

GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



The Holy Trinity

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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 167. 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

John 8:48-59

“The Holy Trinity”

Christians don’t really believe in God. That is, those sincere folk who say things like, “Well, I’m Christian, you’re Buddhist, but the main thing is that we all believe in God,” are not quite right.

Our God has a face, Jesus; a name, Trinity. Our God comes to us in history, in specific, observable ways that define an agent, an identity. We can’t make this God mean anything we like. Trinity Sunday is the church’s reminder of the distinctive identity of our God.

-William Willimon

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31

¹Does not wisdom call?

Does not understanding raise her voice?

²On the heights beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;

³beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud:

⁴"To you, O men, I call,
and my cry is to the children of man.

²²"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of old.

²³Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.

²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth,

²⁶before he had made the earth with its fields,
or the first of the dust of the world.

²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there;
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

²⁸when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,

²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,

³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.' ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." ³⁷Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." ⁴⁰And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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HOLY GOSPEL John 8:48–59

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

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

⁴⁸The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" ⁴⁹Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." ⁵²The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' ⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?"

⁵⁸Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

CREED

Athanasian Creed

- L** Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.
- C** **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**
- L** And the catholic faith is this,
- C** **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**
- L** For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.
- C** **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**
- L** Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:
- C** **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**
- L** the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- C** **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**
- L** And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- C** **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**
- L** In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- C** **and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.**
- L** So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- C** **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**
- L** So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- C** **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**
- L** Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.
- C** **The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.**
- L** The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.
- C** **The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.**
- L** Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

- C** **And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**
- L** but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.
- C** **Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**
- L** But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** **Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.**
- L** He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:
- C** **perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**
- L** equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.
- C** **Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**
- L** one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;
- C** **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**
- L** For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,
- C** **who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**
- L** ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- C** **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**
- L** And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
- C** **This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #507 *"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

Hymn #876 *"O Blessed, Holy Trinity"*

Hymn #505 *"Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay"*

Hymn #506 *"Glory Be to God the Father"*

Individual Prayer for after Communion:

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

For Your consoling supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

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CLOSING HYMN #936 *"Sing Praise to the God of Israel"*

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 *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. ***The 2019 Flower chart is available for you to sign up for Flowers. The following people have signed up through July:***

June 23rd Open
June 30th Nancy Bradford
July 7th Todd & Cendee Palmer
July 14th Craig & Charlotte Smith
July 21st Lisa Brackmann
July 28th Garry & Cheryl McCreary

Jim & Jean Small gave Altar Flowers today in celebration of their grandson's Baptismal Birthday. May God Bless him on this special occasion!

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

Monday Evening Divine Service 7:00 PM

Wednesday morning Prayer Service and Bible Study – Morning Prayer services begin 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 Glory of Christ Lutheran Church, Plymouth, and Pastor Jeremiah Johnson and Pastor Kyle Krueger.

SAVE THE DATE! Christmas in July party is set for Sunday, **July 21st** from 2:00 to 7:00 at Susan and Pastor Johnson's home. Details to follow.

SAVE THE DATE! Perspectives Presentation: Suicide – This is a FREE presentation to be held here, at Glory of Christ, on Sunday, September 22nd. The presenter is Rev. Peter Preus, who will be giving a presentation on the Christian response to Suicide. Please place this important event on your calendars.

Gloria Christi Music Camp: Don't miss Gloria Christi Music Camp this year! July 15-19. Led by experienced music educators, this unique half-day camp is designed to develop children's singing voices and musicianship through choir, Orff instruments, chimes, and games. We aim to foster joyful, faithful, and skillful proclamation of God's Word through music, and the culminating activity will be the camp choir's participation in the Divine Service at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, July 21st.

Visit www.gloryofchrist.org/events/gloria-christi-music-camp for a registration form and to pay online. Registration forms are also on the table in the Narthex. Camp fee is \$50. You may leave a form and your payment on Brenda's desk if you don't register and pay online. Space is limited. Camp will be Monday - Friday, July 15 - 19, from 9:00am - 12:00pm at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church in Plymouth. Open to students entering grades 2 - 8 in fall 2019. Our 2019 theme is "Magnificat"! With questions about the camp, please contact Alyssa Burdick at alyssa.burdick.mezzo@gmail.com.



Looking for an easy way to support Lutheran education? GOC is now collecting Box Tops for Education. These small rectangles are each worth 10 cents and can be found on tons of General Mills products—everything from Kleenex to dishwasher tabs to cereal. Simply clip and drop into the jar in the narthex to help support St. John's Lutheran School.

"Putting the gifts to good use."

1 Peter 4:10 "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

We would like to introduce you to the **Long Range Planning Committee members:** Mari Houck, Al Lindh, Jill Eickhoff, Laura Thurk, Tyler Gangestad, Travis Dorweiler, Mike Connealy, Chelsie Ofsthun, Christian Preus, Patton Hoffarth, and Kord Brashear.

We will be encouraging you to engage in the process of determining the needs and wants of the congregation for 1-5-10-20 years. Do you have any questions or suggestions? Please see one of the committee members. Watch for more news to come!

IT'S OFFICIAL!! Spring is here and so is the date for the **Glory of Christ Golf Event**. We have locked in to the **third Saturday of August** (as it has been the last few years). We will be playing at Shamrock Golf Course in Corcoran and tee times will start at 3:30 PM. We will have dinner and awards following play in the pavilion at the course. It is a great time!! Don't miss out. All skill levels encouraged. If you have a conflict already this year, mark the third Saturday in August for 2020 – we'll be there! Questions? See Mike Miller or Naomi Teske

Hey, Moms! The best season in MN is almost upon us--summer time! It's time for **playgroups in the park**. The purpose of these is to get our kids together (all ages are welcome) and play and chat. We meet around **10 am each Wed** at different parks and go home once the kids need naps or the moms are done talking! If you want to bring a lunch or snacks, please make sure they are nut-free! If you have any questions, let Susan Johnson know (sjhoelz@[gmail.com](mailto:sjhoelz@gmail.com)).

Here's our June/July line-up:

June 19th- French Park Play Area

June 26th- Heather Ponds Park - 3420 Lawndale Ln N, Plymouth, MN 55447

July 3rd- No Mom's Group

July 10th- Greenwood Elementary Playground - 18005 Medina Rd, Plymouth, MN 55446

July 17th- Plymouth Creek Park- 3625 Fernbrook Ln N, Plymouth, MN 55446

July 24th- Gleason Playfields/Park- 18934 67th Ave N, Maple Grove, MN 55311

July 31st- Baker Park Play Area

Directory Information Needed! For the new pictorial directory, it is very important that we have everyone's updated contact information. There is a printed directory in the Narthex with the information we currently have. Please take the time to review your information and update it if needed. Also, if you do not see your information in this printout, there are blank pages on the back for you to list your name, family members names, address and phone numbers. Thank you so much! **The goal is to have everyone's information updated by the end of June so Christine can finalize the new Directory.**

2019 VBS-Out of Egypt I Called my Son: Thank you to all the volunteers who made VBS successful again this year! We had over 50 children from our congregation and community participate. **Opportunity to contribute to the VBS mission project:** Many of our VBS stories this week had people being saved from death and living their lives fully as children of God. In support of life, we have been supporting **New Life Family Services**. Children were invited to either bring in money for our daily offering that we'll use to purchase needed supplies for babies and moms. In addition, they were invited to bring in packages of diapers (all sizes are needed). **This diaper drive and offering collection will continue until June 30** if any members of the congregation would like to contribute. Please see the display in the Narthex and to drop off your donations.

Remember in our Prayers: Sean Breining, Arta Walter, Lee & Doris Hart, Velva Kosel, Jack Jakupciak, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, , Enya Abel, Sue Mueller (Friend of Jerry & Zelda Malo), Kevin Gruenhagen (Dan Gruenhagen's Father), Mark Skau (Kevin Skau's father) Ron Quittem (Jill Larson's Father), Jon Lilleberg (Bruce & Jill Larson's brother-in-law), LeRoy Reinke, Scott (Chris & Mari Houck's cousin) and Sarah Miller.

Northwest Suburban Circuit

Vespers & Pre-Convention Informational Meeting

- WHO:** Laymen and women, churchworkers, and pastors connected with the eleven churches of the NW Suburban circuit of the MN South District of the LCMS
- WHAT:** Service of prayer followed by an informational meeting ahead of this summer's national synodical convention
- WHERE:** Glory of Christ Lutheran Church
4040 Highway 101
Plymouth, MN 55446
763-478-6031 (office)
- WHEN:** Wednesday, June 26 – 7:00 pm
- WHY:** Learn more about our Synod and the business on the agenda of the national convention; ask questions and give input on the proposed resolutions; meet and encourage our pastoral delegate and lay delegate serving our circuit at the convention to be held July 20-25 in Tampa, FL

For refreshment planning purposes, if you plan to attend the meeting, please let Brenda know. Thank You!

GLORIA CHRISTI MUSIC CAMP

GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
IN PLYMOUTH

JULY 15 – 19, 2019

9:00 AM – Noon

JULY 21

9:00 AM Divine Service

ABOUT THE CAMP:

Led by experienced music educators, this unique half-day camp is designed to develop children's singing voices and musicianship through choir, Orff instruments, chimes, and games. We aim to foster joyful, faithful, and skillful proclamation of God's Word through music, and the culminating activity will be the camp choir's participation in the Divine Service at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, July 21st. Our 2019 theme is "Magnificat"!

REGISTRATION:

Open to students entering grades 2 - 8 in fall 2019

Registration deadline: June 17

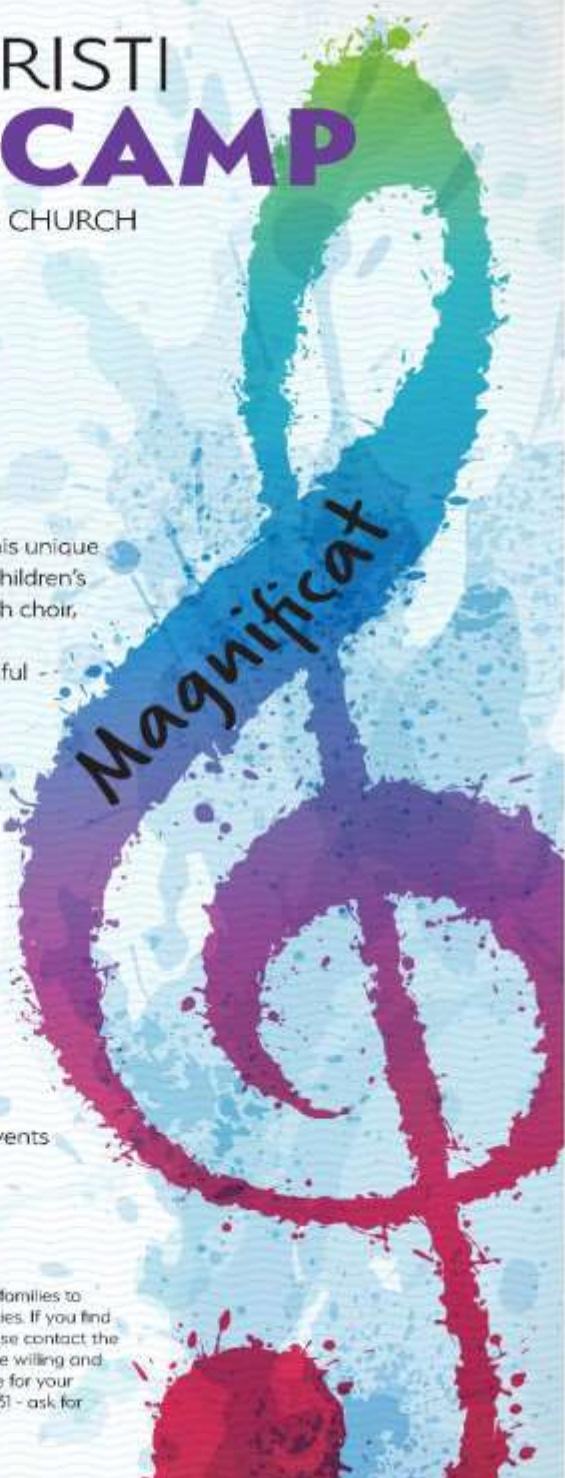
Camp fee: \$50* per child, with a minimum of \$25 due at the time of registration. Space is limited

Registration form: gloryofchrist.org/events

QUESTIONS:

please contact Alyssa Burdick at alyssa.burdick.mezzo@gmail.com

*Gloria Christi Music Camp wishes for all interested families to participate in the camp, regardless of financial abilities. If you find yourself unable to pay the \$50 registration fee, please contact the Church Office to speak to one of our pastors. We are willing and happy to help financially to make this camp possible for your young musician. Office Phone Number: 763-478-6031 - ask for Pastor Johnson or Pastor Krueger



Magnificat