



# GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 21, 2024

8:30am, 10:00am, 5:00pm

WELCOME to worship! Today, we continue our summer sermon series on the Olympic Motto: *Citius, Altius, Fortius* (Faster, Higher, Stronger). Those are perfect descriptive words about the Gospel of Mark. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus is always on the move and heading with loving determination towards the cross. As we hear the stories of Jesus' loving actions, may He inspire our living with hope and compassion.

PRELUDE:

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist (8:30am/10am)

Harrison Michael, Worship Leader (5pm)

THE WELCOME AND INVOCATION

**GATHERING HYMN: *This is My Father's World***

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**This is my Father's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears  
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.**

**This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise;  
the morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.**

THE CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 23 (People read/sing bold words.)

The LORD is my shepherd,

**I shall not want.**

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

**he leads me beside still waters;**

he restores my soul.

**He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.**

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

**I fear no evil;**

for you are with me;

**your rod and your staff—they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

**you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

**and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long. Amen.**

**THE HYMN: *This is My Father's World***

#824 v. 3

**This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget  
that, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad?**

**The Lord is king, let the heaven ring;  
God reigns, let earth be glad!**

(The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**)  
PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

(Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**)

THE SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 2:11-22

So then, remember that at one time you gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, abolishing the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation.

(Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Please stand for the Gospel.)

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Leader: Speak, O Lord, Your servant is listening. You have the words of eternal life.  
(People sing Alleluia again.)

(The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 6th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**)

THE GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

**The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things. When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognized Jesus. They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went—into villages, towns or countryside—they placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.** (The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to You, O Christ!)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:30am/10am)

Art & Music Minister Michelle Lum

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HYMN OF THE DAY: Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God  
Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.**

**We do not live by bread a-lone, but by ev-'ry word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia.**

THE MESSAGE: "3 R's"

OFFERTORY MUSIC: *Abide* by Aaron Williams

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE: The Old Rugged Cross**  
**On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,**  
**the emblem of suf-f'ring and shame;**  
**and I love that old cross where the dearest and best**  
**for a world of lost sinners was slain.**

Refrain:  
**So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,**  
**till my trophies at last I lay down;**  
**I will cling to the old rugged cross,**  
**and exchange it some day for a crown.**

**O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,**  
**has a wondrous attraction for me;**  
**for the dear Lamb of God left His glory above**  
**to bear it to dark Calvary. (Refrain.)**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

(All who believe Christ is present in this sacrament are welcome. Non-communing children and adults who choose not to receive, may come forward for a blessing. Please cross your arms as a signal you would prefer a blessing. Juice is located in the center of each tray, and gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

**HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION MUSIC:**  
**Lamb of God** (Repeat phrase after the leader.)  
**Lamb of God... You take away...**  
**the sins of the world... Miserere nobis.**

**Lamb of God... You take away...**  
**the sins of the world... Miserere nobis.**

**Agnus Dei... You take away...**  
**the sins of the world... Dona nobis pacem...**

**You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore**  
**You have come down to the lakeshore**

Deacon Daneen Pysz

Harrison Michael

**Seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,**  
**But only asking for me to follow.**

Refrain:  
**Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;**  
**kindly smiling, you've called out my name.**  
**On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;**  
**now with you, I will seek other seas.**

**You know full well what I have, Lord:**  
**Neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,**  
**Just these my fish nets and will for working. (Refrain.)**

**You need my hands, my exhaustion,**  
**Working love for the rest of the weary**  
**A love that's willing to go on loving. (Refrain.)**

**You who have fished other waters;**  
**You, the longing of souls that are yearning:**  
**O loving Friend, you have come to call me. (Refrain.)**

**Great is Thy Faithfulness**

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;**  
**there is no shadow of turning with thee;**  
**thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;**  
**as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain: **Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!**  
**Morning by morning new mercies I see;**  
**all I have needed thy hand hath provided;**  
**great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,**  
**sun, moon, and stars in their courses above**  
**join with all nature in manifold witness**  
**to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,**  
**thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;**  
**strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,**  
**blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)**

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

THE BENEDICTION

**THE SENDING HYMN: For All the Saints**

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**For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.**

**Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.**

**Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!**

**Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,  
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.**

**Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!**

SENDING WORDS: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE:

Fred Johnson, Organist/Pianist (8:30am/10am)  
Harrison Michael, Worship Leader (5pm)

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**THANKS TO OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY!**

**8:30am:** Coffee Prep: Barb Collins; Communion: David & Lisa Zylstra; Lector: Brenda Gaumer; Ushers: Diane Kelly & Chuck Weinhardt; Welcome Table: Bob & Brenda Gaumer

**10am:** Coffee Clean-up: Gloria Dei Staff; Communion: Susan Behnke & Katherine Dickinson; Lector: Harold Limbong; Ushers: Donna & Jerry Combe; Welcome Table: Melody & Ron Bacon

**5pm:** Communion & Lector: Gary Bridge

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are provided by Dianne & Greg Blanda in celebration of the birthdays of their Grandson, Jeremy Wolford & their granddaughter, Annabelle Hoyes!

**SUMMER THEME** - *Citius, Altius, Fortius* (Faster, Higher, Stronger) - We'll follow this Olympic motto and look at the Gospel of Mark, which is all about action.

**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES** - Bring a friend and enjoy some wonderful music! Concerts are held in the sanctuary at 6pm. August 2nd at 6pm - Darius Miertschin, classical guitarist; August 16 at 6pm - Micaela Lum, pianist; August 30th at 6pm - Harrison Michael, pianist/vocalist.

**PRAYER SUPPORT** - If you would ever like extra personal prayers, join Deacon Daneen after each morning service by the Prayer Candle Station. She will pray with you and for you. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Support Team: [deacondaneen@mygloriadei.org](mailto:deacondaneen@mygloriadei.org).

**BIBLE YEAR STUDY** - Every Thursday, 6:30pm, Bankson Hall with Pastor David and Deacon Daneen. Weekly study based on the readings. (7/21/24 - Galatians 3:1 through Philippians 4:23). All welcome!

**STAFF BATHROOM REMODEL** - Next Saturday, 9am. Need 4 volunteers each day to demo and retile. Sign-up. Questions - See Scott Neiderhiser or Pastor David.

**CAROL CLISBY MEMORIAL SERVICE** - Saturday, August 3, 10:30am. Reception following.

**ORGANIST/PIANIST FRED JOHNSON'S** last Sunday at Gloria Dei will be Sunday, August 4 at the morning services. Please join us as we celebrate his ministry with us!

**CHRISTMAS CARDS IN AUGUST** with Art & Music Minister Michelle Lum (August 6, 1:00-3:30pm). Sign-up at the Welcome Table.

**BLOOD DRIVE** - Mitch Redden Memorial Blood Drive in Bankson Hall on August 15, 9am - 3pm. Sign up online at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive-advanced/92629>, select 8/15/24 as the date range & select a time to give or sign up at the Welcome Table.

**ANGELS BASEBALL GAME** and tailgating, Saturday, August 17, \$30. Tailgating begins at 4pm/game begins 6:30pm. Sign-up with payment.

**LOS ANGELITOS ORPHANAGE TRIP** - Saturday, August 24, 7am-7pm. Sign-up at Welcome Table. Questions, please contact the church office.

**FANTASY FOOTBALL** - Owner spots are available in our Fantasy Football league. This is an opportunity for great friendship and fellowship. Draft is August 24 & draft times will be assigned. For more details, contact Paul or Matt Dubow or contact the office at 949-493-3414.

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** - 90+ party, August 25 following the 10am service, Bankson Hall. If celebrating your 90th birthday this year, you are included. We want to honor all nonagenarians and centenarians. If you know of someone and want to be included, call the church office.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING TEAM** has been formed to evaluate Gloria Dei's current ministry and put forward a future plan. Everyone's feedback will be needed. Please keep the group in your prayers.

**SUMMER BREAK FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Sunday school for children (Age 4 - 5th grade/8:30am & 10am services) will resume on "Rally Sunday", September 8. If you have questions or if you would like to register your child, please contact Susie Boland - [sundayschool@mygloriadei.org](mailto:sundayschool@mygloriadei.org).

**OFFERING** - Thank you for supporting Gloria Dei! Please place check/money in donation boxes or give electronically - Venmo app - @GloriaDei-DanaPoint or Zelle - gloriadei@mygloriadei.org. You can also donate via credit/ debit card through Vanco, our secure site: [mygloriadei.org/donate](https://mygloriadei.org/donate).

**TIME & TALENT** - Assignments for August 2024 -January 2025 have been distributed. For those who use email, they were sent on 7/10. For those without email, they were mailed on 7/11. Thank you all who help Gloria Dei Sunday services run so smoothly!

**NURSERY** is available on Sunday mornings at 8:30am & 10am services (babies - pre-K.). It is located up the steps, inside the preschool room, closest to the church. Sign your child in and grab a pager.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT**, September 27-29. The Welk Resort (Escondido). Great opportunity for fellowship, fun, and learning. Sign-ups begin today with non-refundable deposit. Scholarships available. Limited space - first-come, first-served.

**SOUTH COAST LITERACY COUNCIL** offers free English classes at Gloria Dei during summer - Mondays, 10am-noon, Online also available. Contact: [esldanapoint@mygloriadei.org](mailto:esldanapoint@mygloriadei.org).

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- Women's Fall Bunco (September 6);
- Prayer Walk the Labyrinth (September 7, 8am - 4pm);
- New Member-Adult Inquiry Class (September 7, 9am);
- Rally Sunday - Kick Off of Fall Programming (September 8);
- Men's Breakfast Study Kicks Off for Year (September 14, 8:30am);
- Women's Fall Retreat at The Welk Resort (September 27-29);
- Oktoberfest sponsored by MGD (October 5);
- Men's Spring Training Retreat (March 7-9, 2025)

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5pm Worship Leader Micaela Lum

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR JULY 21 - 27, 2024**

**Today:** Worship (8:30am, 10am, & 5pm);; NA Meeting (6:30pm)

**Monday:** South Coast Literacy Council (10am); AL Anon (5:30pm); Alateen (5:30pm)

**Tuesday:** AA Men (7am); AL Anon (7pm)

**Wednesday:** AA Men (7am); Mission Hospital Alumni AA Group (6:30pm); 12 Step Couples Group (7:30pm)

**Thursday:** AA Men (7am); AA Women (9:30am); AL Anon Coed (5:30pm); Bible Year Study (6:30pm); AA Men (7pm)

**Friday:**

**Saturday:** AA Men (7am); Staff Bathroom Reconstruction (9am); ACA Meeting (11:30am); Collins Family Event (4pm); NA Meeting (7pm)