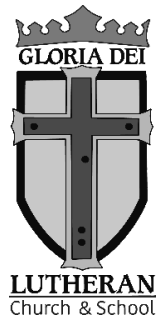


Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2025

Building Faith ✚ Building Community ✚ Building Lives



PRELUDE

Grave

Maurice Green

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✚ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Kneel/Stand

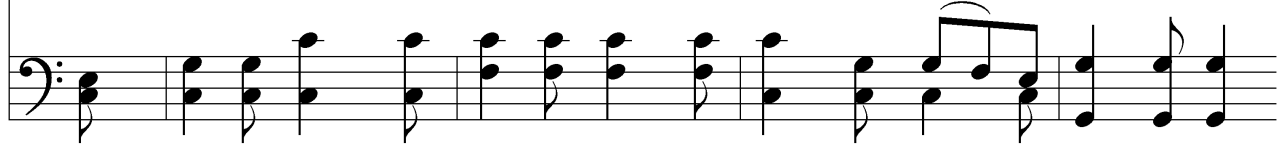
Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
**you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.**

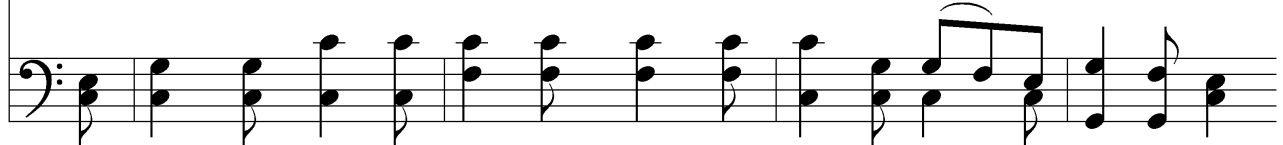
You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✚ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.



- 1 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care,
- 2 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my pe - ti - tion bear
- 3 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, may I thy con - so - la - tion share,



and bids me at my Fa - ther's throne make all my wants and wish-es known.
to him whose truth and faith-ful - ness en - gage the wait - ing soul to bless;
till from Mount Pis - gah's loft - y height I view my home and take my flight.



In sea - sons of dis - tress and grief my soul has of - ten found re - lief.
and since he bids me seek his face, be - lieve his word and trust his grace,
With joy I'll has - ten to the place where God my Sav - ior shows his face,



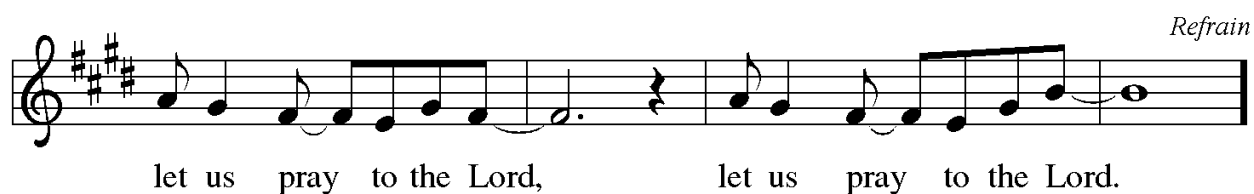
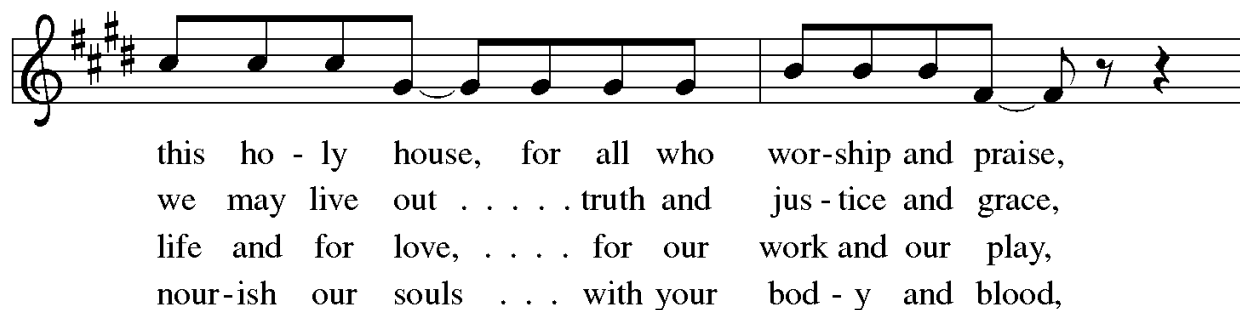
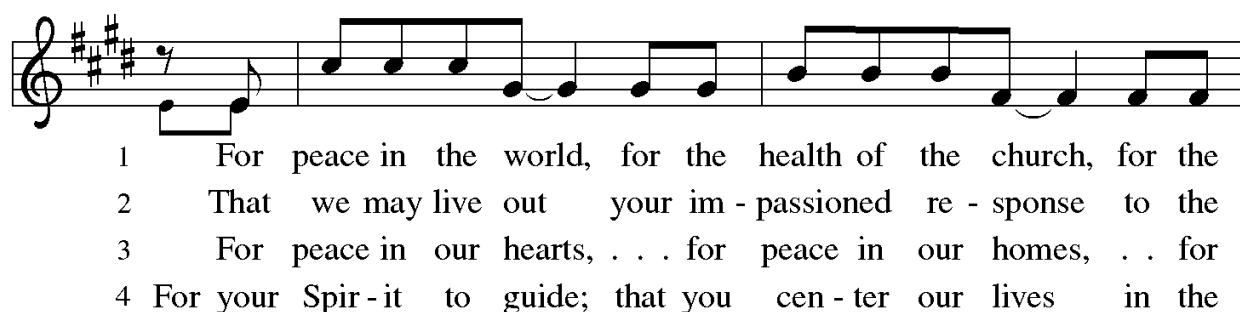
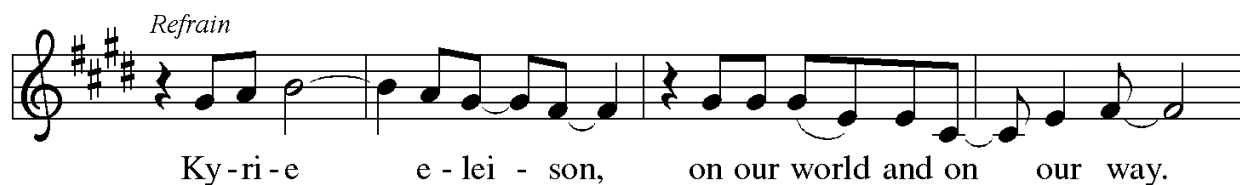
and oft es-caped the tempt - er's snare by thy re - turn, sweet hour of prayer.
I'll cast on him my ev - 'ry care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.
and glad - ly take my sta - tion there, thy prom - ise gained, sweet hour of prayer.



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

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:

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only 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

Send Me

Here I am, are you calling to me?

I am only a child, how can I be what you need?

But I keep hearing your call – telling to follow where you lead.

So here I am; send me.

READINGS

A reading from Genesis (18:20-32). *(Sit)*

²⁰ Then the LORD said, “How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹ I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know.”

²² So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³ Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” ²⁶ And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” ²⁷ Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸ Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” ²⁹ Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” ³⁰ Then he said, “Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” ³¹ He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” ³² Then he said, “Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (138) is read responsively.

¹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I will sing your praise.

² **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

³ When I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength within me.

⁴ **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord,
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵ They will sing of the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.

⁶ **The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty from afar.**

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

⁸ **You will make good your purpose for me;
O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

A reading from Colossians (2:6-19).

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸ Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental principles of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹² when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³ And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

¹⁶ Therefore, do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food or drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or Sabbaths. ¹⁷ These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the body belongs to Christ. ¹⁸ Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, initiatory visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹ and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and tendons, grows with a growth that is from God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Stand*)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the eleventh chapter.

Congregation sings:



¹ [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”² So he said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

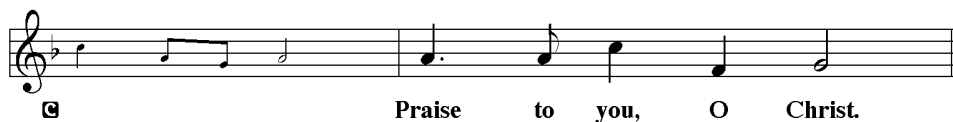
⁴ And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

⁵ And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,’⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’⁷ And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹ “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish?¹² Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion?¹³ If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

The Gospel of the Lord.


Congregation sings:




SERMON (*Sit*)

Pastor Dave

Silence is kept for reflection.



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.



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.**

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

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

THE PRAYERS

You are invited to either stand or kneel as you are able.

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.*
- *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

Voluntary

Anonymous

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:

Creator God,

in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good

and the harvest is plentiful.

Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth

and our labor,

that we may work for the good of all;

through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our 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,
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

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

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

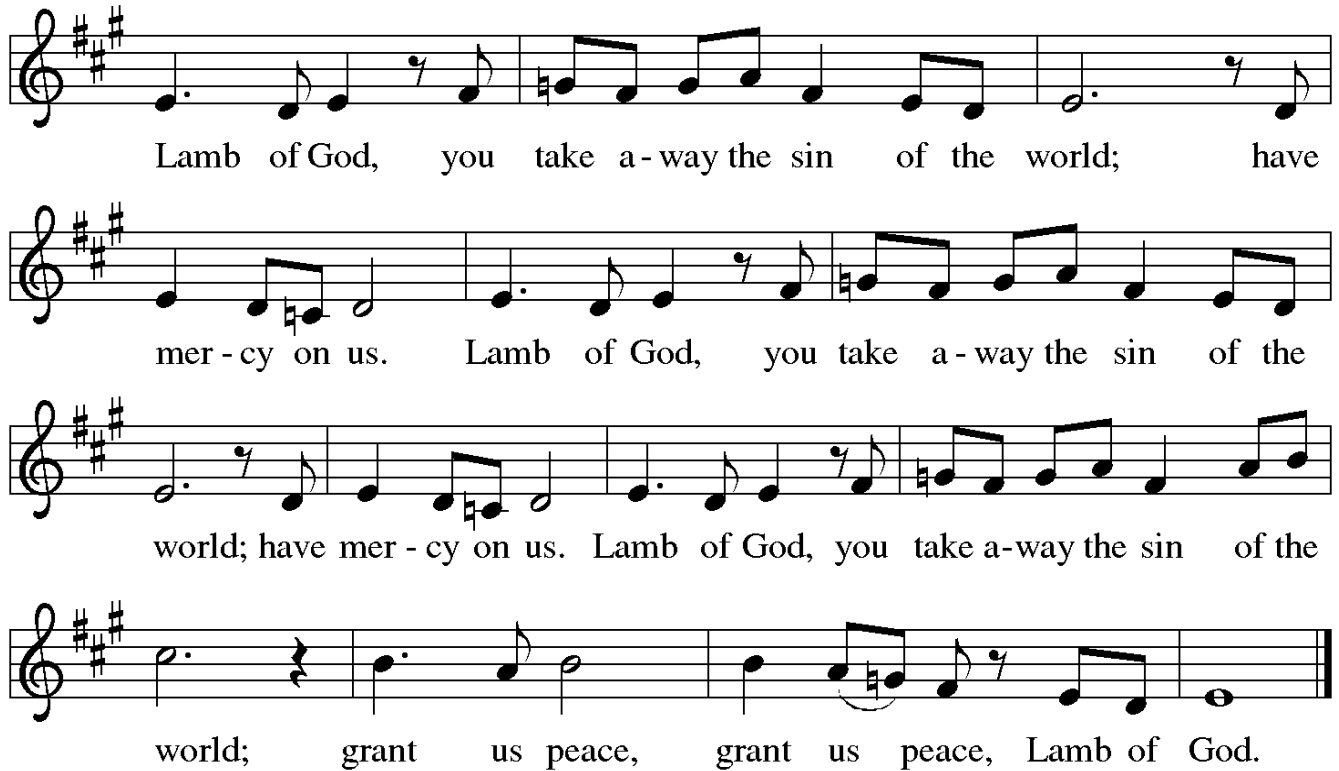
LORD'S PRAYER

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

The kingdom of God is set before you.
Eat and rejoice.

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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

*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.

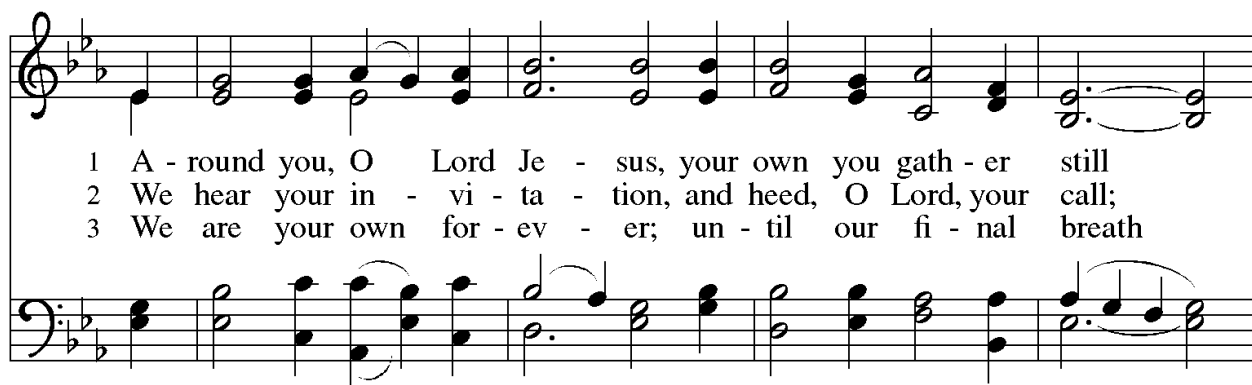
Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN ELW 605**Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive***Detroit*

- 1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
- 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart
- 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!
then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.



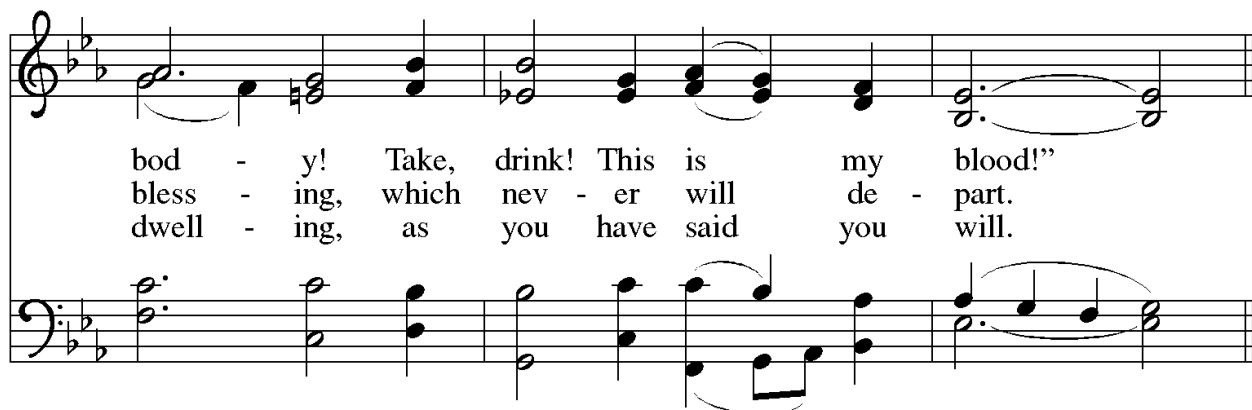
1 A - round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still
 2 We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;
 3 We are your own for - ev - er; un - til our fi - nal breath



to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.
 your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.
 we will be true and nev - er— in joy, in grief, in death—



You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my
 It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your
 de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple



bod - y! Take, drink! This is my blood!"
 bless - ing, which nev - er will de - part.
 dwell - ing, as you have said you will.

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:

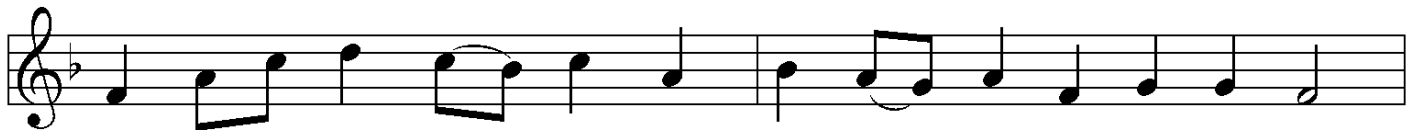
O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

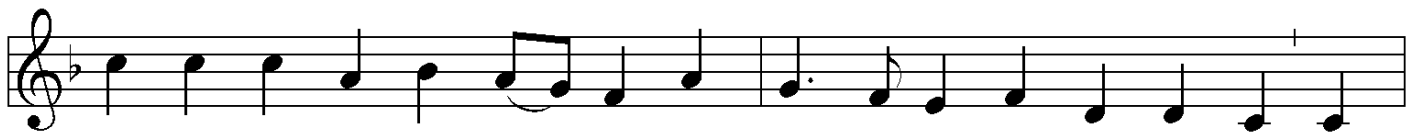
POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ 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.

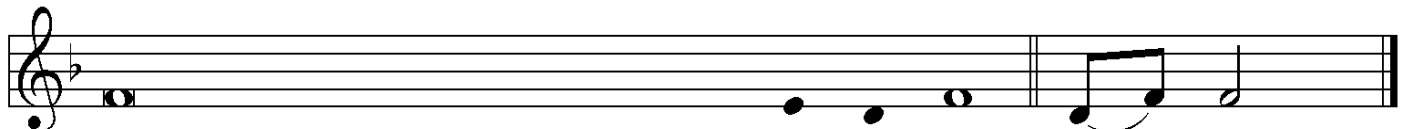


He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



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



My Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Lord, there is none like you.

All of my days I want to praise the won - ders of your might - y love.

My com - fort, my shel - ter, tow - er of ref - uge and strength;

let ev - ry breath, all that I am nev - er cease to wor - ship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise

to the King. Moun - tains bow down and the seas will roar at the

sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands;

for - ev - er I'll love you, for - ev - er I'll stand.

Noth - ing com - pares to the prom - ise I have in you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Sit*)**POSTLUDE****Trumpet Tune***Stanley*

*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.



GLORIA DEI WEEKLY

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The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by John and Carolyn Campbell in celebration of Dylan and Hope's anniversary.

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: Dawn Lomax, Mary Mace

GREETER: Anita Hamilton

LAY ASSISTANT: Peggy Todd

READER: Dan Singer

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

USHERS: Tom Clasen, Kent Morgan

#2—Church Directory Update

In anticipation of printing a new church directory, please submit any updates to your address, email, and phone number(s), by Wednesday, July 30, to Peggy Sipes, psipes@gloriadei.net. Thank you!

#3—Suppers at Capri

Join Pastor and others at Capri Pizza and Italian Restaurant, 227 Fox Hill Rd., on Tuesday, August 19, 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, August 12;** 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.

#4—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.

#5—Fellowship Bible Study

Fellowship Bible Study meets every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Simeon Center. We use a study called Daily Faith Practices published by the ELCA. For information, please email Sharon Padula at slpadula1@gmail.com.

#6—Community Bible Study

We will not have Bible Study on August 13, 2025. Our weekly Community Bible Study is held at H.E.L.P., 329 Buckroe Avenue, on Wednesdays at noon. All are invited to attend.

#7—First Light (Sunday School)



Our new Sunday School program, First Light, will begin on Sunday, August 24, 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m., in the Simeon Center. This class is for all ages. More information to come.

#8—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.

#9— Become a Member



If you are interested in joining Gloria Dei in its mission and ministry in Hampton and beyond, please scan the QR code to sign up for our member class, which will be on **Sunday, September 14, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.** In this class, you will learn about what it means to be a Lutheran, the history of Gloria Dei, the ministry opportunities of Gloria Dei, and your role as a member. New Members will join on **Sunday, September 28, 2025**, during our 9:30 a.m. worship service.

#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: Debbi Ortiz, Janet Cole, Julie Hutchison, Lisa Dadez, Sharon Rose, Gordon Robertson, Ernie Atkins, Linda Moss, Leonard Mayo, Jill Ruhl, Judy Wagner St. Pierre, Charlie Venable, Vickie Roark, Joann Morrison, Dorie Scherer, Joan Ehlers, Tommy Vanorsdale, Donna Vanorsdale, Chris Tucker, Craig Ruhl, Susan Krebs, Marna Mayo, Wivi Pelt-Detlie, Bill Siefers, Nancy Monroe, Bill Monroe, Bill Swanson, 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, please call the church office the first week of each month to have them added.

Prayers for our families and friends:

Joseph Stevenson, brother of Joy Hough
Jonathon Westervelt, friend of Gloria Dei
Joe and Annette Wrenn, friends of Pastor Dave
Darlene and Craig, friends of Virginia Lyeth
Mike and Roni Hull, grandparents of Amelia Venable
Adonai Bennett, son of Tamika (GDLS parent)
Kevin Watterton, husband of Amy Watterton (GDLS employee)
Jane Barefoot, GDLS employee
Michelle Nisbet, GDLS employee
Larry Mullins, friend of the Fullens
Siggi Williams, friend of the Fullens and Atkins
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

#11—60th Anniversary Challenge

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

What a great response to our 60 Days of Gratitude. We had over 540 leaves added to our Gratitude Tree! Did you read them? We hope you are making gratitude a part of your daily life. God has richly blessed all of us. Stay tuned for the next 60 Day Challenge as part of our 60th Anniversary.

Your Congregational Council

#12—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
- * Peanut Butter
- * Juice (individual size)
- * Shelf-stable milk
- * Canned veggies—corn, beans, green beans
- * Toilet Paper
- * Crackers
- * Canned or Boxed Potatoes
- * Soap

#13—Calendar Request

Please email CalendarRequest@gloriadei.net for all facility usage requests.

#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
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 Griesse, USAF	Son of Vivian Griesse
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
Nick Tavarez, USN	Grandson-in-law of Donna and Tom Vanorsdale
J.P. Venable, III, USAF	Member of Gloria Dei
Kerri White	Friend of Peggy Todd
Richard Williams, USAF	Husband of Stephanie Williams

#15— Next Week at Gloria Dei

Today SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal; Council Meeting
Monday 7:00 p.m. WELCA Glass with the Girls
7:30 p.m. Troop 10/1051 Meeting
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Bible Study
Wednesday 12:00 p.m. Community Bible Study
Saturday 1:00 p.m. Pack 27 Lego Derby
Next Sunday EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

#16—Birthdays

July
26 Melanie Harris
August
1 Tricia Moody, Cassie Murray
3 Jessica Zorumski, Thomas Smith

#17—Anniversaries

July
27 Michael and Susan Feld
30 Rick and Lynn Graves
August
3 Dan and Nan Jordan

#18—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:



#19—Breakfast on Sunday Mornings

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

#20—Women of Gloria Dei WELCA

A "Glass with the Girls" continues to get together at Pour Girls in downtown Hampton on the fourth Monday of the month. Please join us at 7:00 p.m., **tomorrow, July 28**. It's always an evening of fun and fellowship.

Ideas for activities are always welcome. If you have any suggestions, please let me know; I'm always open to something new or different. Contact Rita Foringer at rforinger@verizon.net with your suggestions.

#21—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, August 26, at noon**; its subject is "Attached: Understanding Your Style of Relating." Please visit the PPCC website to pre-register:

https://peninsulapastoral.org/events/?blm_aid=18276

#22—School Employment Opportunities

Gloria Dei Lutheran School has the following positions available:

- * **Toddler & Preschool Teachers**
- * **Afternoon Child Care Aides**
- * **Elementary-level Teachers**
- * **Instructional Aides**
- * **Bus Drivers**
- * **Kitchen Staff**
- * **P.E. Teacher**

Part-time and full-time hours available. 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.

#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 – 8th grade. Please drop in for a tour of our facilities on Tuesdays between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

#25—Harris Teeter School Fundraiser

Harris Teeter—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!

#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.

Sierra Leone:



BRIGHTER FUTURES THROUGH EDUCATION

Needed Supplies for Backpacks

- 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 ½"; no loose-leaf paper.
- 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.
- Pencil sharpener
- Pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well.)
- Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band.
- Black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band.
- Box of 16 or 24 crayons
- 2 ½" eraser

A box for collections is located to the right as you enter the Nave. Thank you for your support!

BibleTelling Community Experience

"TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD" - PSALM 34:8



EVERY TUESDAY: 2 class times

12:30 - 2 pm ET

6:30-8pm ET

NO CHARGE. Registration required.

Lead BibleTelling Facilitator: Sheila Arnold



AUG. 5-26:

"PARABLES: WELL-KNOWN, RELEVANT AND CONTROVERSIAL"
SEPTEMBER 2 - COMMUNITY GATHERING

SEPTEMBER 9-30: "ANIMAL TALES"
OCTOBER 7 - COMMUNITY GATHERING

ADDITIONAL THEMES CONTINUE OCTOBER 14

12:30PM REGISTRATION: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/AFTERNOONBT](https://tinyurl.com/AfternoonBT)

6:30PM REGISTRATION: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/BTEVENING](https://tinyurl.com/BTEVENING)

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