

TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GLENDORA  
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**Processional Hymn 837 Lift High the Cross** *sts. ref-6*

- ref Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.
- 1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod, Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain
- 2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign, The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. Refrain
- 3 All newborn soldiers of the Crucified, Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died. Refrain
- 4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. Refrain
- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell, Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

**Confession and Absolution**

- P In the name of the Father and of the T 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.**  
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

**Service of the Word**

**Psalm 98**

- <sup>1</sup>Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!  
**His right hand and his holy arm, have worked salvation for him.**  
<sup>2</sup>The LORD has made known his salvation;  
**he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

<sup>3</sup>He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

<sup>4</sup>Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

<sup>5</sup>Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,  
**with the lyre and the sound of melody!**

<sup>6</sup>With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
**make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!**

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;  
**the world and those who dwell in it!**

<sup>8</sup>Let the rivers clap their hands;  
**let the hills sing for joy together**

<sup>9</sup>before the LORD, for he comes  
**to judge the earth.**

He will judge the world with righteousness,  
**and the peoples with equity.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you. C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**First Reading** *Acts 10:34-48*

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word.

<sup>45</sup>And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup>For they were hearing them

speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup>“Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** *adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.

**[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.**

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

**he has put all things under his feet.**

**Epistle** *1 John 5:1–8*

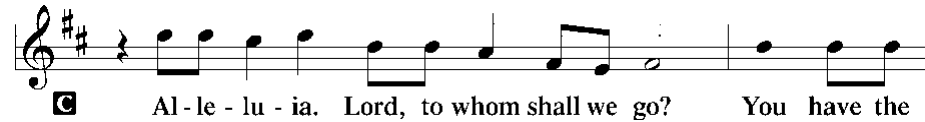
<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. <sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

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**Alleluia and Verse**



**Holy Gospel** *John 15:9–17*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus said:] “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup>“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup>These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

**Children's Message**

**556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice** *sts. 1–5*

- 1 Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice, With exultation springing,  
And with united heart and voice, And holy rapture singing,  
Proclaim the wonders God has done, How His right arm the vict'ry won.  
What price our ransom cost Him!
- 2 Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay; Death brooded darkly o'er me.  
Sin was my torment night and day; In sin my mother bore me.  
But daily deeper still I fell; My life became a living hell,  
So firmly sin possessed me.
- 3 My own good works all came to naught, No grace or merit gaining;  
Free will against God's judgment fought, Dead to all good remaining.  
My fears increased till sheer despair, Left only death to be my share;  
The pangs of hell I suffered.
- 4 But God had seen my wretched state, Before the world's foundation,  
And mindful of His mercies great, He planned for my salvation.  
He turned to me a father's heart; He did not choose the easy part  
But gave His dearest treasure.
- 5 God said to His beloved Son: “It's time to have compassion.  
Then go, bright jewel of My crown, And bring to all salvation.  
From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they  
May live with You forever.”

**Confirmation Essay Recitation** *Luke Hildebrand and Paul Liebich*

**556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice** *sts. 6–10*

- 6 The Son obeyed His Father's will, Was born of virgin mother;  
And God's good pleasure to fulfill, He came to be my brother.

His royal pow'r disguised He bore; A servant's form, like mine, He wore  
To lead the devil captive.

- 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle.  
Your ransom I Myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle.  
For I am yours, and you are Mine, And where I am you may remain;  
The foe shall not divide us.
- 8 "Though he will shed My precious blood, Me of My life bereaving,  
All this I suffer for your good; Be steadfast and believing.  
Life will from death the vict'ry win; My innocence shall bear your sin,  
And you are blest forever.
- 9 "Now to My Father I depart, From earth to heav'n ascending,  
And, heav'nly wisdom to impart, The Holy Spirit sending;  
In trouble He will comfort you, And teach you always to be true  
And into truth shall guide you.
- 10 "What I on earth have done and taught, Guide all your life and teaching;  
So shall the kingdom's work be wrought, And honored in your preaching.  
But watch lest foes with base alloy, The heav'nly treasure should destroy;  
This final word I leave you."

## Sermon

### Confirmation *p.272*

*We will sing verse 1 of Jesus Loves Me while the families of our confirmands come forward to lay hands on them. The families will stay up front through the prayer that concludes the Rite of Confirmation and will return to their seats while we sing verse 2 of the hymn.*

### 588 Jesus Loves Me *sts. 1, ref, 2*

- 1 Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, but He is strong. *Refrain*
- ref Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*
- 2 Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven's gates to open wide. He has washed away my sin,  
Lets His little child come in. *Refrain*

## Prayer of the Church

### Offering

### Offertory

- C **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

- 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 Him thanks and praise.**  
P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

- C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:  
C **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.**

### The Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."  
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **Amen.**

## Agnus Dei

- C **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.**

## 578 Thy Strong Word

- 1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At Thy speaking it was done.  
For created light we thank Thee, While Thine ordered seasons run.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death,  
Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness,  
Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 4 From the cross Thy wisdom shining, Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;  
From the cross forever beameth, All Thy bright redeeming light.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,  
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.  
Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send  
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!
- D 6 God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.  
To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.  
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.  
Mortals, angels, now and ever, Praise the holy Trinity!

## 656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from ev'ry need, That hath us now o'ertaken.  
The old evil foe, Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might  
Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.
- 2 With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;  
But for us fights the valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.  
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, Of Sabaoth Lord,  
And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.

- 3 Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,  
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still, Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done; One little word can fell him.
- 4 The Word they still shall let remain, Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain, With His good gifts and Spirit.  
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife, Though these all be gone,  
Our vict'ry has been won; The Kingdom ours remaineth.

## 940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name *sts. 1-5*

- 1 Holy God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee.  
All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore Thee.  
Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.
- 2 Hark! The glad celestial hymn, Angel choirs above are raising;  
Cherubim and seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising,  
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy Lord!
- 3 Lo, the apostles' holy train, Join Thy sacred name to hallow;  
Prophets swell the glad refrain, And the white-robed martyrs follow,  
And from morn to set of sun, Through the Church the song goes on.
- 4 Thou art King of Glory, Christ; Son of God, yet born of Mary.  
For us sinners sacrificed, As to death a Tributary,  
First to break the bars of death, Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.
- D 5 Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;  
Though in essence only one, Undivided God we claim Thee  
And, adoring, bend the knee, While we own the mystery.

## Thank the Lord

- C **Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.**  
**Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.**  
**He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy**  
**with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Post-Communion Collect

- A Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

## Benediction

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

## 922 Go, My Children, with My Blessing *sts. 1–4*

- 1 Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own. In My love’s baptismal river, I have made you Mine forever.  
Go, My children, with My blessing—You are My own.
- 2 Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure. Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure. Here you heard My dear Son’s story; Here you touched Him, saw His glory. Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
- 3 Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me; Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free. Here My Spirit’s power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.
- 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you, And give you peace; I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace: I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.  
Go, My children; I will keep you, And give you peace.

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