GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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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.

Worship Notes The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost Matthew 21:33-46

The Lord's Longsuffering Love

The Parable of the Tenants depicts Israel's history with God's prophets. The parable takes on a prophetic character as Jesus tells of His own death at the hands of the Chief Priests and Pharisees. It pictures the abuse and suffering the love of God was willing to endure from His people. It pictures the stubborn rebellion of God's chosen people. God has been more than merciful and patient with His people. It pictures the sending of God's obedient Son as the final, decisive act of His searching love for us sinners. It pictures the judgment that comes upon those who resist and reject the sending of God's Son. And finally, it pictures the transfer of the kingdom of God from Israel to the New Israel, that is, to us the Christian church. We are not tenants, but owners of what God gives. In Holy Baptism we are given everything that God has to offer. He holds nothing back. Jesus' rejection is the means by which He becomes the cornerstone.

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"Lord Jesus Christ, the Children's Friend" - Children's Choir

OPENING HYMN #594 - "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT Ps. 118:22–24; antiphon: Ps. 118:1



Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;* for his steadfast love endures for ever!

The stone that the builders re- | jected*

has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's | doing;*

it is marvelous | in our eyes.

This is the day that the | LORD has made;*

let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good;* for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

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HYMN OF PRAISE

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COLLECT

Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 5:1–7

¹Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it. and hewed out a wine vat in it: and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. ³And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah. judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? ⁵And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured: I will break down its wall. and it shall be trampled down.

⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Ps. 91:11; 103:1



He will command his angels con- | cerning you* to guard you in | all your ways.

Bless the LORD, | O my soul,*
and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!

EPISTLE Philippians 3:4b–14

⁴though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. ⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—

¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 21:33–46

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

³³[Jesus said:] "Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country.

³⁴When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. ³⁵And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' ³⁹And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. ⁴⁰When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons."

⁴²Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'? ⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. ⁴⁴And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him." ⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN #544 - "O Love, How Deep"

SERMON

CREED

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING - "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" - Hand Bells

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SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #430 - "My Song Is Love Unknown"

Hymn #637 – "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

Hymn #647 - "Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head"

Hymn #645 – "Built on the Rock"

Individual Prayer for after Communion:

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

Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened,
To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit
To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit,
Where joys unmingled flow.

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CLOSING HYMN #644 - "The Church's One Foundation"

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 **near the organ speaker to the right of the Altar**. 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'. Janice Hartness is our flower coordinator. If you have any special requests, please contact her at 763-355-5427 by the Wednesday prior. The Flower chart is not displayed now due to construction. Please see the schedule for the remainder of 2017 below:

October 15th – Josh & Alisha Christian

October 22nd – Garry & Cheryl McCreary

October 29th - Reformation - GOC

November 5th – Julie Anderson

November 12th – Janet Preus

November 19th – David & Louise Werts

November 26th – Garry & Cheryl McCreary

December 3rd – Barbie & Dan Gruenhagen

Remaining weeks in December - Poinsettias

Kim & Jan Diemand gave Altar Flowers this morning in celebration of their 42nd Wedding Anniversary. May God Bless them on this special occasion!

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

Saturday Evening Divine Services 5:00 PM

Wednesday morning Prayer services begin at 9:30 AM; followed by Wednesday morning Bible Study. **NEW LOCATION!** – **Corner Stone Commons** – 3750 Lawndale Ln N Plymouth. Please use the North Entrance and look for signs as to where the service will be held.

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 prayers for Lutheran Church of the Triune God, Brooklyn Center, and Vacancy Pastor Richard Resch.

Attention Altar Guild! Saturday Evening Divine Services have begun so plan to set up

for these services. Thank You!

Acolytes & Processional Cross Bearers: The signup sheet for both Acolytes and Processional Cross Bearers is on the table in the back of the Sanctuary for September through Easter. Thank You!

Mom's Group: Mom's group is going to look a little different this year with the construction. We will be meeting monthly in different people's homes. If you are a mom of any age, YOU ARE WELCOME TO COME! Our October meeting will be at Sara DeBlois' home on Friday October 13th from 6-8pm. More details to follow soon!

Next Compassion Circle Meeting will take place on Monday October 9th at 1:00 pm and **will be at Cornerstone Assisted Living** (the same room as Wednesday morning Bible Study). Location for the room is clearly marked in the lobby.

THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL MINNESOTA LUTHERAN FALL CONFERENCE will be held Saturday, October 21st at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2819 3rd St N St. Cloud, from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Registration opens at 8"30. The theme is: "What...the Church Is Good?" The speakers will be Rev. Dr. Alvin Schmidt from St. Louis, MO, Rev. James Strawn from Archbold, OH and Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders from Cedar Falls, IA. Registration is \$25, which includes coffee, rolls and lunch (\$10 for high school and college students). Though preregistration is not required, a non-monetary pre-registration is required if you plan to eat. So, for the meal, please call (320) 252-8171 or email office@redeemerstcloud.org by Oct. 12th.

GoC Chili Cookoff Sunday, October 15th! – Yes, it's still on for this year! We have rented the Hamel Community Building for this year's cookoff. It will once again begin at 5:00 pm. Signup sheets are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Make your best (and/or hottest) chili, most delicious pie or cornbread. Awesome prizes will be given for hottest chili, best tasting chili, pie or cornbread and best presentation for chili, pie and cornbread. Please join us for great food and fellowship!

Missions Fest Meeting: Sunday November 5th after Bible Study, there will be an informational meeting for planning next year's Missions Fest. This next year will be a transitional year where the current Missions Fest planning committee will help, but we are also asking for new volunteers. So, if you are interested, please plan to attend this informational meeting to learn about all facets of this fun event and find out which parts you may be interested in helping with. Thank You!

Remember in our Prayers: Idena Hagen, Sean Breininger, Arta Walter, Lee Hart, Velva Kosel, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Mandy Ewig (Daughter of Mike and Lea Connealy), Mike Kolhof (Brother-in-law of Barb Rains), Ken, Rosemary & Lisa Brackmann, Logan, Emily & Jeoff Boyer (grandson/daughter & son-in-law of Rose and Gary Newhouse) and Victims and Families of the Las Vegas shooting.

Serving This Sunday:

Acolyte: Isabel Schaumburg

Elders: Ben Rolf & Curt Woolfolk

Ushers: David Barnaby & Ben Schaumburg

Tech Duty: Travis Dorweiler

Altar Guild: Brenda Richards & Barb Rains
Offering Counters: Barbie Gruenhagen & Mike Miller

Bread Baker: Charlotte Smith
Bread Deliverer: Sharla Woolfolk

Serving Next Sunday: (October 15, 2017)

Acolyte: Isabel Schaumburg

Elders: Ben Rolf & Curt Woolfolk

Ushers: Todd Zitzlsperger & Bruce Larson

Tech Duty: Josh Christian

Altar Guild: Pauline Hemingway & Marilyn Scharlau

Offering Counters: Lori Beck & Carl Hartness

Bread Baker: Janelle Franzmeier
Bread Deliverer: Beth Schoolman

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday: 155
Monday: 12

Total: 167

Bible Class: Wed/Sun 28/45

Sunday School: NA

Reformation 500

Festival Worship

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word Sunday, October 29 at 4 p.m.

Gangelhoff Center, Concordia University, St. Paul Preacher: Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison

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