

# GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Welcome all** in the name of Jesus, especially those who are worshiping for the first time with us. Please sign our guest book (make sure to indicate if you would like the Pastor to visit) and accept our invitation to worship with us again.

**Who should commune at the Altar of Glory of Christ Lutheran Church?** According to the Scriptures and the Confessional statements of the church only those should commune who "have been examined and absolved" by the pastor. If you wish to commune at Glory of Christ for the first time, please talk to the Pastor before doing so. Holy Communion is the most intimate expression of Christian fellowship and it is important to the members of Glory of Christ Lutheran Church that all who commune have a common understanding and commitment to the Gospel teachings of the Bible.

**Following along with the Service:** At Glory of Christ the pastor typically makes announcements after the service. So the service just starts at the appropriate time without a specific welcome. (The welcome actually occurs in the service itself when the pastor says, "The Lord be with you" and the congregation responds.) To follow the service, you should turn to the page indicated at the top of your bulletin insert. This week the page is 151. Usually we simply work through the service interrupting the process for the singing of hymns, certain prayers and the scripture readings. The prayers are usually printed in the service folder as are the Scripture readings. Hymns are found in the latter half of the Service book. If you are having trouble following the service you can ask someone nearby and they will help you. You can also comfort yourself with the knowledge that almost everyone has a little trouble following the service the first time through. It gets easier.

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### **Worship Notes**

#### **Mark 9:30-37**

#### **"Greatest and Least"**

The Gospel lesson begins with Jesus predicting his passion—he's going to suffer and die. But Mark tells us bluntly, "they did not understand the saying..." The disciples then prove this by debating who's the best. So Jesus goes and gets a child.

In the ancient world, children were anything but big and mighty. They may have been loved, but children were considered helpless, ignorant, and needy. So Jesus flips the disciples' expectations upside-down. The disciples should not be focused on being the greatest but serving the least. That's what they should have understood from the cross. Jesus wasn't going to Jerusalem to be the greatest and the best, but to become so least that he would even give up his very life for them ... and us.

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**OPENING HYMN #592 – “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”**

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## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT - “For You Have Rescued Me” by John Eggert**

*Based on verses from Psalm 54 – Choir*

*For You have rescued me from every trouble.*

*Save me, O God, by Your name, in Your might defend my cause.*

*Hear my prayer, O God, give ear to the words of my mouth.*

*Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.*

*I will praise Your name, O Lord, for it is good.*

*For You have rescued me from every trouble.*

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## **COLLECT**

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**☒ Amen.**



<sup>1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? <sup>6</sup>But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

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**HOLY GOSPEL** Mark 9:30–37

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him. <sup>33</sup>And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**SERMON HYMN #594** – *“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”*

**SERMON**

**CREED**

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**OFFERING** – *Vocal Duet*

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**THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

**Hymn #563** – *“Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness”*

**Hymn #755** – *“In the Very Midst of Life”* – *Sung by Choir*

**Hymn #692** – *“Praise to You and Adoration”*

**Individual Prayer for after Communion:**

*(It is suggested that you pray this in your pew after returning from the altar.)*

Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,  
Let me gladly here obey You.  
By Your love I am invited,  
Be Your love with love requited;  
By this Supper let me measure,  
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.  
Through the gift of grace You give me  
As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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**Thank the Lord**

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**CLOSING HYMN #725** – *“Children of the Heavenly Father”*

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Altar Flower Chart:** The cost of the Altar flowers is \$40 per Sunday and you will be able to take your flowers home with you after the service in a box located ***now in the kitchen on the shelf above the triple sink***. To have your payment for flowers applied correctly, please use one of the *Designated Offering* envelopes found in your box of envelopes or label the outside of one of your regular envelopes with the words 'Altar flowers'. *If you take the black liners home, please be sure to bring them back to church by the following Wednesday.* Janice Hartness is our flower coordinator. If you have any special requests, please contact her at 763-355-5427 by the Wednesday prior. Please see the schedule below through October:

September 30<sup>th</sup> – Craig & Charlotte Smith  
October 7<sup>th</sup> – Ben & Jen Schaumburg  
October 14<sup>th</sup> – Josh & Alicia Christian  
October 21<sup>st</sup> – Garry & Cheryl McCreary  
October 28<sup>th</sup> – Bill & Julie Anderson

**Leonard Albers** gave Altar flowers today in loving memory of Aileen Albers.

**Sunday Schedule: Divine Service 9:00 AM;** followed by Bible Class at 10:30.

**Monday Evening Divine Service 7:00 PM - *Last Monday Service will be on Monday September 24<sup>th</sup>***

**Saturday Evening Divine Service 5:00 PM – *Beginning Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup>***

**Wednesday morning Prayer Service and Bible Study** – Morning Prayer service begins at 9:15 am, followed by Bible Study at 10:00 am.

**Northwest Suburban Circuit Congregation Prayers** – Each week we will be praying for a congregation in the circuit and for others who have or have had a connection with them. This week, we are asking for Grace Lutheran Church, Brooklyn Park, and Pastor Vance Milbrath.

**Everyone Welcome!** Pastor Johnson and Pastor Krueger are doing **monthly Chapel Services** at Cherrywood Pointe in Plymouth (Where Arta Walter now lives) 18405 Old Rockford Rd, Plymouth, MN 55446. The next one will be on **Monday October 1<sup>st</sup>** at 11:30 am. Please feel free to attend this service.

**Compassion Circle** meets the second Monday of the month at **1:00** for dessert, devotion, and fellowship. **Our next meeting will be October 8<sup>th</sup>**. We always welcome new members and ideas for ways in which we can show compassion to our brothers and sisters in Christ. Hope to see you there.

**Warm your heart, by helping keep others warm:** Soon the weather will be getting cool and we pull covers over us at night. Some people are not as fortunate as we are! Please come and help the quilters fill the needs of the unfortunate! We will begin our projects on September 11th. We start at 9:00am. we enjoy our fellowship and share our life experiences over our coffee break and lunch break. We would love to have you come and share with us also. Please bring a bag lunch. We usually work until around 3:00pm. If you could come just part of the day, it would be much appreciated and you would be helping reach those in need. Mark your calendar for Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. Any questions call anyone of the quilters, or if you don't know who they are, call Eunice at 763-493-5333. Hope to see you there. **Thanks to our 12 busy Bee Quilters we completed 12 quilts on Tuesday. Please think about joining us on Sept. 25th!**

**Perspectives: Mental Health** – This is a FREE presentation to be held here, at Glory of Christ, on Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-3:30. The presenter is Dr. Stephen Saunders, a professor of Psychology at Marquette University in Milwaukee WI and author of the two-volume book, “A Christian Understanding of Mental Illness”. All materials provided and light refreshments will be served. To register, you will find forms in the Narthex, or you can register on the church’s website: [Gloryofchrist.org/events](http://Gloryofchrist.org/events). Please see the insert in today’s bulletin for more information as well, or ask Pastor Krueger.

**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:** I am overwhelmed with the outpouring of caring, concern, compassion, love and kindness that I have been shown. Your beautiful get-well cards, wishes, flowers, plants telephone calls, food, taxi service and prayers were so much appreciated. Special thanks to Pastors: Johnson, Krueger, Weibel for their visits when I was in the hospital, rehab and at home. What a wonderful caring family to belong to! Blessings, Pauline.

**Congregation Informational Meeting: TODAY!** There is a need for a part time position due to our recent expansion. This person would report monthly to the council and present needed work and expenditures. The Council has decided to start a pilot program to track our needs. This program overview will be presented at a Congregation informational meeting on Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup> to give everyone a chance to express their thoughts. The meeting will start at 11:45 AM, after Adult Bible Study and Sunday School. No Vote will be taken. The meeting will last about 45 minutes.

**Youth Group:** Save the dates for our next Youth Group Event, look ahead at events on the horizon and reply to your availability and preferences!! We are off to a terrific start! Sunday October 28th 12-3pm. Lunch, devotion and shut-in visits. Sunday November 11th 12-? Lunch, devotion and FUN EVENT (Paintball, bowling, whirly-ball, etc.) - Send me your vote and I will look into possibilities! Sunday December TBD; January - Youth Lock-In Date TBD ~ Julie Anderson [julesanders@live.com](mailto:julesanders@live.com) 612.791.0163. Thank You!

**Rehearsals start this week Wednesday for the re-named and re-formed choir** for students in grades 4 through 8. The newly-named Gloria Christi Choir will be directed by Glory of Christ member Barbara Resch and will be singing regularly each month in the service. Rehearsal are Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:15 p.m., right after Confirmation. All students in grades 4 - 8 are welcome and encouraged to come and sing!

**Rehearsals also start this week Wednesday for the Children's Chime choir** for students in grades 4 through 8. Chimes Choir will be directed by Glory of Christ member Abby Hoselton. Rehearsal are Wednesdays from 4:45-5:30 p.m., right before Confirmation. All students in grades 4 - 8 are welcome and encouraged to come and ring!

**Sewing for LWML Service Project** - October 27<sup>th</sup> at St. John's Lutheran Church. Your congregation is invited to join our next Sewing Saturday. This time as an LWML Service Project. All are welcome to come and sew or tie blankets. Bring sewing machines & scissors. Fleece in 1.5 yards is also needed. We deliver finished sewing projects to pregnancy centers: City Life Center, Minneapolis and WomenSource, Anoka. Come anytime 9am - 3pm. Lunch is provided. Please RSVP for planning purposes to LeAnn Cummins 763-420-2317 or Gretchen Kliche 763-477-6163. St. John's Lutheran Church 9141 County Road 101 Corcoran, MN 55340

**Remember in our Prayers:** Sean Breining, Arta Walter, Lee Hart, Velva Kosel, Jack Jakupciak, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Aaron Klein (Nephew of Cheryl McCreary), Connie Klein (Sister of Cheryl McCreary, Jack Hammang (Friend of Becky and Kelly Lane), John Mundt (Friend of Becky & Kelly Lane), Elizabeth Stark (Sister of Josh Christian), Marcia Richards (Sister-in-law of Tom & Brenda Richards), Mark Desch (Father of Heather Brashear), Lavonne Coda (Mike Krause's Aunt), Janet Preus, Arlene Finke (Janice Hartness's mother) and Erma Queck (relative of Gwenn Schaumburg).

