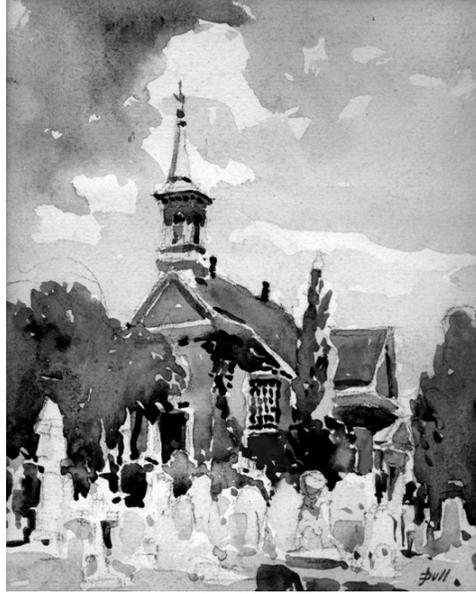


# Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church



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We, the congregation of Gloria Dei (Old Swedes), existing by and for the glory of God, knowing that God, through this congregation, helps us find our way and to use our gifts, gather together, to honor and celebrate the acceptance of our differences and uniqueness, to be an inviting, welcoming, sustaining and loving community, to respond to the needs of others, to preserve and build upon the beauty, tradition and heritage of this sacred place.

September 19, 2021  
Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost  
Morning Prayer, Rite 2

Lector: *Eric Michael Sanchez*  
Intercessor: *Susan Steele*  
Officiant: *Carol Jenkins*  
Preacher: *Amy Grant*  
Usher: *Mark Roberts*

*The Delta variant of COVID is surging all across the US, and Philadelphia is no exception. The CDC has updated its guidelines to recommend that people should wear masks indoors, and continue with social distancing regardless of whether they are vaccinated or not, as vaccination breakthroughs are happening.*

*The state, city, and Diocese are asking us to follow the CDC guidelines.*

*Let us not do it grudgingly but do it with love, as following these guidelines may show our love for each other and our neighbor. We continue to share peace with each other by waving at each other, or by showing peace signs or Namaste. Singing is allowed.*

*(+ stand to read or sing ++ sit to listen +++ kneel to pray, as you are able)*



# Organ Prelude

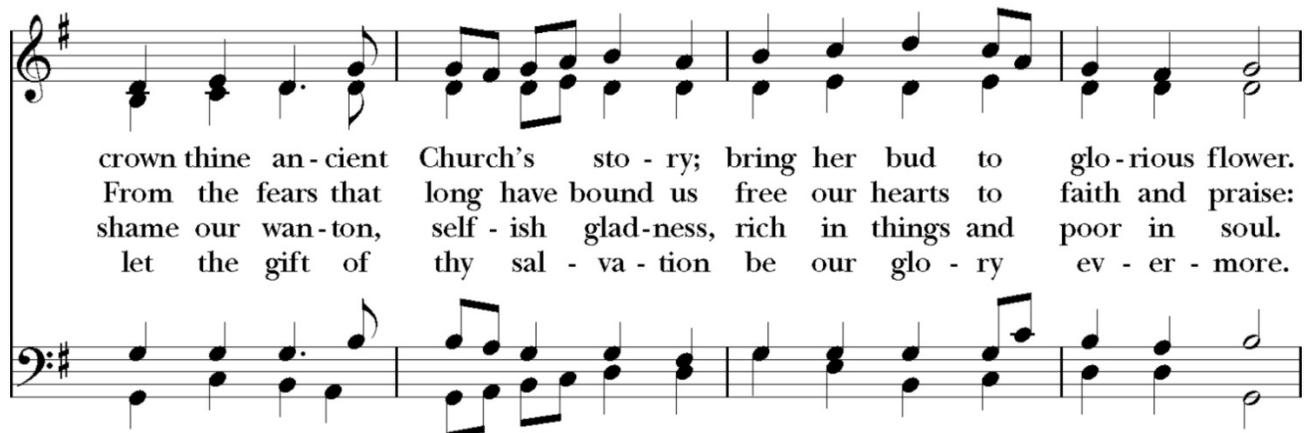
+Opening Hymn #594

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

Hymnal 1982



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;  
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!  
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;



crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour,  
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for the fac - ing of this hour.  
for the liv - ing of these days.  
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.  
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

*Officiant:* Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**+++Confession Of Sin** (*Sit or kneel as you are able*)

*Officiant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All: Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Officiant:* Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us eternal life.  
**Amen.**

**+Invitatory and Psalter**

*Officiant:* Lord, Open our Lips

**All: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

**Glory 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. Alleluia.**

*Officiant:* The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

**+Jubilate** (*Read in Unison*)

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands \***

**serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \***

**he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \***

**give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

**For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \***

**and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

**The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.**

**++Psalm 1**

***Eric Michael Sanchez***

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*

nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*

and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*

everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked; \*

they are like chaff which the wind blows away

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*

nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

**Glory 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.**

**++The First Reading...Jeremiah 11:18-20**

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds.  
But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying,  
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
so that his name will no longer be remembered!”

But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind,  
let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit saying to God’s people

People: **Thanks be to God**

**+Canticle: The Song of Moses**      *(Officiant & People read responsively)*

**I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; \***  
**the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.**

**The Lord is my strength and my refuge; \***  
**the Lord has become my Savior.**

**This is my God and I will praise him, \***  
**the God of my people and I will exalt him.**

**The Lord is a mighty warrior; \***  
**Yahweh is his Name.**

**The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; \***  
**the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea.**

**The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; \***  
**they sank into the depths like a stone.**

**Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; \***  
**your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.**

**Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? \***  
**who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?**

**You stretched forth your right hand; \***  
**the earth swallowed them up.**

**With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; \***  
**with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling.**

**You will bring them in and plant them \***  
**on the mount of your possession,**

**The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, \***  
**the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.**

**The Lord shall reign \***  
**forever and forever.**

**Glory 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.**

**++Second Reading** – James 3:13-4: 3,7-8

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for<sup>[f]</sup> those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet<sup>[a]</sup> something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God**

**+Canticle: You are God** (*Officiant and People read in unison*)

**You are God: we praise you; You are the Lord; we acclaim you;**

**You are the eternal Father: All creation worships you.**

**To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,**

**Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**The glorious company of apostles praise you.**

**The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.**

**The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.**

**Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you;**

**Father, of majesty unbounded,**

**your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,**

**and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

**You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.**

**When you became man to set us free you did not shun the Virgin's womb.**

**You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

**You are seated at God's right hand in glory.**

**We believe that you will come and be our judge.**

**Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**+Hymn #488***Be Thou My Vision*

Hymnal 1982



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought, — by day or by night,  
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
 Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

**+Gospel** A reading from Mark (9:30-37)*Amy Grant*

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God**++Sermon***Amy Grant*

**+The Apostle's Creed** (*Officiant and People together*)

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 to the dead.

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.

**The Peace**

*Officiant:* The peace of the Lord be with you

*All:* **And also with you**

**Announcements**

**+++Prayers and Intercession** (*sit or kneel as able*)

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you

*People:* **And also with you**

*Officiant:* Let us pray

**Our Father, who art 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. 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 for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Suffrages A**

(*Officiant and People read responsively*)

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

## **Collect of the Day** *(Officiant)*

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## **A Collect for Sundays** *(Officiant)*

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## **A Prayer for Mission** *(Officiant)*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People**

*Susan Steele*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; Rodney, our Assisting Bishop; for this gathering; for all ministers, especially Koshy, our Rector; the Vestry, staff, and congregation of our church. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy: ***Hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our world leaders, especially Joe, our President; Antonio, the Secretary General of the United Nations; Tom, the Governor of our Commonwealth; Jim, the mayor of our city; and the men and women who are serving in our armed forces. We pray that they may work together to achieve justice and peace in the world. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy: ***Hear our prayer.***

Pray for guidance and wisdom as we begin the work of seeking our next rector for our church. Raise up for us a priest who will be faithful in the ministry of your word and sacraments, and will serve our people with love and compassion. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy, ***Hear our prayer.***

Pray for all who struggle for freedom and wholeness around the world especially for migrants, victims of human trafficking, and those who are fleeing violence, religious persecution and ethnic cleansing. Pray for our work in God's mission in our neighborhood. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy: ***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We ask your blessing on anyone who celebrates a birthday or anniversary this week. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. We remember especially: **Ellen, Chris, Michael, Mia, Harry, Bonnie, Trish, Dolores, Deborah, Jack, Margie, Jerry, Ron, and Barb**

*(You may add the names of the people who weigh in your heart at this time).* *(silence)*

Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died.

*(you may add names of people close to you who have died recently).* *(silence)*

that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *(silence)*

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

### **The General Thanksgiving** *(Officiant)*

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone. Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.*

### **Benediction**

*Officiant:* Let us bless the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant:* **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.** *(2 Corinthians 13:14)*



1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voic - es,  
 2 O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us!  
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,



who won - drous things hath done, in whom his world re - joic - es;  
 With ev - er - joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;  
 the Son, and him who reigns with them in high - est hea - ven,



who from our mo - ther's arms hath blessed us on our way  
 and keep us in his grace, and guide us when per - plexed,  
 e - ter - nal, Tri - une God, whom earth and heaven a - dore;



with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.  
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ev - er - more.

### Postlude



## ***Announcements***

### **Evensong on Zoom**

Every Tuesday at 6:30pm. To participate, you can email Jaime at [jaimelkonowal@gmail.com](mailto:jaimelkonowal@gmail.com) for a Zoom link. Use Meeting ID: 834 5987 6076 and Passcode: 988017

Sign up on our website [www.old-swedes.org](http://www.old-swedes.org), and a link will be automatically emailed to you every week.

### **Donations for Mercy Hospice**

Gloria Dei is collecting food and supplies for Mercy Hospice, a place for single women and mothers with children to live as they recover from addiction. The residence provides individualized training and support to help residents move to independent living. The following items are especially needed:

- women's underwear
- travel size toiletries
- bed linens
- baby products (diapers, wipes, etc.)
- cleaning supplies
- bath towels
- paper products
- feminine products

Please do not donate any clothing at this time. They also appreciate snacks, soda, and juice that they can take to their rooms. Please leave donated items outside of the west door of Riverside Hall.

### **A Call for Volunteers for Hospitality**

In person services have resumed, Alleluia! It's now time to resume another Gloria Dei tradition: coffee hour. Alleluia! Paul writes in Romans 12 to practice hospitality. Come volunteer to celebrate our community through coffee and conversation. I have posted a sign-up sheet on the Church bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact me at 267.216.8332 or at [cmpickup@gmail.com](mailto:cmpickup@gmail.com).

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