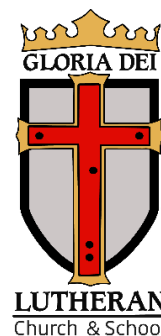


Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 19, 2025

Building Faith ✚ Building Community ✚ Building Lives



PRELUDE

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

Johann Sebastian Bach

TEMPLE TALK

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.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.
Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your stiff-necked people.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your grace to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found.
Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.
Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.
You who were lost have been found.
In the name of ✚ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!
Amen.

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

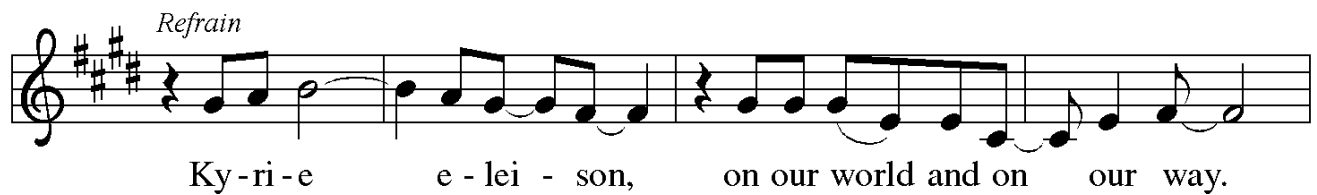
Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the piano providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in two systems, with the first system containing five lines of text and the second system containing three lines of text. The piano part consists of chords and single notes, providing a steady accompaniment for the vocal parts.

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



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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



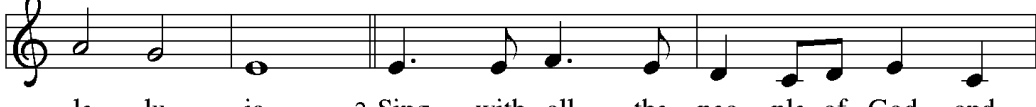
peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



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



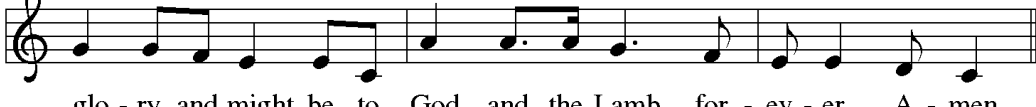
vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



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

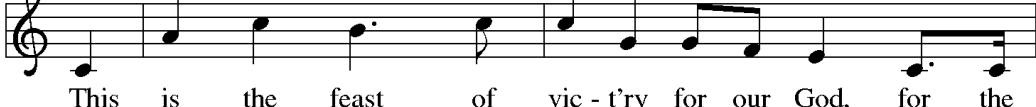


join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

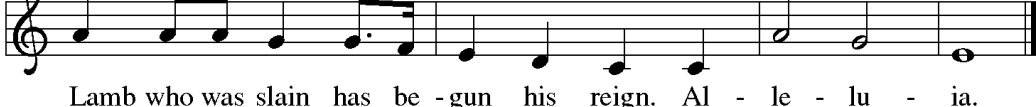


glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

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 Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through 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 (32:22-31). *(Sit)*

²² The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (121) is read responsively.

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?

² **My help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.**

³ The Lord will not let your foot be moved
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴ **Behold, the keeper of Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep;**

⁵ the Lord watches over you;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

⁶ **the sun will not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

⁷ The Lord will preserve you from all evil
and will keep your life.

⁸ **The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth forevermore.**

A reading from Second Timothy (3:14—4:5).

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1} In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ² proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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 18:1-8

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

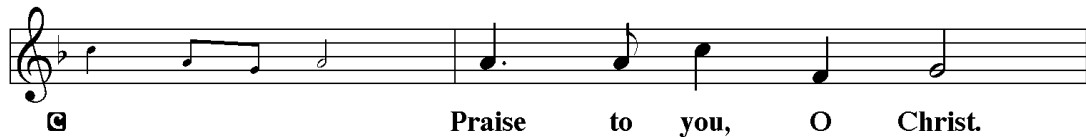
Congregation sings:



¹ Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ² He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my accuser.’ ⁴ For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’ ” ⁶ And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation sings:



SERMON (*Sit*)

Silence is kept for reflection.

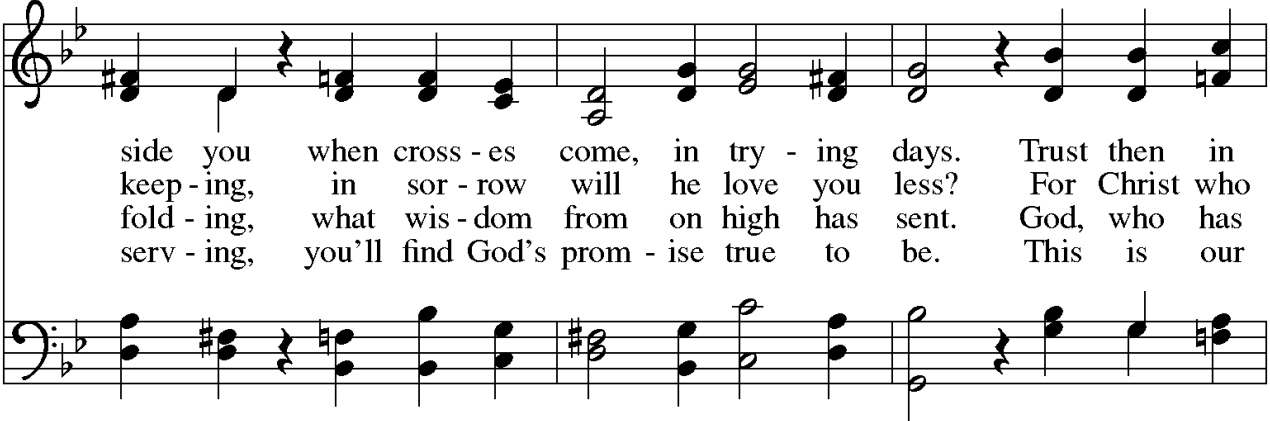
HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 769 (Stand) **If You But Trust in God to Guide You** *Wer nur den lieben Gott*



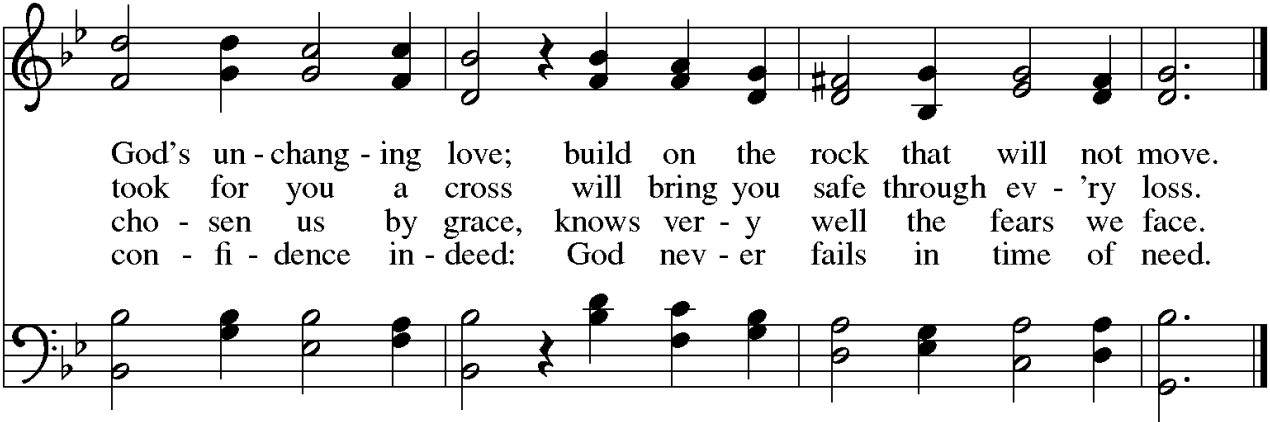
1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

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, **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

O God, Thou Faithful God

Johannes Brahms

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 also 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

Congregation sings:



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

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Congregation sings:



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.**

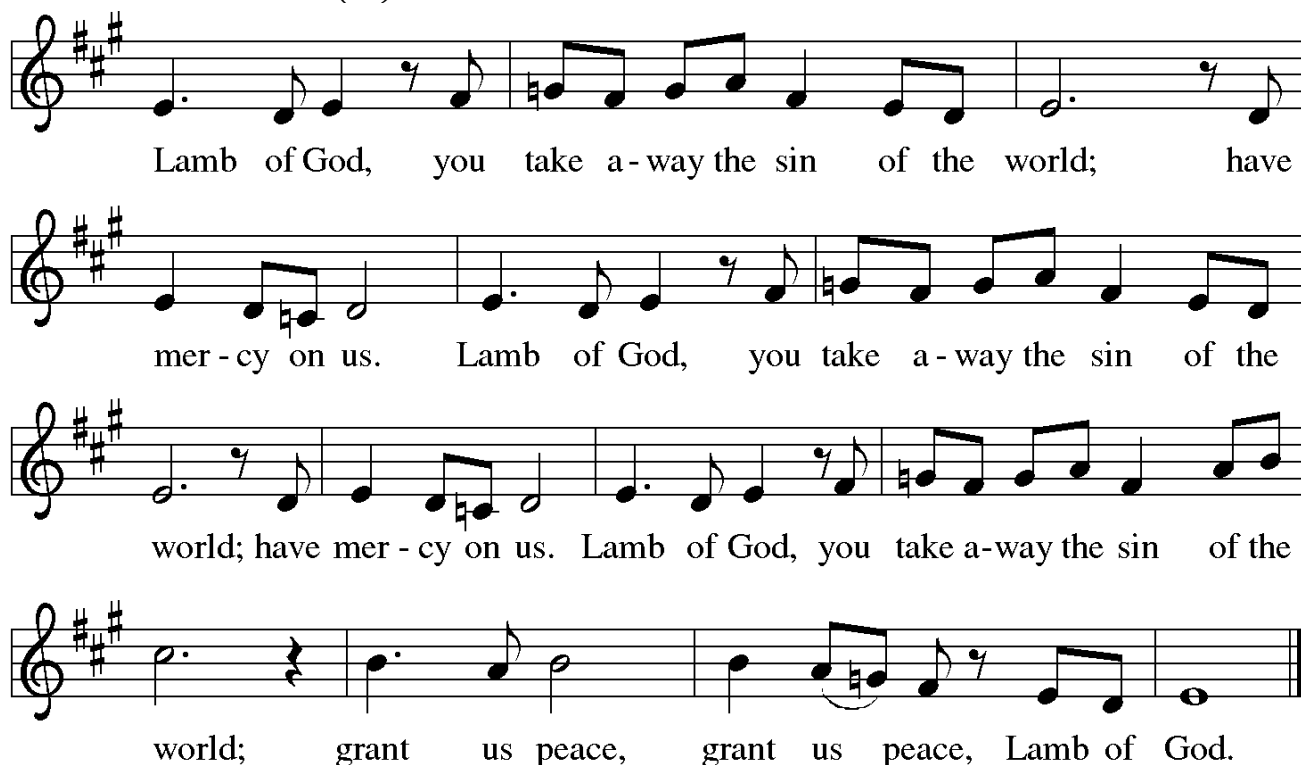
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The 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.

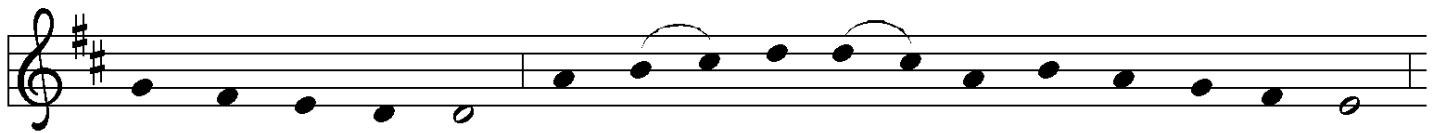
COMMUNION HYMN ELW 402

Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

Adoro te devote



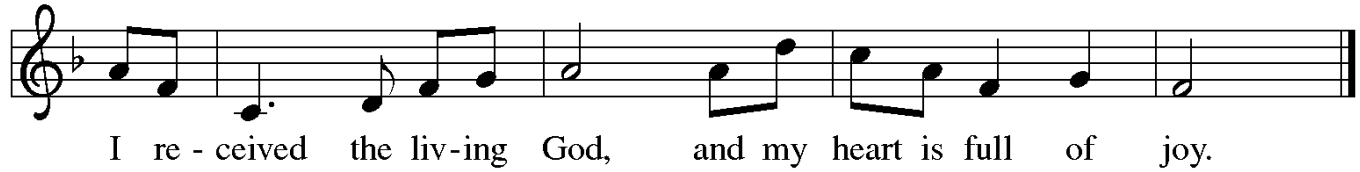
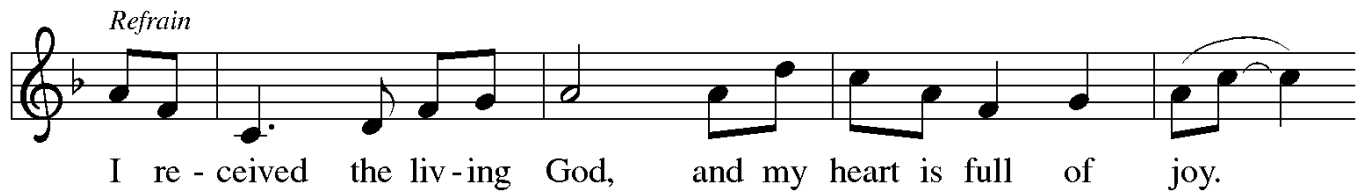
- 1 E - ter - nal Spir - it of the liv - ing Christ, I know not how to
- 2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day; help me to see your
- 3 Come with the vi - sion and the strength I need to serve my God and



ask or what to say; I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,
pur - pose and your will, where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;
all hu - man - i - ty; ful - fill - ment of my life in love out-poured:



and on - ly you can teach me how to pray.
held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.
my life in you, O Christ, your love in me. A - men.



- 1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
- 2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
- 3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
- 4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,



you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.
 so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.
 You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.
 but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

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.

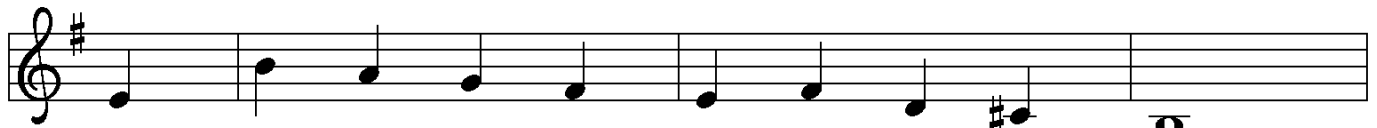
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

Amen.



1 By gra - cious pow'rs so won - der - ful - ly shel - tered,
 2 Yet is this heart by its old foe tor - ment - ed,
 3 And when this cup you give is filled to brim - ming
 4 Yet when a - gain in this same world you give us
 5 By gra - cious pow'rs so faith - ful - ly pro - tect - ed,



and con - fi - dent - ly wait - ing come what may,
 still e - vil days bring bur - dens hard to bear;
 with bit - ter suf - f'ring, hard to un - der - stand,
 the joy we had, the bright - ness of your sun,
 so qui - et - ly, so won - der - ful - ly near,



we know that God is with us night and morn - ing,
 oh, give our fright - ened souls the sure sal - va - tion,
 we take it thank - ful - ly and with - out trem - bling
 we shall re - mem - ber all the days we lived through
 we live each day in hope, with you be - side us,



and nev - er fails to greet us each new day.
 for which, O Lord, you taught us to pre - pare.
 out of so good and so be - loved a hand.
 and our whole life shall then be yours a - lone.
 and go with you through ev - 'ry com - ing year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Sit)

POSTLUDE

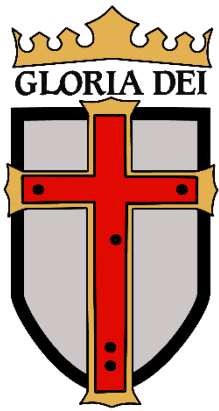
Festal Flourish

Peter Hurford

*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.



FIRSTFRUITS

*Honor the Lord with your wealth,
with the firstfruits of all your crops.*
Proverbs 3:9

Generous People of Gloria Dei:

For those whom I have not had the pleasure of meeting, I am Amanda Gonzalez, a recently elected member of our Church Council and appointed the lead for our Stewardship Program. I'm excited to announce the launch of our 2026 Stewardship for All Seasons Program, centered around the theme of "Firstfruits," inspired by Proverbs 3:9: *"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops."*

As we enter this new year, let us reflect on the abundance God has provided us. The call to offer our firstfruits reminds us to give our best, not out of obligation, but out of love and gratitude. Christ entrusted His Church with the mission of reaching all nations with the good news; and through our shared generosity, we can carry out this calling together.

We have several key dates coming up for this year's program. Beginning next Sunday and running for four weeks, your bulletin will highlight a "generosity letter" from one of our members, showing how stewardship is making a difference. You'll also receive a brochure and weekly inserts that explain the details of our stewardship focus.

Please save the date for **Commitment Sunday on November 16**, when we'll invite everyone to share their Commitment or Pledge Cards during worship. If you prefer, you can also submit your statement by mail or through our church website. Finally, join us on **Celebration Sunday, December 7**, as we share the results and give thanks for the generosity of our congregation.

To conclude, I invite you to take time to look over the materials provided and prayerfully reflect on how you can help strengthen our church's mission, both within our community and beyond. Remember, even the smallest steps make a difference- if 100 members each added just \$5.00 a week to their giving, we can reach our goal.

Thank you for the generosity and support you've already shown Gloria Dei this past year. Together, we can move forward in faith and continue building the next chapter of our church's story.

With joy and thanksgiving,
Amanda Gonzalez, Stewardship Chair

My Generosity Story



When my husband, Jose, and I moved to Hampton, we were searching for more than just a place to worship; we were looking for a church community where we could belong and grow in faith together. We desired a welcoming environment that felt like home and a supportive network of fellow believers.

Our first real memory of feeling at home in this church was when we began attending Pint with Pastor. Attendees took the time to get to know us; and through our conversations, we felt a genuine connection. As we started socializing with other church members outside of church service, it became clear that this community was built on love and fellowship. The warmth and friendliness from every encounter made us feel welcomed and accepted.

What I appreciate most about the ministry of Gloria Dei is how it truly embodies compassion and outreach. The congregation is committed to serving both its members and the wider community, offering support in various ways that reflect Christ's love. Whether through food drives with H.E.L.P, community events, or pastoral care, I see our church making a positive impact on the lives of those around us.

Generosity is something I learned from my grandmother and my mother. They taught me that giving is not just about money but involves sharing time, resources, and love with others. They modeled for me what it means to be gracious in giving and to consider the needs of those around us, planting the seed of generosity in my heart.

I choose to support Gloria Dei with my firstfruits, because I believe in the mission of our church and want to contribute to its continued growth and outreach. It brings me joy to know that my financial gifts help sustain our ministries and allow us to welcome others within our community to share in the holy gospel.

Amanda Gonzalez



GLORIA DEI WEEKLY

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The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Gordon and Michelle Robertson in celebration of their two new grandchildren, Kit and Spencer.

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, Kelly Redman
CROSS AND CROWN: Wade Brown, Steven Mustard, Micaela Ruhl, Jacob Zamora
GREETER: Anita Hamilton
LAY ASSISTANT: Diane Washburn
READER: Jerri Dickeski
TECHNICAL TEAM: Barry Hutchison, Derry Mace, Mike Riley, Aaron Sutherland, Jenny Sutherland
USHERS: Jason Green, Peggy Todd

Reformation Sunday, October 26

On this day, we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism, we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's Table. **You are invited to wear red in commemoration of this significant event.**

Trunk or Treat

Today, Sunday, **October 19, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**, Girl Scout Troop 1041 will once again host the annual Trunk or Treat.

Suppers at Capri

Join Pastor and others at Capri Pizza and Italian Restaurant, located at 227 Fox Hill Rd., on Tuesday, October 28, 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, October 21;** 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.

First Light (Sunday School)



Our Sunday School program, First Light, is on Sunday mornings from 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m., in the Simeon Center. This class is for all ages.

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.

All Saints' Sunday

Loved ones who have died in the past year will be remembered on All Saints' Sunday, November 2. You may add the name(s) of your loved ones who have died in the past year to the All Saints' list by writing their name on the list located on the table in the Narthex as you enter or leave the Nave. You may also call, 757-851-2838, or email, psipes@gloriadei.net, **by 12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 28.** We will remember your loved ones with the lighting of a candle, and they will be included in the prayers. You are also invited to remember your loved ones with an offering to the Memorial Fund.

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.

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:



Wonderful Wednesdays

We will not meet on October 22. You are invited to our Wonderful Wednesday program for students in grades K-12. This program includes Bible Study, food, music, and crafts and is from 5:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Please scan the QR code to register your child.



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: Debbie Dunn, Fred Bradley, Julie Hutchison, Frank Dickeski, Debby Ortiz, Lisa Dadez, Sharon Rose, Gordon Robertson, Ernie Atkins, 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-Dettie, 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:

Lewis Trench, friend of Buzz and Anita Hamilton
The family of Emily Worsham, friend of Carol Godley
The family of Mary Harper, friends of Shannon Schubert
Andrea Edmunds Swain, friend of Laura Lopez
Samiya, friend of Miranda Hutchison
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

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, October 28, at noon**; its subject is "Empathetic Listening: A Key to Stronger Relationships." Please visit the PPCC website to pre-register:

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

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

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 Giese, USAF	Son of Vivian Giese
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
Alex Murphy, USN	Member of Gloria Dei
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
Richard Williams, USAF	Husband of Stephanie Williams

Next Week at Gloria Dei

Today..... NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 a.m. First Light Sunday School

9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**

11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal;
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2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat

Monday..... 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Meeting

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

Wednesday 12:00 p.m. Community Bible Study

Next Sunday REFORMATION SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. First Light Sunday School

9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**

11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal;
Council Meeting

Calendar Request

Please email all facility usage requests to:

CalendarRequest@gloriadei.net.

Birthdays

- 19 Nicholas Giese
- 21 Jim Fullen, Joann Morrison
- 23 Melanie Lowman, Cassie Smith
- 25 Trish Glaab, Dallam Brown
- 26 Raegan Cole

Anniversary

- 23 Wayne and Linda Sutherland

Prayer Shawl Ministry

"God's Work. Our Hands"

This is exactly what the Prayer Shawl Ministry does. By creating shawls and blankets to show God's love to members of the congregation, we are using our hands for God's work. Each time we meet, we work on creating a gift for someone that needs a gesture of love.

Please consider joining us on the second Sunday of the month to share in our ministry and fellowship. After putting our needles to work, we often head to Capri for lunch. You would be welcome to join us. If you have any questions, contact Rita Foringer at rforinger@verizon.net.

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.

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.

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., **Monday, October 27**. 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.

Take a Tour Tuesday

If you are interested in Gloria Dei School and Childcare, drop in for a tour of our facilities on Tuesdays between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

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!

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.

BibleTelling Community Experience

NEW CLASS, "Family Matters"

BEGINNING--October 14, 2025

EVERY TUESDAY--Two class times
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

No Charge. Registration required.

Lead BibleTelling Facilitator: Sheila Arnold
<https://Mssheila.org/bibletelling>

School Employment Opportunities

Gloria Dei Lutheran School has the following positions available:

- * Director of Transportation
- * Director of Food Service
- * Part-time Bus Drivers
- * Afternoon Child Care Aides
- * Buildings and Grounds Assistant
- * Substitute Teachers (preschool, elementary, and middle school)

If you are interested in applying, you can find an application online at <http://www.gdlschamptonva.com/school-forms>. Part-time and full-time hours available. Once completed, you may turn it into the School Office at 250 Fox Hill Rd., Hampton, VA 23669, attention: Lisa Dadez.

The Scholastic Book Fair is Coming to Gloria Dei!!

Every year the Book Fair at Gloria Dei is a special time dedicated to the celebration of reading. Our Fall **Scholastic Book Fair** is October 27- October 31. We hope you will mark these dates on your calendar and plan to join us.

During the week, each child visits the Book Fair with his or her class to preview the books, and hear one of the highlighted books read aloud. We have books for all ages, including adults. We actually have two separate Book Fairs going on the same time: one at the Fox Hill campus, and one in the Willow Oaks campus.

Please plan to come to and experience the excitement firsthand with your child. It is the perfect time to explore the affordable books and products with your children. Plus, a portion of the sales benefits our school libraries directly. Your family and friends are invited to come too!

Fox Hill Campus

8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Monday, Thursday, and Friday

8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Tuesday

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday

Willow Oaks Campus

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday

8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Friday

We are always looking for some "willing workers" to help throughout the week. If you are interested, sign up on the easel in the Atrium for Fox Hill campus or outside of the library on the Willow Oaks campus. You may also contact us at (757) 851-6292.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Jeane Fullen, Kelly Martin, Donna Collins and Julie Allen



QR Codes for Online Giving to Gloria Dei

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

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