

# Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

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*“Gathered in Christ, we are called to bring light to our community.”*

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## Reconciling in Christ Welcoming Statement

*We welcome everyone into all aspects of congregational life and leadership:  
All gender and sexual expressions and identities, all ages, all races and ethnicities,  
all economic and marital situations, all physical and mental abilities.*

*We come as we are.*



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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 15, 2022**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
SERVICE OF THE WORD  
May 15th, 2022 10:00am**

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**PRELUDE**      *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*    composer:Beethoven arr. Nelson ©2001 Pilot Point Music

**WELCOME**

Welcome to worship this morning! We are glad you are worshipping with us at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Coos Bay, Oregon!

**CALL TO WORSHIP**    *Christ the Lord is Risen Today!*    Arranged by Allan Robert Petker  
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*You may stand in body or spirit*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

*Silence for Reflection*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

**GREETING**

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

**KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

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

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

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 mer - cy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

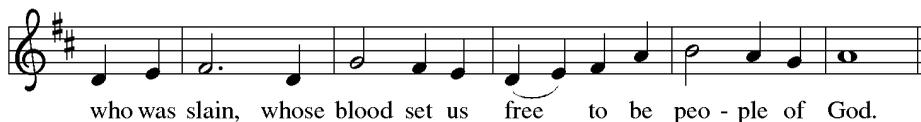
*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

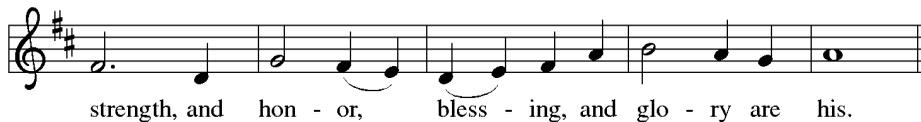
*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

**FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18**

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ <sup>8</sup>But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ <sup>9</sup>But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ <sup>10</sup>This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. <sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>17</sup>If then God gave them the same gift that God gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” <sup>18</sup>When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM TONE**



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**PSALM: Psalm 148**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the LORD<sup>1</sup> from the heavens;

**praise God<sup>1</sup> in the heights.**

<sup>2</sup>Praise the LORD,<sup>1</sup> all you angels;

**sing praise, all you<sup>1</sup> hosts of heaven.**

<sup>3</sup>Praise the LORD,<sup>1</sup> sun and moon;

**sing praise, all you<sup>1</sup> shining stars.**

<sup>4</sup>Praise the LORD, heav- | en of heavens,  
**and you waters a- | bove the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name | of the LORD,  
**who commanded, and they | were created,**

<sup>6</sup>who made them stand fast forev- | er and ever,  
**giving them a law that shall not | pass away.**

<sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD | from the earth,  
**you sea monsters | and all deeps;**

<sup>8</sup>fire and hail, | snow and fog,  
**tempestuous wind, do- | ing God's will;**

<sup>9</sup>mountains | and all hills,  
**fruit trees | and all cedars;**

<sup>10</sup>wild beasts | and all cattle,  
**creeping things and | flying birds;**

<sup>11</sup>sovereigns of the earth | and all peoples,  
**princes and all rulers | of the world;**

<sup>12</sup>young | men and maidens,  
**old and | young together.**

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name | of the LORD,  
**whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over | earth and heaven.**

<sup>14</sup>The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all | faithful servants,  
**the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. | Hallelujah!**

## **SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

God will dwell with them;

they will be God's peoples,

and God will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>God will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.”

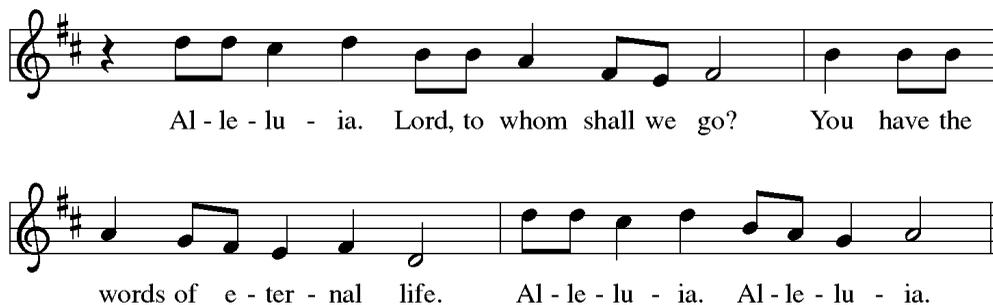
<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.”

Also the one said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” <sup>6</sup>Then the one said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*You may stand in body or spirit*  
**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

L: The holy gospel according to John, the 13th chapter.  
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: John 13:31-35**

<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in Godself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Judeans so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

L: The gospel of the Lord.  
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDRENS’ SERMON**

**Vern Simpson**

*You may be seated.*

**SERMON**

**Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!*

**HYMN 377**

*You may stand in body or spirit*

**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,  
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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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 INTERCESSION**

*Each petition concludes with: L: God in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer*

### **THE PEACE**

**L: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**c. And also with you.**

*You may be seated.*

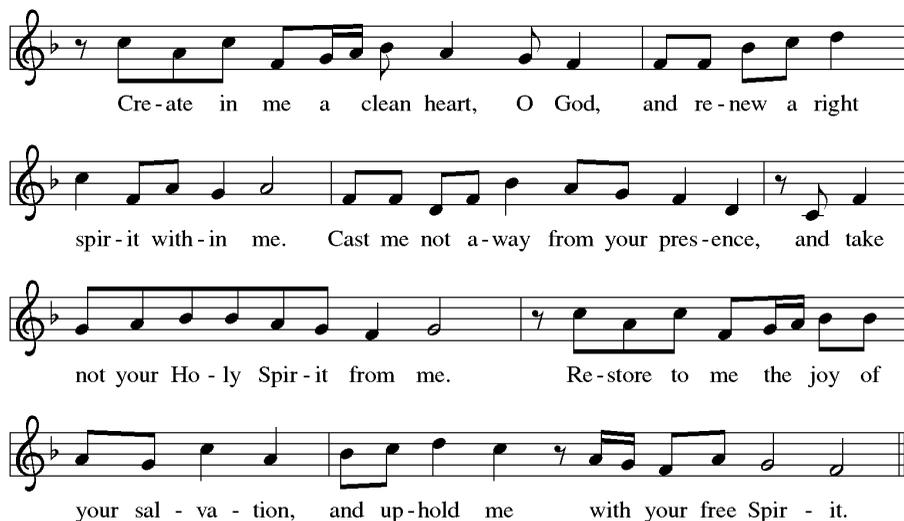
### **THE OFFERING**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**      *God Will Make a Way*

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*You may stand in body or spirit*

## OFFERTORY HYMN



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right  
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take  
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of  
your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923  
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## THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

**we give you thanks and praise.**

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

**we give you thanks and praise.**

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

**we give you thanks and praise.**

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

**Amen.**

## 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

L: May the God who surrounds us,  
the God who walks with us,  
the God who blows through us and unites us,  
go out with us, giving us light and life,  
courage and peace.

**C: Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

**Hymn 392**

## DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, love and serve the Lord.

**C: We will. Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*He Leadeth Me*

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**Evangelical Lutheran  
Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.

**Serving you today, Sunday, May 15, 2022**

Leader: Doris Smith  
Cantor: Dave Aakre  
Accompanist: Becky Bell-Greenstreet  
Greeters:  
Lay Reader: Doris Smith  
Ushers:  
Zoom Co-host: Kathy Jacobson and John Meynink  
Flowers shared by:  
Coffee Hour hosts: Marilyn Halvor, Stephanie Greim, the Whitwers



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Reconciling in Christ Logo  
Including Pride colors and BIPOC colors  
(Black and Indigenous People of Color)

**Next week's readings for May 22, 2022**

**First Reading:** Acts 16:9-15  
**Psalm:** 67  
**Second Reading:** Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5  
**Gospel:** John 14:23-29

## COVID-19 POLICY UPDATE

The Council approved the decision that effective immediately the use of masks is optional in the church.

We will continue social distancing.

The Council recommends that if someone is sick or having symptoms of any kind, that they please stay home and participate via Zoom, Facebook, or YouTube out of respect for others in the church.

We continue to encourage vaccinations/boosters.

## GIVE ONLINE

If you prefer to give online, visit our website, where you can choose our secure giving site (green GIVE button) or a direct link to Lutheran Disaster Response secure giving (green HELP UKRAINE button) for their work in Ukraine and Eastern Europe:

<https://www.gloriadeifamily.org/>

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STEWARDSHIP IS...Valuing our corporate body of faith.  
Pray for our Bishop, her staff, and all the people at our Synod  
Assembly this weekend!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **SYNOD ASSEMBLY THIS WEEKEND!**

Pastor Alyssa and Linda Strine, our Council President, are both at Synod Assembly this weekend. We thank Doris Smith and Dave Aakre for leading our worship this morning, and Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar for providing our sermon!

**Members of Gloria Dei have an Invitation to visit Deacon Cora and St. Timothy Episcopal Church in Brookings Friday, May 20, to learn more about their ministries in the community. Please read the Weekly News or contact the church office for more information! See the next page for more info!**

## **PRAYER BEADS**

The basket of prayer beads has been re-stocked! Please consider giving them as gifts – graduation, Father’s Day (or late Mother’s Day), birthday, wedding... any occasion, really! We have many colors and bead styles available – check them out in the basket in the office!

## **LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL/GRADUATE RECOGNITION**

The last day of Sunday School will be next Sunday, May 22, 2022. We will also recognize our graduates on that day. If you know of any high school or college students graduating this year, please let the office know. We don’t want to miss recognizing any of our graduating students!

## **CONFIRMATION REMINDER!**

A reminder that there is Confirmation this Sunday! Confirmation will be from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm in the Adult Sunday School Room. Grab a snack before going to Confirmation!

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

As we continue to worship in person, we need volunteers for Sunday mornings! There are sign-up sheets in the Narthex for greeters, ushers, and readers. The Flower Chart is on the wall near the office. Please sign up to help as you are able. We also need people to help with coffee hour. Please contact Kathy Whitwer at 541-756-4255 if you can help with coffee hour!

## **PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE!**

We have rapid tests for Covid 19, masks, and hand sanitizer. If you need any of these things at home or for another group you are part of, please let the church office know.

## **SOUTH COAST FOOD TOWN HALL**

Food prices are expected to continue rising due to recent world events. Come to the South Coast Food Town Hall on May 17 from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm via ZOOM to learn about couponing, eating well within your budget, free food programs, and more! The event is FREE and targeted to residents of Coos & Curry Counties. Go to this link to register: <https://tinyurl.com/foodtownhall>

## **COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

The office has received updated community information on a number of topics, including legal aid, housing options, AA and NA meetings, and low cost cell phone service. If you or someone you know could use this info, stop by or call the office to get the updates!

### **FULL INVITATION FROM DEACON CORA:**

#### **An Invitation to visit Deacon Cora and St. Timothy Episcopal Church in Brookings Friday, May 20!**

“Do this,” Jesus taught, as he passed bread at supper with his disciples. “Feed my sheep,” Jesus instructed Peter over a post-Resurrection beachside breakfast. Earlier, Jesus had said, “You give them something to eat,” when thousands of people had gathered for many hours to listen to his teaching on the plains and hillsides of Galilee. Followers of Jesus have, ever since, shared meals and friendship and acted to fill hungry bellies. But what happens when a local government makes a misguided decision to limit the number of meals without cost – in a way that would mean that residents of the town would go without a warm meal at least two days per week?

Our Episcopalian and ELCA Lutheran siblings in Christ at St. Timothy’s church in Brookings were faced with just that question when the city of Brookings passed an ordinance in October that limits “benevolent meals” to just two times per week per congregation. Given the city’s congregations’ limited participation levels in the Community Kitchen, obeying the ordinance would leave some days “hungry” – not to mention lonely – for some in the community.

Gloria Dei folks are warmly invited to come for lunch and visiting on Friday, May 20. Plan to arrive between 11 and 11:30 for a quick tour of the drop-in shower and advocacy ministry, followed by lunch (scratch-made sourdough pizza on Fridays!) served on picnic tables outdoors at noon (give or take). Weather-permitting, lunch will be followed by a tour of the adjacent new community garden. Dress to be outdoors, bring a mask for the indoor tour, and know that the St. Timothy’s family is eager to hear you tell them about the new housing project!

Please let the office know if you are attending and if you are planning to drive, so that we can ensure there is enough transportation for all. **Participation is limited to ten, so please call soon!**

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# Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

## CALENDAR

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### Sunday

May 15

9:00 am Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Sunday School for Young People In-Person only  
10:00 am Worship Service In-Person and Online  
11:30 am Coffee Hour/Fellowship Time after the service  
Confirmation

### Monday

May 16

### Tuesday

May 17

9:30 am Staff meeting  
4:00 pm Finance Committee  
6:00 pm AA

### Wednesday

May 18

1:00 pm Knitters  
6:30 pm Choir Practice

### Thursday

May 19

### Friday

May 20

8:30 am Trip to Brookings to visit Deacon Cora and see the ministry being done in Brookings

### Saturday

May 21

### Sunday

May 22

9:00 am Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Sunday School for Young People In-Person only  
10:00 am Worship Service In-Person and Online  
11:30 am Coffee Hour/Fellowship Time after the service  
Confirmation