



# The Trumpeter

## Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Anna Maria Island, Florida  
"To God be the Glory"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

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"Christ is Risen, Alleluia"

"He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia, Alleluia"

With these joyous words Christians have greeted one another on Easter Day for nearly two thousand years. And every Easter the words proclaim anew the faith and hope of every Christian in the Good News of God's profound love of humankind, a love that conquers death. This Easter greeting is still used today. Whenever Christians greet one another with these exultant phrases, we affirm the unity of believers throughout all times and ages until He comes again in glory.

Every Sunday is a celebration of the Day of the Lord's Resurrection. And each Sunday celebrates the Descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost (fifty days after Easter) which established the Church. Every Sunday is a "little Easter." Every Sunday is Christ's feast day. This is why the Sundays during Lent are excluded from the forty days of Lent.

From the earliest days of the Church the celebration of the Eucharist was made on the first day of the Jewish week. We know this because specific reference is made to the Lord's day in Acts 20:7: *"And on the first day of the week, when we were assembled together to break bread Paul discoursed with them";* and I Corinthians 16:2: *"On the first of each week, let everyone of you personally put aside something and save it up as he has prospered".*

As we gather to worship this Easter season and throughout the year I pray you will find Jesus as the center of our worship and life together. As the risen Jesus invited the disciples to *"Come and eat"* He invites us to share the supper as well. The Table of the Lord beckons us and feeds us. May the blessings of the risen Christ be upon you each day.

In Christ who loved us first.

*Pastor Rosemary Backer*

# God's Work... Our Hands



*Gloria Dei Lutheran Church at work in the  
Community and the World*

**All Island Denominations (A.I.D.)** is an ecumenical network of Anna Maria Island Churches that works together to provide assistance to people in emergency need.

## **Our Daily Bread**

Our next day to serve is **Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendars now. With over 400 to be fed please plan to stay until noon.

**Church Music Sunday** is April 25<sup>th</sup>. Our Wonderful Choir Director David and our immensely talented choir are sure to make this a day to remember.

## **Adopt-a-Grandparent/Grandchild**

Our Youth Director, Chris, is currently looking into a program that would add a little something

to the lives of some children and adults in our community. By signing up for the program you would be coupled with a "Grandparent" or "Grandchild" that maybe doesn't have one in the area and misses that outing experience. You would be able to enjoy an ice cream sundae or a movie for an afternoon. If this is something that you are interested in please sign your tear off in the next bulletin and as the interest grows the information will be updated.

## **Family Promise at Roser Community Church**

Will be the week of April 18<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>. Gloria Dei's evening to provide the meal and serve is 4/23. Please sign your tear-off if you are willing to help.

## **WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE MINUTES MARCH 3 2010**

Members present: Pastor Rosemary Backer, Susan Bonser, John Bonser, David Stasney, RuthAnn Jacobson, Jay Poppe

1. Minutes from Feb 3 meeting approved.
2. Review of February Worship  
The banner on the dais blocks people from seeing the choir and the leader during the Prayers of the People. The leader will be asked to always wear a microphone and to stand by the pulpit when leading the prayers.  
Ushers are so important in the success of worship. Additional volunteers need to be recruited and given training.
3. Old Business.  
Hymnals. 20 additional hymnals were purchased using Memorial Funds and placed throughout the sanctuary.  
Committee membership. Bill Wamester will be the Chairman of the committee. Elsie Tamson is willing to serve as a committee alternate if needed. Jay Poppe will join the committee. Lilo Villa will be contacted to see if she can resume committee membership. Chris Anderson, Youth Leader will be asked to attend whenever possible.
4. New Business.  
Additional choir robes are needed as a result of the growth of the choir. A request for Memorial Funds will be sent to the Council for approval to buy 3 robes and 2 surplus. Stoneware candlesticks and a large ciborium are needed to match the Lenten vessels being used. The large paten easily spills wafers. Cokesbury referred us to the company who made the stoneware. They can make matching candlesticks. A request for use of Memorial Funds will be completed and sent to the church Council for approval. Black metal candle sticks were purchased for use during Lent until the stoneware can be obtained.  
The purple drape used on the large wooden cross is damaged and faded. Fabric will be purchased for a new drape. The white drape is in good shape and does not need replacement.
5. Upcoming services and events.  
Lent. The Vespers Service in the Lutheran Book of Worship will continue to be used despite several requests to change back to the Holden Evening Prayer. Previously, requests to not do Holden Evening Prayer this year were received. Attendance at soup suppers is growing.  
Maundy Thursday. The committee requests members of the Church Council to volunteer for foot washing. Susan will put it on the agenda for the next meeting.  
Easter. The committee will ask members of the Church Council not in the choir to assist with distribution of communion using 2 lines up the center aisle. A rehearsal for ushers and assistants is vital and will be held before choir rehearsal on March 31. Susan will put this item on the agenda for the next Council meeting. An acolyte will be needed to light candles and to carry the Word for the Gospel reading. Four ushers will be needed, and it would be good to have a greeter at each door for the 10:30 service. RuthAnn will work with Pastor to get volunteers.  
Youth Sunday. April 11      Church Music Sunday. April 25
6. Adjourn.

# FELLOWSHIP



**Men's Breakfast** is April 17<sup>th</sup> at Gloria Dei. Please call ahead or fill out your tear-off in worship to give us your intention so that we may prepare enough food for everyone.

## **The Over 39er's Club.....**

Enjoyed a wonderful kick-off season. We had many people who would not miss a week and some who even came early. The



fellowship that was enjoyed could be heard throughout the church. Mark your calendars for the Fall when this seasonal gathering will join together again.

**Pizza and Pipes Night....**come out and enjoy a gathering time with friends and good food...not to mention really unique ambiance. The Roaring 20's is located in Ellenton and we will be meeting there 4/11 at 5pm. Come and join in the fun.

**The Gloria Dei Cookbook is coming along nicely.....**and is in the printing stage now. If you have not already ordered one or two now, is the time. You will find the order forms in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall and the church office. If you know someone out of town that would like to order one please have them call the church office. Take a look at the bulletin board to see what the cover will look like. This team has really done a great job!

**Birthday Cake Sunday** is the first Sunday of each month. Please put your birthday on your tear-off sheet to be added to the monthly birthday list. Then join in Fellowship the first Sunday of your month and enjoy a song and some cake in your honor.

## **Can You Help in Fellowship?**

Helping hands are always needed because of the many things that are hopping and happening at Gloria Dei. If you are willing to pitch in either sign up or see Lolly, Norma (778-9356) or Ellen.

# Easter Worship at Gloria Dei

The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

"This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." God has indeed raised from the dead the one who was put to death "by hanging him on a tree." Alleluia! God allows Jesus to appear "to us who were chosen by God as witnesses" in holy baptism and invites us to eat and drink at the table of the risen Christ.

Alleluia!

Second Easter April 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to his fearful disciples. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who "have not seen and yet believe."

Third Easter April 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

The risen Christ appears again to his disciples by the sea where they were first called. After echoes of the fishing and feeding miracles, he gives a final reminder of the cost of a disciple's love and obedience.

Fourth Easter April 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable

claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand.

Fifth Easter May 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>

After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.

Sixth Easter May 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>

As Jesus talks of returning to the Father, he promises to send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will teach Jesus' followers and remind them of all that Jesus taught. Even more, those in whom God makes a home will experience a peace that overcomes fear.

Seventh Easter May 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>

Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.

# **SEHS SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER**



**SUNDAY  
MAY 16<sup>TH</sup> 5PM  
\$10 donation**

**Come out and support the Southeast Girls Basketball and their fundraiser for Summer Basketball Camp. We are in need of cooks and servers and most importantly hearty appetites. Invite your friends and neighbors to this "Annual" event.**

## Music Ministry at Gloria Dei

**TO MY CHURCH FAMILY** It has been my pleasure and delight to have worshiped and worked with Gloria Dei for the past year. Your surprise anniversary party for me was wonderful! Thank you for the privilege of being your Music Director, for supporting my efforts, for your kind words and encouragement. It means so very much! I thank all of you from the bottom of my heart!

In Christ Service - David Stasney

**CHURCH MUSIC SUNDAY is April 25<sup>th</sup>.** It is a way to set a little time aside to give "Thanks" and recognition to our church musicians. So please plan to attend this special and very musical worship service. Following Traditional Worship I ask everyone in our congregation to take just a moment to personally "Thank" each of our church musicians and let them know how much we appreciate them and the contributions they make to our congregation and our worship.

**GO OUT AND SUPPORT DAVID AS HE PERFORMS AT TRINITY UNITED METHODIST ON MANATEE AVE.**

**April 19<sup>th</sup> , 2010 at 7 PM – Bradenton Musica Sacra** – Dr. Robert Parrish, Director. This is the choir that I sing with on Monday evenings, and we perform only Sacred Music from all periods. The choir is comprised of about 24 singers from Sarasota and Bradenton. The concert is The Creation by Aaron Copland. Come and experience our ethereal sounds! Refreshments and time to Meet & Greet will follow! All concerts are Free and Open to the Public – so spread the word and bring your friends!

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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**JULY 12<sup>TH</sup>–16<sup>TH</sup>**

**Mark your calendars now. We set sail on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July for VBS fun. Feel sea spray on your face as sails snap overhead-and you and your crew experience the deep, rolling waters of God's love! Information on planning will follow. We are in need of volunteers for many different positions. If you are willing and able please let the church office know. Please invite your neighbors, grandkids, nieces and nephews. Each year proves to be an exciting look into God's Powers.**



## April

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Judith Neale	20 <sup>th</sup>	Ruth Nelson
4 <sup>th</sup>	Shirley Mundell	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lolly Paysour
6 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Littell	22 <sup>nd</sup>	John Quam
11 <sup>th</sup>	David Littell	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mandy Baker
16 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Councilman	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Shirley Kutz

## May

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