and Nancy Haberman

In memory of David Newton, Travis Anderson, Henry Jurgens, Sr., and Ruth Jurgens

Joy Hough

In memory of The Reverend L. Douglas Stowe

Ed and Susan Krebs

In memory of Cindy Poland, Mark Poland, and Mike Krebs

Craig Peterson

In memory of his wife, Gail Peterson

Mike and Ann Riley

In honor of John Henry and Joanna

Brody Robertson

In honor of his mom

MilaJune Robertson

In honor of her mom

Clinton and Renee Wells

In memory of Al and Arlene Scherrer

*If you have ordered a lily, you may pick it up at the conclusion of our worship service.*



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Permission to stream and print today's music is obtained through Augsburg, #SAS028379, One License, #A-730790 and CCLI, #11514371.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, April 21, and there will be no Weekly on next Sunday, April 27

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Chip and Dawn Lomax.

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: McKenna Behan, Dallam Brown, Wade Brown, Jeremiah Green, Thomas Kipper  
 GREETER: Rita Foringer  
 LAY ASSISTANT: Peggy Todd  
 READER: Jerri Dickeski  
 TECHNICAL TEAM: Barry Hutchison, Derry Mace, Mike Riley, Aaron Sutherland, Jenny Sutherland  
 USHERS: John Campbell, Tom Clasen, Brown Cornwell, Jason Green

## #2—Serving Next Sunday, April 27

COFFEE CREATORS: Dawn Lomax, Mary Mace  
 CROSS AND CROWN: Thomas Kipper  
 GREETER: Anita Hamilton  
 LAY ASSISTANTS: Rita Foringer, Diane Washburn  
 READER: Debbi Ortiz  
 TECHNICAL TEAM: Barry Hutchison, Derry Mace, Mike Riley, Aaron Sutherland, Jenny Sutherland  
 USHERS: Josh Lowman, Don Padula

## #3—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. You can worship live or at a more convenient time. Scan this QR code with your smartphone:



## #4—Suppers at Capri

Join Pastor and others at Capri Pizza and Italian Restaurant, 227 Fox Hill Rd., on Tuesday, May 20, at 6:00 p.m. We will have a meal together and share in conversations around Scripture. At the end of our time together, we will share Holy Communion. Invite your friends and family. **Please, RSVP to Peggy in the Church Office by Tuesday, May 13;** we want to make sure the restaurant is prepared for our group being there. You are responsible for the cost of your meal and a generous tip.

## #5—Lunch & Learn Seminars

You're invited to Peninsula Pastoral Counseling Center's Lunch and Learn Series on the fourth Tuesday of every month. This is a free opportunity to learn more about the featured topics as we hope to raise awareness and improve resiliency in ourselves and our community. **All Lunch and Learn seminars will run from noon to 1:00 p.m.** and will be conducted at PPCC's main office at 707 Gum Rock Court in Newport News unless otherwise noted. Dates and topics are updated on the following website on an ongoing basis. The next Lunch and Learn is on **Tuesday, April 22, at noon;** its subject is "*The Power of Pausing.*" Please visit the PPCC website to pre-register: [https://peninsulapastoral.org/events/?blm\\_aid=18276](https://peninsulapastoral.org/events/?blm_aid=18276)

## #6—Life Groups at Gloria Dei

Joining or creating a small group in your church offers a unique opportunity to grow deeper in your faith and build meaningful connections. In a small group, you can share your struggles, celebrate victories, and pray with others who understand your journey. It's a space where you can learn, ask questions, and support one another in ways that go beyond Sunday services. The relationships formed in small groups often become a source of encouragement and accountability, helping you live out your faith daily. As the early church gathered together in Acts, small groups are still a powerful way to experience fellowship, discipleship, and service. By connecting with others, you not only strengthen your own faith, but also contribute to the growth and health of the church body. Together, we can grow in love, truth, and purpose—empowered by the Holy Spirit to live as Christ's hands and feet. If you feel the call to host a small group and/or to join a small group, please email Pastor at [pastordave@gloriadei.net](mailto:pastordave@gloriadei.net).

## #7—Attention Upcoming Graduates!

If you are graduating from college or high school this year, please notify the church office with your name, school, address, phone number, and your future plans. We will list you in our August/September newsletter and one of our Weekly bulletins.

## #8—Our Love and Prayers go out to...

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

**Our members:** Gordon Robertson, Ernie Atkins, Sharon Rose, Linda Moss, Leonard Mayo, Judy Wagner St. Pierre, Jill Ruhl, Charlie Venable, Debbi Ortiz, Vickie Roark, Joann Morrison, Dorie Scherer, Joan Ehlers, Tommy Vanorsdale, Donna Vanorsdale, Chris Tucker, Craig Ruhl, Susan Krebs, Roger Ward, Marna Mayo, Wivi Pelt-Dettie, Bill Siefers, Nancy Monroe, Bill Monroe, Bill Swanson, Joan Hudgins, Emily Urban

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:

Donna Rose, sister of Ron Rose  
Gary Smith, brother of Dana Smith  
Jean Shelton, mother of Lisa Dadez  
Mike and Roni Hull, grandparents of Amelia Venable  
Adonai Bennett, son of Tamika (GDLS parent)  
Kevin Watterton, husband of Amy Watterton (GDLS employee)  
Nedra Clark, 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  
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  
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

## #9—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
Colin Chambers, USA	Friend of Mike Canny
Ryan Curtis, USAF	Son of Lynn and Cathy Curtis
Crystal Curtis, USAF	Daughter-in-law of Lynn and Cathy Curtis
John Demitraszek, USMC	Son-in-law of Bill and Carolyn Swanson
Matthew Dudek, USA	Friend of the Venables
Tyler Green, USAF	Son-in-law of Judy Wagner St. Pierre
Nicholas Griese, USAF	Son of Vivian Griese
Megan Haskell, USA	Granddaughter of Buzz and Anita Hamilton
Jack Jones, USA	Family friend of Mike Canny
Kerri Masters, USA	Member of Gloria Dei
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
Paul St. Pierre, II, USCG/FSO	Son of Judy Wagner St. Pierre
Bradley Rollyson, USMC	Son of Mark and Marilyn Bradford
Steve Swanson, USN	Son of Bill and Carolyn Swanson
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

## #10— Next Two Weeks at Gloria Dei

**Today**..... RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD  
9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**

**Monday**..... *Church Office Closed*  
6:00 p.m. Pack Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Meeting  
7:00 p.m. WELCA Book Club  
Troop 10 Meeting

**Tuesday**..... 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Bible Study

**Wednesday** ..... *NO Community Bible Study – H.E.L.P.*  
5:45 p.m. Wonderful Wednesdays Dinner  
6:15 p.m. Service Project

**Thursday** ..... 2:30 p.m. Chorister Choir

**Next Sunday**..... SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**  
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Monday**..... 6:00 p.m. Pack Meeting  
6:30 p.m. LWR Kit Assembly  
7:00 p.m. Troop 10 Meeting

**Tuesday**..... 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Bible Study

**Wednesday** ..... 12:00 p.m. Community Bible Study – H.E.L.P.  
5:45 p.m. Wonderful Wednesdays

**Thursday - Sunday** Men's Walk to Emmaus

**Sunday** ..... THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**  
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
12:30 p.m. Mutual Ministry

## #11—Birthdays

April  
21 Logan Robnett  
22 Garth Wallis  
25 Ayden Booth  
27 Patty Jenkins, Bonnie Hess  
29 Mya Newsome

May  
1 Ramona Rice  
2 Joan Hudgins  
4 Mary Capone, Dot Kelly, Wivi Pelt-Dettie

## #12—Anniversaries

April  
20 Bill and Carolyn Swanson  
23 Jimmie and Charlene Smith  
24 Tom and Claire Clasen  
26 Aaron and Jenny Sutherland  
29 Frank and Rebecca Grossman  
29 Bruce Thomas and Kristin Wallis-Thomas  
30 Clinton and Renee Wells

May  
3 Scott and Gwyn Gridley



### #13—WELCA Book Group

The WELCA Book Group continues to meet on the second Monday of each month. We get together to discuss a book which we have all read prior to the evening. However, that being said, we've decided to skip meeting on our regular April evening since it falls in Holy Week. Instead, we will get together on **May 5** at the home of Sharon Padula. The book selected is "The Queens of Crime" by Marie Benedict. Here's a brief synopsis of the book.

London, 1930. The five greatest women crime writers have banded together to form a secret society with a single goal: to show they are no longer willing to be treated as second-class citizens by their male counterparts in the legendary Detection Club. Led by the formidable Dorothy L. Sayers, the group includes Agatha Christie, Ngaio Marsh, Margery Allingham and Baroness Emma Orczy. They call themselves the Queens of Crime. Their plan? Solve an actual murder, that of a young woman found strangled in a park in France who may have connections leading to the highest levels of the British establishment.

May Daniels, a young English nurse on an excursion to France with her friend, seemed to vanish into thin air as they prepared to board a ferry home. Months later, her body is found in the nearby woods. The murder has all the hallmarks of a locked room mystery for which these authors are famous: how did her killer manage to sneak her body out of a crowded train station without anyone noticing? If, as the police believe, the cause of death is manual strangulation, why is there is an extraordinary amount of blood at the crime scene? What is the meaning of a heartbreaking secret letter seeming to implicate an unnamed paramour? Determined to solve the highly publicized murder, the Queens of Crime embark on their own investigation, discovering they're stronger together. But soon the killer targets Dorothy Sayers herself, threatening to expose a dark secret in her past that she would do anything to keep hidden.

### #14—Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the second Sunday of the month following worship services. We will meet in the Koinonia Atrium, near the fireplace. After an hour or so of creating shawls and lap robes, we head off to lunch. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact Rita Foringer at rforinger@verizon.net.

### #15—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, please email Sharon Padula at spladula1@gmail.com.

### #16—Community Bible Study

**We will not meet on Wednesday, April 23.** Our weekly Community Bible Study is held at H.E.L.P., 329 Buckroe Avenue, on Wednesdays at noon. All are invited to attend.

### #17—Troop 10 Eagle Scout Project

Joshua Weigel is raising money for his Eagle Scout Project, which he aims to build three elevated garden planters for Gloria Dei Lutheran Church. This project will benefit Gloria Dei for educational purposes as well as being a great visual addition. He has already raised enough funds for the first unit, which costs \$195; but he needs funds for the other two units, which cost \$390. You can contact Pastor Dave for more information on how you can contribute to this project.

### #18—Breakfast 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.

### #19—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
- \* Crackers
- \* Shelf-stable milk
- \* Toilet Paper
- \* Juice (individual size)
- \* Canned veggies—corn, beans, green beans
- \* Peanut Butter
- \* Canned or Boxed Potatoes
- \* Soap

### #20—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.

## #21—Wonderful Wednesdays

You are invited to

# W O N D E R F U L W E D N E S D A Y S

5:45 PM - 7:30 PM

**BIBLE STUDY • FOOD • MUSIC • CRAFTS**

### 4th Session

Apr. 23, 30

May 7, 14, 21 & 28

We are excited to offer this program to all students in **Grades K-12.**



Please scan this QR Code to register your child.

## #22—What is the Walk to Emmaus?

The Walk to Emmaus develops Christian disciples and leaders by inspiring, challenging, and equipping active adult church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, workplaces, and communities. It also benefits less active members who are seeking to renew a relationship with God, grow spiritually, or discover firmer foundations for their lives.

Through The Walk to Emmaus, as they seek to become healthy and vital congregations, local churches have both a means of growing disciples and a tool for developing leaders for their disciple-making systems.

The program begins with a 72-hour short course in Christianity that is wrapped in prayer and signs of sacrificial service. It continues for the rest of participants' lives with follow-up groups that, along with the local church's robust offerings, contribute to participants' ongoing growth in grace. Ultimately, The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The program's approach seriously considers the model of Christ's servanthood and encourages Christ's disciples to act in ways appropriate to being "a servant of all."

### \*\*\*\*\*Upcoming Men's and Women's Weekends\*\*\*\*\*

**Men's Walk: May 1 – May 4**

**Women's Walk: May 15 – May 18**

Pastor is looking at serving on the Women's weekend, so it would be great to have as many Gloria Dei women as possible to do this walk. Please, let Pastor Dave know of your interest ASAP. You can call the church office, 757-851-2838, or email Pastor at [pastordave@gloriadei.net](mailto:pastordave@gloriadei.net).

## #23—Watterton Fund

Kevin Watterton, spouse of Amy Watterton (long-time teacher at Gloria Dei), has been diagnosed with a rare form of 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.

## #24—Back To School

We are now registering for the 2025-2026 School Year. Accepting student applications for toddlers – 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Please drop in for a tour of our facilities on Tuesdays between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

## #25—School Employment Opportunities

Gloria Dei Lutheran School has the following positions available:

- \* **Toddler & Preschool Teachers**
- \* **Elementary-level Teachers**
- \* **Instructional Aides**
- \* **Afternoon Child Care Aides**
- \* **Bus Drivers**
- \* **Kitchen Staff**

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 into the School Office at 250 Fox Hill Rd., Hampton, VA 23669, attention: Lisa Dadez.

## #26—60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Challenge

### Celebrating Gloria Dei's 60th Anniversary 60-Day Challenge Updates

**Our 60 Days of Prayer Challenge (Jan. 19 - March 26) recently ended.** Wow, what a wonderful response! School students, staff, parents, and our congregation offered up a total of 40,002 prayers. Please continue to make prayer for our church and school a part of your daily routine.

**(Fun Fact:** if everyone prayed this many prayers for the next three challenges, the prayers would total over 160,000!!).

Our next 60-Day Challenge is beginning soon! **60 Days of Gratitude begins today, Easter Sunday, April 20, and ends June 18.** An outgrowth of our prayers should be an attitude of thankfulness and gratitude. Too often, we complain only to God and to each other. We don't pay attention to the many positive things we encounter each day. We challenge you to turn your thinking around.

We challenge and encourage everyone to recognize at least one to three things each day during these 60 days for which to be grateful, or to let someone know that you are grateful for them. A gratitude tree will begin growing in the Tower of the Triumphant. There will be leaves available for you to write what you are grateful for, and then attach these leaves to the tree. It will be a beautiful tree!

Your Congregational Council

## 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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