

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

1st Sunday after Pentecost

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9:30 AM



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We welcome all who worship with us. If you are a guest, we are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Our worship is always enhanced by new faces and voices. If you are already a part of our church family, welcome home.

“O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!” Today we celebrate the holy Trinity. Paul writes that through Jesus we have peace with God, whose love pours into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, giving us lasting hope. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One, as we worship in community; as we share water and word, bread and wine; and as we bring God’s love and hope to our neighbors.

Participating in Today’s Service:

Pastor: Pastor Lynn Fonfara

Music Director: Len Cremisio

Assistant Ministers

Reader: Patricia Bressler

Crucifer: Leone Goding

Assisting Minister: Vaike O’Grady

Ushers: Crystal Kirkpatrick, Byron Kirkpatrick, John Kelly

Prelude:

WELCOME AND WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

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

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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

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

ENTRANCE HYMN: ELW 825 "You Servants of God"

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: ELW pg. 203 “Have mercy on us, Lord”

HYMN OF PRAISE: ELW pg. 204 “Glory be to God in Heaven”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

In the Bible, wisdom is portrayed in terms sometimes human and sometimes divine. Often, wisdom is personified as feminine. In this passage, Woman Wisdom is depicted not only as the first creation of God, but also as God’s helper, rejoicing in God’s creation, especially in human beings.

- ¹ Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?
² On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³ beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴ “To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.
- ²² The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
²³ Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—
²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world’s first bits of soil.
²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸ when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,

²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.”

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 8 (*Spoken*)

R- 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.
**C- 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?**
R- 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.
**C- ⁹ O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5

Paul describes the life of faith with reference to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Even now, we have peace with God through Jesus, and our hope for the future is grounded in the love of God that we experience through Christ's Holy Spirit.

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² 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. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character

produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW pg. 205 "Alleluia! Lord and Savior"

GOSPEL: John 16:12-15

Jesus' ongoing presence with the disciples will be made known through the coming Spirit who will guide them and communicate to them Jesus' will and glory.

The holy gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The assembly is seated.

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 412 "Come, Join the Dance of Trinity"

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say,
"Peace be with you, " or similar words.
The assembly is seated.*

MEAL

OFFERING

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. **A second collection is received today for our hunger ministry.***

Deuteronomy 16:17

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord, your God, which he has given you.

OFFERTORY: ELW 681 "We Plow the Fields and Scatter"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads in prayer. Please stand at the invitation to pray:

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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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....

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS: ELW pg. 207 “Holy, holy, holy”

THANSKGIVING AT THE TABLE

The presiding minister leads the Eucharistic Prayer

At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer, all say:

Holy God, Our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, ...

... both now and forever.

Amen

***THE LORDS PRAYER (Spoken)**

(Those who wish may hold hands as a sign of Christian unity).

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.

LAMB OF GOD: ELW pg. 208 “O Lamb of God”

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All Baptized Christians are welcome to commune. Those who do not wish to commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing (fold your arms over your chest).

The Body is available as bread or gluten-free Host.

The Blood is available as wine (large chalices) or non-alcoholic juice (small chalice).

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The appropriate response is:

Amen.

During the distribution, please pray silently or join in singing.

**HYMN: ELW 462 “Now We Join In Celebration
ELW 413 “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please remain seated:

Mothering God,
you gathered us to your table
and we drank deeply of your grace.
Send us out by your Spirit
to love our neighbors as ourselves
and proclaim your love in Jesus’ name.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✝ bless you and give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 414 “Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

***The end of Worship –
The beginning of Christian Ministry.***

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Post Worship Sec.:	9:30 a.m
Counters:	Arlene Kelly
Greeters:	9:30 a.m.
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Communion Wine: For June is given to the Glory of God
Altar Flowers: From Don & Helen Ames in honor of Don’s
88th Birthday.

This Weeks Announcements!

Upcoming

Sun.	6/15	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship/Hunger Offering
Mon.	6/16	7:00 p.m.	Zoom Bible Study
Tues.	6/17	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
		10:30 a.m.	Stewardship

Attendance for Sunday, June 8, 2025: 62

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Ernest DeBarr

June 17th

BIBLE STUDIES

Developing Disciple Bible Study will not be meeting until further notice.

Join us for our **weekly Zoom Bible Study** on **Monday evenings at 7:00 pm**. We are studying the Gospel of Luke. If you would like to participate, please email Pastor Lynn at pastorgdlclesburg@gmail.com or Evelyn Rollins at gloradeilutheranleesburg@gmail.com, and one of us will send you the link. **We look forward to studying with you!**

Interested in Leading a Bible Study? We are looking for individuals who feel called to lead a Bible Study group. If you have a passion for scripture and a desire to help others grow in their faith, we encourage you to consider this opportunity. If you're interested or would like more information, please speak with Christine Carlson.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.....

We need **volunteers for Assisting Ministers and Readers!!!** If you would like to try it but need a little more information, please contact the church office. Thank you.



If you would like to **join Gloria Dei Church**, please call the church office 352-787-3223.



There are Gloria Dei members of our congregation that would come to church if they had a way to get there. **We need volunteers for our “Rides to Church” program.** If you would like to get involved, **please call the church office at 352-787-3223.**



Prayer List Update. Please take a moment to review the Prayer List located on the podium in the Gathering Hall. If you would like to add or remove a name from the list, please reach out to Christine or call the Church Office. **Your help in keeping our Prayer List current is greatly appreciated.**

You're Invited!

Our neighbors at **First Presbyterian Church** are hosting **their 9th Annual American Heritage Concert Sunday, June 29th at 4:00 PM.** Mark your calendars.



Pulled Pork BBQ – Volunteers Needed!

Join us as we kick off summer with a Pulled Pork BBQ on **Sunday, July 6th!** We’re looking for volunteers to help with set-up and clean-up between **11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.** There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall for those who would like to lend a hand. **For those of you who would like to attend,** please also sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall so we can plan accordingly. **Let’s work together to make this a joyful and welcoming event** for our congregation, neighbors, and surrounding community!



Repairs are complete with the exception of the removal of the old stoop on the parking lot side of the building. We are hoping **the painting project will begin in September** or sooner.

A side note, **First Impressions will not be meeting in the month of June.**