Gloria de Cristo
LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A Community Church in the Foothills"

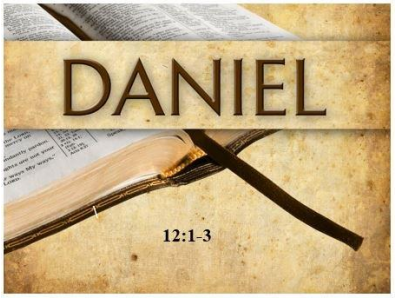
Bill Timm, Pastor
Ministers: All of our People
Church Phone: 928-342-6002

MISSION STATEMENT

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

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

SUNDAY, SEPEMBER 1, 2024



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.

VISITORS.. Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. Pastor Timm would love to meet you!

PLEASE REMEMBER… to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. Pastor and Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

DID YOU KNOW.. 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.

LITTLE FOLKS.. 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.

BE COMFORTABLE.. 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 Dyanne Radke in honor of children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

PRAYERS: Doreen Caldwell, Lynette Layton, Marijan Petrovic, Mary Zieman, Ami Gudjohnsen, Brandon Beard (grandson of a friend of Gary Raasch), Bonnie Griffith (friend of Glorious Quilters), Dugan Tjerne (friend of Lynette Layton), Tammie Melby (friend of Marie Ritten), Forrest Marsh, Cheryl Preul, Carolyn Smith, Cheryl Perkins (friend of Glorious Quilters), Becky Scheller, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller), Henry Carey, Mason Fletcher, Iva Pennell(Paul Ehler's Sister)

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

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

P God Is Good!
C All the time
P All the time
C God Is Good!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ☩ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C Amen.

P We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P Merciful and holy God,

C You have called us to follow you in the way of mercy, loving kindness, and care for the earth. In our human frailty we have turned away, letting our fears drive us to actions or inactions that cause harm to ourselves, our neighbors, and our world. Draw us back into your loving arms. Wipe away our fears and our sins, that with clean hearts we might live to serve you and all creation.

P Hear this word of hope, beloved of God. Our God is rich in mercy and abundant in love and forgives you all your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, who lives within and among us, and invites us to have life abundantly.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "O Worship the King" ELW 842

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.

KYRIE

SONG OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY *together we pray:*

God of love. Free us from our obsessive need to know what is unknowable, to have power over that which is beyond our control. Remove our fear of the unknown future, and instill in us a peace so deep, a trust so profound, that we cannot help but live lives of simple gratitude for all that you have given us, and all that you have promised us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you

C And also with you

WORSHIP CAROL *"I'll Fly Away"*

Congregation will join in the refrain:

I'll fly away , O glory, I'll fly away.
When I die, Hallelujah by and by,
I'll fly away.

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 12:1-3, 5-13

1"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the

book. **2** Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth[a] shall awake, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt. **3** Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky,[b] and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

5 Then I, Daniel, looked, and two others appeared, one standing on this bank of the stream and one on the other. **6** One of them said to the man clothed in linen, who was upstream, "How long shall it be until the end of these wonders?" **7** The man clothed in linen, who was upstream, raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven. And I heard him swear by the one who lives forever that it would be for a time, two times, and half a time[a] and that when the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end all these things would be accomplished. **8** I heard but could not understand, so I said, "My lord, what shall be the outcome of these things?" **9** He said, "Go your way, Daniel, for the words are to remain secret and sealed until the time of the end. **10** Many shall be purified, cleansed, and refined, but the wicked shall continue to act wickedly. None of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand. **11** From the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the desolating sacrilege is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred ninety days. **12** Happy are those who persevere and attain the thousand three hundred thirty-five days. **13** But you, go your way,[b] and rest; you shall rise for your reward at the end of the days."

R The Word of the Lord

C Thanks Be To God

PSALM 119:89-96

R The Lord exists forever; your word is firmly fixed in heaven.

C **[90] Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast.**

R [91] By your appointment they stand today, for all things are your servants.

C **[92] If your law had not been my delight, I would have perished in my misery.**

R [93] I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have given me life.

C **[94] I am yours; save me, for I have sought your precepts.**

R [95] The wicked lie in wait to destroy me, but I consider your decrees.

C **[96] I have seen a limit to all perfection, but your commandment is exceedingly broad.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL Luke 17:20-21

20 Once Jesus[a] was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered, “The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed, 21 nor will they say, ‘Look, here it is!’ or ‘There it is!’ For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among[b] you.”

P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING: ***"END OF DAYS???!!!"*** Pastor Bill Timm

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Here I Am Lord" ELW 574

Here I Am, Lord 574

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946
Music: Daniel L. Schutte
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HERE I AM, LORD
7 7 7 4 D and refrain

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

P Trusting in God's power and mercy, we pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

P Holy God, we know that all things must end. Remind us that your love transcends time, space, and all that is, and that you will never leave us, come what may. Give us joyful anticipation of the time when we will dwell in unending communion with you. God of mystery,

C We lift our prayers to you.

P We know that heaven and earth will pass away. Let us enjoy the beauty of the natural world for as long as we live and strive to keep it for future generations to enjoy. God of mystery,

C We lift our prayers to you.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

C 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."

P We know that suffering will pass away. But for those experiencing illness, injury, trauma, addiction, and all forms of pain in the here and now, send your healing Spirit and guide those who care for them. God of mystery,

C We lift our prayers to you.

P Enrich us with the wonderful works of creativity, acts of selflessness, and other signs of your inspiration all around us. God of mystery,

C We lift our prayers to you.

P We know so many saints who have passed away before us. Make us grateful for their lives and examples of faith and help us to provide that same example to those still unborn. God of mystery.

C We lift our prayers to you.

P Confident in your life-giving love, we lift these prayers and all those in our hearts into your loving care.

C Amen.

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 and online giving.)

OFFERING RESPONSE

Stand

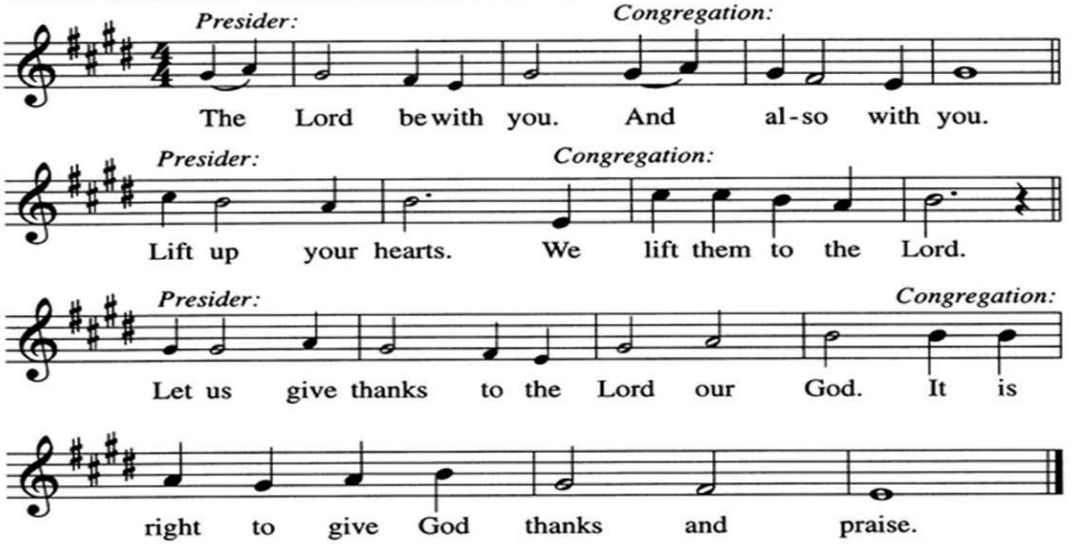
AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT

Refrain

Congregation:

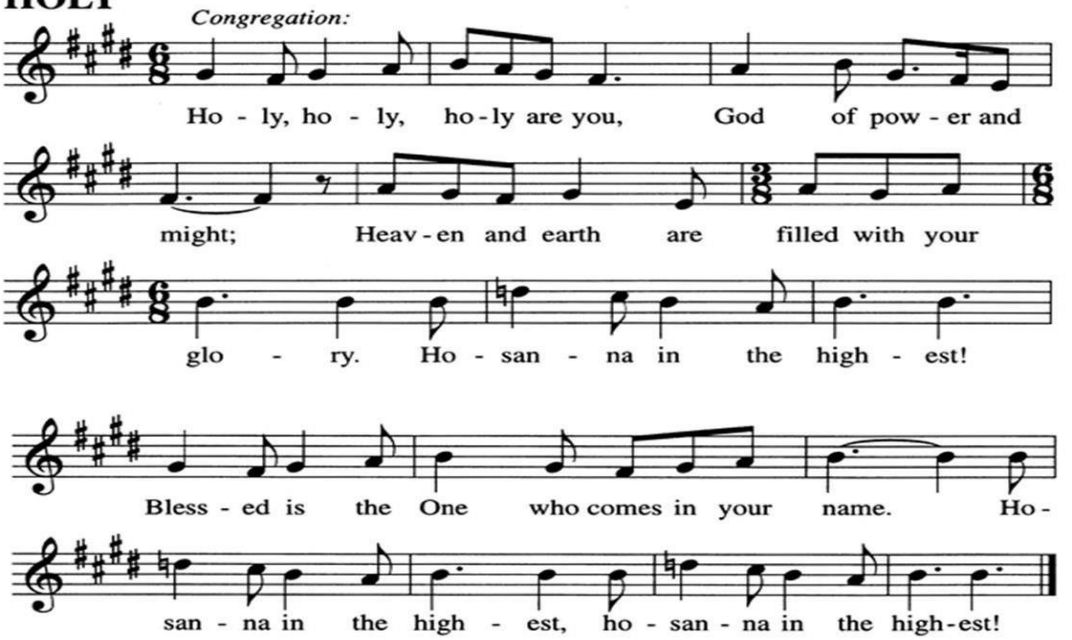
Verses

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is our duty and delight… we praise your name and join their unending hymn

HOLY



P 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 do not commune and children may come forward for a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest to request a blessing. Simply 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

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.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

SWING LOW, SWEET CHARIOT

AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUAL

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4. I'm sometimes up and sometimes down,
Comin' for to carry me home.
But still my soul feels heaven bound,
Comin' for to carry me home.
To Chorus:

5. I never went to heaven, but I've been told,
Comin' for to carry me home.
The streets in heaven are paved with gold,
Comin' for to carry me home.
To Chorus:

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Now Thank We All Our God 840

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878
Music: Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT
67 67 66 66

856 How Great Thou Art

Text: Carl G. Boberg, 1859–1940; tr. and adapt. Stuart K. Hine, 1899–1989
Music: Swedish folk tune; adapt. Stuart K. Hine
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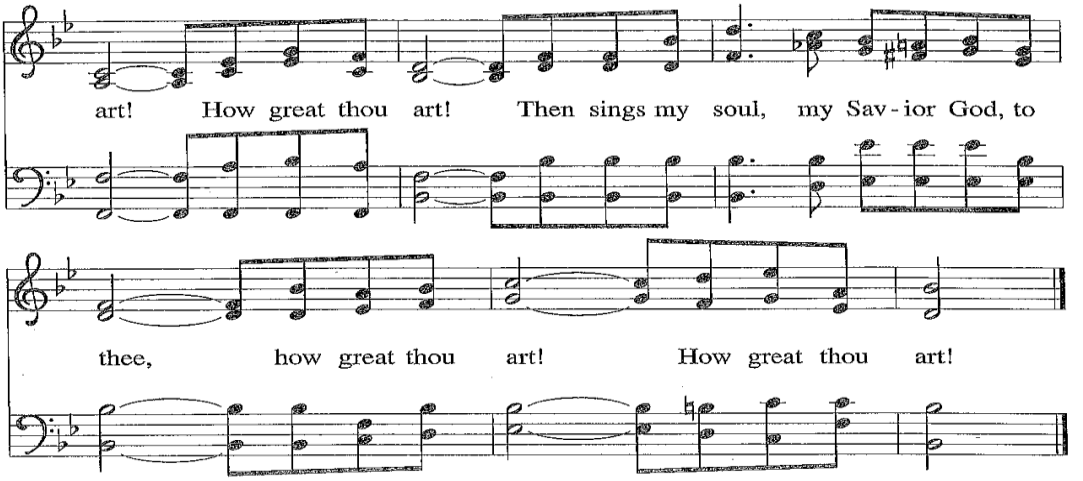

POST COMMUNION BLESSING *(please stand)*

P 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

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.

SENDING HYMN "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" ELW 536

P 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!

P 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

P Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

C Thanks be to God.

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Announcements

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY O THE GOSPEL OF LUKE:

Begins on Monday, September 16th at 12:30 pm at 7649 E. 25th Street
Zoom sessions begin on Tuesday, September 17th at 10 am.
Contact the office for the Zoom Link!

NEW MEMBER CLASS:

The next New Member Class will begin on Sunday, September 22nd at 10:40 am in the Fellowship Hall Classroom

Classes will meet on September 22nd, 29th, and October 6th.

New members will be received on Sunday, October 13th during the 9:30 am worship.

Stop by the office for information!

BAZAAR WORKSHOPS:

Those of you who are crafters, sewers, knitters, painters or just have questions or ideas to share….the Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale Committee will be back at work on September 5th in Fellowship Hall from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm to work weekly on Thursdays until the Bazaar on December7th.

If you have already completed items you wish to contribute, please bring them to one of the Thursday morning work parties so we can catalog them for the Bazaar.

We look forward to seeing you and getting your input and help!!

"GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS", SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024!

This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America — one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life — flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

The Mission & Social Concerns Committee of Gloria de Cristo is asking you to pick up a pair or two of **'Flip Flops'** that can be donated to Crossroads Mission for use when taking showers. We will have a container in the Narthex next Sunday for you to drop them in and the committee will see that they get delivered to the mission. Thank you for your support!

REMINDERS:

Monthly Potluck: The 1st Sunday is our monthly Potluck following the 9:30 am worship. Mark your calendar, bring your favorite dish to share and join us for fellowship and food.

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.

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

Women's Breakfast Club 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Jimmy K's Diner.** All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

Bible Study: Resumes September 16th, 2024

Craft Fellowship: Every Thursday at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall. Bring your own projects and fellowship with others.

Care Givers Lunch: Every Friday at 11:00 am. Contact Sandy Timm for the location.

GriefShare: Resumes September 22nd, 12:00 pm, Fellowship Hall Classroom

Chair Aerobics : Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 pm in Fellowship Hall. A donation of $5/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Communion	Readers
9/1	Char	Eric Werner Donna Brown	Yvonne Wurtele Lisa Crayne	Linda Strand
9/8	Char	Dave & Marge Graham	Dave & Nancy Griffiths	Mary Marsh
9/15	Michelle	Rick & Barbaa Sherwood	Ted & Niki Duffy	Jean Gerfen
9/22	Niki	Jan Klipfel Donna Watkins	Linda Strand Mary Marsh	Niki Duffy

Attendance last week August 25, 2024:
92 @ 9:30am.
11 views on Youtube and 467 views on Facebook.

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 9/2		**LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED**	
Tuesday 9/3	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 9/3	1:00 am	Foothills Social	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 9/4	1:00 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 9/4	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wednesday 9/4	6:00 pm	Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday 9/5	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 9/5	10:00 am	Bazaar Workshop	Fellowship Hall
Friday 9/6	8:00am	TOP	Fellowship Hall
Friday 9/6	1:00 pm	Social Group	Fellowship Hall
Friday 9/6	6:00 pm	Women's AA	Fellowship Hall
Saturday 9/7	9:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 9/8	**9:30 am**	**Worship/Communion**	**Sanctuary**
Sunday 9/8	1:00 pm	Social Group	Fellowship Hall

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