# Sunday, September 28, 2025 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. 16th Sunday after Pentecost



Pursue righteousness, godliness, FAITH, love, steadfastness, gentleness.

# Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Neenah, Wisconsin

Ministers

Everyone at Gloria Dei

**Pastors** 

Pastor Tabitha and Pastor Jon Gallatin

#### Welcome to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church!

So that we may come to know each other better...please fill out the maroon Friendship Pad located at the end of each pew and pass it along for others to do the same. Once completed, return it and note the names of the others seated next to you so you may greet one another after the service.

### Congregational portions are in **Bold** print, \*please stand as you are able

Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those "at our gate," visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

# **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **BLESSING OF THE LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTS AND KITS**

#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

#### C Amen.

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful and loving God,

C we are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.

Amen.

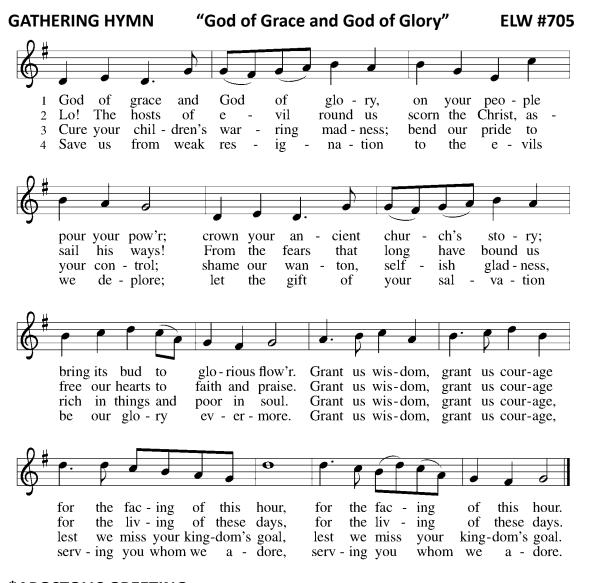
P Even when we are faithless. God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

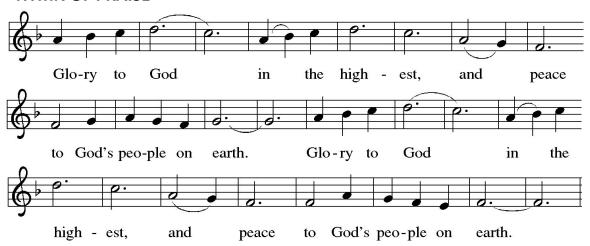
#### C Amen.



# \*APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P 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.

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE



#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

L Let us pray.

C O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# **PSALM: Psalm 146**

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

<sup>3</sup> Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

<sup>4</sup> When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

<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!

# SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

Timothy is reminded of the confession he made at his baptism and of its implications for daily life. His priorities will be different from those of people who merely want to be rich.

of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

L Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God

#### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



#### \*GOSPEL READING: Luke 16:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 16th chapter.

# C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells a parable in which the poor one is "lifted up" and the rich one is "sent away empty." Jesus makes it clear that this ethic of merciful reversal is not new but is as old as Moses and the prophets.

[Jesus said:] <sup>19</sup> "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor

man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' 27 He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' <sup>29</sup> Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' 30 He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' 31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead." P The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

#### **SERMON** Pastor Tabitha Gallatin





# \*APOSTLES' CREED

- L Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

L God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

#### \* SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

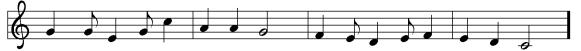
#### **SHARING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

We joyfully offer financial gifts to God's ministry through Gloria Dei in a variety of ways. Either place gifts in offering baskets as they are distributed or go to <a href="www.qloriadeilc.org/qive">www.qloriadeilc.org/qive</a> (or scan QR code) or text your gift to 1-877-952-9422 this morning. If you are giving electronically or at a frequency other than weekly, please place a blue card (located in the pew rack) in the offering basket to signify your gifts. Thank you for your generous response to God's blessings!

# \*OFFERTORY "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" vs 3 ELW #674



- 1 Let us tal ents and tongues em ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
- 2 Christ is a ble to make us one, at the ta ble he sets the tone,
- 3 Je sus calls us in, sends us out bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard. teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im-man-u-el) ev-'ry-where!



Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

#### \*OFFERING PRAYER

- L Let us pray together,
- C Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# \*SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

# \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### \*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.

#### \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

### **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

All are welcome to the Lord's Supper today! Communion is served by intinction at stations. As you come forward, you will receive the bread and then dip it into the divided chalice for wine (red) or grape juice (white). Children who receive communion, please hold out hands to receive the bread. Those not communing, please fold hands to receive a blessing. Please notify an usher if you would like to receive communion at your seat.

**LAMB OF GOD ELW #336** hide, Your on - ly Son, sin but you have no to him from your side walk up - on this guilt - y sent to God. O Lamb of sod and to be - come the Lamb God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me

# \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

your pre-cious blood,

P O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

my Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of

#### C Amen

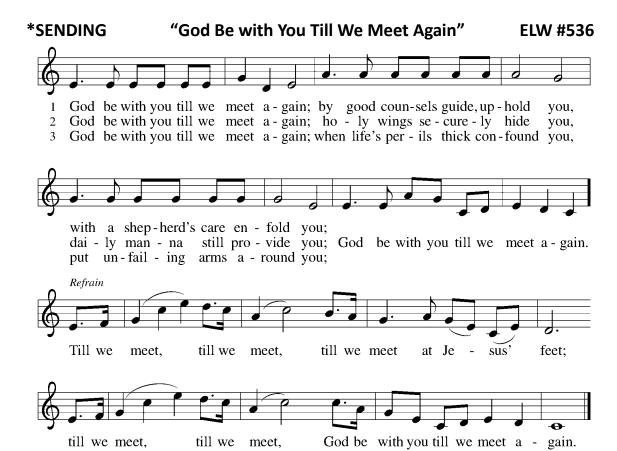
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# \*BLESSING

P The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, + bless you now and forever.

#### C Amen.

God.



# \*SENDING

L Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

C Thanks be to God.

#### THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
MINISTERS	All God's people at Gloria Dei	All God's people at Gloria Dei
PRESIDING MINISTERS	Pastors Jon & Tabitha Gallatin	Pastors Jon & Tabitha Gallatin
MINISTER OF MUSIC	Dr. Myron Jones	Dr. Myron Jones
CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR	Jill Kruger	Jill Kruger
CHOIR ACCOMPANIST	Sherry Klitz	Sherry Klitz
LITURGY ASSISTANT	Jay Olson	
LECTOR	Christine Melbye	
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS		
USHERS		
GREETERS		
ACOLYTE		Cayla Radtke
NURSERY ATTENDANT		
ALTAR GUILD	Marlene Marks	Marlene Marks
COFFEE HOST	Valerie Gulke	Valerie Gulke

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