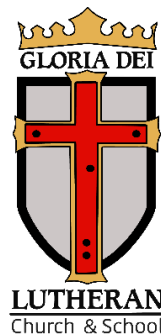


# Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

## Third Sunday after Pentecost

### June 14, 2026

Building Faith ✝ Building Community ✝ Building Lives



**GATHERING MUSIC**

**Voluntary in A Minor**

*Anonymous*

**RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL**

## **GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

*You are invited to stand as you are able.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
whose compassion endures forever.  
**Amen.**

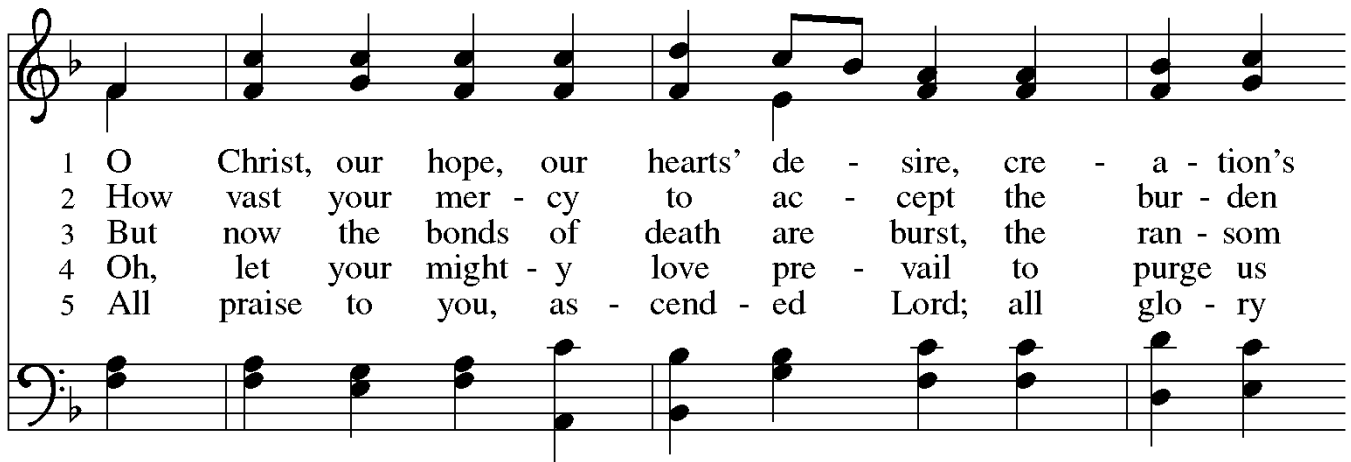
Let us confess our sin to God.

*Kneel/stand as you are able.*

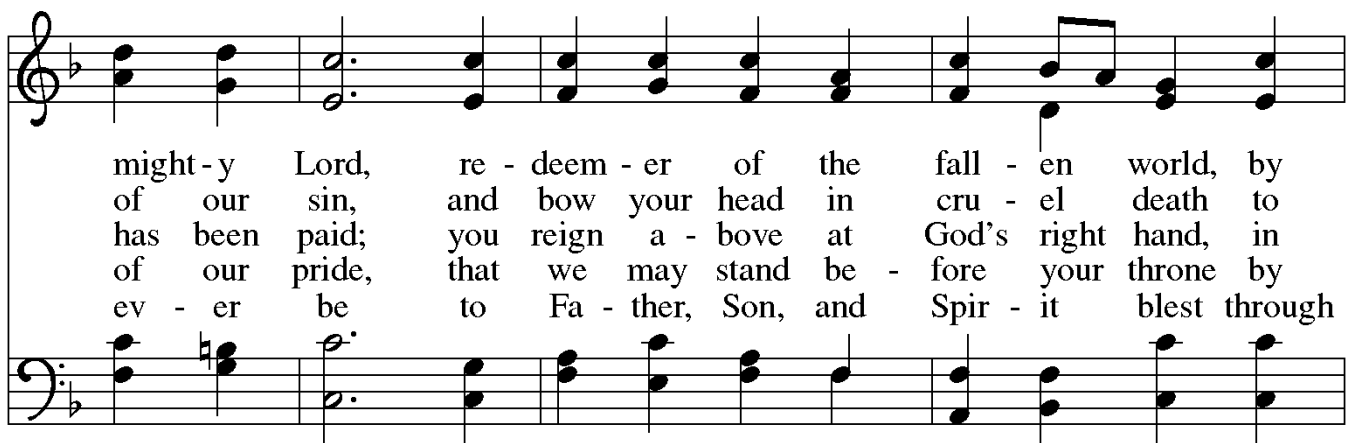
*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Compassionate God,  
**we confess to you all our sins.**  
**Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.**  
**In your mercy, call us back to you.**  
**Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.**  
**Restore us to dwell in your peace.**  
**In Christ's name we pray,**  
**Amen.**

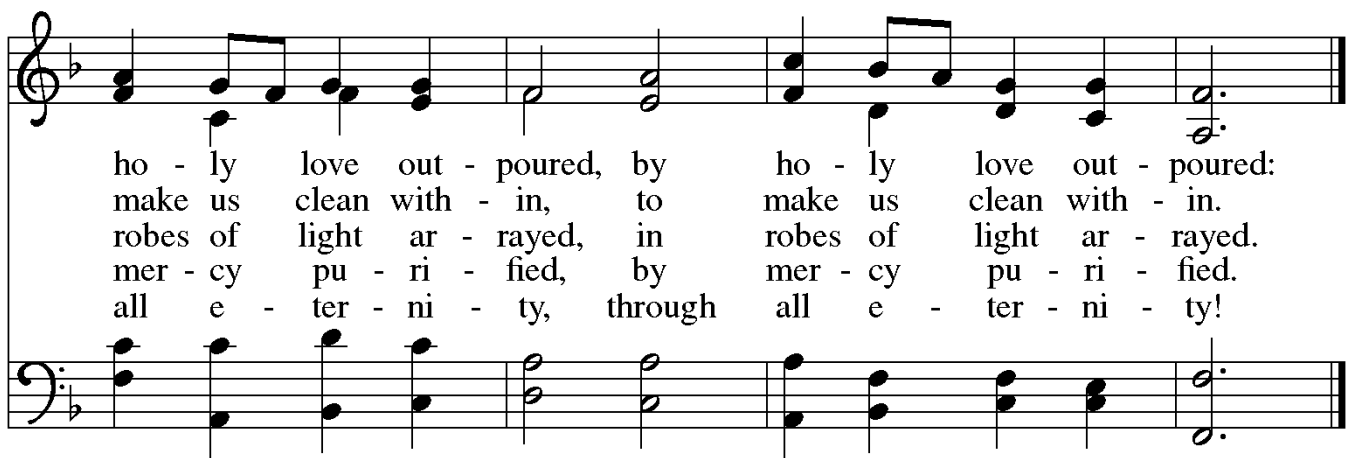
Jesus says, "Come to me,  
all you who are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest."  
In the name of God,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Rest in God's love.  
**Amen.**



1 O Christ, our hope, our hearts' de - sire, cre - a - tion's  
 2 How vast your mer - cy to ac - cept the bur - den  
 3 But now the bonds of death are burst, the ran - som  
 4 Oh, let your might - y love pre - vail to purge us  
 5 All praise to you, as - cend - ed Lord; all glo - ry



might - y Lord, re - deem - er of the fall - en world, by  
 of our sin, and bow your head in cru - el death to  
 has been paid; you reign a - bove at God's right hand, in  
 of our pride, that we may stand be - fore your throne by  
 ev - er be to Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest through



ho - ly love out - poured, by ho - ly love out - poured:  
 make us clean with - in, to make us clean with - in.  
 robes of light ar - rayed, in robes of light ar - rayed.  
 mer - cy pu - ri - fied, by mer - cy pu - ri - fied.  
 all e - ter - ni - ty, through all e - ter - ni - 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.**

# KYRIE


*Refrain*




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



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,

*Refrain*



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:

**God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of 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 Exodus (19:2-8a) *(Sit)*

<sup>2</sup> [The Israelites] journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.<sup>3</sup> Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the Israelites: <sup>4</sup> 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup> Now, therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, <sup>6</sup> but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

<sup>7</sup> So Moses went, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8a</sup> The people all answered as one, "Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm (100) is read responsively.

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

<sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

<sup>3</sup> **Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong;  
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

<sup>4</sup> Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;  
give thanks and bless God's holy name.

<sup>5</sup> **Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

A reading from Romans (5:1-8).

<sup>1</sup> Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*Stand*)



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35—10:23

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the ninth chapter.

*Congregation sings:*



<sup>35</sup> Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

<sup>10:1</sup> Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ <sup>8</sup> Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. <sup>9</sup> Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup> no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff, for laborers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup> Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup> As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup> If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup> If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup> Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

<sup>16</sup> “I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup> Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues, <sup>18</sup> and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the gentiles. <sup>19</sup> When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you at that time, <sup>20</sup> for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup> Sibling will betray sibling to death and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When they persecute you in this town, flee to the next, for truly I tell you, you will not have finished going through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

The gospel of the Lord.

*Congregation sings:*



**SERMON** (*Sit*)

*Silence is kept for reflection.*



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

## **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.*

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.*

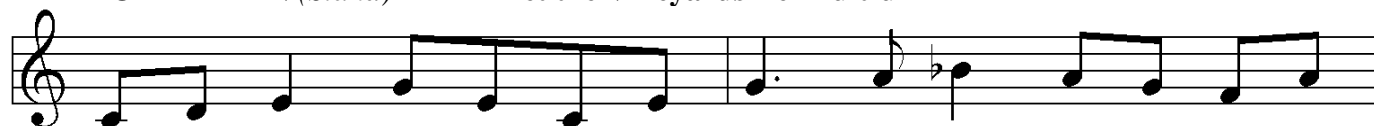
## **MUSICAL MEDITATION**

**In Nomine**

*Richard Alwood*

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:

Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,

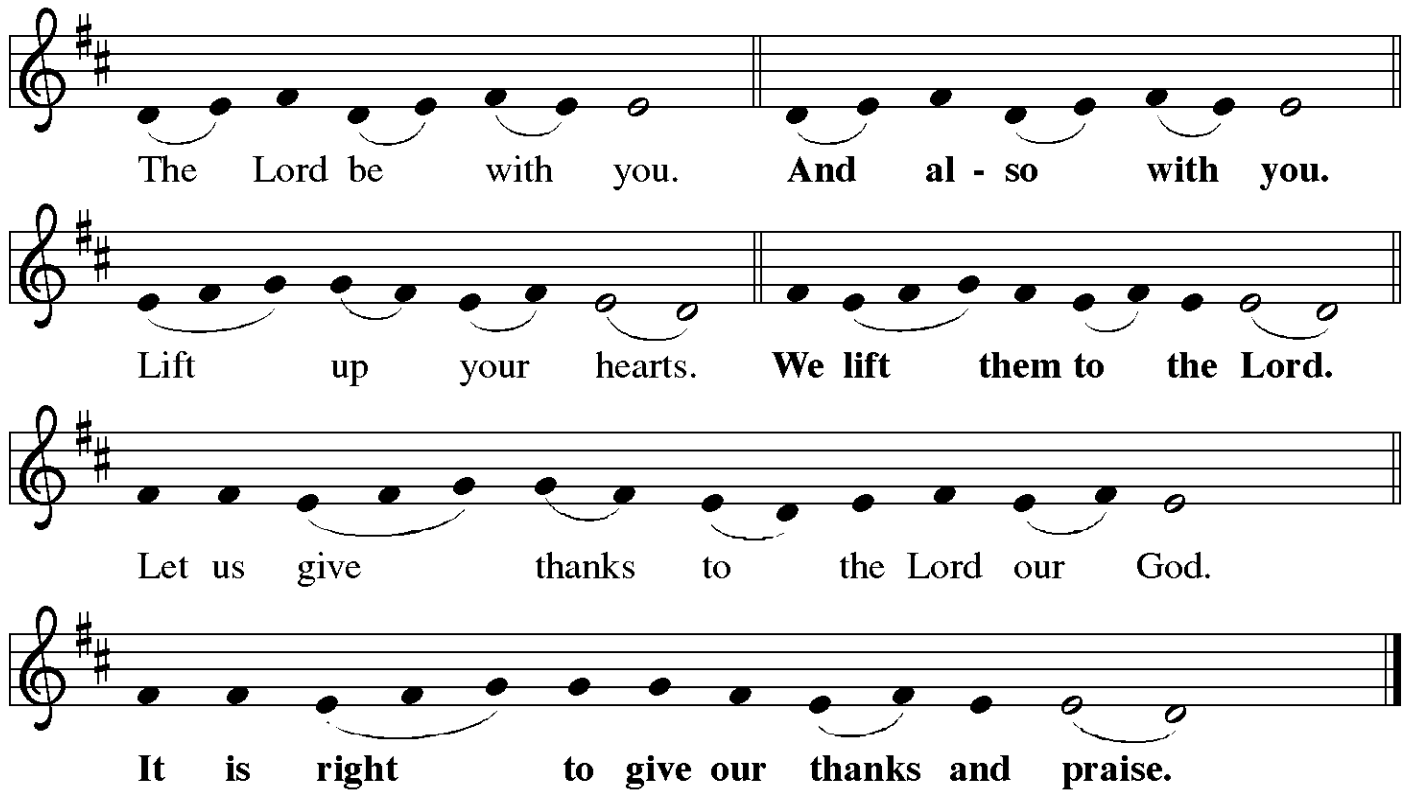
so that all creation can taste your abundance.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,

through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

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.**

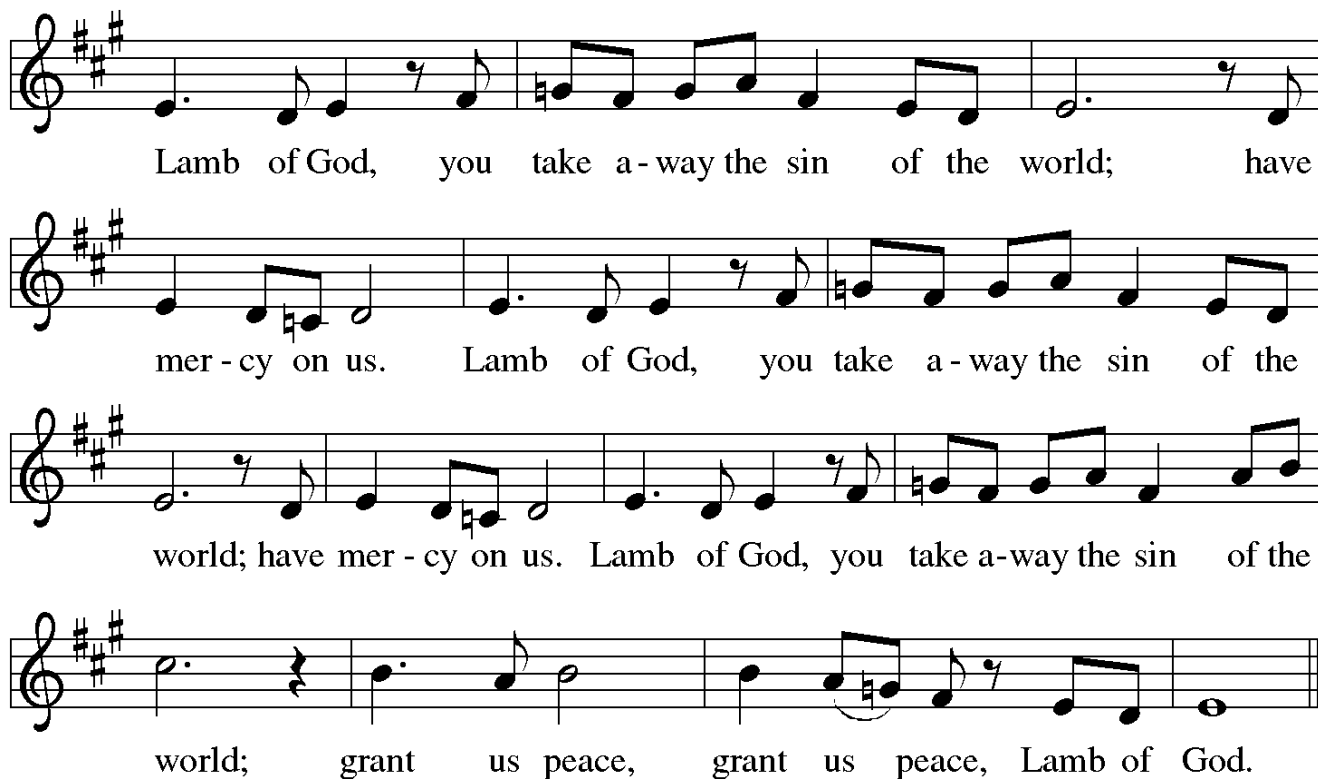
**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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, 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.*

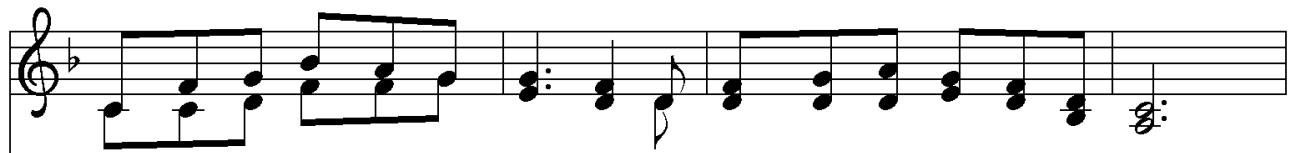
*If you would like to receive communion by common cup instead of individual cups of wine or grape juice, after  
you consume your wafer, hold your hands out (palms up), just like you did for your wafer.*

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

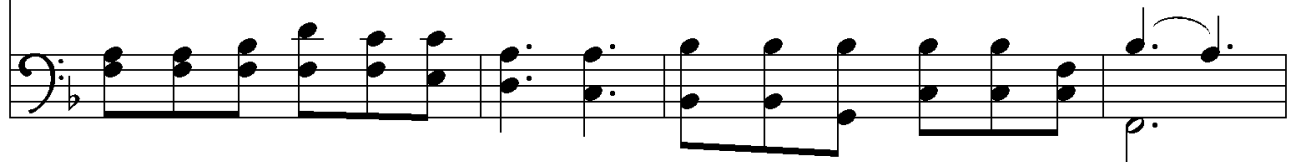
**Amen.**



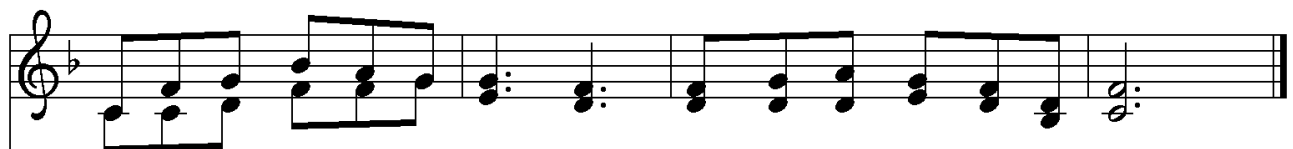
Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.



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

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

*Refrain*

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

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

# SENDING

## BLESSING AFTER THE MEAL *(Stand)*

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

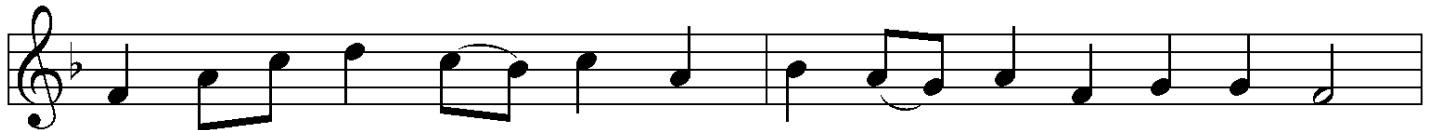
## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:  
**Compassionate God,**  
**through the gifts of bread and wine**  
**our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.**  
**Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,**  
**may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.**  
**We ask this in the name of Jesus,**  
**through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.**  
**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.**

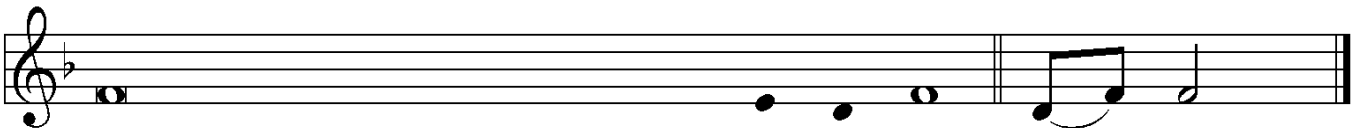


**He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with**



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

## BENEDICTION

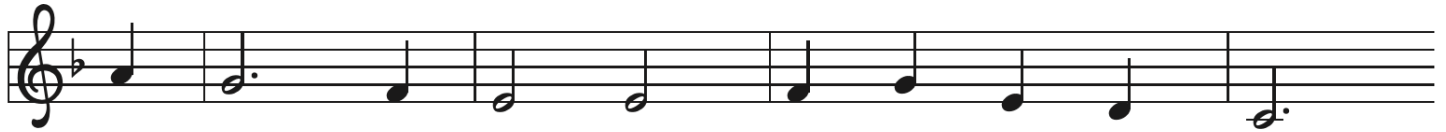


**☐** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**☩ A - men**



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.  
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.  
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;  
 4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,  
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.  
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.  
 for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.  
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.  
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.  
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Sit)*

## POSTLUDE

## Diapason Movement

*George Green*

*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 Sharon Padula in memory of her sister, Carole K.

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 CREATORS: Debbi Ortiz, Vicki Venable

GREETER: Anita Hamilton

LAY ASSISTANT: Peggy Todd

READER: Dan Singer

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

USHERS: Brown Cornwell

## Weekly Calendar

<b>Today</b> .....	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	8:30 a.m. First Light Sunday School
	9:30 a.m. <b>WORSHIP</b>
	10:30 a.m. Informational Meeting
	11:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Monday .....	7:00 p.m. Troop Meeting
Tuesday .....	10:00 a.m. Fellowship Bible Study
	6:00 p.m. Supper at Capri
Wednesday .....	12:00 p.m. Community Bible Study – H.E.L.P.
Friday .....	<i>Church and Childcare Closed – Juneteenth</i>
	5:00 p.m. VBS Decorating
Saturday .....	9:00 a.m. VBS Decorating
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## 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

## Informational Meetings

- An Information Meeting on the School Building Project will be held today, June 14, immediately following worship in the Simeon Center.
- An Information Meeting on the Church Budget will be held on Sunday, June 21, immediately following worship in the Simeon Center.

## Annual Congregational Meeting

**Sunday, June 28, 2026, following worship in the Nave**

Updated Constitution, approval of financial plan, and elections are highlights of the agenda. A copy of the Annual Report will be available for you to pick up after the service on Sunday, June 21, so you may review it ahead of time.

## 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.

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

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

**Our members:** 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:

Lois Peterson, mom of Craig Peterson  
Kim Wood and her family, friends of Peggy Todd  
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

### Life Groups at Gloria Dei

We have a new Life Group forming, which will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. This group will be capped at eight people. Please contact Rita Foringer, [rforinger@verizon.net](mailto:rforinger@verizon.net), if you are interested.

Joining or creating a small group in your church offers a unique opportunity to grow deeper in your faith and build meaningful connections. If you feel the call to host a small group and/or to join a small group, please email Pastor at [pastordave@gloriadei.net](mailto:pastordave@gloriadei.net).

### Flower Girl Update

As many of you are aware, we three "Flower Girls" (Bonnie Hess, Anita Hamilton, and Carol Godley) take the flowers after Sunday service and break them down into three or four arrangements. These are delivered to those who may be ill or shut in as a means to brighten their spirits and remind them they are not forgotten. Many of you have been generous in donating vases to support this ministry. We are grateful for your past support. If you have any medium to large vases to donate, please leave them in the lower left cabinet in the Coffee Bar. Thank you again for your support and helping to brighten someone's day.

### First Light (Sunday School)

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

### Usher Opportunity

Calling all members and future members! If you or someone you know would have any interest in serving as an usher for Sunday services, I would like to speak with you! Ushering is a crucial part of the Sunday morning experience for our congregation. We serve the congregation ensuring an orderly and safe gathering as well as assist the pastor, lay assistants, cross and crown, and greeters as needed. If you or someone you know would like more information on what all serving entails, please contact Jason Green at [Jason.green775@icloud.com](mailto:Jason.green775@icloud.com), or 757.871.2499.

### 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](mailto: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.

### 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.gdshamptonva.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.

### Weekly Newsletter

Please email [psipes@gloriadei.net](mailto: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.

### Prince of Egypt – Ruth Hutchison

Come see Ruth Hutchison as Moses in Centerstage Academy's musical production, "The Prince of Egypt". Ruth is in the "Nile Cast". Shows are the weekends of June 19-21 and June 26-28 at the James-York Playhouse in Williamsburg. Tickets are available at [williamsburgplayers.org](http://williamsburgplayers.org).

# 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 6<sup>th</sup> Graders

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



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## 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 20, anytime between 9:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.



## Building Foundations that Last—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.

Looking toward the future, Gloria Dei is strategically refocusing its mission to strengthen and expand our elementary school program. As we phase out middle school grades, this dedicated commitment enables us to channel all our resources, planning, and facilities into delivering an extraordinary Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade experience. Our mission is to cultivate a robust academic, social, and spiritual foundation during these critical formative years.

Beginning in 2027, Phase 1 will bring to life a comprehensive multi-purpose facility featuring a regulation-sized basketball court with performance stage, a commercial kitchen for various events, and dedicated resource classrooms, which will include art and music. This versatile space will serve us well for physical education, school assemblies, chapel services, student performances, and daily instruction. Additionally, our congregation will benefit from its use for social functions and receptions.

The second phase transforms our vision into reality through a brand-new elementary school building designed to inspire young minds. Our state-of-the-art facility will feature bright, welcoming classrooms for Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, a vibrant library with a media center serving as the heart of learning, and comfortable administrative spaces that keep our community connected. This building will provide the perfect environment where children can grow both academically and spiritually.

We invite every member of the Gloria Dei family – parents, alumni, church members, friends, and neighbors – to join us in shaping the future of our school. Through prayerful support, generous giving, and our shared vision, we will create a campus that embodies our unwavering commitment to both excellence and faith.

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.

Tithe.ly



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