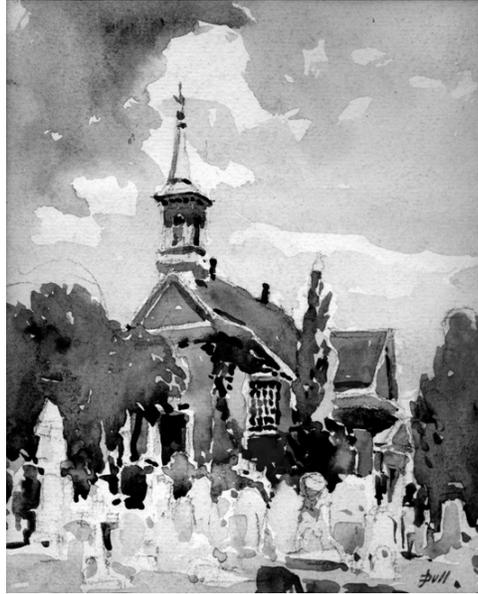


# Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church



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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.

February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

The Commemoration of Blessed Absalom Jones

**Ministry Assistants Today:**

Lector: *Nils vanAmmers*

Intercessor: *Candace Roberts*

Usher: *Mark Roberts*

Altar Guild: *Christine Pickup*

Celebrant: *Rev. Canon Gordon Reid*

**Opening Hymn # 671**

*Amazing Grace*

Hymnal 1982

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that  
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his  
4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
\*5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me  
5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.  
2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

*The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.*

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**People And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever.**  
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
**People Amen.**

**All** **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you  
**People And also with you.**  
Celebrant Let us pray  
**People Set us free, heavenly Father, from every bond of prejudice and fear; that, honoring the steadfast courage of your servant Absalom Jones, we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of the children of God, which you have given us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.**

**First Reading** Isaiah 42: 5-9

*Nils vanAmmers*

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
**People Thanks be to God**

### **Psalm 126**

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, \*  
"The Lord has done great things for them."

4 The Lord has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

**Second Reading      Ephesians 4: 1-6**

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

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

**People      Thanks be to God**



**EPIPHANY**

*Refrain*

The musical score is written on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of seven lines of music. The first line is the refrain, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are: "There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed". The second line continues the melody: "whole, there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to". The third line has two endings: "1 heal the sin - sick soul." and "2 soul.". The fourth line has two verses: "1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, and\_\_" and "2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you". The fifth line continues the melody: "think my work's in vain, but\_\_ then the Ho - ly" and "can - not pray like Paul, you can tell the love of". The sixth line is the repeat of the refrain: "Spi - rit re - vives my soul a - gain." and "Je - sus, and say, 'He died for all.'". The seventh line is the end of the piece, marked with a double bar line.

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed  
 whole, there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to  
 heal the sin - sick soul. soul.  
 1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, and\_\_  
 2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you  
 think my work's in vain, but\_\_ then the Ho - ly  
 can - not pray like Paul, you can tell the love of  
*Repeat Refrain*  
 Spi - rit re - vives my soul a - gain.  
 Je - sus, and say, "He died for all."

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John (15: 12-15)**  
 People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord  
 People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Sermon Rev. Canon Gordon Reid

## The Nicene Creed

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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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. With the Father and the Son he  
is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic  
Church. 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.

## Prayers of the People - Form III

*Candace Roberts*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; the Vestry, staff, and congregation of our church.  
***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; We remember especially those who are connected to our church family: **Pat, Francis, Amy, Jack, Connor, Bob, Mike, Bonnie, Margie, Marie, Marylou, Roland, Bill, Ed, Rene, John, Geoff, Connie, and Jack.**  
*(You may add other names either silently or aloud.)*

Let us pray.  
***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Chris Smith, John Wilson, and Ginny Collins.

*(You may add names of departed people either silently or aloud.)*

We also pray for the souls of all who died in the pandemic, and from the epidemic of gun violence.

***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. Grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new Rector for our parish. We also ask for your blessings on anyone celebrating a birthday or anniversary this week.

***Grant that we may continue to experience your love and guidance in the years to come.***

Celebrant      Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

Celebrant      Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All      Almighty God, Source of all that is,  
Giver of every good gift:  
You create all people in your image  
and call us to love one another as you love us.  
We confess that we have failed to honor you  
in the great diversity of the human family.  
We have desired to live in freedom,  
while building walls between ourselves and others.  
We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are,  
while making judgements of others based on the color of skin,  
or the shape of features, or the varieties of human experience.  
We have tried to love our neighbors individually  
while yet benefitting from systems that hold  
those same neighbors in oppression.  
Forgive us, Holy God.  
Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.  
Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love.  
Restore us in your image, to be beloved community,  
united in our diversity,  
even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit,  
Holy and undivided Trinity, now and forever.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**People** Amen.

### The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** And also with you

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Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

### Offertory

Flowingly, in 1

Unknown

Praise God from whom all Blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above all heavenly hosts, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### The Holy Communion – Eucharistic Prayer B

+Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give our thanks and praise

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

# Sanctus

Betty Carr Pulkingham (b. 1928) from Freedom Mass. Based on traditional African melodies.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - sa - nna in the high - est. Ble - ssed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - sa - nna in the high - est.

**Celebrant** We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**People** **We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.**

**Celebrant** And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

**People** **Amen.**

**Celebrant** And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**People** **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,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving

*(All persons are invited to the Lord's supper.)*

## The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray

**People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Blessing

Closing Hymn # 227

*We Shall Overcome*

Lift Every Voice and Sing II

**(Lyrics on the next page)**

## Dismissal

Celebrant Worship has ended and our service begins. Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia!

**People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## Postlude

## We Shall Overcome

The first system of music is in 4/4 time. The vocal line (treble clef) starts with a series of chords, followed by a melodic phrase: "We shall o - ver - come, \_\_\_\_\_ We shall o - ver - come, \_\_\_\_\_". The piano accompaniment (bass clef) provides harmonic support with chords and a melodic line.

The second system continues the melody. The vocal line includes the lyrics: "We shall o - ver - come some - day; \_\_\_\_\_ Oh, \_\_\_\_\_". A triplet of eighth notes is marked with a '3' above it in both the vocal and piano parts.

The third system continues the melody. The vocal line includes the lyrics: "deep in my heart, \_\_\_\_\_ I do be - lieve, \_\_\_\_\_ (Oh)". The piano accompaniment continues with harmonic support.

The fourth system concludes the piece. The vocal line includes the lyrics: "We shall o - ver - come some - day. \_\_\_\_\_ day." The piano accompaniment features a final chord and a double bar line. Above the system, there are two boxes: the first labeled "1.-4." and the second labeled "5." with a fermata symbol.

- 2. We'll walk hand in hand, today.
- 3. God is on our side, today.

- 4. We are not afraid, today.
- 5. We shall live in peace, someday.



# Announcements

## **Evensong**

***Evensong: Tuesday Musical Meditation***, every Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Join us for a refreshed version of our popular service. Don't worry, it isn't entirely different! Paul Fejko will still be performing on our beautiful Hook & Hastings organ. Keep an eye out for some interesting guest guitarists, a drum circle, poems, and discussions that we hope will inspire you throughout the rest of the week. The program will be led by our sextons, Jim & Paula Minacci, who want to create a welcoming and relaxed atmosphere that everyone will enjoy.

## **Join us for 10 Minutes of Prayer**

Every Monday at 9:00am on Zoom.

Megan Bartlett will lead a ten-minute prayer, following the Morning Devotion service in the Book of Common Prayer. We lift up to God our personal and parish needs, as we search for a new Rector.

Meeting ID: 909 012 0129

Passcode: 1U029q

If you have the BCP, turn to page 137.

## **Jazz & Joe**

Thursday, February 23 at 7:30pm in Riverside Hall

Jazz & Joe is a “coffee-house” style venue. Active listening, quiet conversation and mingling are all equally welcome. Complimentary coffee & cake served, feel free to BYOB wine & beer.

## **Ash Wednesday**

Wednesday, February 22 at 7:00 in the sanctuary.

*Thank you to Megan Bartlett for supplying the baked goods for fellowship this Sunday.*

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