

# GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Together with Christ We Care*

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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** If you are a guest, we're delighted you could be with us today! We pray today's worship will help you grow closer to the God who loves you.

## AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN DURING WORSHIP

Pre-School Child Care (ages 5 and under) available in the Nursery.

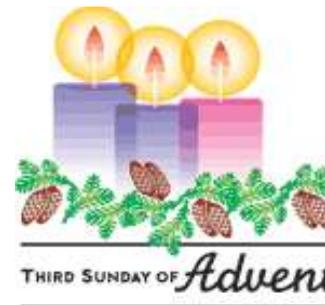
Scribble Sheets for Little Lutherans are located in the pew racks.

Activity Bags for children are located in the hallway near the main entrance (north).

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Ruth Poitevin: in honor of the Children's Christmas program.

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 331**

Disciples	People of Gloria Dei
Preacher/Presider	Rev. Edd Wunderlich (pastoredd@gloriadeikc.org)
Music Director	Taylor Tracy
Worship Accompanists	Dr. Calvin Permenter Dr. Tracey Johnson
Church Administrator	Glen Anderson (ganderson@gloriadeikc.org)
Nursery Attendant	Beth Thatcher
Lectors	Greg Dovel
Communion Assistants	Jeff Hoyer



*Third Sunday of Advent  
Setting Three  
December 14, 2019  
5:00 PM*

**+ GATHERING +**

**Prelude & Welcome**

**Opening Hymn** ELW #825

*You Servants of God*

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

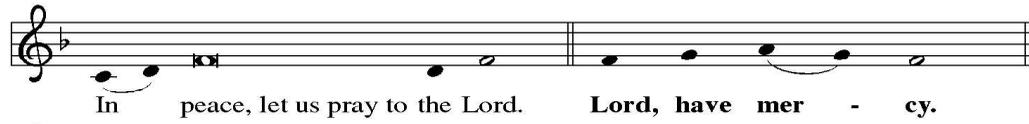
C Amen.

## Sharing of the Peace

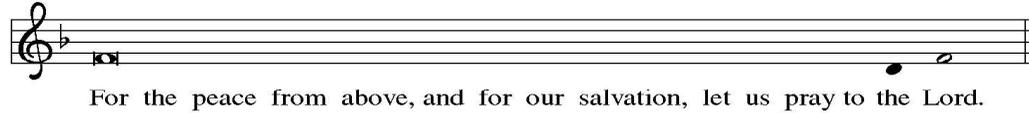
P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

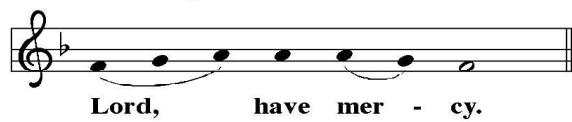
## Kyrie



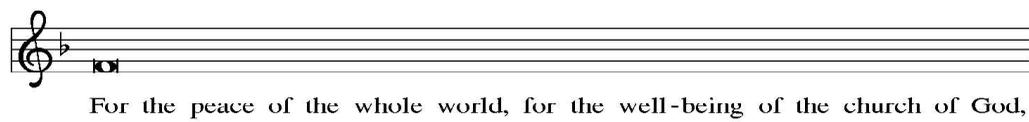
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



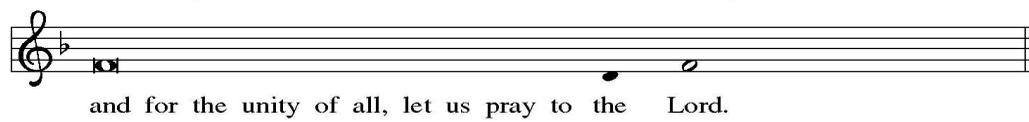
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



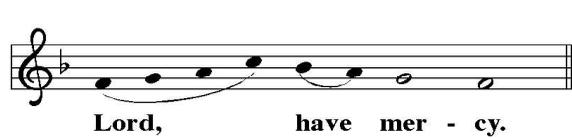
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



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



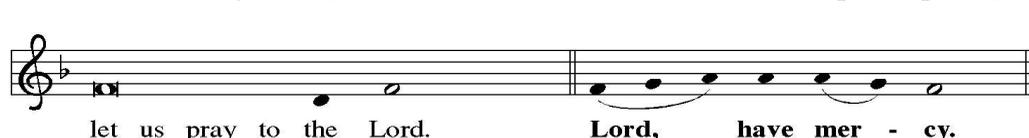
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



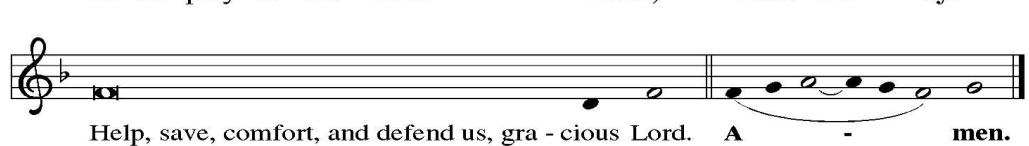
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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

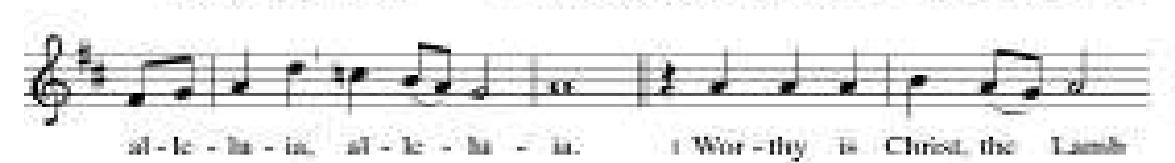


Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

## Hymn of Praise



*Alto*  
This is the feast of vic-tu-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, 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.



*Alto*  
This is the feast of vic-tu-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



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



*Alto*  
This is the feast of vic-tu-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all crea - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,  
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was  
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Prayer of the Day**

**P** Let us pray. Stir up the wills of all who look to you, Lord God, and strengthen our faith in your coming, that,  
**C** transformed by grace, we may walk in your way; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Lighting of the Advent Candle** ELW # 262

*Wait for the Lord*

+ **WORD** +

**First Lesson** Isaiah 35:1-10

<sup>1</sup>The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus <sup>2</sup>it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

<sup>3</sup>Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. <sup>4</sup>Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." <sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; <sup>6</sup>then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; <sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

<sup>8</sup>A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. <sup>9</sup>No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. <sup>10</sup>And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

**L** Word of God, word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 146: 5-10**

<sup>5</sup>Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;

**<sup>6</sup>who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;**

<sup>7</sup>who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The Lord sets the captive free.

**<sup>8</sup>The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;**

**the Lord loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup>The Lord cares for the stranger;

the Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

**<sup>10</sup>The Lord shall reign forever,**

**your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

**Second Lesson** James 5:7-10

<sup>7</sup>Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. <sup>8</sup>You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. <sup>9</sup>Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! <sup>10</sup>As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation**



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



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

**Gospel** Matthew 11:2-11

P Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to St. Matthew, the 11th chapter.

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

<sup>2</sup>When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples <sup>3</sup>and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?”

<sup>4</sup>Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: <sup>5</sup>the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. <sup>6</sup>And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.”

<sup>7</sup>As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? <sup>8</sup>What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. <sup>9</sup>What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. <sup>10</sup>This is the one about whom it is written,

‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,  
who will prepare your way before you.’

<sup>11</sup>Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day** ELW #256

*Comfort, Comfort Now My People*

### *Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### *Prayers of Intercession*

*each petition ends:*

A Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

*the prayers conclude:*

A ...in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

### **MEAL**

### *Offering*

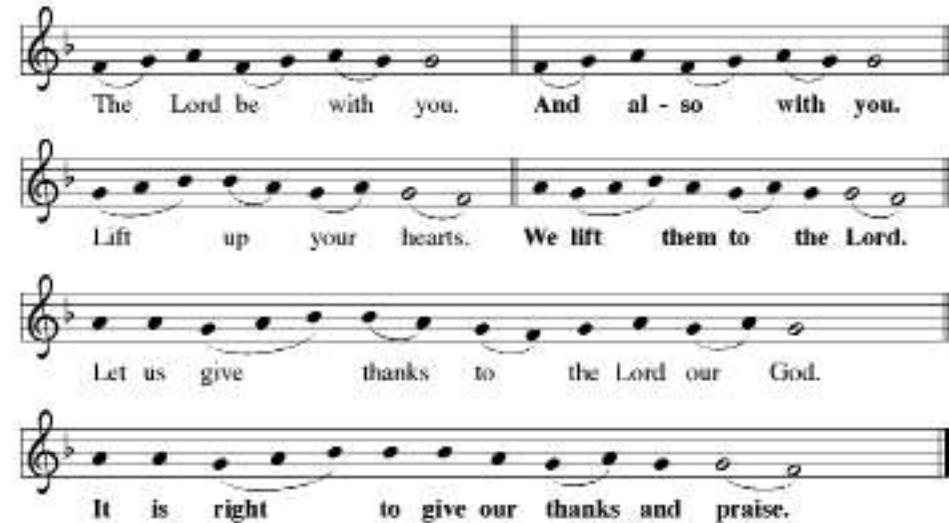
### *Offering Prayer*

A Let us pray. Giver of every good thing, we set before you the gifts that you have already given to sustain our lives and to share with others. Help us to be good stewards of the earth and all that is in it, and let our lives be a testimony to the abundant feast you prepare for all who hunger.

C Amen.

### *Words of Institution*

### *Great Thanksgiving*



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na, 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.

## The Lord's Prayer

P As the Savior taught us, so we pray

C **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## Communion

### 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.

## Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray. God of abundance, we give you thanks that in this holy meal you have invited us to feast with you and one another. May the taste of your love remain with us, and may our words and our work in your name invite others into your bountiful grace. Send us from your table to proclaim your presence, even as we await the glorious coming of Christ our Savior.

C **Amen.**

## + SENDING +

### Benediction

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### Sending Hymn ELW #267

*Joy to the World*

### Dismissal

P Go in peace. Set your hope on Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P Together with Christ,

C **We care!**

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