

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

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“Gathered in Christ, we are called to bring light to our community.”

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Reconciling in Christ Welcoming Statement

We welcome everyone into all aspects of congregational life and leadership:

*All gender and sexual expressions and identities, all ages, all races and ethnicities,
all economic and marital situations, all physical and mental abilities.*

We come as we are.





FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 28, 2024

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April 28, 2024 10:00am

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PRELUDE

He Leadeth Me

William B. Bradbury arr. by John Turner This
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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship this morning! We are glad you are worshipping with us at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Coos Bay, Oregon!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

Arranged by Allan Robert Petker
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You may stand as you are comfortable

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
creator of night and day,
word of truth,
wind sweeping over the waters.

C: **Amen.**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: God, our rock and refuge,

C: **we pour out our hearts before you.
We have known you but have not always loved you.
We have wounded one another
and sinned against you.
We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit
dwelling in each of us.
Remember your covenant.
Renew your creation.
Restore us,
that we might proclaim your good news to all.
Amen.**

L: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.
God has spoken:
The time of grace is now.
In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.
By the authority of Jesus Christ,
your sins are forgiven.
You are God's beloved.

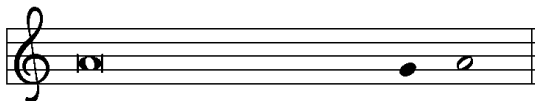
C: **Amen.**

GREETING

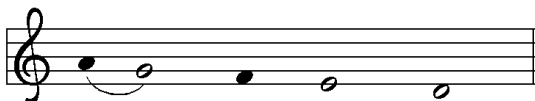
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



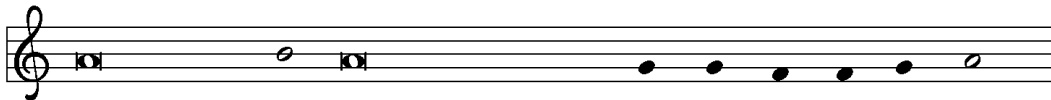
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



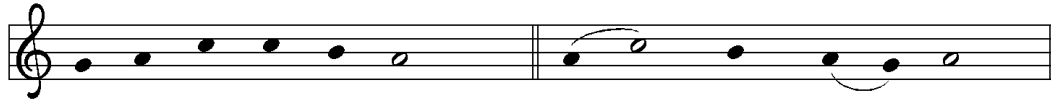
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister



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



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.



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.



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

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

You may be seated.

FIRST READING: Acts 8:26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So Philip got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. Philip asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” ³¹The eunuch replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM TONE



PSALM: Psalm 22:25-31

²⁵From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶The poor shall eat¹ and be satisfied,⁸

Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;

all the families of nations shall bow | before God.

²⁸For dominion belongs | to the LORD,

who rules o-¹ver the nations.

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow ^l down in worship;

all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰Their descendants shall | serve the LORD,

whom they shall proclaim to genera-¹tions to come.

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people¹ yet unborn,

saying to them, “The **LORD** has acted!”

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent into the world God's only Son so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us, and God's love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in God and God in us, because we have been given of God's own Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent the Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as the Son is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because God first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate a member of the community are liars, for those who do not love a person, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. ²¹The

C: Thanks be to God.

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You may stand as you are comfortable

STATEMENT OF FAITH

**We believe in one God, the Architect and Guardian,
who, in the beginning, breathed life into the void,
sprouting all that is seen and unseen.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ
that in order to reconcile the cosmos,
this God sent a piece of God's own self
to be born human as kin to us all.
And who, at the hands of political tyranny, was killed.
He rose again to new life in love to return the world to God.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who is one with the Creator and Savior.
She is our guide and wisdom.
She pours her spirit into apostles, prophets, teachers,
healers, and listeners. We believe in the uniting of all
Christians into the one body of Christ,
And we believe in our return to God at the end. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes with: L: God of grace, C: receive our prayer

THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

Ushers will pass an offering plate. Give online at www.gloriadeifamily.org or use the QR code:




CHOIR ANTHEM

You Are the Bread

Words and Music by **Ruth Elaine Schram**
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OFFERTORY HYMN



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray.

C: **God our provider, by your merciful hand abundance springs up from the earth. Receive and bless these gifts of your own bounty. Let them be a sign of your steadfast love and faithfulness for all people, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

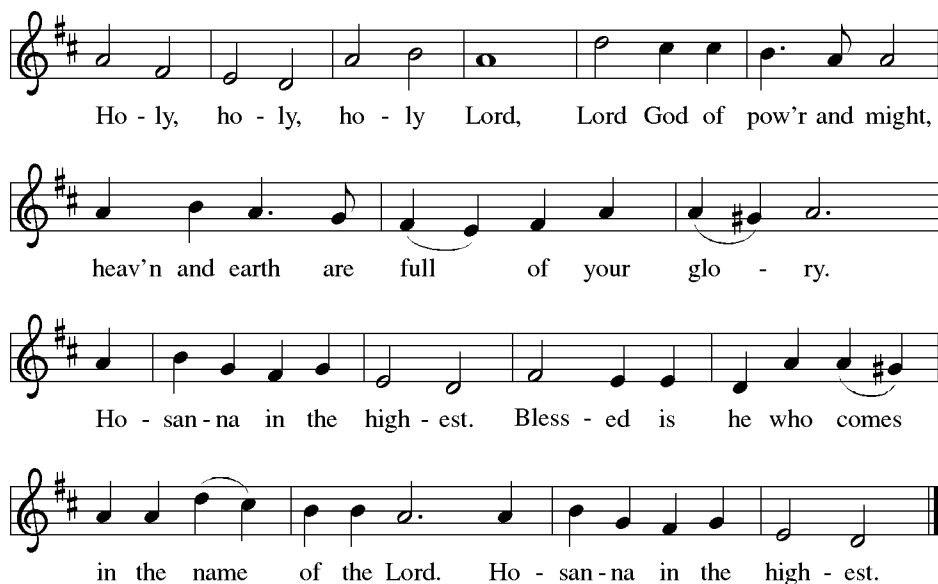
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

L: It is good to cry out for the waters of justice...and so we sing with all the company of heaven:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE ~ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: **Our Creator in heaven,**

Let your name be sanctified

Let your realm come

Let your will happen in heaven

and also upon earth.

Give to us today our nourishment that is necessary for life

And forgive us our debts

as we forgive our debtors.

Do not ever carry us into testing situations

But rescue us from the evil one.

For yours is the kin-dom,

the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

L: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.

Come to the banquet.

You may be seated.

HOLY COMMUNION

At Gloria Dei, all are welcome at the Lord's Table without exception! If you are worshiping with us online, you may use whatever bread and wine or juice you have on hand. Those who are worshiping in person may choose to commune in your seat with a pre-filled cup and bread, or you may come forward to receive bread and wine or juice. The bread we are serving at the front of the church is homemade, gluten-free and vegan. The ushers will guide you if you choose to come forward.

LAMB OF GOD



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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

HYMN #656

You may stand as you are comfortable

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Giver of every gift,
Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.
Raise us to life by your power
for the benefit of all and to your glory,
now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, love and serve the Lord.

C: **We will. Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

You Are My All in All

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Including Pride colors and BIPOC colors
(Black and Indigenous People of Color)

Next week's readings for May 5, 2024

First Reading: Acts 10:44-48

Psalm: 98

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 15:9-17

Serving you today April 28, 2024

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Alyssa Augustson
Vicar:	Breck Cogswell
Accompanist:	Becky Bell-Greenstreet
Choir Director:	Dave Aakre
Greeters:	Kathy Jacobson
Usher:	Howard Hull
Lay Reader:	Lynn Danner
Zoom Co-host:	Linda Mitchell and Richard Whitwer
Flowers Shared by:	Linda Strine
Coffee & Fellowship Hosts:	Kathy Jacobson, Nancy Robinson, and Mary Jo Audette

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME!

Welcome to worship with Gloria Dei! If you are visiting today, you may fill out a visitor information card located on the back of the pew in front of you. Offering envelopes are available in the same location.

OFFICE HOUR CHANGES

As part of the Council decisions to manage Gloria Dei's finances, office hours will be changing to reflect fewer staff hours. Starting Monday, on a trial basis, the office will be open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 8:30 am—5 pm, and Friday 8:15 am—2:45 pm. The office will be closed on Wednesdays. Please be understanding as we as we make these transitions.

LARRY WOOD FUNERAL

A funeral service for Larry Wood will be held on Saturday, May 4th at 2:00 pm at Gloria Dei.

PENTECOST SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for May 19th, Pentecost Sunday. We will observe this day with a special worship service and coffee hour celebration to follow!

VBS: SAVE THE DATE!

This year's Vacation Bible School will be July 15-19. More information to come soon!

TURN YOUR BOTTLES AND CANS IN NOW!

Have you been accumulating cans and bottles to drop off at Gloria Dei but just haven't gotten around to it yet?

Now's is the time to bring them in!

Gloria Dei has registered our BottleDrop Give account to receive a 20% match from BottleDrop Give on funds raised from April 22 - May 4 in recognition of Earth Week. They will be distributing up to \$36,000 in matching funds! So bring in any and all accumulated cans and bottles between now and Thursday, May 2nd so we may receive a 20% match on all of your contributions.

Thank you to all who have contributed so far!

PLEASE KEEP DOORS CLOSED!

A reminder from the Building & Grounds committee that the interior bi-fold doors in the fireplace room, social hall to narthex and sanctuary to narthex should be closed. This makes sure that a furnace in one area is not heating another and it helps with fire safety.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

CALENDAR

Sunday

April 28

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:00 am Sunday School for Young People
10:00 am Worship
Fellowship Time after Worship
11:30 am Church Council

Monday

April 29

Vicar Breck's Day Off

Tuesday

April 30

11:00 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday

May 1

Office Closed
1:00 pm Knitters
6:30 pm Choir

Thursday

May 2

10:00 am Stewardship
12:00 pm Worship and Music
5:00 pm Sand N Sea Quilters

Friday

May 3

Pastor Alyssa's Day Off
8:30 am Bible Study
4:00 pm Pottery Guild Sale

Saturday

May 4

9:00 am Pottery Guild Sale
2:00 pm Larry Wood Funeral

Sunday

May 12

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:00 am Sunday School for Young People
10:00 am Worship
Fellowship Time after Worship

OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8:30 am—5:00 pm

Friday: 8:15 am—2:45 pm

Wednesday: Closed