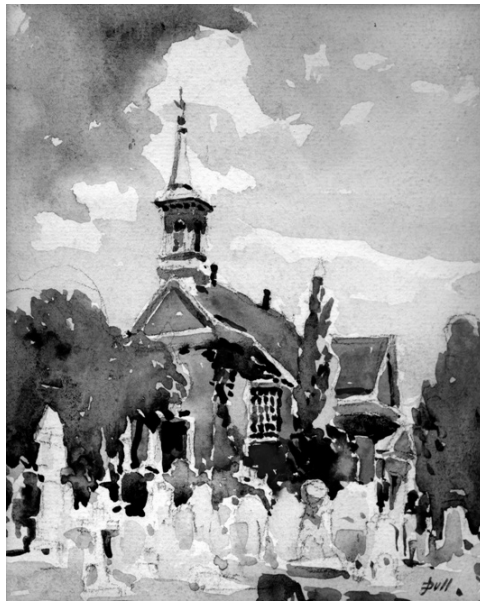




Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church

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August 2, 2026

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 13

Morning Prayer, Rite 2

Ministry Assistants Today

Lector: *Jeanette Woehr*
Intercessor: *Seamus Stimpson*
Usher: *Jim Ufheil*
Officiant: *Rachel Armstrong*
Pianist: *Adam Haines*

Ministry Assistants August 9

Lector: *Christine Pickup*
Intercessor: *Candace Roberts*
Usher: *Mark Roberts*
Altar Guild: *Cathy Ufheil*
Celebrant: *Rev. Paul Harris*
Organist: *Adam Haines*

Welcome to Ordinary Time at Gloria Dei

Today we have the opportunity to worship using the service of Morning Prayer from the Daily Office. For much of American history, Morning Prayer was the primary Sunday service, with the Eucharist only being celebrated on occasion. This changed with the publication of a new edition of the *Book of Common Prayer* in 1979, and was influenced by scholarship which suggests that the early church celebrated the Eucharist much more often. However, while most of us agree that it is wonderful to encounter the presence of Jesus in the sacraments on a weekly basis, Morning Prayer remains a beautiful service, and has been the means by which many Episcopalians have learned to pray (including Rev. Chris!). So, as we worship this morning, take the time to appreciate the beauty of the service – and maybe even consider praying it yourself during the week to come. (If you interested, the podcast *A Morning at the Office* is a great resource!)

Officiant: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." *(Psalm 122:1)*

Opening Hymn # 8

Morning Has Broken

Hymnal 1982

Confession Of Sin

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(Please kneel or sit, as you are able.)*

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: *(Remaining kneeling)* 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 *(stand)*

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.

Officiant: The earth is the LORD's for God made it:

All: **Come let us adore God.**

Venite – Psalm 95:1-7 *(In Unison)*

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands *

serve the LORD with gladness and come before God's presence with a song.

Know this: The LORD is God; *

The LORD has made us, and we are the LORD's; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving; go into God's courts with praise; *

give thanks to God and call upon God's Name.

For the LORD is good; God's mercy is everlasting; *

and God's faithfulness endures from age to age.

Officiant: The earth is the LORD's for God made it:

All: **Come let us adore God.**

Congregation may sit for the readings

Psalm 17:1-7, 16 *(Lector and people responsively)*

Jeanette Woehr

Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to my cry; *

listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

Let my vindication come forth from your presence; *

let your eyes be fixed on justice.

Weigh my heart, summon me by night, *

melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

I give no offense with my mouth as others do; *

I have heeded the words of your lips.

(Continued...)

My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; *
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; *
incline your ear to me and hear my words.
Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them.
But at my vindication I shall see your face; *
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

**All: 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 Genesis 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

People: Thanks be to God

Canticle 13: A Song of Praise – from the Song of the Three Young Men (*Officiant & people responsively*)

Glory to you, Lord God of our ancestors; *
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you, beholding the depths; *
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Amen.

Second Reading Romans 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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Gospel Reading**Matthew 14: 13-21**

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rachel Armstrong

After the sermon, there will be a few moments for quiet reflection. Then the congregation will stand to reaffirm our faith using the Apostle's Creed. If you have questions about the creed or the sermon, know that they are welcome, and that God's grace is always faithful to meet us where we are.

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 & Announcements

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

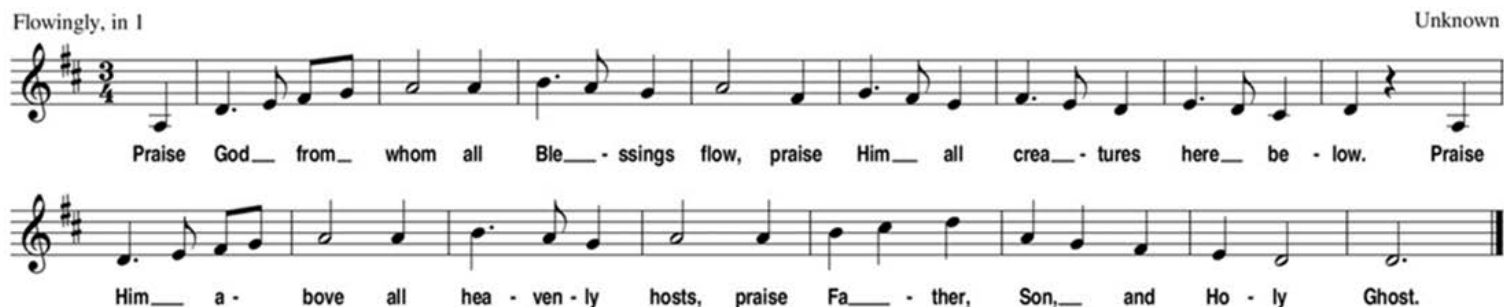
All: **And also with you.** (*Please share the peace by greeting your siblings in Christ.*)

Offertory Sentence

Officiant: O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. -Rev. 4:11

An offering is collected while instrumental music is played. Please see the following note about the offering.

Collecting an offering is a way for us to remember that all we have is a gift from God, and that we are responsible to be good stewards of the gifts entrusted to us. Guests should feel no obligation to give. Electronic giving is possible using the QR code found on the back of the bulletin. After the collection, the offering is brought forward as we stand to sing together the following song of thanksgiving.



Most Sundays, our service ends with the celebration of the Eucharist, in which all are invited to share in the sacrament of communion. If you are a guest and interested in learning more about the sacraments, please feel free to contact the church office.

Today, however, we are connecting with another tradition of the church and following a service of morning prayer. As such, today's service will end with a period of prayer, in which we express our needs and the needs of the world to God. Through prayer, we remember that our lives, individually and communally, depend on God's grace – and we open ourselves to what God might want to do with us for the good of the world.

Prayers *(All stand as you are able)*

Officiant: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Officiant: Let us pray

All: **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 forever and ever. Amen.

The Suffrages A *(Lead by the Intercessor and read responsively)*

Seamus Stimpson

Intercessor: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People: **And grant us your salvation.**

Intercessor: Clothe your ministers with righteousness, especially Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; Chris, our priest; our Vestry, our staff, and the congregation of our church.

People: **Let your people sing with joy.**

Intercessor: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People: **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Intercessor: Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People: **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Intercessor: Let your way be known upon earth;
People: **Your saving health among all nations.**

Intercessor: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People: **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Intercessor: We pray for our own needs, and especially those who are connected to our church family:
People: **Joanne, Isaiah, Deb, Wayne, Bob, Kim, Herb, Frank, Karen, Heather, Sara, John, Erica, Elia, Eulogio, Sheila, Amy, William, Betty, Dina, Beth, Thomassina, Julie, Denise, Jason, Peggy, Joanna, Mark, Margie, Bonnie, Keith, Connie, and Jack.**
(Long pause for prayers to be offered silently or aloud)

Intercessor: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
People: *(Long pause for people to add their own petitions)*

Intercessor: Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People: **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day *(Intercessor and People in unison)*

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Intercessor returns to their pew.
All kneel or sit as they are able for the final prayers.*

A Collect for Sunday *(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.**

An extended period of silence follows, as we make space for how the Holy Spirit might be speaking to each of us.

The General Thanksgiving

(Officiant and People in Unison)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. **Amen.**

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom *(Officiant)*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn # 537

Christ for the World We Sing

Hymnal 1982

Benediction

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine:
Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and
ever. *(Ephesians 3:20-21)*

All: Amen.

Postlude

If your schedule allows, you are welcome to join us in listening to the postlude.

Afterwards, all are invited to join us in Riverside Hall for some snacks and a time of fellowship.

Announcements

Join us for 10 Minutes of Prayer on Zoom

Every Monday at 9:00am, hosted by Christine Pickup.

A small group meets online each Monday to start the work week with a time of prayer. Please join us! *Meeting ID:* 748 3341 8409 *Passcode:* 8C3fDK (link on our website)

Missions Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 5, at 9am – On Zoom; Meeting ID: 897 2826 6283 Passcode: 098374

Join our Missions Committee as they work to organize our outreach efforts and to plan future endeavors. More details about current efforts are available on our website.

Lunch Packing Ministry

Sunday, August 30 – In Riverside Hall after the service

Please join us in packing lunches for those in need on the streets of Kensington. We will pack lunches on Sunday after the service, and then deliver them to Prevention Point for distribution.

Red Cross Blood Drive in Riverside Hall

Friday, August 14, 1pm-6pm

Partnering with the American Federation of Musicians Local 77-274, we are delighted to host a Red Cross blood drive in Riverside Hall. You can sign up to donate on our website, or at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=AFM>.

Rev. Chris on Vacation

Rev. Chris is currently on vacation, but will be back with us for the August 16 service. If you are in urgent need of pastor care before that time, please contact Christine McBride (our parish administrator, 215-389-1513) or Carol Jenkins (our Rector's Warden, 215-284-1218).

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