

#### "A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

MINISTERS: ALL OF OUR PEOPLE CHURCH PHONE: 928-342-6002

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

#### WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

#### **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025 8:30 A.M.



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.

As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God". However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

<u>VISITORS..</u> Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. We would love to meet you!

<u>PLEASE REMEMBER...</u> to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. One of the Vicars or Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

<u>DID YOU KNOW...</u> Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

<u>LITTLE FOLKS...</u> Parents... please remember that there are 'busy bags' hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

<u>BE COMFORTABLE.</u> There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

<u>Hearing Devices:</u> The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

**FLOWERS** for the altar today are given for the Glory of God for all the blessings at Gloria de Cristo.

<u>PRAYERS:</u> Dyanne Radke, Bill Timm, Mary Marsh, Robin Marlatt, Bill Haney, Dick Sowers (friend of Gary Raasch), Benny Bennight & Pastor Lee Bennight (friends of Sharon Merz), Dave Blevins (friend of Gary Raasch), Jacky Patte, Janice Radke (Dyanne Radke's daughter-in-law), Donna (sister of Lisa Crayne), Loretta Munsterman, Susie Reible, Susan Baxter, Mason Fletcher (Grandson of Lisa Crayne), Glennis Swain (friend of Jim & Sherrie Wehrer), Forrest Marsh, Carolyn Smith, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller)

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Contemporary version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of June. God blesses our prayers.

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**PRELUDE** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

- V God Is Good!
- C All the time
- V All the time
- C God Is Good!

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

V Blessed be the Holy Trinity, 

→ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

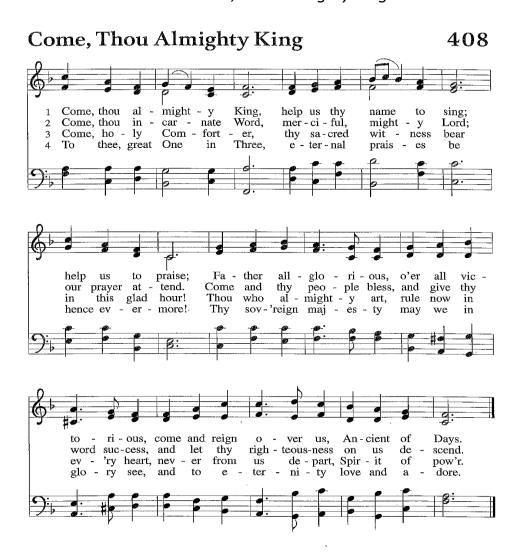
#### C Amen.

V We confess our sins before God and one another.

### Pause for silence and reflection.

- V God of light,
- C We live as though you are still in the grave. We continue to sin against you and our neighbors by our actions and our failure to act. Shake us out of our complacency, cleanse our hearts of selfishness, and make us joyful participants in the work of bringing about your reign in the world today.
- V Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God has redeemed all of creation. Know that you are made whole, forgiven of all your sins, and empowered to live out the gospel in joy.

#### C Amen.



#### **GREETING**

- V 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**



Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

#### **SONG OF PRAISE**



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY** together we pray:

Gracious God. Guide us in pulling down every barrier between ourselves and our neighbors. Help us to see how we are all one in Christ Jesus. End divisions among us, and foster unity in their place. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

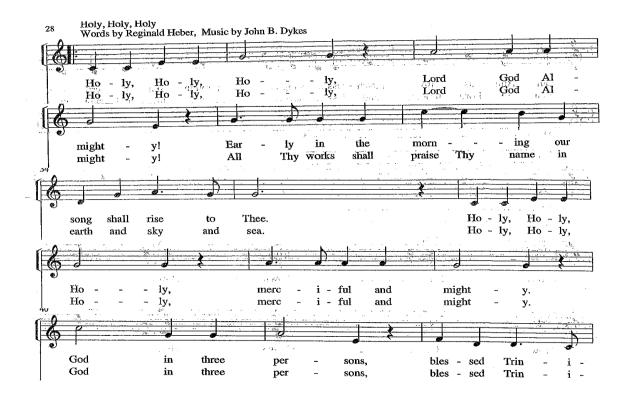
#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

- V May the peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C And also with you
- V Please generously share God's peace all around!

#### **WORSHIP CAROL**



### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

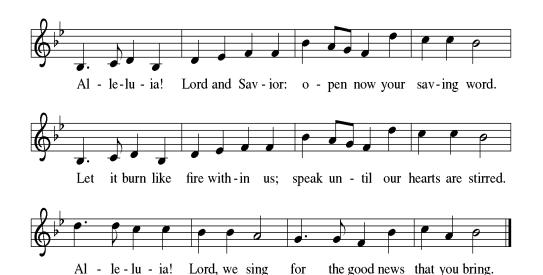


### **LESSON:** Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29

You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly exhibited as crucified! <sup>2</sup> The only thing I want to learn from you is this: Did you receive the Spirit by doing the works of the law or by believing what you heard? <sup>3</sup> Are you so foolish? Having started with the Spirit, are you now ending with the flesh? <sup>4</sup> Did you experience so much for nothing?—if it really was for nothing. <sup>5</sup> Well then, does God<sup>[a]</sup> supply you with the Spirit and work miracles among you by your doing the works of the law or by your believing what you heard?

<sup>6</sup> Just as Abraham "believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness," 7 so, you see, those who believe are the descendants of Abraham. 8 And the scripture, foreseeing that God would reckon as righteous the gentiles by faith, declared the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "All the gentiles shall be blessed in you." 9 For this reason. those who believe are blessed with Abraham who believed. <sup>23</sup> Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous [a] by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. 27 As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, beirs according to the promise.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### **GOSPEL** Luke 1:68-79

"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on [a] his people and redeemed them. <sup>69</sup> He has raised up a mighty savior <sup>[b]</sup> for us in the house of his child David, <sup>70</sup> as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, <sup>71</sup>that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. <sup>72</sup> Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors and has remembered his holy covenant, <sup>73</sup> the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us <sup>74</sup>that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, <sup>75</sup> in holiness and righteousness in his presence all our days. <sup>76</sup> And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High,for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, <sup>77</sup> to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. <sup>78</sup> Because of the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break<sup>[c]</sup> upon<sup>[d]</sup> us, <sup>79</sup> to shine upon those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

V The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to the Lord

**TEACHING:** "Foolishness, Forgiveness, Faithfulness" Vicar Judy Zeiss



- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
- Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
   We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

V We pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

### A brief silence.

V Holy God, Jesus prayed that you would make us one as you are one. Remind us always that we are each an equal and precious part of the Body of Christ regardless of our perceived differences. Help us to reach out to one another in solidarity at all times. Holy and wonderful God;

### C Hear our prayer.

V We are one with creation. You made us from the dust of the earth and to earth we will return. Make us to care for all that you have made as if we are caring for our own bodies. Holy and wonderful God;

### C Hear our prayer.

### Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

C Bless Your Church. Purify, preserve & provide through your Holy Spirit. We pray for each of our mission congregations, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision and call process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values while we support the call committee in moving toward a pastoral transition.

We also pray for that pastor whom God calls to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward in mission. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person." V We are one with our neighbors around the world. Be with refugees and displaced people from all nations. Sustain them with your love and help them find stability in new places. Holy and wonderful God;

### C Hear our prayer.

V We are one with all who are sick and suffering. Give us compassion and make us to care for all in need of healing and wholeness, especially those we remember in our hearts. Holy and wonderful God;

### C Hear our prayer.

V We are one with people of every age. Help us listen to the youngest among us. Bless their visions, hopes and dreams, and help us to see how you work through them. Holy and wonderful God;

### C Hear our prayer.

V We are one with those who have gone before us. We remember them with longing, and seek your guidance as we follow in their footsteps in doing your work in the world. Holy and wonderful God;

### C Hear our prayer.

V These prayers we lift to you in Jesus' name.

#### C Amen

**THE OFFERING** (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both inperson giving as well as online giving.)

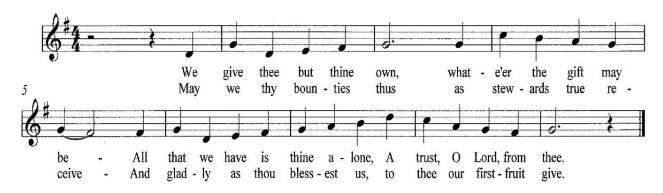


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### **OFFERING RESPONSE** (please stand)

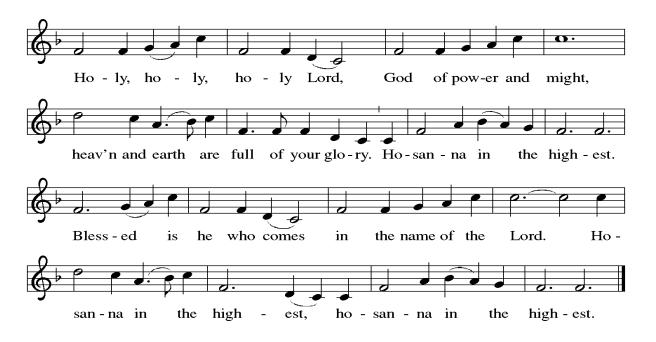
## We Give Thee but Thine Own



### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

#### **CONGREGATIONAL SUNG RESPONSE**



- V Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
  - We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
  - Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice. Those who are not communing as well as children may come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms in front of your chest to receive a blessing. Everyone should complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

#### **HYMNS DURING COMMUNION**

# Lamb of God Your Only Son



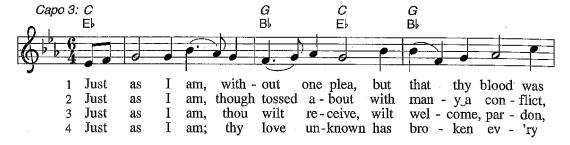
Your on-ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt-y Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and scorned him as he died. The hum-ble king we named a I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side to be led by your staff and





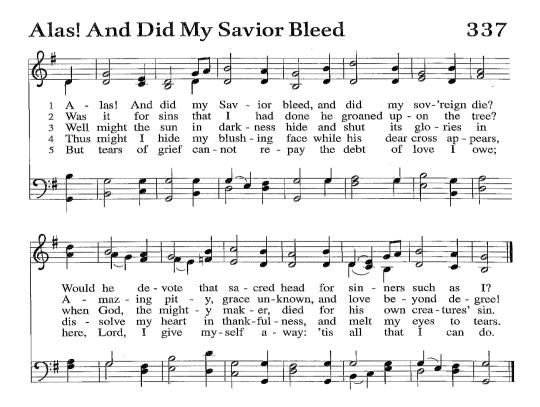
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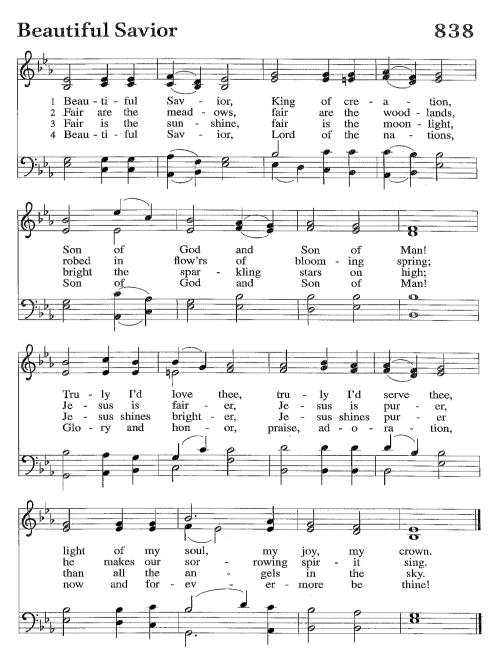
## Just As I Am, without One Plea











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### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING** (please stand)

- V The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.
- C Amen.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (together we pray)

C God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt. Music: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879 HERMAS 656565D V Almighty God has created you and has a purpose for your life every day! Lord, Help us remember, IF YOU ARE NOT DEAD...

#### C YOU ARE NOT DONE!

- V Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the Holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.
- C Amen.

#### **DISMISSAL**

- V Go in peace. Christ is sending you.
- C Thanks be to God.

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## **Announcements**

**<u>Today:</u>** Thank you to all who brought food items for the Yuma Food Pantry.

**Today** is also the Monthly Potluck following worship. All are welcome.

Stephen Ministry: "We like to think of summer as being a relaxing, enjoyable time, but hurt, struggles, crises, and problems don't take a vacation. Many times our difficulties seem even worse during the summer because everyone else seems to be enjoying life while you are feeling down. If you are experiencing a difficult time—emotionally, spiritually, or relationally—you don't have to suffer alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers, ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with and for you, and provide one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. Men are matched with male Stephen Ministers, and women are matched with female Stephen Ministers. It's free. It's totally confidential. And it will make a difference in your life! To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, talk with our Stephen Ministry Referrals Coordinator: Niki Duffy at (509) 531-6651."

**GriefShare:** If you, or someone you know have lost a loved one and are struggling with their grief, invite them to come to the GriefShare session on Sunday's at 12:15 pm here at Gloria de Cristo. The group meets in the Fellowship Classroom. If you have any questions or concerns contact the church office at 928-342-6002.

## **REMINDERS:**

### **Support Groups**

GriefShare: Sundays at 12:15 pm, Fellowship Hall Classroom

#### Service

**Monthly Potluck** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month following worship in Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite dish to share and come for fellowship.

**Food Pantry:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month we collect food for the local Food Pantry. When doing your shopping consider picking up a couple of items to bring and donate.

<u>Men's Breakfast</u> the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Daybreakers**. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

<u>Women's Breakfast Club</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month, 8 am at Izzy's on Foothills Blvd. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

<u>Days for Girls:</u> Check the calendar for the next date. Come join us for fellowship and fun.

### Reading and Learning

Bible Study: to be continued in the Fall

### Fun and Fellowship

**<u>Line dancing:</u>** Wednesdays at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall

<u>Chair Aerobics</u>: Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 pm & Fridays at 10:30 am in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$5/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Service time is: 8:30 am

Dat	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Comm.	Readers	AV
6/1	Joanne	Sandy Everly/Lisa Crayne	Ted/Niki Duffy	S. Weidling	Mich/Tom
6/8	Jan	Dave/Marge Graham	rge Graham Bob/Judy Zeiss		Ted/Niki
6/15	Joanne	T Martin/J. Hollandsworth	Hollandsworth Chuck/Mona O'Reilly Michelle		Char/Tom
6/22	Niki	Brenda Taylor/L. Unger	C. Wade/Jan Klipfel	Jean Gerfen	Mich/Dave
6/29	Char	Rick/Barbara Sherwood	Dave/Marge Graham	S. Arceneaux	Char/Dave
7/6	Char	John/Verna Arnold	Bob/Judy Zeiss	Char	Mich/Dave

**Attendance for May 25** 

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# **CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK**

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 6/2	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday 6/3	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Wed. 6/4	10:00 am	Line dance exercise	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 6/4	1:00 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 6/5	7:00 am	TOPS	Classroom
Thurs. 6/5	9:00 am	Prayer Fellowship	Sanctuary
Friday 6/6	8:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Friday 6/6	10:30 am	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Friday 6/6	10:30 am	Spanish/English Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 6/7	9:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 6/8 8:30 am		Worship/Communion Sanctuary	
Sunday 6/8	12:15 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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