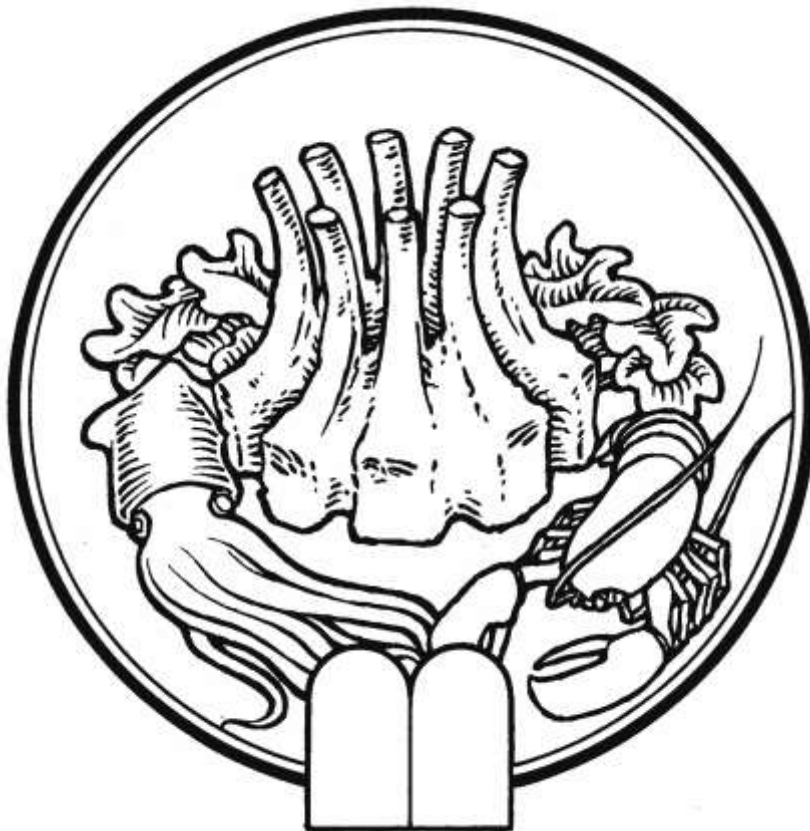


GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



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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 184. 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.

COLLECT

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9

¹“And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you.

²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you...

⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him?

⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children...

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.



**Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.**

EPISTLE Ephesians 6:10–20

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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HOLY GOSPEL Mark 7:14–23

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

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹⁴And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #596 – *“All Christians who Have Been Baptized”*

Hymn #616 – *“Baptismal Waters Cover Me”*

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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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 September:

September 9th – Jerry & Zelda Malo
September 16th – Heath & Danielle Brolsma
September 23rd – Leonard Albers
September 30th – Craig & Charlotte Smith

Jeremy & Jill Eickhoff gave Altar flowers today in celebration children being back at school!

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

Monday Evening Divine Service 7:00 PM - No Service on Monday September 3rd
Last Monday Service will be on Monday September 24th

Saturday Evening Divine Service 5:00 PM – *Beginning Saturday September 29th*

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 prayers for Rev. John Fehrmann and his work with Confessional Lutheran Educational Foundation (CLEF) in other nations.

Women of Glory of Christ: Save the Date for Saturday September 15th for a Ladies Coffee. From 9-11 am we will meet in the Fireside Room here at church for coffee, fresh pastries and Christian Fellowship! More to come but place this on your calendars!

Confirmation parents: We would like to invite you to our annual Confirmation meeting on **Wednesday, September 5th from 5:30-6:00pm**. We ask that *all* Confirmation students and at least one parent would be in attendance. The goals of this meeting are to welcome in the new sixth grade students, to explain what you can expect from Confirmation this year, and to answer any questions you might have.

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 September 10th** 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 September 10th**. 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. 11th & 25th. Oct. 9th.& 23rd. Nov. 13th & 27th. 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.

Perspectives: Mental Health – This is a FREE presentation to be held here, at Glory of Christ, on Sunday, September 30th 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. Please see the insert in today's bulletin for more information as well, or ask Pastor Krueger.

Rally Day will soon be here! Please join us on Sunday, September 9th for Rally Day. Sunday school will officially kick off for fall and we will have a picnic lunch at 11:30 right after Bible Study and Sunday school; followed by outdoor games and a bouncy castle. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex, so we can know how much food to order. **Please sign up and join in the fun!**

RALLY DAY 2018

Let's get the year off to a great start!

Rally Day is September 9th!

What can you expect for the day?

During the Divine Service

- Bibles will be distributed to all second graders
- Sunday school teachers will be installed

During Education Hour

- After church, grab a quick snack
- All Congregation Bible Study in the Fellowship hall
- Introduction to Glory of Christ Activities
- Parents and kids, meet your teacher, find your classroom, and enjoy an activity together in the classroom

After Sunday School

- Join the congregation for lunch
- Enjoy the bouncy house, outdoor activities, and games on the lawn