

## Announcements

### THE WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS:

Pastor: Pastor: Rev. Dr. Denise Arnold  
Music: Jan Thompson  
Coffee Hour: Easter Breakfast  
Flowers: Barbara Baker  
Communion Asst.: Candace Kolberg  
Reader: Roger Amundson  
Greeter: Jaws  
Sunday School: Jackie Erickson

### Next week

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Denise Arnold  
Linda Monahan  
Paula Zerby  
Jane Vaughn  
Boyd Burns  
Deborah Burns  
Carol Rife

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Barbara Baker.

### JOIN US FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr 7<sup>th</sup>** – Sit & Be Fit – 10:30 Fellowship Hall.  
**Apr 8<sup>th</sup>** – Wisdom Keepers at Noon. Bring a sack lunch.  
**Apr 11<sup>th</sup>** – Men’s Breakfast 8:30 in the Fellowship Hall.  
**Apr 12<sup>th</sup>** – Council Meeting after Service.  
**Apr 14<sup>th</sup>** – Sit & Be Fit – 10:30 Fellowship Hall.  
**Apr 16<sup>th</sup>** – CCC at 9am.  
**Apr 19<sup>th</sup>** – Bible Study with Elten 11:00  
**Apr 21<sup>st</sup>** – Sit & Be Fit – 10:30 Fellowship Hall.  
**Apr 25<sup>th</sup>** – Earth Day – Outreach 10:00am – more information to come.  
**Apr 26<sup>th</sup>** – Bible Study with Elten 11:00  
**Apr 28<sup>th</sup>** – Sit & Be Fit – 10:30 Fellowship Hall.  
**May 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Bible Study with Elten 11:00  
**May 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Council Meeting – after service.

### Adult Education Class Coming Soon!

#### “Ancient Superpowers and how they shaped the Biblical narrative”

Classes are offered at 11:00 am on Sundays April 19 through May 24.  
See familiar Bible Stories in a whole new light. - Elten Zerby, Instructor

**Gloria Dei Lutheran Church**  
**Easter Day Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day**  
WOV Holy Communion Setting Five: Bread of Life  
Sunday, April 5, 2026



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**GATHERING PRESENTATION**

**The Tomb & Agnus Dei**

**Gloria Dei's Faithful Servant Choir**

**PROCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Christ is risen, **Christ is risen indeed.**  
Alleluia, Christ is risen, **Christ is risen indeed.**  
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**JOYFUL HYMN *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* (ELW 365)**

**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**

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

Chri - ste e - le - i - son:    Christ, have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.**

**Amen**

**BLESSING**

May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace this Easter, that you may overflow with love, In the name of the Father, **+** the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen**

**SENDING HYMN ELW 855 CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## 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.

## COMMUNION

All are welcome to this Holy Meal. You have the option of wine or grape juice and gluten-free bread is also available.

If you only want a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

You may place your flower in the cross as you come up for communion.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen

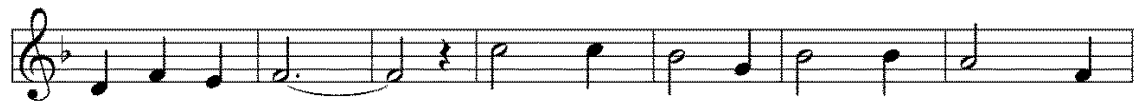
## COMMUNION HYMN



☩ 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.

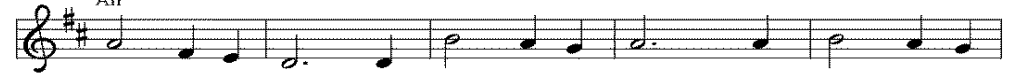
## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

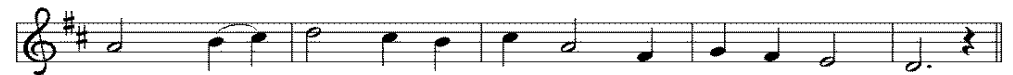
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1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

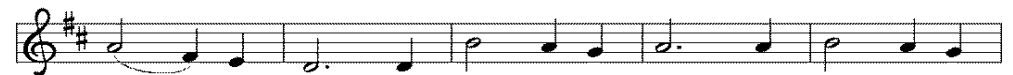


strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

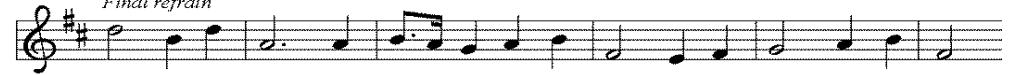


hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen**

**FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-48** A reading from Acts.

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness<sup>[a]</sup> is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

<sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup> The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the gentiles, <sup>46</sup> for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup> “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup> So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## DIALOGUE

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.**

## HOLY, HOLY ,HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## PREFACE

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

## PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
And also with you.

## OFFERING

### Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And  
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

*Last time*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## SPECIAL MUSIC "ABOVE ALL"

Gloria Dei's Faithful Servant Choir

## PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures forever."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup>There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

<sup>16</sup>"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

<sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the LORD; he who is righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup>I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

<sup>22</sup>The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup>This is the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

<sup>24</sup>On this day the LORD has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4 A reading from Colossians.

<sup>1</sup>If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## **GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28<sup>th</sup> chapter.

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” <sup>8</sup>So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.” The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **MESSAGE & CHILDREN’S/COMMUNITY TIME**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY *Thine Is the Glory* (ELW 376)**

#### **EASTER CREED**

**I believe in the God of Easter morning. Who awakes us from our darkest dreams and leads us into the light of a new day, who meets our pessimism with stunning hope of angelic proclamation. I believe in the God of Easter Day, Who beats us to the obstacles in our lives and empties the dark tomb for us; Who appears in surprising ways when we least expect it; walking with us on our detours. I believe in the God of Easter evening. Who breaks into our closets and prisons, bringing peace and crushing our fear. I believe in the risen Lord who meets us with wounds on his hands and feet; Who grants us his spirit, sending us out to bring Shalom to the world. Amen.**

#### **THE PRAYERS**

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for all theologians, preachers, and teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world especially Ukraine that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized (*especially*) and for all health care workers who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our assembly’s song. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

For what else do the people of God pray?

As you have raised Jesus from the dead, you show us your resurrection promise. With your holy ones who have sung your praise, free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news. Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ’s resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**