

GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH
8th Sunday After Pentecost



July 18th, 2010

Welcome to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church. We greet you in the name of Jesus Christ and welcome you to our church home. Please sign the perforated tear off sheet on the back cover of the bulletin. All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Lord's body and blood in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Everyone is invited to come forward for a blessing at the time of Holy Communion. Today's entire worship service is printed in this booklet. Worshipers read or sing all boldface type marked "All." Large print bulletins are available from our ushers. Childcare is available in our nursery. Our ushers will be happy to assist you.

By Grace, God Gathers Us

PRELUDE: "Largo" Betty Roe

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(please stand as you are able)

ENTRANCE HYMN: "All Are Welcome" ELW 641

APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: Sisters and brothers, called to freedom in Christ:
Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

All: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

(The same tune as "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing")



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;



praise the One who frees the pris-'ners, turn-ing blind-ness in - to sight.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal-ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,



calm-ing storms and feed - ing thou-sands with the ver - y bread of peace.

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray:

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.

(please be seated)

In Grace, God Empowers Us With The Word

FIRST READING:

Genesis 18: 1-10a

The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on — since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please enjoy two songs from Vacation Bible School "High Seas Expedition"

Vast Voyage

Jump, Jump, Jump

PSALM:

Psalm 15

(Read responsively)

LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

**Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,
who speak the truth from their heart;**

they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;
they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

**In their sight the wicked are rejected,
but they honor those who fear the LORD.**

They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING

Colossians 1: 15-28

Sometimes Paul preaches with great attention to theological concepts. Here, however, Paul offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you." Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers — all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him — provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

(please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “*The Church’s One Foundation*” ELW 654 v.1

*The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the word.
From heav’n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter:

ALL: Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL:

Luke 10: 38-42

Jesus uses his visit to two sisters as an occasion to remind disciples that an important aspect of obedience is singleminded devotion to Jesus and his word.

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself?"

Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you O Christ.

(please be seated)

SERMON: "Easily Distracted" Pastor Rosemary Backer

(please stand as you are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Give Me Jesus" ELW 770

APOSTLE'S CREED

*God has made us his people through our baptism in Christ, living together,
we confess our faith.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Gathered together as God's people in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Kneel/Sit

After each petition of the prayers:

Leader: Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude:

Pastor: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

All: Amen

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

The worshipers may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

In Grace, God Empowers Us With The Meal

THE OFFERING

The OFFERING is received – if you haven't already done so, we ask at this time for you/family to complete the perforated tear off sheet on the back of your bulletin.

THE ANTHEM

Please enjoy a song from Vacation Bible School "High Seas Expedition"

Ancient Words

(please stand as you are able)

OFFERTORY

“Thine is the Glory”

*Thine is the glory, risen, conqu’ring Son;
Endless is the vict’ry thou o’er death hast won!
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.*

*Thine is the glory, risen, conqu’ring Son;
Endless is the vict’ry thou o’er death hast won!*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. God of mercy and grace,

All: the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR SUMMER

Pastor: Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise. When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

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.
Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up,
and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of
the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.
Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the
hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the
ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life,
your Son.
Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the
Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church celebrates open communion. We understand the sharing of the bread and the cup in Jesus' name to be a representation of an ancient vision of God's feast for all peoples. We don't require you to be a member of this church to participate with us in this feast of grace – it is God's Table. Simply come forward at the usher's direction. The wafer will be given to you by the pastor and communion assistant will offer the cup for you to dip the wafer into the wine. If you prefer a common cup this available at the next communion assistant. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available for those who are allergic, please ask the communion assistant.

LAMB OF GOD



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMN: “Be Thou My Vision” ELW 793

(please stand as you are able)

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
And keep you in His grace.

All: **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: God our creator, at this table you have satisfied us
with the good things of your grace. Fix our hearts on your mercy
and truth, that our lives may reflect your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

*The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.
Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.*

With Grace, God Sends Us

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Life is short and we do not have much time
to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.
So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind.
And may the Divine Mystery Who is beyond our ability to know
but Who made us, and Who loves us, and Who travels with us,
Bless you and keep you in peace.
In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: “*Lift High the Cross*” ELW 660

DISMISSAL:

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE: *Postlude on “Salzburg”* Anon.

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OUR CHURCH COOKBOOK



THE COOKBOOKS HAVE ARRIVED!!!!

**IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY PUT IN YOUR ORDER NOW IS THE
TIME!**

DON'T MISS OUT!

**TO ORDER YOURS PLEASE SEE EITHER MANDY BAKER OR
SHIRLEY MUNDELL. YOU MAY ALSO CONTACT THE CHURCH
OFFICE. ORDER FORMS CAN BE FOUND IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
AND THE NARTHEX.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL PRAYERS - Please pray for Nick Patsios, Bud & Gretchen Edgren, Shirley Horvath, Phyllis Munson and Family, Kathy Clark, Mike Mulyck, Sara Edixon, Ken Fuchs, Barbara Gilso, Donald Turner, Linda Brusco, Ella Fullin, Lac Nguyen, Brianna Tonkin, Miriam Longenecker, Matthew & Andrew Woodall, Jordan Bailey, Roger Moury, Courtney Lakis, Felicia Alberico, Gerhard John, Joanne Rood, Louise Johnston and Phil Bjornberg.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Ella Fullin to the Glory of God.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY...is next weekend. Please take a moment to look at the Christmas tree in the Narthex and take an item package that you would be willing to give to the needy family. We will be collecting donations until mid-August.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS. The chart is in the Narthex. There are many days still left to be filled including September 12th and 19th, October 3rd, 17th, 24th and 31st and November 7th and 14th.

A CARING BOARD MEETING is scheduled for July 21st at 10:30am.

A WORSHIP & MUSIC MEETING is scheduled for July 21st at 1pm.

VBS WAS A HUGE SUCCESS....The children and volunteers had a wonderful time last week during our “High Seas Expedition”. Thank you to all who helped make the week amazing. Look for pictures in the next newsletter.

WE ARE COLLECTING SHOES....Please bring in a pair of new shoes and/or a pair of new socks for Project Heart. This is an organization that helps the homeless children of Manatee County. Let’s send as many children as possible to school with a new pair of shoes.

ATT. LAST WEEK: 5:00 – 17 9:30 – 72 C.O.M.T.D.-\$7636.00

SERVING IN WORSHIP: Memorials M.T.D.-

Reader: Chris Mundell Communion Asst: RuthAnn Jacobson

Ushers: John and Susan Bonser

THIS WEEK AT GLORIA DEI
July 17th – July 25th

Gloria Dei
Lutheran Church
Communication Card
July 17th & 18th

8th WEEKEND AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY

9:00 A.M. Men's Breakfast
5:00 P.M. Celebrate!
8:00 P.M. AA

SUNDAY

9:00 – Noon Serve at Our Daily Bread
9:30 A.M. **Traditional Worship**
10:30 A.M. Fellowship

MONDAY

TUESDAY

9:00 A.M. Quilters
(All invited bring a bag lunch)

WEDNESDAY

10:30 A.M. Caring Board Mtg.
1:00 P.M. Worship & Music Mtg.

THURSDAY

9:30 A.M. Women's Book study

FRIDAY

11:00 A.M. Freedom Village Worship

9th WEEKEND AFTER PENTECOST

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8:00 P.M. AA

SUNDAY

9:30 A.M. **Traditional Worship**
10:30 A.M. Fellowship

Name _____

Phone _____

Address, Phone or E-mail
change?

Please check appropriate
box:

I would like info on
making Gloria Dei my church
family.

I would like to receive the
newsletter electronically
e-mail _____

I am willing to learn to be a
worship assistant

I have something to
contribute for the next
newsletter.

I will read during worship

I will donate a thumb
drive/memory card for Haiti

Message to Staff:

**Guests: Welcome to
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church!**
Are you visiting with us today?
If so, please fill out the following
information:

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

E-mail _____

Local Address _____

**We're glad you're here! Please
tell us about yourself:**

Which service did you attend?
Trad. Worship @ 9:30 AM

How did you hear about us?

- Newspaper Banner
- Mailing Friend
- I would like information on
joining Gloria Dei Church
- I would like information on
Sunday School Classes
- I would like information on
Adult Small Groups
- Please register me for a
New member's Class
- Gloria Dei would like to be a
home away from home. If you
need a prayer or a Pastor's call
please let us know.
- Other _____

(please place card in collection plate)

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