

Order of Worship

May 18, 2025 8:30am



Welcome *Pastor Jonathan Dinger*

Opening Hymn *"The Church's One Foundation"* 644

- 1 Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord
She is His new creation by water and the Word.
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses with ev'ry grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder the world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- 4 Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.
- 5 Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, may see You face to face.

Invocation and Confession

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

C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination...)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. 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**

Absolution *words of forgiveness spoken by the pastor*

Hymn of Praise

This is the Feast **155**

All: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Women: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

All: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Men: ***Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.***

All: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Women: Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.*

All: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Men: ***For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.***

All: **This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray together:

All Risen Lord, we honor and praise and worship you this day and always because of your victory over sin and the grave. May we, your beloved Bride, who have been loved without condition by you, joyfully follow your command to love each other in like manner. We ask this in the precious name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

1 The apostles and the brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. 2 So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him 3 and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."

4 Peter began and explained everything to them precisely as it had happened: 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. 6 I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles, and birds of the air. 7 Then I heard a voice telling me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.' 8 "I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' 9 "The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean. 10 This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.

11 "Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. 12 The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house. 13 He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. 14 He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.'

15 "As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. 16 Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17 So if God gave them the same gift as he gave us, who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could oppose God?" 18 When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, God has granted even the Gentiles repentance unto life."

Epistle Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." 6 He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life."

Anthem

"Arise and Come to Jesus" (arr. Patti Drennan) Sanctuary Choir

Gospel Reading

Alleluia and Verse

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C Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia!

John 13:31-35

31 When Judas was gone, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified and God is glorified in him. 32 If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once."

33 "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. 34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Sermon Outline - Pastor Jonathan Dinger

"All Things New!" - Revelation 21:1-6

Introduction: More than reformation!

"Behold! I make all things new!" Revelation 21:5 (RSV)

1. The _____ will end.

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more." v.1

2. The Bride is _____ -- and _____!

"I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband." v.2

3. Finally! Not just _____.

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and He will live with them. They will be His people, and God Himself will be with them and be their God." v.3

4. What does this mean for us _____?

"...He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more..." v.4

"I am making everything new! Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." v.5

He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life." v.6

The Offering

"For All His Blessings" (by Steve Danyew) Sanctuary Choir

Prayers and 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

Prayer of Preparation for The Lord's Supper

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

The Words of Institution

Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Hymns during distribution

"In Christ Alone"

**In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid ground firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace when fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All here in the love of Christ I stand**

**In Christ alone who took on flesh fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live**

**There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ**

**No guilt in life no fear in death this is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home here in the power of Christ I'll stand**

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"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" **700**

The Communion Blessing and Benediction

Closing Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" **v. 1, 3 803**

- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, praising Thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.**

**3 Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, fountainhead of love divine:
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit! Joyful, we by grace are Thine!**

Ministry Moments

- † Voters' Meeting Today 9:45am to call pastoral candidate
- † Combined Service May 25 with confirmation at 10:00am followed by potluck
- † Voters' Meeting June 8 9:45 for budget and elections
- † VBS June 16-19

Serving in Worship Today

Preacher	Pastor Jonathan Dinger
Worship Asst	Deacon Aaron Hayes
Elder	Greg Ford
Acolyte	Alec Hayes
Reader	Nancy Ford
Media	Stacey Grant
Choir Director	Teresa Dinger
Organist	Gerald Hughes

Answers to Sermon Outline:

1. restoration project
2. fully prepared, beautifully dressed
3. visiting, Dwelling
4. today



Jesus said to His disciples: "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you!" *Luke 22:15*

As Lutheran Christians we confess that Christ's Body and Blood are truly and physically present in the bread and wine of **Holy Communion** for the forgiveness of sins. This meal is of benefit to those who acknowledge their sinful condition and have placed their trust in Christ alone for salvation. Where Christ's true body and blood are present, so also is the forgiveness of sins and eternal life. The ancient practice of the Church is that baptized and formally instructed Christians who share in this teaching are welcome to join in this meal that our Lord offers. *(As you come to the Lord's table, ushers will invite you to come forward. Please fill in the rail beginning at the center, and kneel if you are able. If you wish to receive, extend your hand for the bread. You may then receive the wine, either by individual or common cup. White grape juice is available in the center of each tray. Those not baptized or instructed in the biblical teaching of Holy Communion which recognizes the physical presence of Christ's body and blood within the bread and wine are invited to come forward to receive a blessing, if desired. Simply cross your arms to receive the blessing. Please do not wait to be dismissed from the rail. Those wishing to remain at the rail to pray are welcome to do so; others may return to their seats. If you would like to receive communion, and are unable to come forward to the rail, please let the usher know, so that the communion servers can serve you at your seat). "Come, for all has been made ready!"*

Children's Ministry

Children age 4 through 5th grade are invited the *Large Conference Room off the gym* for Kid's Ministry during our voter's meeting today.

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May 18th, 2025

TODAY'S FLOWERS
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39TH WEDDING

ANNIVERSARY

& IN MEMORY OF

Larry Hammers

Worship Attendance & Offering for the Week of

May 11th, 2025

8:30am Worship Here at GLC: 135

11:00am Worship Here at GLC: 201

5:00pm Worship Here at GLC: 58

Offering: \$14,886.87

Weekly Needed: \$18,510

Average May Weekly Offering from Last 2 Years:

\$12,449

VOTERS MEETING: CONGREGATIONAL ELECTIONS & TO APPROVE BUDGET

IN THE CHAPEL
JUNE 8TH, 9:45AM

Executive Council

Vice President: Lucas Bloxham
Secretary: Jean Haneke 2nd term
Property: Gene Erikson 2nd term

School Board

Jake Dyer 2nd term
Kristen Flicker 2nd term
Tiffanie Mai-Ganske 2nd term
Kristin Almeda

18+ WHO HAVE FORMALLY JOINED
GRACE AS A MEMBER

Additional candidates can be submitted by the congregation to Lucas Bloxham, Chair of the Nominating Committee and Congregational Vice-President until May 29, 2025. Proposed candidates will be reviewed by the nominating committee through consultation with the Pastor and Elders for eligibility and willingness to serve.



27	Worship 8:30 & 11 Education Hour 12:30 Potluck Meeting Pastoral Candidate 5pm Service & Potluck HS Youth 6:30-8:30pm	28	Life in Christ 6:30pm	29	Worship Team 7pm	30		1	GLHS Presents "Fiddler on the Roof Jr" 7pm	2	GLHS Presents "Fiddler on the Roof Jr" 7pm	3	Spirit Fit 8:30am GLHS Presents "Fiddler on the Roof Jr" 7pm
4	Worship 8:30 & 11 Education Hour	5		6	Out to Lunch Bunch at Cielito Lindo 12pm	7		8		9		10	
	5pm Service HS Youth 6:30-8:30pm				Worship Team 7pm				Choir Rehearsal 7pm				
11	Happy Mother's day Worship 8:30 & 11 Education Hour Mite Sunday! 5pm Service No HS Youth	12	Book Club 7pm	13	Worship Team 7pm	14		15	Choir Rehearsal 7pm	16		17	GLHS Graduation 10am
18	Worship 8:30 & 11 Pastoral Candidate Voters Meeting 9:45am MS Youth 3-5pm 5pm Service HS Youth 6:30-8:30pm	19		20	Worship Team 7pm	21	Kindergarten Graduation 1:30pm	22	GLS Half Day 8 th Grade Graduation 6:30pm	23	GLS Last Day of School Half Day Summer	24	CARS 9-Noon
25	10am Combined Service 11:30 Potluck No 5pm Service Hs Youth & 8 th Grade Move Up Day	26		27	Worship Team 7pm	28		29		30			

*Memorial Day
Weekend*

One combined service at 10:00am

Sunday, May 25th

Confirmation Sunday

followed by potluck, bring a dish to share!

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CHANGE A LIFE.

Mother's Day - Father's Day

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Vacation Bible School at Grace Lutheran Church

**JUNE
16-19**

Age 3 (potty trained) - 5th Grade
Volunteers 6th Grade and Up

Lifeway



Register Here

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PSALM 34:3