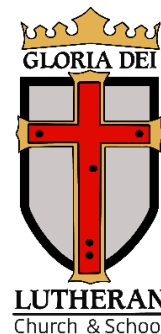


Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Holy Trinity/Graduate Sunday

May 31, 2026

Building Faith ✝ Building Community ✝ Building Lives



GATHERING MUSIC

Adagio

Bach

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

GATHERING

WELCOME

You are invited to stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

Amen.

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

Kneel/Sit

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

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

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

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

Amen.



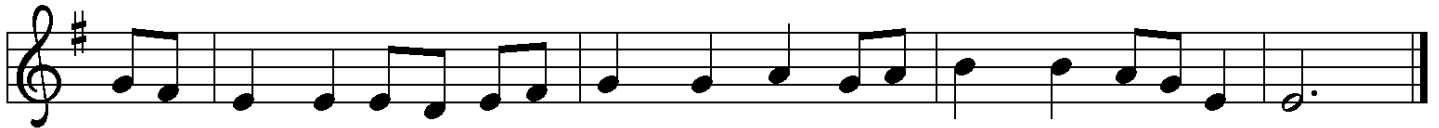
- 1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—
- 2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;
- 3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame
- 4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter - weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.
 then blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.
 set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.
 we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,
 The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;
 We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;
 Let voic - es rise and in - ter - weave, by love and hope set free,



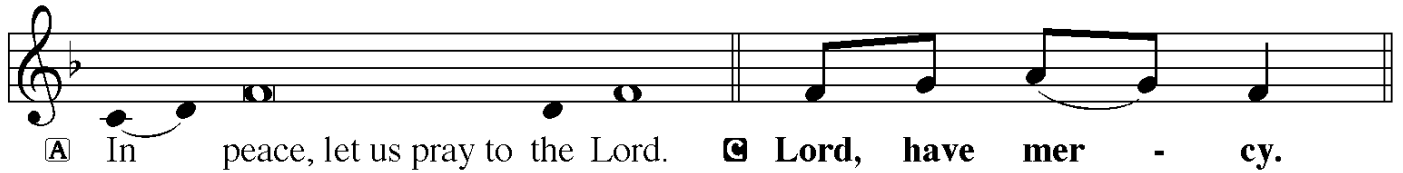
but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with - in their dance.
 when fear con - fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.
 go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
 to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

GREETING *(Stand)*

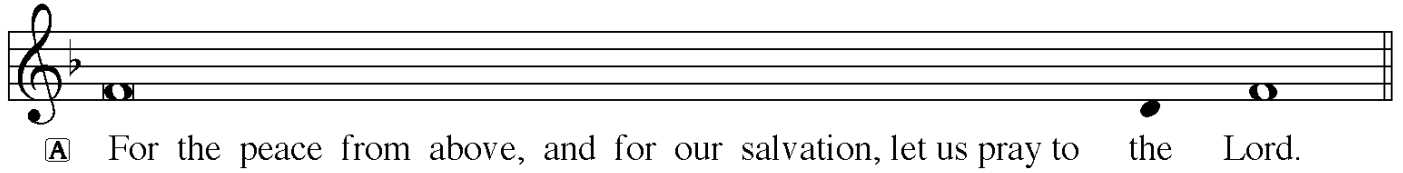
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

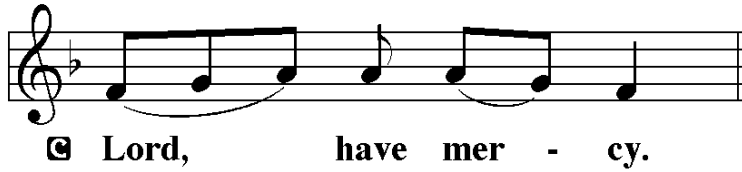
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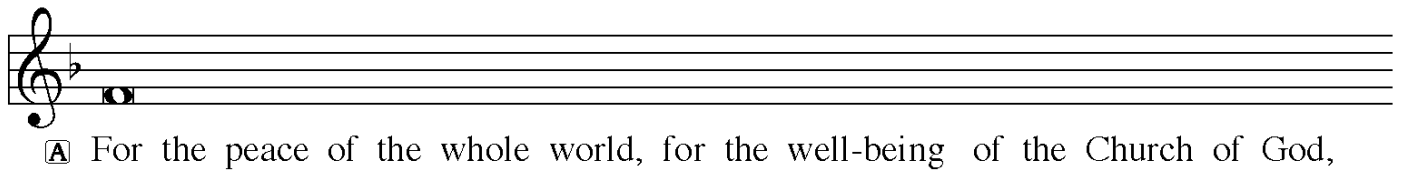
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



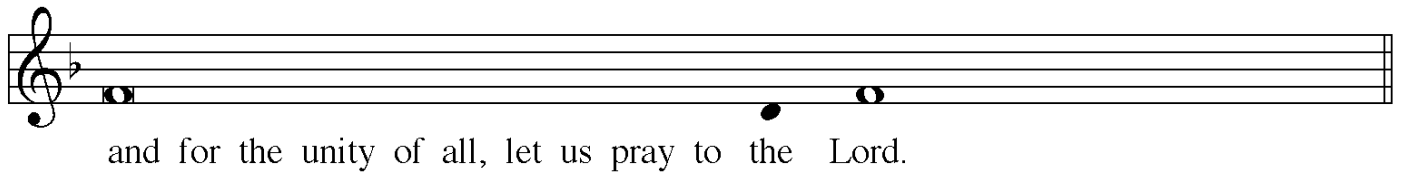
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



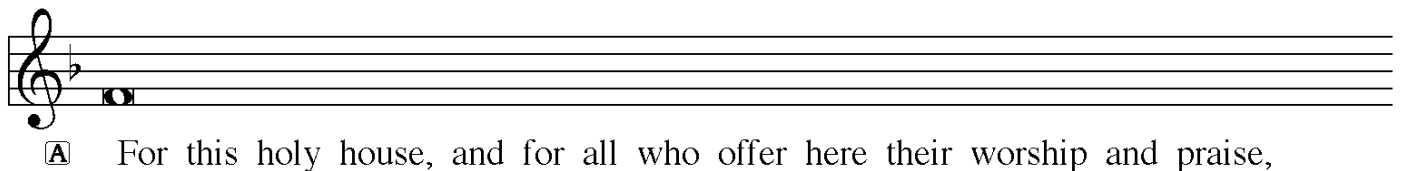
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



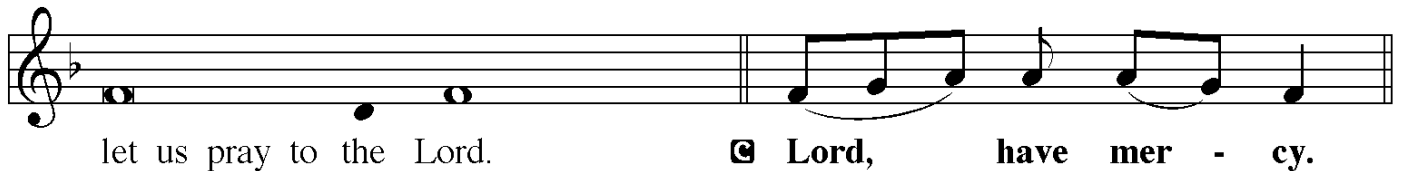
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



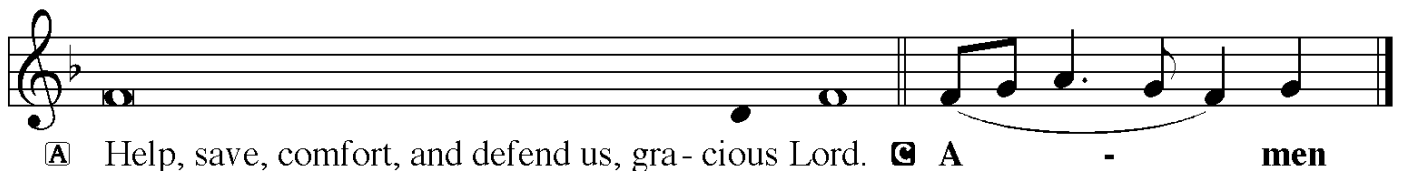
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was
slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.
☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.
☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ 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.
☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ☐ For the Lamb who was
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.
☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and 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 Genesis (1:1—2:4a) (*Sit*)

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

²⁷ So God created humans in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. ² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (8) is read responsively.

¹ O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**
³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?**
⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.
⁶ **You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**
⁷ all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,
⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**
⁹ O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

A reading from Second Corinthians (13:11-13).

[Paul writes:] ¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

Congregation sings:

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Congregation sings:

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON (*Sit*)

Silence is kept for reflection.

1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;

all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
 and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,

vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

BLESSING OF GRADUATE

Dear friends: Life presents us with various significant milestones that set the stage for the next phase in our earthly journey. Graduation from high school is one of these milestones. Today we wish to honor Maddison as she moves through this special time of accomplishment, transition, and change, and to show her that we, her community of faith, stand with her and support her as fellow believers in Jesus Christ.

Graduate is introduced.

Maddison Rose Marie Tatum-Harper

The leader addresses the graduate and the assembly.

At this time of celebration and transition, hear these words from Holy Scripture.

Proverbs 16:9 - ⁹ *The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps.*

Jeremiah 29:11-14a - ¹¹ *For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. ¹² Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. ¹³ When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴ I will let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.*

Dear graduate: At this special time in your life we are eager to show you how delighted we are that you have reached this milestone in your life. As a fellow member of this community of faith, we rejoice with you and want you to know of our pride and excitement as you move from this accomplishment into the next phase of your life. We also want you to know that wherever you go and whatever you do, you are going forward with our prayers for God's continued guidance, power, protection, and strength.

Friends and family may join the graduate. Graduate kneels at the Altar while friends and family stand behind them.

O Lord Jesus Christ, when you welcomed the children your invitation included each one of us. Your guiding hand has continually been upon Maddison. You have sustained her. You have shared in her laughter and wiped away her tears. In times of confusion you have offered direction. In times of sorrow you have offered hope. In times of doubt your Holy Spirit has lifted her up. Grant, O Savior, to Maddison the knowledge of your continued presence as she goes forth into the future. Bless her and keep her. Guide her steps. Hold her in the hollow of your hand. Bless her and keep her now and forever.

Amen.

The leader addresses the assembly.

Members and friends of Gloria Dei, will you promise to keep Maddison and her family in your thoughts and prayers as she goes forth into the future?

We will.

Will you, as fellow believers in Jesus Christ, promise to help her as need and opportunity arise?

We will.

Friends and family may place a hand on the graduate's shoulder while the following blessing is given.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord watch over you and keep you safe.

May the Lord guide your every step.

May you always know of our unending love for you.

Amen.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 stand 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 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

Shout to the Lord
Gabby Hella, vocalist
Sandy Dunn, piano

Darlene Zschech

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.

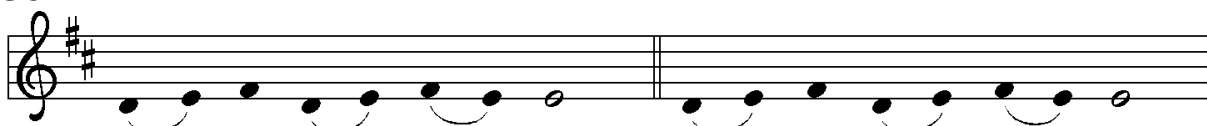
OFFERING PRAYER

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.
You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor,
one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory.
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. 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

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

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION RESPONSE *(Sit)*

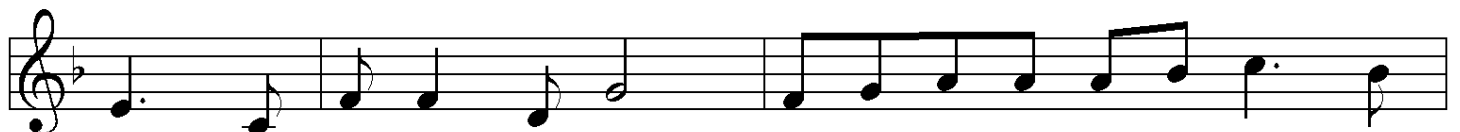
Lamb of God



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.**

COMMUNION HYMN

Shepherd Me, O God

Marty Haugen

Sheree Harper, vocalist

Maddison Tatum-Harper, vocalist

Sharon Padula, vocalist

Brandon Spence, piano

COMMUNION HYMN ELW 493

Taste and See

Taste and See



Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,



taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Leader or All



1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
2 Glo - ri - fy the Lord with . . . me.
3 Wor-ship . . . the Lord, all you peo-ple.



Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;
To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.
You'll want for noth - ing . . . if you ask.



my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord;
I called the Lord, . . . who an - swered me;
Taste and see . . . that the Lord is good;

Refrain



for God has been so good to me.
from all my trou - bles I was set free.
in God we need put all our trust.

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:

**Jesus, our life-giving Bread,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.**

**As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.**

In your name we pray.

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-joice and proud-ly bear his name.

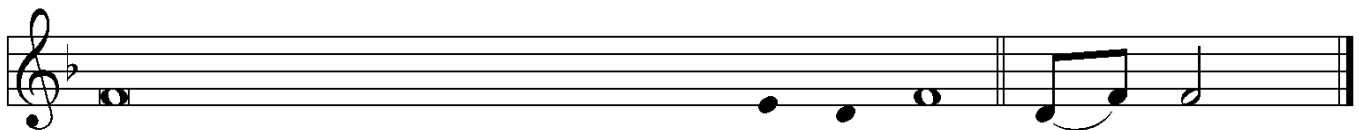


He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



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 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.

Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.

In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Sit)*

POSTLUDE

How Majestic is Your Name/Great is the Lord

Michael W. Smith

Sandy Dunn, piano

Brandon Spence, organist

*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 and in memory of those who gave all.

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.

Serving Today

COFFEE CREATOR: Vicki Venable
GREETER: Debbi Ortiz
LAY ASSISTANT: Rita Foringer
READER: Rita Foringer
TECHNICAL TEAM: Jeremiah Green, Barry Hutchison, Derry Mace, Mike Riley, Aaron Sutherland, Jenny Sutherland
USHERS: John Campbell, Tim Olson

Graduate Reception

Please join us at the reception today, Sunday, May 31, immediately following worship, congratulating our new graduates.

A Glass with the Girls

PLEASE NOTE: A Glass with the Girls will be held on **MONDAY, JUNE 1**, at 7:00 p.m., at Pour Girls. We will get together again on **MONDAY, June 29**. That will put us back on track in July to return to the fourth Monday of the month. Mark your calendars now to reflect the change.

Weekly Calendar

Today HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY/Bring a Friend to Church
8:30 a.m. First Light Sunday School
9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**/Graduate Sunday
11:00 a.m. Graduate Reception
Council
Choir Rehearsal
12:00 p.m. VBS Decorating
2:00 p.m. Girl Scout Banquet/Bridging Ceremony
Monday - Thursday 8:45 a.m.-2:20 p.m. Programs/Practice
Monday 6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1041 Meeting
6:30 p.m. Pack 27 Meeting
7:00 p.m. Troop Meeting
WELCA at *Pour Girls*
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Bible Study
Wednesday 12:00 p.m. Community Bible Study – H.E.L.P.
7:00 p.m. 5th & 8th Grade Graduation
Next Sunday SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
8:30 a.m. First Light Sunday School
9:30 a.m. **WORSHIP**
11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
2:00 p.m. Fellowship Walk at Sandy Bottom Park

H.E.L.P. Summer Food Drive

During the summer months, children often miss out on nutritious meals when school cafeterias are closed. Local food pantries often face higher demand while donations slow down. *Pasta with a Purpose* is our congregation's joyful response—an easy, meaningful way to support our neighbors in need.



Please bring pasta-related food items to church anytime this summer. We will weigh our collection before delivering it to HELP and share our total contribution (in pounds) so we can see how our gifts, along with those of other ELCA churches across Virginia, add up to something powerful. The Virginia Synod will celebrate the three congregations with the highest donation rate (pounds donated per average worship attender) with a \$250 grant to a food pantry of the congregation's choice!

Suggested Shopping List:

- Dry pasta (spaghetti, penne, rotini)
- Cans of pasta sauce with and without meat
- Boxes of macaroni & cheese
- Canned pasta meals (ravioli or spaghetti)
- Gluten-free pasta

First Light (Sunday School)

First Light is on Sunday mornings from 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m., in the Simeon Center.

Suppers at Capri

Join Pastor and others at Capri Pizza and Italian Restaurant, located at 227 Fox Hill Rd., on **Tuesday, June 16, 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. You are responsible for the cost of your meal and a generous tip.

Fellowship Walk at Sandy Bottom Park

Join fellow congregants for a stroll through the woods with prayer and fellowship. All ability levels welcome, rain or shine! Contact Eric O. with any questions, 757-510-0839.

When: Sunday, June 7, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

Location: Meet inside the Ranger Station at Sandy Bottom Park.
We will start our hike around 2:15 p.m.

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: Pam Hess, Nancy Monroe, Bill Monroe, Gary Hess, Bonnie Hess, Sharon Rose, Ron Rose, Leonard Mayo, Marna Mayo, Joann Morrison, Mary Capone, Beverly Hamrick, Bill Swanson, Fred Bradley, Larry Dunn, Debbie Dunn, Judy Wagner St. Pierre, Ernie Atkins, Frank Dickeski, Vickie Roark, Gordon Robertson, Debbi Ortiz, Dorie Scherer, Joan Ehlers, Donna Vanorsdale, Tommy Vanorsdale, Jill Ruhl, Chris Tucker, Craig Ruhl, Susan Krebs, Bill Siefers, Charlie Venable, Emily Urban

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:

Ainsley Dadez, daughter of T.C. and Emily Dadez

Mike O'Neill, husband of Vicki

Coochie Bailey, uncle of Diane Washburn

Kierstin Torrey and unborn daughter, friend of Laura Lopez

Alie Barbor, friend of Debbi Ortiz

James Roberson, family of Debbi Walker (GDLS employee)

Debbie Walker, GDLS employee

Mike and Roni Hull, grandparents of Amelia Venable

Tommy Staton, friend of the Fullens

Mary Bobb, mom of Mary Mace

Brendon Roark, brother of Peggy Todd

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

Mike May, brother of Deborah Walker (GDLS employee)

Sheila May, mother of Deborah Walker (GDLS employee)

Tom Vanorsdale, husband of Donna Vanorsdale

Fellowship Bible Study

Fellowship Bible Study meets in the Simeon Center every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. 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, held at H.E.L.P., 329 Buckroe Avenue, **is held on Wednesdays at noon**. All are invited to attend. This is a great opportunity for us to learn the needs of our community and help us to become more outreach-oriented. Please know that we will not be meeting on days when a holiday is being celebrated or when Pastor Dave is out of town.

Weekly Newsletter

Please email psipes@gloriadei.net if you would like to sign up for our weekly newsletter, the *Glorious Gazette*, so that you can become acquainted with all of our ministries and activities. Please make sure to check your spam/junk folders so you don't miss out on any information.

School Employment Opportunities

Gloria Dei Lutheran School has the following positions available:

- * **Director of Transportation**
- * **Buildings and Grounds Assistant**
- * **Part-time Bus Drivers**
- * **Afternoon Child Care Aides**
- * **Elementary and Middle Grades Teachers**
- * **Part-Time Art Teacher**
- * **Part-Time Technology Teacher**
- * **Substitute Teachers (preschool, elementary, and middle school)**

If you are interested in applying, you can find an application online at <http://www.gdlshamptonva.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.

June Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 3 Mike Mendez
- 4 Makayla Cornwell
- 5 Stephen Via, Lesa Shannon
- 6 Rowena Cornwell
- 7 Lynn Graves, Jay Hart
- 10 Page Kremp
- 11 Amelia Venable
- 12 Elizabeth Lowman, Vivian Reynolds
- 13 Isabella Mendez
- 16 Pam Robnett
- 19 Isabella Waldrop
- 21 Kiara Cornwell
- 22 Jeane Fullen, Leonard Mayo, Mila June Robertson
- 23 Mary Jane Leckrone
- 24 Jeff Kremp
- 25 Luke Trimnal
- 28 Pat Roscof, Wade Brown

Anniversaries

- 2 Don and Sharon Padula
- 4 Garth and Andrea Wallis
- 12 Oscar and Carol Godley
- 25 Ron and Sharon Rose

VBS 2026 SNOWBALL MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE

VBS Dates and Times:

Monday, June 22 – Friday, June 26

5:15 p.m. – 7:55 p.m.

Ages: 4 – rising 6th Graders

Volunteer Positions Needed (rising 7th Graders to adults):

We are still in need of VBS volunteer positions including:

- Group Leaders-Adults and Teens needed (Needed times 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.)
- Food Prep (Needed times 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.)
- Food Service/Cleanup (Needed times 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.)



Feel free to contact Jenny Sutherland (cell 757-513-4943 or email ajasutherland@msn.com), or register online at: <https://gloriadeilutheranvbs2026.mycokesburyvbs.com/>

If linking from cell phone, please select the menu at the top, and it will drop down to register.



VBS Decoration Dates:

Volunteers are needed to help transform our church into an amazing Wintery Wonderland!

Helping hands welcome for as long as you are able on:

- Saturday, June 13, anytime between 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 20, anytime between 9:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Other Ways You Can Help:

Even if you are unavailable to attend VBS, there are ways you can still help!

Help us cut out paper Snowflakes and Penguins. Sets of paper will be located as you exit today's service (5/31).

Please cut them out, and return them by Sunday, June 7. The VBS Collection Box will be in the Atrium area.

School Building Project

Gloria Dei Launches Fundraising Campaign for New Elementary School at Willow Oaks

Every dollar given, up to \$12,500.00, will be matched dollar for dollar.

Gloria Dei School is excited to announce the official kickoff of a major fundraising campaign to support the construction of a new elementary school building on our Willow Oaks campus. This initiative marks an important step forward in our mission to provide a Christ-centered, academically excellent education in a space designed to meet the needs of our students and families.

In the future, you will receive more information about giving options, sponsorship opportunities, and upcoming campaign events. Scan this QR code, which will take you directly to our Building Project Page on the school website, where you can explore multiple ways to contribute. Would you please consider giving a gift today? We encourage every person connected to this community to prayerfully consider how they can participate in this transformative journey.

Together, we are building more than new facilities—we are building a strong foundation for generations of Gloria Dei students to grow in faith, knowledge, and purpose.



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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