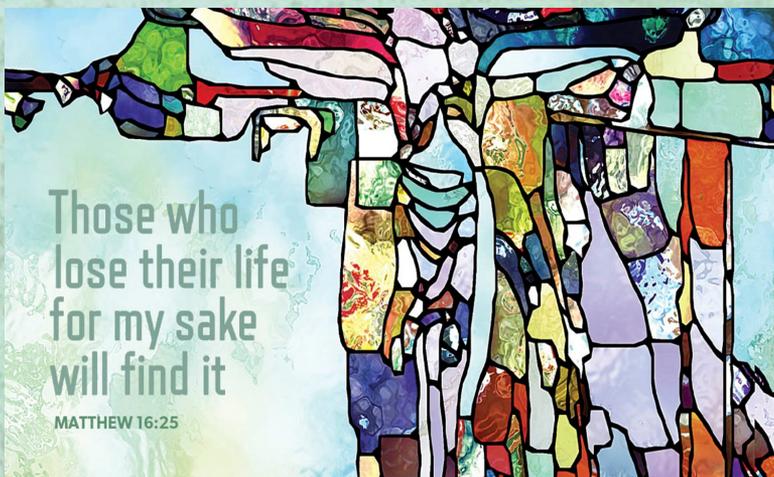


Welcome to Glory Lutheran Church



**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 3, 2023**

Reaching Up... Reaching Out... Reaching In...

Gathering Songs - Come As You Are



1. Come out of sad - ness from wher - ev - er you've been.



Come, bro - ken - heart - ed, let res - cue be - gin.



Come find your mer - cy. O sin - ner, come kneel;



Earth has no sor - row that Heav - en can't heal,



earth has no sor - row that Heav - en can't heal.



Lay down your bur - dens, ___ lay down your shame.



All who are bro - ken ___ lift up your face. _



O wan - der - er, come home; ___ You're not too ___ far.



So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are. _

There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure

There's joy for the morning O sinner be still
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

David Crowder | Matt Maher | Ben Glover
One Songs | Ariose Music | Inot Music | Thankyou Music | Valley Of Songs Music | worshiptogether.

Here I Am To Worship



1. Light of the World, You stepp'd down in - to dark - ness,
2. King of all days, oh so high - ly ex - alt - ed,



O - pened my eyes, let me see.____
Glo - rious in heav - en a - bove.____



Beau - ty that made this heart a - dore You
Hum - bly You came to the earth You cre - a - ted,



Hope of a life spent with You.
All for love's sake be - came poor.



So here I am to wor - ship, here I am to bow down,



Here I am to say that You're my God,____



You're al - to - geth - er love - ly, al - to - geth - er wor - thy,



Al - to - geth - er won - der - ful to me.____



And I'll nev - er know how much it cost



to see my sin u - pon that cross.

Confession & Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the pastor begins.

P: Blessed be God, the one who forms us,
+ Jesus who bears the cross,
the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Steadfast and faithful God,

C: **you have revealed the ways of justice,
yet we fail to follow you.**

We are overwhelmed

by the world's violence and suffering.

**We are afraid to risk what we have
for the sake of others.**

**For the harm we have caused,
known and unknown, forgive us.**

**For the unjust demands we place on others
and your creation, forgive us.**

**For the ways we turn away
from you and our neighbor, forgive us.**

Lead us back to you

and set us on the right path;

in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

P: Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.

God's compassion is beyond compare.

In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.

In + Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C: **Amen.**

Greeting / Prayer of the Day

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

Please take time to say "Peace be with you" as directed.

Hymn of Praise - This Is My Father's World

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev'-ry-where.
Lord is king, let heav-en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901

Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

Children's Time

First Lesson: Jeremiah 15:15-21

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 26:1-8

L: Vindicate me, O Lord,
for I have walked in my integrity,
and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.

**C: Prove me, O Lord, and try me;
test my heart and mind.**

L: For your steadfast love is before my eyes,
and I walk in faithfulness to you.[as]

**C: I do not sit with the worthless,
nor do I consort with hypocrites;**

L: I hate the company of evildoers,
and will not sit with the wicked.

**C: I wash my hands in innocence,
and go around your altar, O Lord,**

L: singing aloud a song of thanksgiving,
and telling all your wondrous deeds.

**C: O Lord, I love the house in which you dwell,
and the place where your glory abides.**

Second Lesson: Romans 12:9-21

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

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Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

The musical score is written in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature. It consists of three staves: a vocal line at the top, a piano accompaniment line in the middle, and a bass line at the bottom. The lyrics 'Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.' are placed below the vocal line.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 16:21-28

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



The logo of the Lutheran school in Sogamoso, Colombia, shows an open Bible, an oil lamp symbolizing wisdom, and a cross. Jesus tells everyone to “take up their cross” and follow him. How might going to school, learning or teaching, be a way of “carrying one’s cross”? As students and teachers return to the classroom this week, let’s strive to become wise students (disciples) of Jesus.

In Colombia, many students have classes in July and August but longer holidays in December and January.

Hymn of the Day - Will You Come and Follow Me



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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Confession of Faith - Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

Offering

*As you leave, you may place your offering onto
the plate located at the back of the church
or use the online options available on our website.*



Offertory Song - Unashamed



1. I have not much to of - fer You.
2. O Christ, my King of sym - pa - thy,
3. I can't ex - plain this kind of love,



Not near what You de - serve.
whose wounds se - cure my peace,
I'm hum - bled and a - mazed.



But still I come, be - cause Your cross
Your grace ex - tends to call me friend,
That You'd come down from heav - en's heights



has placed in me my worth.
Your mer - cy sets me free.
and greet me face to face.



And I know___ I'm weak, I know I'm un-wor -



- thy to call___ up - on Your name.___



But be - cause of grace, be - cause of Your mer -



- cy, I stand_ here un - a - shamed.



Here I am,___ at Your feet,___



in my bro - ken - ness_ com - plete.___

Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:
our selves, our time, and our possessions.
Use us, and what we have gathered,
in feeding the world with your love,
through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers

Prayer Response:

P: Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

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**

BLESSING / Announcements



The flowers on the altar were
provided by the Schlegl Family
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Tony Schlegl
Jan. 18, 1933 - Sept. 3, 2016



Sending Song - Bind Us Together

Refrain

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that

can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,

bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love.

1 There . . is on - ly one God. There . . is on - ly one King.
2 You are the fam - ly of God. You are the prom - ise di - vine.

Refrain

There . . is on - ly one Bod - y; that . . is why we can sing:
You are God's cho - sen de - sire, you are the glo - rious new wine.

Text: Bob Gillman, b. 1946
Music: Bob Gillman, b. 1946

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Dismissal

*Friday September 1st:
World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation*

To live this Season of Creation 2023

God of Creation, we enter this Season of Creation seeking to respond to the urgent calls to protect and safeguard Creation, this marvelous gift you give to the peoples of the world.

The prophet Amos reminds us that our faith demands that justice flows like water, like a stream that will never run dry (Amos 5:24). How can we do justice to the battered and polluted earth, and to the people most affected by climate change?

We thank You for all the people and organizations that are taking action to prevent, respect and restore Your creation. We also give thanks for the initiatives and projects of green committees and faith communities here and around the world. What we do here has positive impacts everywhere else in the world.

Before You, we must also confess our faults in our mission as stewards of Creation, admit our indifferences, our hesitations, our shortcomings and our contradictions between our words and our actions.

Being a steward of Creation goes hand in hand with Your call to be a guardian of our brothers and sisters. The love of Creation, and the love of people are one in the same.

Enlighten our consciences so that we can communicate and undertake new initiatives in response to the moaning of the earth, the cry of the poor, and those displaced by climate change.

Give us also the bravery to open paths of hope on our earth so that we do not endanger present and future generations.

May we welcome the Holy Spirit so that, as Jesus said before his disciples, go and bear fruit "fruit that will last" (John 15:16).

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

Blessing of Backpacks will take place during the worship service on Sunday, September 10.

Students of all ages (children, youth, and adults) are invited to bring their backpacks to be blessed as we send them off with prayers for a safe and successful year of learning.

Parents will have the opportunity to register children for Sunday School after the service. There will be a registration table set up in the Narthex.

Sunday School will resume on Sept 17. We are looking forward to seeing new and old faces.



CHOIR

"Make music to the Lord with the sound of singing!"

You are invited to join our choir; learn some wonderful choral music; and make friends with a great group of people.

The first choir rehearsal will be on September 14.



*"Sing to Him, sing praises to Him,
tell of all His wonderful works!"*

**Rehearsals are
Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.**

Come and experience friendship and fellowship as we join our voices in prayer and in praise!

Please call if you have any questions.
Pat (780) 998-5345.





Edith Viola Sitler (Sorensen)
March 13, 1935 - August 27th, 2023

It is with great sorrow and thanksgiving for a life well lived that we announce the passing of our sister in Christ, Edith Sitler.

A celebration of Edith's life will take place on Sept 4th at 1:00 at Glory, with viewing starting at 11:30.

A livestream of the service will be available:
<https://www.glorylutheran.ca/funeral-service-edith-sitler.html>

"Edith, go forth from this world in the love of God who created you; in the mercy of Jesus Christ who died for you; in the power of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you, at one with all the faithful, living and departed. May you rest in peace and rise in the glory of your eternal home, where grief and misery are banished, and light and joy abide."

Obituary:

<https://www.weberfuneralhome.ca/obituary/Edith-Sitler>

"Lord, now let your servant go in peace for my eyes have seen your salvation." (Luke 2:29)



Thank You

to those who made contributions to this week's bulletin and to members who assisted in today's service.

Worship Planners, Altar Guild, Musicians, AV Techs,
Greeter: Lynnette Woodrow
Usher: Maggie Hensel
Reader: Rhonda Berg
Coffee Setup/Cleanup: Esther Madsen
Lock-up: Pastor Markus

To volunteer, please sign up [online](#) or on the easel in the Narthex.

Events This Week:

Funeral for Edith Sitler - Monday: Viewing 11:30am Service 1:00pm
Praise Band - Tuesday 7:00pm
Fireside Wednesday - 6:00pm

Attendance & Offering:

| | Online | In-Person | Offering |
|-----------------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| July 30, 2023 | 15 | 49 | \$2030.00 |
| August 6, 2023 | 25 | 58 | \$2813.15 |
| August 13, 2023 | 24 | | \$3230.00 |
| August 20, 2023 | 21 | 59 | \$2460.00 |

*** August 27, 2023 will be reported next week***

Next Sunday's Readings:

Ezekiel 33:7-11, Psalm 119:33-40, Romans 13:8-14, Matthew 18:15-20

The service this morning will be both recorded and live streamed.
This can be accessed on our website, glorylutheran.ca.

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