

"A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

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MISSION STATEMENT

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

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025 4:00 P.M. SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 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.

Hearing Devices: 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 by Joanne Ausing in memory of husband Gerald AND Donna Staudenmeier in memory of husband Donald.

<u>PRAYERS:</u> Bill Haney, Earl Marlatt, Marilyn Davis, Roger Tracey, Jerry Taylor, Sonja Estes, Bernice Gray (sister of Sandy Everly), Ed Russell, Tony Cegon (brother of Michelle Cegon & stepson of David Donaldson), Larry & Loretta Munsterman, Danya (daughter of Niki Duffy's friend), Karen Huggins (friend of Gary Raasch), Steve Rodeffer (friend of Gary Raasch), Mary Marsh, Jacky Patte Donna (sister of Lisa Crayne), Mason Fletcher (Grandson of Lisa Crayne), Forrest Marsh, Carolyn Smith, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller)

Remember in your prayers Karel Titus and family. Gary went to be with the Lord last Saturday evening.

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

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

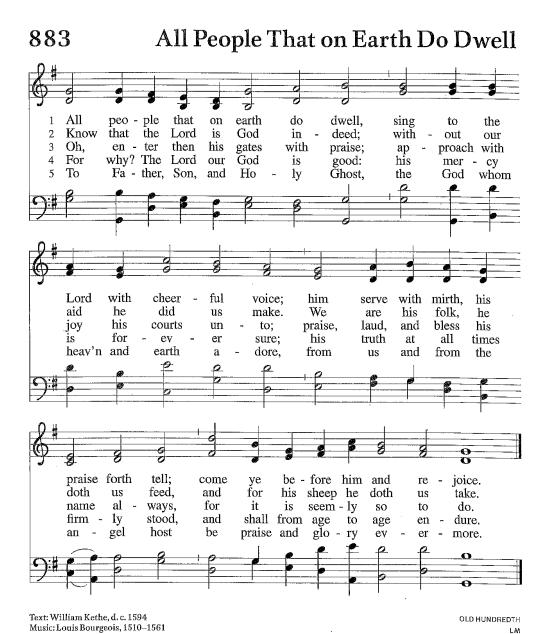
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- 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.

- C Holy God, you have created us in your image, protected and nourished us, and called us into your work. Yet while we profess these truths, we forget who we are and whose we are. We put our trust in ourselves, material goods, and in worldly powers instead of trusting you. We prioritize our comfort over our neighbor's needs. Call us back to you, God. Forgive us our failings, and direct us back onto the path you would have us tread.
- P Hear the good news Christians. You have been created in wholeness, claimed in love and forgiven according to God's boundless grace. Nothing, even the worst we do or fail to do, can separate us from the love of our God. Receive this forgiveness with joy, in the name of Jesus, our savior and friend.
- 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



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair. 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



PRAYER OF THE DAY together we pray:

Unbounding God. All of creation is your temple and your dwelling place. Fill us with wonder and joy at your presence in all that you have made. Help us to treat the natural world and all that is in it with respect and care. 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

ENSEMBLE (4:00) "To God Be The Glory" Men of the Choir

ENSEMBLE (8:30) "In The Garden" Michelle Cegon/

Brigitte Robinson

LESSON 1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13

[a] Now King Hiram of Tyre sent his servants to Solomon when he heard that they had anointed him king in place of his father, for Hiram had always been a friend to David. ² Solomon sent word to Hiram, saying, ³ "You know that my father David could not build a house for the name of the Lord his God because of the warfare with which his enemies surrounded him, until he^[b] put them under the soles of his feet. ^[c] ⁴ But now the Lord my God has given me rest on every side; there is neither adversary nor misfortune. ⁵ So I intend to build a house for the name of the Lord my God, as the Lord said to my father David, 'Your son, whom I will set on your throne in your place, shall build the house for my name.'

Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the ancestral houses of the Israelites, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion. ² All the people of Israel assembled to King Solomon at the festival in the month Ethanim, which is the seventh month. ³ And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests carried the ark. 4 So they brought up the ark of the Lord, the tent of meeting, and all the holy vessels that were in the tent; the priests and the Levites brought them up. ⁵ King Solomon and all the congregation of Israel, who had assembled before him, were with him before the ark, sacrificing so many sheep and oxen that they could not be counted or numbered. ⁶ Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the Lord to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, the most holy place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. ⁷ For the cherubim spread out their wings over the place of the ark, so that the cherubim made a covering above the ark and its poles. 8 The poles were so long that the ends of the poles were seen from the holy place in front of the inner sanctuary, but they could not be seen from outside; they are there to this day. ⁹There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone that Moses had placed there at Horeb, where the Lord made a covenant with

the Israelites when they came out of the land of Egypt. ¹⁰ And when the priests came out of the holy place, a cloud filled the house of the Lord, ¹¹ so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord.

¹² Then Solomon said, "The Lord has said that he would dwell in thick darkness. ¹³ I have built you an exalted house, a place for you to dwell forever."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION SANCTUARY (hymn on next page)

GOSPEL: John 2:19-21

¹⁹ Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰ The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹ But he was speaking of the temple of his body.

V The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING: "Sacred Spaces????!!" Pastor Jack Williams

SANCTUARY



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.

PRAYER INVOCATION



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

V Confident that our God hears and answers our cries, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

V Gracious God, we are your living house. Make of us a holy and sure dwelling place for your presence, to the honor of your glory and steadfast love. God of promise,

C Hear our prayer.

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

- C Bless Your Church. Bless your Vicars in our 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 No earthly temple can rival the awesome beauty of the natural world. Make us to hold our astonishing creation in the highest esteem and to care for it as befitting the place where you and we dwell together. God of promise,

C Hear our prayer.

V Churches stand in every place on earth as a testimony to your presence and promises. Make us good neighbors, strengthen our witness to your vast love, and send your protection to those worldwide suffering persecution for living their faith. God of promise.

C Hear our prayer.

V As the incense of your presence fills the holy spaces, so descend upon us all with the balm of your healing for all who are in need, especially those we remember in our hearts. God of promise,

C Hear our prayer.

V Make us one with your faithful saints who join together in our heavenly home without walls, and inspire us by their example as we strive to follow where they have led. God of promise,

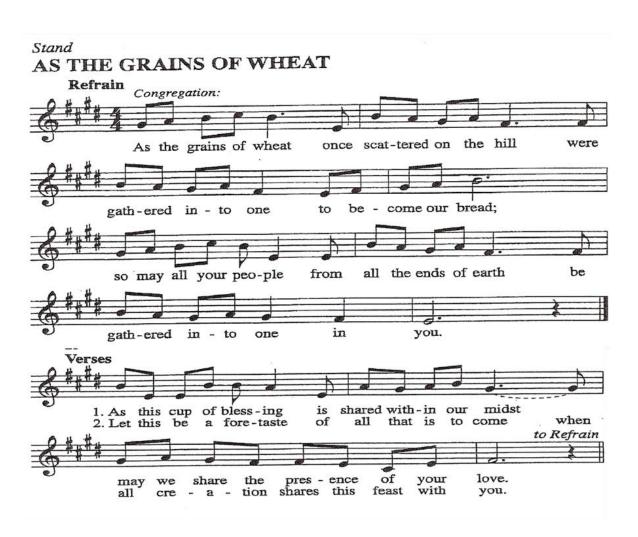
C Hear our prayer.

V We lift all these prayers, and those of our hearts, to your loving care, O God. Receive them and restore our hope in your promises. In Jesus' name we pray.

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 in- person giving as well as online giving.)

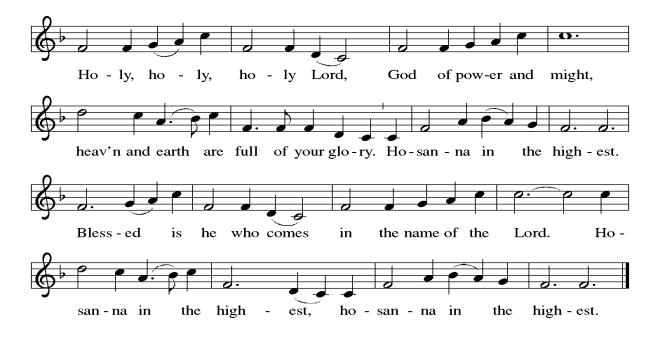
THE RESPONSE



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.

SANCTUS



- 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

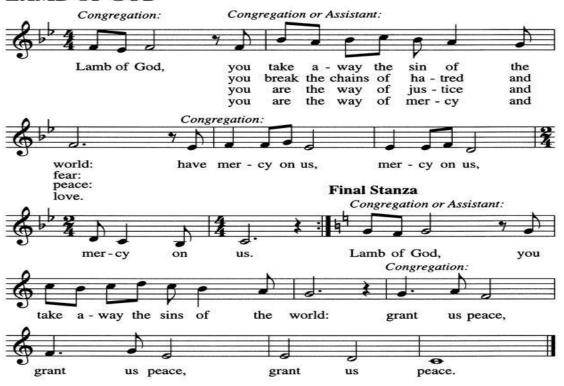
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

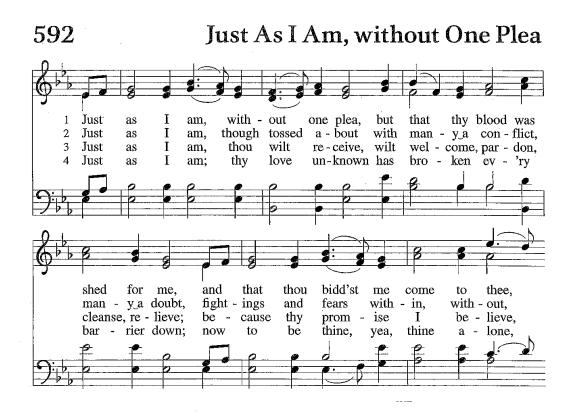
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

LAMB OF GOD



"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"



GRACE, FAITH







COMMUNION BLESSING:

- 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.

WORD OF GOD



A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



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ALL ARE INVITED TO FELLOWSHIP

- 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>Reminder:</u> next Sunday, November 2nd we will add the 10:15 am worship service.

NAME BADGE: If you need a name badge please make note on your green slip and we will have one for you next weekend. You don't need to be a member to wear a name badge. **They will be hanging on the rack to the right of the door as you leave.**

NEW MEMBER CLASS: begins today, 10:00 am in the Room #2 next to the Office (to your right as you leave). Anyone interested in becoming an associate or full member of Gloria de Cristo is invited. Classes are for 3 Sunday's and members are received on the 4th Sunday.

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Stephen Ministry Classes will begin on Wednesday, November 5th from 8:00-10:30 am in the Classroom next to Nursery. Please contact one of the Stephen Leaders if you are interested in beginning this training.

<u>OLD TESTAMENT BIBLE</u>: has resumed. Thursday's at 4 pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring your Bibles. We are studying 1 Samuel.

Monday Bible Study: will begin November 3rd at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Classroom. We will be studying the Book of John.

<u>Coffee with Jesus:</u> will begin on Tuesday, November 11th at 9 am in Fellowship Hall. Complete details can be found in your November Evangel.

If you would like to volunteer as a worship assistant or help with upcoming church events, please contact the church office or speak with any of the current team members after service. Your support is always appreciated and helps our community thrive.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	TIME	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Comm.	Readers	AV
10/25	4 pm	Char	John/Verna Arnold	Marge Jones/Dinga	S. Weidling	Char/David
10/26	8:30 am	Jan	L. Crayne/J. Ausing	J. Klipfel/T. Hoffman	Jeanie Volpe	Niki/Ted
11/1	4 pm	Char	B. Zeiss/M. Marsh	Dave/M. Graham	Jean Gerfen	Char/David
11/2	8:30 am	Char	Dave/N. Griffiths	D. Brown/L. Strand	N. Griffiths	Char/Dave
11/2	10:15 am	Niki	Rick/B. Sherwood	Dave/L. Steinman	Niki Duffy	Dave/Char
11/8	4 pm	Nancy	G. Raasch/	Bob/Judy Zeiss	C. Wertman	Dave/Char
11/9	8:30 am	Char	T. Martin/B. Taylor	M. Marsh/D. Lee	Mary Marsh	Dave/Char
11/9	10:15 am	Joane	L. Layton/	C. Randby/C. Wade	G. Palmer	Dave/Char
			S.Arceneaux			

<u>Attendance:</u> October 18, 2025 = 55 @ 4:00 pm;

October 19, 2025 = 77 @ 8:30 am

Facebook = 241 YouTube = 22

REMINDERS:

Service

<u>Monthly Potluck</u>: 1st Sunday of each month following the last worship service.

Food Pantry: 1st 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 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Daybreakers**. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

<u>Women's Breakfast Club</u> 1st 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> will meet the 2nd & 4th Saturday's of each month @ 9 am in Fellowship Hall. Come join us for fellowship and fun

GriefShare: Every Sunday at 12:15 pm in the Fellowship Classroom.

Reading and Learning

<u>Monday's Bible Study:</u> begins November 3, 1 pm in Fellowship Classroom

Coffee With Jesus: begins Tuesday, November 4, 9 am in fellowship Hall

Old Testament Bible Study: every Thursday @ 4 pm in Fellowship Hall.

<u>Prayer Fellowship:</u> will meet on Thursday, October 30th @ 10 am in the Sanctuary

Fun and Fellowship

<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.

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 10/27	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Monday 10/27	11:30 pm	Alanon	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 10/28	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 10/28	10:30 am	Coffee Club	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 10/29	1:00 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 10/29	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory rehearsal	Sanctuary
Wed. 10/29	5:45 pm	Choir rehearsal	Sanctuary
Thurs. 10/30	7:00 am	TOPS	Classroom
Thurs. 10/30	9:00 am	Craft Workshop	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 10/23	4:00 pm	Old Testament Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
Friday 10/31	8:00 am	TOPS	Followship Classroom
			Fellowship Classroom
Friday 10/31	4:30 pm	Trunk or Treat	Parking Lot
Friday 10/31	5:00 pm	Women's AA	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 11/1	9:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 11/1	4:00 pm	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/2	8:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/2	10:15 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/2	11:30 am	New Member Class	Room #1
Sunday 11/2	12:15 am	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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