# The Fifth Sunday in Lent



# **Welcome to Gloria Dei!**

The name *Gloria Dei* is a Latin phrase meaning *God's glory*. We pray that here you will find his glory and love chiefly revealed in our Savior Jesus. May your time in worship be edifying and enable you to focus on Jesus as the solution to your sin and as the certainty of eternal life in heaven.

Should you need a **restroom** during the service, you will find them in the Fellowship Hall directly beneath the sanctuary. Exit the sanctuary by the main doors, turn right and head down the stairs, turn right at the bottom of the stairs and enter the first door.

If you need anything during the service, please speak to one of the ushers.

# To Those Visiting with Children

The members of Gloria Dei believe that families should be able to worship together. It is clear that some amount of noise will come with children being in worship. Any noise children make in worship is the sound of families doing what God has told them to do: bringing their children to sit at Jesus' feet. Should your family need a few moments away from the sanctuary, the Fellowship Hall located directly beneath the sanctuary is open and equipped with a closed circuit TV of the service.

### **Our Communion Practice**

If you are a visitor with us today, we are glad that you're here! We are celebrating the Lord's Supper in worship today. If you would like to receive the Lord's Supper today, we ask that you speak with Pastor Shrimpton or one of the ushers before doing so.

God requires that we only commune with those with whom we share complete agreement in God's Word (1 Corinthians 10:16-17) and makes us responsible for ensuring that those whom commune know exactly what God teaches lest people commune to their spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-30). Because of this, we ask that any visitors who are not a member of one of our sister congregations give us the opportunity to compare what we teach with your faith to ensure that we are in complete agreement before you commune with us. Please speak with Pastor Shrimpton after worship for more information.

### The Theme of Today's Worship

Religious sociologists sometimes divide Christians into two groups: committed Christians and cultural Christians. The former are usually defined as those who are active in a congregation, who pray regularly, who read Scripture, etc. The latter are those individuals who call themselves Christian and perhaps have some Christian beliefs. Yet, they do not strive to live a Christian life. They are not interested in church involvement.

Those definitions are interesting when trying to understand shifts in American Christianity. However, they demonstrate a false assumption about the Christian religion. There is indeed a devoted commitment at the center of Christianity, but it is not man's commitment to God. Even believers will at times demonstrate lukewarm commitment at best. Instead, at the heart of Christianity we find God's devotion and commitment to us. It is a devoted commitment so strong that it put God on the cross.

# **Serving Today**

Presiding Minister	Mark Baushke
Preacher	Tim Mann
Accompanist	Kathy Lee
Ushers	Steve Powers and Rick Huntington
Communion Assistant	Steve Hansen
Altar Preparation	Jen Ratto
Sunday School Teacher	Kathy Lee
Coffee Hour Host	The Higgins Family

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# The Service

Setting One

# **Opening Hymn**

419 Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle



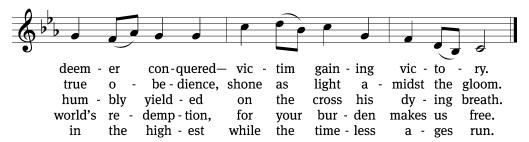
- 1 Sing, my tongue, the glo-rious bat-tle, waged in blood on
- 2 Tell how, when at length the full ness of th' ap-point ed
- 3 Thus, with thir ty years ac com-plished, he went forth from
- 4 Faith ful cross, true sign of tri umph, be for all the
- 5 Un to God be praise and glo ry; to the Fa ther



Cal - va - ry; o'er the cross, tri - um - phant tro - phy, time was come, he, the Word, was born of wom - an, Naz - a - reth, des tined, ded - i - cat - ed, will - ing, no - blest tree; none fo - liage, none blos - som, in in the Son. th' e - ter - nal Spir - it and to hon - or



who strug-gled val - iant - ly; tell left Fa - ther's home. for us his did work and his met his death; in fruit your e - qual be. none ev - er - more be now and donetell how earth's Reblazed the path of like a lamb he sym-bol of the praise and glo-ry



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Please stand

### **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

### Confession\*

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins

and purify us from all unrighteousness.†

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

<sup>\*</sup>We are born into this world with a deep need for confession. We come as sinners before the holy God who demands perfection from us. We come asking for his forgiveness, trusting in his promises to forgive us for the sake of Jesus' life and death in our place.

<sup>† 1</sup> John 1:8-9

### **Absolution**

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning\* sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.†

Amen.

# **Lord, Have Mercy**

Kyrie

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

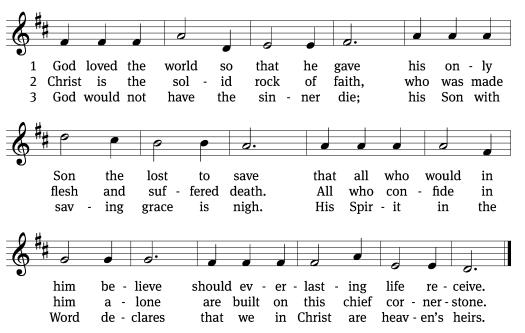
Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

<sup>\*</sup> To "atone" is to put to separated parties back "at one" with each other. By his death, Jesus covered over our sin and put sinful mankind back at one with our Creator. See **1 John 2:2**.

<sup>† [</sup>Jesus said,] "Whenever you forgive people's sins, they are forgiven. Whenever you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.... Amen I tell you: Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven" (John 20:23, Matthew 18:18).



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# **The Word**

## **Salutation**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

# **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

<sup>\*</sup> During the solemn season of Lent, the church has historically set aside its most joyous songs and words of praise Thus during these Sundays, the traditional *Gloria in Excelsis* is replaced by a more solemn reminder of God's love and forgiveness.

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation, that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive the forgiveness of sins, victory over the grave, and finally inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading Isaiah 43:1–7

In devoted commitment the LORD promises his people that even if they need to pass through raging waters or walk through a wall of fire, he will be right there with them.

ut now this is what the LORD says, the LORD who created you, O Jacob, the LORD who formed you, O Israel. Do not be afraid, because I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine. <sup>2</sup>When you cross through the waters, I will be with you. When you cross the rivers, they will not sweep you away. When you walk through fire, you will not be burned, and the flame will not set you on fire. <sup>3</sup>Because I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior, I gave Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup>Because you are precious and honored in my eyes, and I myself love you, I will give people in exchange for you, and peoples in exchange for your life. <sup>5</sup>Do not be afraid, because I am with you. From the east I will bring your offspring, and from the west I will gather you. 6I will say to the north, "Give them back!" and to the south, "Do not hold them." Bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth—
<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name,
everyone I created for my glory,
everyone I formed,
yes, everyone I have made.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Psalm of the Day

Psalm 121D







I lift up my eyes to the / mountains—
where does my help / come from?
My help comes / from the LORD,
the maker of heav- / en and earth.
He will not let your / foot slip—
he who watches over you will not / slumber;
indeed, he who watches over / Israel
will neither slum- / ber nor sleep. Refrain





The LORD watches / over you—
the LORD is your shade at / your right hand;
the sun will not harm / you by day,
nor the / moon by night.
The LORD will keep you / from all harm—
he will watch o- / ver your life;
the LORD will watch over your coming and / going
both now and for- / evermore.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son

and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refr

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# **Second Reading**

Hebrews 5:7-9

Because he was truly human Jesus did not relish having to suffer for our salvation. Yet he submitted to the cross out of his devoted commitment to us.

In the days of his flesh, he offered prayers and pleas with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence.

§Although he was the Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. §After he was brought to his goal, he became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys him.

The Word of the Lord.

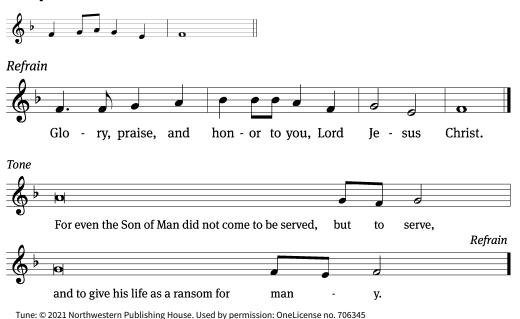
Thanks be to God.

Gospel

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Mark 10:45

John 12:20-33



Though the thought of the cross troubled his soul, Jesus was committed to glorifying his Father's name by winning eternal life for us.

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the Festival. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we want to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup>Philip went to tell Andrew. Andrew came with Philip and told Jesus.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, "The time has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Amen, Amen, I tell you: Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it continues to be one kernel. But if it dies, it produces much grain. <sup>25</sup>Anyone who loves his life destroys it. And the one who hates his life in this world will hold on to it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>If anyone serves me, let him follow me. And where I am, there my servant will be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

<sup>\*</sup> We stand out of respect for the words and account of the life of our Savior and King, Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>"Now my soul is troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, this is the reason I came to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name!"

A voice came from heaven: "I have glorified my name, and I will glorify it again."

<sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said it thundered. Others said an angel talked to him. <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, "This voice was not for my sake but for yours.

<sup>31</sup>"Now is the judgment of this world. Now the ruler of this world will be thrown out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate what kind of death he was going to die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

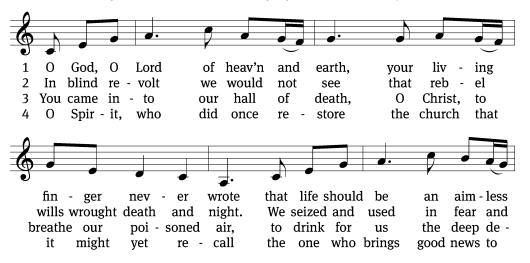
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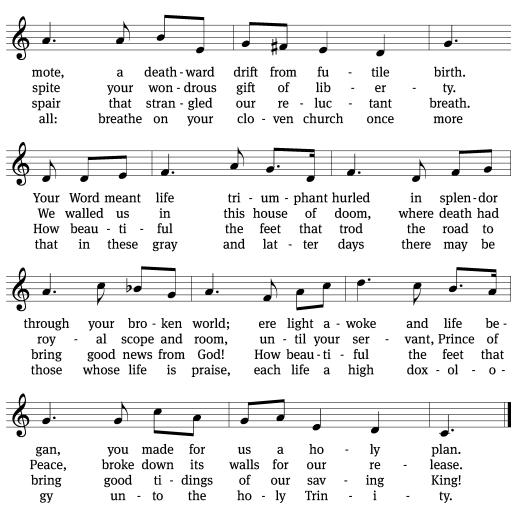
Be seated

# **Hymn of the Day**

571 O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

The choir will sing stanzas 1 and 2. The congregation is invited to join in on stanzas 3 and 4.





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### Sermon

### The Father's Name Is Glorified

John 12:20-33

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> The Nicene Creed was originally adopted by the Council of Nicea in 325 AD and has been a widely used confession of faith throughout Christendom since that time. Its chief purpose was to confess the Christian faith while defending the truth of Jesus' divinity against the teachings of Arianism which claim that Jesus is not true God.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

# **Prayer of the Church**

Heavenly Father, you loved the world and gave your Son to free us from sin and death by his obedient death on the cross.

We confess that without your love we are lost.

Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.

Guard and guide those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and values as Christians.

By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.

Keep in your care those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, those torn by conflict in personal relationships, and those victimized by war and injustice. Comfort all who face the terrors of life with a heavy heart.

Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.

Watch over those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.

Hear us as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 

# Offering

The members of Gloria Dei give their offerings out of thanks to God for his unending love. These offerings are used to support our work locally and around the world. Our guests may give, but should not feel compelled to do so. If you wish to give a gift electronically, please visit <a href="www.gdluth.org/giving">www.gdluth.org/giving</a> or scan the code to the right.



If you are a guest with us today, please fill out the "Connection Card" in the racks at the end of each pew and leave the card with an usher, in the offering plate, or with the pastor.

As the offering plates are brought forward, please stand for prayer.

# **The Sacrament**

### Preface\*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

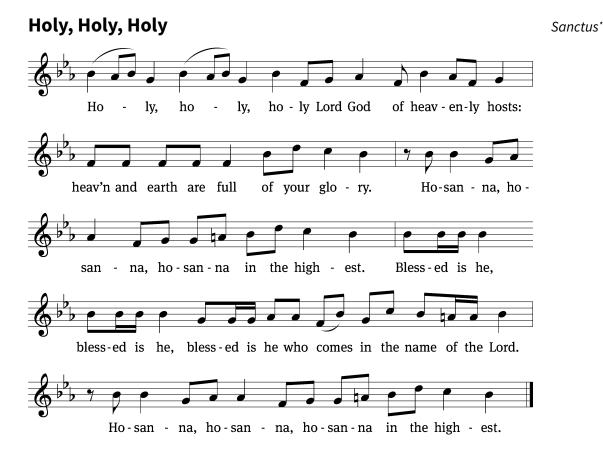
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who

<sup>\*</sup>The words of the Preface are the least changed liturgical text of the Christian church, dating back to at least 200 AD. They are spoken as joyous words that anticipate the forthcoming reception of the Lord's Supper.

brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy

<sup>\*</sup> We join the saints in the triumph song of the holy God who has rescued us. We sing, "Hosanna!" which means,

<sup>&</sup>quot;Please save us!" The traditional name for this song, Sanctus, is the Latin word for Holy.

Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

# **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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### **Words of Institution\***

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>This is no symbolic meal nor were Jesus' directions a parable. As his last will and testament, Jesus' direction on the Lord's Supper is clear: in a miraculous way, his true body and true blood are present with the bread and wine in the Sacrament. Through it we receive the forgiveness of our sins won for us by his death on the cross.



Be seated

# **Distribution of the Lord's Supper**

**To our guests:** please review "Our Communion Practice" on p. 2 of this worship folder before communing with us. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor after the service.

Those communing with us today should follow the ushers' direction to come forward via the center aisle and return to their seats by the side aisles.

<sup>\*</sup> John the Baptist called Jesus the **"Lamb of God"** (**John 1:29**), the long-promised, perfect sacrifice for sin. The traditional name of this song, *Agnus Dei*, is the Latin phrase *Lamb of God*.

# **Thanksgiving**

874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior, sts. 1, 3



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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures forever.\*

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.†

<sup>\*</sup> These words of praise occur repeatedly in Scripture. For an example, see **Psalm 118:1**.

<sup>† 1</sup> Corinthians 11:26

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

# Blessing\*

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

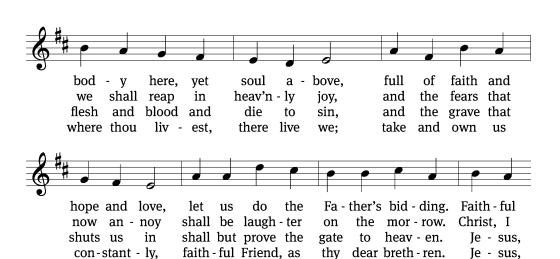
Amen.

# **Closing Hymn**

704 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



<sup>\*</sup> The closing blessing of the service follows the pattern of the blessing that God gave to his Old Testament people in **Numbers 6:22-27**.





Lord, a - bide with me; Sav - ior, lead; I fol - low thee. suf - fer there, O here with thee: share thy joy with me. here I die there to live ter - nal - ly. to thee, e live here Ι to thee, al - so there e ter - nal - ly.

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# **Calendar & Announcements**

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Sunday
Sunday School [Grades PreK-5th] and Bible Class [19 Minutes with the Messiah]9:15 am
Worship
Coffee Hour
Choir Practice
Catechism Class
Tuesday
In-Person Midweek Bible Class [Luke]
Bible Information Class4:30 pm
Online Midweek Bible Class [Luke]
Wednesday Midweek Lent Worship at Peace Lutheran, Santa Clara7:00 pm
Thursday
Senior Care Center Worship Service [The Abigail, Redwood City]10:00 am
Church Council Meeting
Next Sunday
Sunday School [Grades PreK-5th] and Bible Class [Romans]9:15 am
Worship
Coffee Hour
Choir Practice
Catechism Class

### **Pastor Out of Town**

Pastor Shrimpton will be out of town until tomorrow, March 18.If you have any emergency pastoral concerns at that time, please contact Pastor Paul Chung at Peace Lutheran in Santa Clara at (213) 514-1901 or Pastor Matthew Natsis at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Livermore at (734) 678-4475. Thank you to all involved in making leading worship and classes today in Pastor's absence!

### **Every Member Visits**

Pastor Shrimpton is making a new round of visits and would like to touch base with each member famil in the congregation. These visits can take place in your home, at church, at a coffee shop, or online—whatever would be easiest and best for you and your family. You should have received an email early in the week with a link to schedule these visits, but you can also scan the code at the right to do so from your mobile device. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor.



### **Bible Information Classes Available**

If you are new to the Christian faith, new to Gloria Dei, or just want to review what the Bible teaches, Pastor Shrimpton offers Bible Information Classes as requested to review the teachings of the Bible. If you would like more information on these classes, please email Pastor Shrimpton at pastor@gdluth.org.

### **Text Messages Reminders from Gloria Dei**

We have added the ability to send out brief text message reminders ahead of worship services, classes, or meetings as a light reminder. Those that are already signed up have said they really appreciate it as a way to stay connected to the events of the congregation, and through that, our Savior's Word. To register you can go to this address (<a href="http://gdluth.360members.com/opt-in/texting">http://gdluth.360members.com/opt-in/texting</a>) or scan the code to the right. Let Pastor Shrimpton know if you have any questions.





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