Welcome!

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church is truly a special place. We are a growing congregation with a long history of service in our community. We have opportunities for everyone to connect and deepen their faith in Jesus, such as small groups, music ensembles, service teams, and much more. So jump on in and join us in ministry!

Our church is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

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Communion at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

Communion for all who wish to receive it is offered at all weekend services. Worshipers who are physically unable to come forward may receive communion in their seats (please let the usher know). Glutenfree wafers and grape juice are also offered at each of the communion stations at all worship services.

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Your Church Staff

Pastor Rev. Edd Wunderlich Director of Music Jessica Seidler Office Administrator Cheryl Christensen Office Assistant Kitty Long Accompanist Dr. Tracey Johnson Andreas Landstedt





WELCOME

Pastor Kurt Sortland

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, # one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin, and heals our lives. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Have mercy, O God,

against you, you alone, we have sinned. In your compassion,

cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt.

Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit.

Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us.

Amen.

FORGIVENESS

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ. Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love **Blessed be God forever.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

ENTRANCE HYMN

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" ELW # 888



Greetings

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.**

Prayer List

COMFORT

- Family & friends of Phili Meldrum: uncle-in-law of Cheryl Christensen
- Family & friends of Pat O'Connor: Jerry & Jennifer Shireman
- *Family & Friends of Beverly Finnegan: mother of Jim Finnegan

THANKSGIVING

- Prayers of thanksgiving for Kerri's hospital stay and thanks to all who prayed for her. ~ Gayle, Rena, & Kerri Mason
- On behalf of Roger, thank you for your prayers and support these last few months. You are truly a blessing! ~ Kay Lehr
- A special thank you to everyone who prayed and supported me this past year. I am truly blessed to celebrate the gift of life. ~ Connie Bennett
- Thank you for joining us in prayer for the Lord's protection of Chaplain Jeremie Vore during his recent deployment to Iraq. We are thrilled to share that he is safely home with his family at Ft Drum, NY! ~ Keith & Judy Vore
- Jen Williams and her family would like to thank Gloria Dei for the card and support during my recent surgery. Also, Pastor Edd's visit lifted my spirits as well. I'm looking forward to healing quickly and returning to my church home.
- *Dick Vanden Heuvel most recent scan showed no cancer, for now we get to breath a sign of relief and say a prayer of Thanksgiving. So, I am HAPPY to report that he can be moved from the "concern" column to the

"Thanksgiving" Column. Thank you!!! ~ Jodi Fox

Prayer List

HEALING

- Dan Wolf
- Jeff Boomgarden
- Irene Christensen: mother-in-law Chervl Christensen
- Carol: mother of Kitty Long
- Jon: brother of Bob Long
- Starla Bargmann: Ellie Bargmann
- Phyllis: Margie Ellgen
- Ray: Margie Ellgen
- Maxine: Margie Ellgen
- Kerri Mason
- Dick Vanden Heuvel: Jodi Fox
- Rick Butrym: Pam Kerns
- Louis Gilbert: Jerry & Jennifer Shireman
- Jim: brother of Linda
- Steve
- Jennifer Williams
- Mason family: Andreas Landstedt
- Bob Rose: Ray & Kris Smither
- Brenda Gamel: Jerry & Jennifer Shireman
- Cheryl Cauthon: Kevin Cauthon
- MaryJane: sister of Jennifer Shireman
- Alex: cousin of John Galvan
- John: Karrie Mason
- *Stephanie Meldrum: aunt of Cheryl Christensen ...

HEALING

- *Ashley Wolf: Jennifer Shireman
- *Jess Mauldin: Jerry & Jennifer Shireman
- *Nel Shull: Jerry & Jennifer Shireman
- *Robert
- *Jeff Bittner: brother of Jackie Finnegan

MILITARY

- Wounded Warriors: Gayle & Rena Mason
- Brandon Curtis: Mark Sherbo's nephew
- Dawn Michael: Cheryl Christensen
- Mylo Lassiter: Nephew of Mark Sherbo
- Danny Webster: Mary Engebretson

CONCERN

- Cathy Rose: Ray & Kris Smither
- *Nate Hubert and family: Jess Link
- *Payton Heinze: Val & Dale Heinze



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

God of the people, your servant Ruth showed great love when she clung to Naomi. Teach us to show great compassion, and to turn to you when we are in need.

Amen.



The Word

5:00 pm Greg Dovel 9:00 am Corey Reil (Lector: Kurt Sortland)

WORD

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God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.



The First Reading

FIRST READING

Ruth 1:1-22

1In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. 2The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. 3But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. 4These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, 5both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was

Important Dates!

Sunday 9:00 am Worship; 10:15 am Adult Sunday School

Monday - Friday 9:30 am Grandpa Coffee Day Care

Tuesday 6:45 am Men's Bible Study

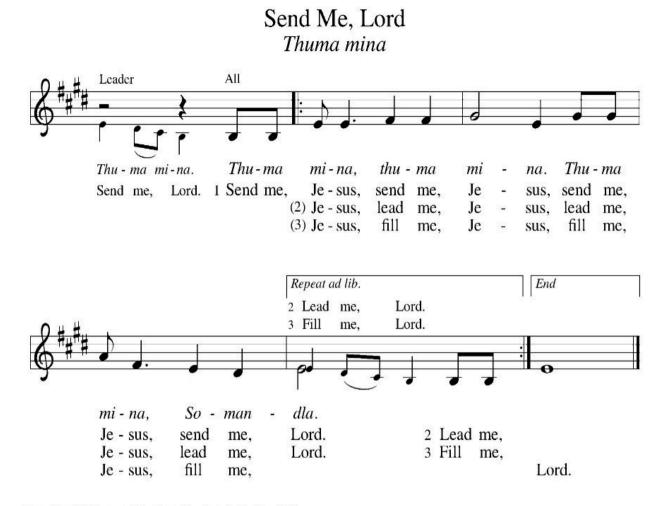
Wednesday 9:30 am Women's Fellowship; 7:00 pm Andreas Landstedt recital

Saturday 5:00 pm Worship

Sunday 9:00 am Worship-Youth Sunday School

Altar Flowers

July 6 In celebration of Ruth Poitevin's birthday! ~ Julia & Keith Kuhn



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Together With Christ.... We Care!!!!

Ruth 1:1-22

left without her two sons and her husband.

6Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had considered his people and given them food. 7So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in- law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. 9The LORD grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. 10 They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." 11But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? 12Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, 13would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the LORD has turned against me." 14Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. 15So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." 16But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge, your people shall be my people, and your God my God. 17Where you die, I will die — there will I be buried. May the LORD do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" 18When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her. 19So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them; and the women said, "Is this Naomi?" 20She said, to them, "Call me no longer Naomi, ...

FIRST READING continued... Ru

Ruth 1:1-22

call me Mara, for the Almighty has dealt bitterly with me. ²¹I went away full, but the LORD has brought me back empty; why call me Naomi when the LORD has dealt harshly with me, and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?"

²²So Naomi returned together with Ruth the Moabite, her daughter-in-law, who came back with her from the country of Moab. They came to Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley harvest.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSICSaturday: Ashley YoungSunday: Jessica Seidler"Entreat Me Not To Leave Thee"by Charles Gounod



Holy Communion

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Living God, as the disciples ate and drank with their risen Lord, we have been nourished with the very presence of Christ. Through this meal may we be strengthened to keep your word and to proclaim the power of your love in Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**



Sending

BENEDICTION

God, the Source of glory, God, the Word of life, God, the Spirit of truth + bless you all, now and forever. Amen.

SENDING HYMN

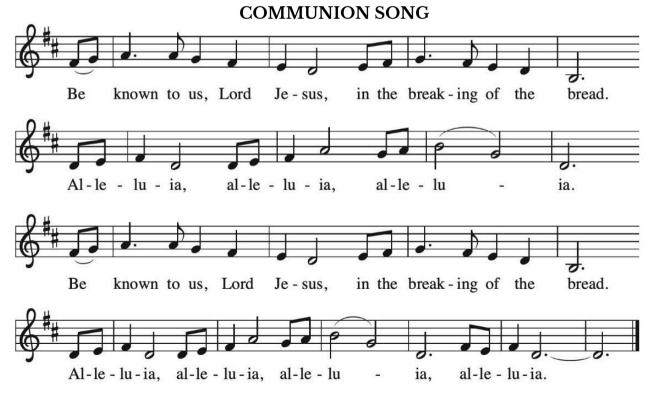
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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.



Pastor Kurt Sortland





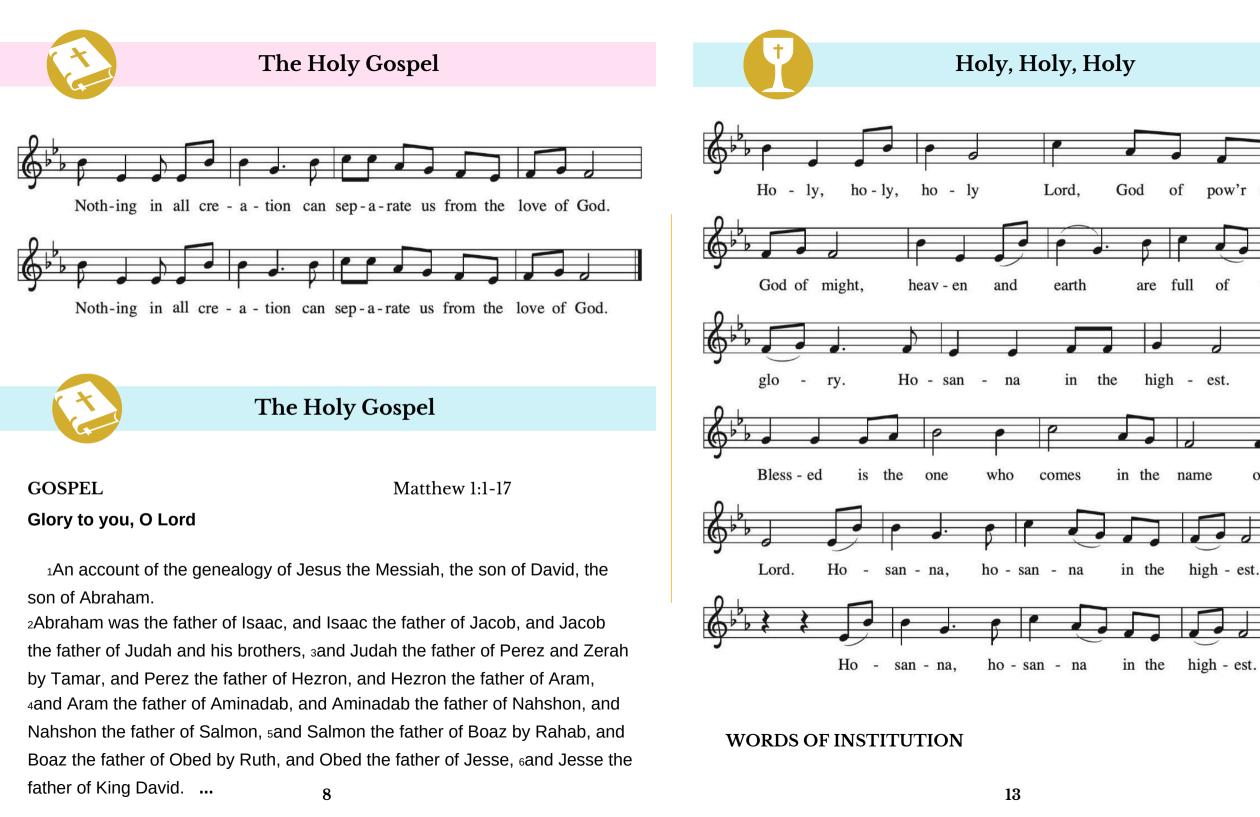
The Second Reading

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:1, 8-16

1Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. 10For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. 11By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old — and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. 12Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." 13All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, 14 for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. 15If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. 16But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.



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OFFERING AND OFFERING PRAYER



GOSPEL continued...

Matthew 1:1-17

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, 7 and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, 8 and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, 9 and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, 10 and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, 11 and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

¹²And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, ¹³and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, ¹⁴and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, ¹⁵and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, ¹⁶and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

¹⁷So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Homily

SERMON

DN Pastor Kurt Sortland Ruth, the Moabite, the great-grandmother of King David

HYMN of the DAY

"Take, Oh, Take Me as I Am" ELW # 814 3x times

The Creed

CREED

Small Catechism of Martin Luther

The Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and your mother.

What does this mean?

We are to fear and love God, so that we neither despise nor anger our parents and others in authority, but instead honor, serve, obey, love, and respect them.

The Fifth Commandment

You shall not murder.

What does this mean?

We are to fear and love God, so that we neither endanger nor harm the lives of our neighbors, but instead help and support them in all of life's needs.

CREED continued...

The Sixth Commandment

You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean?

We are to fear and love God, so that we lead pure and decent lives in word and deed, and each of us loves and honors his or her spouse.



The Prayers of the People

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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*Each petition ends with,

A: "God of grace," C: "hear our prayer."

*The prayer concludes with,

A: "... through Jesus Christ, our Savior." C: "Amen."

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