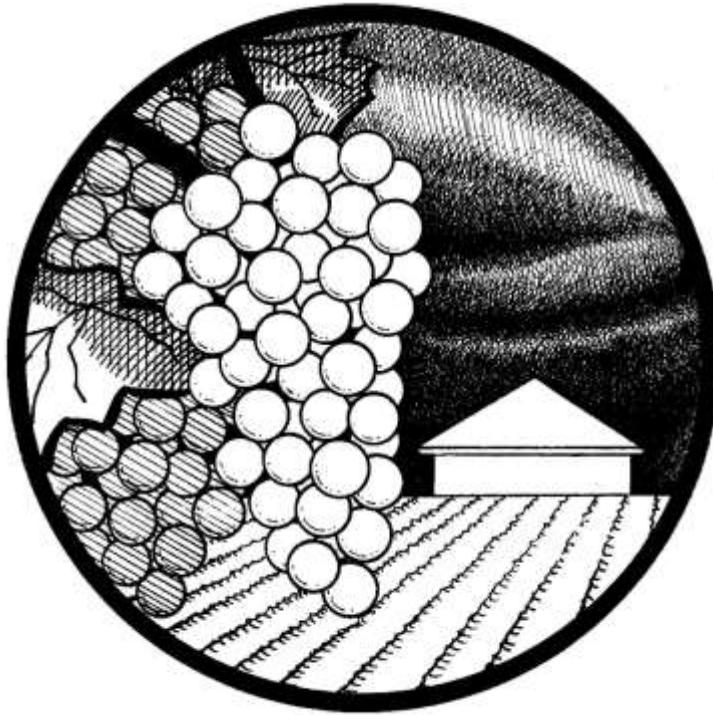


# GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



## The Fifth Sunday in Lent April 7, 2019

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Missions Pastor: Rev. John Fehrmann  
Visitations Pastor: Rev. Dean Weibel

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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.

## **Worship Notes**

### **Luke 20:9-20**

Like most of them that Jesus tells, the parable of the leased vineyard is intentionally over-the-top. We're *supposed* to gasp when we see the caretaker farmers refuse the master and abuse the servants and kill the son. It's *supposed* to shock us. And all the violence and presumption by the farmers stems from one basic fact: they didn't understand who the vineyard really belongs to. It doesn't belong to them; it belongs to the lord.

The vineyard stands for the people of God, and so this parable was initially an indictment against the religious leadership of Jesus' day. But it also applies to the church today. For us, this parable is both comfort and warning. On the one hand, we dare not act like the church ever *belongs* to us. The church is always and ever *His* church, not ours. But this is also our comfort. We *are* always His church. No matter how the caretakers of the Lord's church may stray, they cannot ultimately scuttle His church.

Take comfort in Jesus' assurance, "I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand." (John 10:28)

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**April 7, 2019**

**OPENING HYMN #644** *"The Church's One Foundation"*

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT** Ps. 3:3–6; antiphon: Ps. 3:8



Salvation belongs | to the LORD;\*

your blessing be on your | people!

**But you, O LORD, are a shield a- | bout me,\***

**my glory, and the lifter | of my head.**

**I cried aloud | to the LORD,\***

**and he answered me from his | holy hill.**

**I lay | down and slept;\***

**I woke again, for the LORD sus- | tained me.**

**I will not be afraid of many thousands of | people\***

**who have set themselves against me | all around.**

**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.**

Salvation belongs | to the LORD;\*

your blessing be on your | people!

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## COLLECT

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 43:16–21

<sup>16</sup>Thus says the LORD,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,  
<sup>17</sup>who brings forth chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
<sup>18</sup>“Remember not the former things,  
nor consider the things of old.  
<sup>19</sup>Behold, I am doing a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
<sup>20</sup>The wild beasts will honor me,  
the jackals and the ostriches,  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
<sup>21</sup>the people whom I formed for myself  
that they might declare my praise.

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

**G** Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL** Heb 12:2



**[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,\*  
the founder and perfecter | of our faith,  
who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the  
shame,\*  
and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.**

**EPISTLE** Philippians 3:8–14

<sup>8</sup>Indeed, 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 <sup>9</sup>and 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— <sup>10</sup>that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup>Not 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. <sup>13</sup>Brothers, 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, <sup>14</sup>I 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.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 20:9–20

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.

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

<sup>9</sup>And he began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. <sup>10</sup>When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. <sup>11</sup>And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully and sent him away empty-handed. <sup>12</sup>And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. <sup>13</sup>Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’

<sup>14</sup>But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.' <sup>15</sup>And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? <sup>16</sup>He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Surely not!"

<sup>17</sup>But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'?"

<sup>18</sup>"Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

<sup>19</sup>The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people.

<sup>20</sup>So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

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

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

## **CREED**

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**SERMON HYMN #912** *"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"*

## **SERMON**

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**OFFERING** *"My Song Is Love Unknown"* Hand Bell Choir

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

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**The Distribution Hymns:**

**Hymn #429** *"We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died"*

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

**Hymn #575** *"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"*

**Hymn #419** *"Savior, When in Dust to Thee"*

**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 #543** *"What Wondrous Love Is This"*



# Lent

*The Forty days before Easter*

Lenten Services: March 13<sup>th</sup> – April 10<sup>th</sup>  
Morning Services – 11:30 am  
Evening Service: 7:00 pm

## **Lenten Meals:**

Soup lunches - Served after every morning service ***beginning March 6<sup>th</sup>***

***\*\*Compassion Circle is providing bars for all Lenten lunches. Thank You Ladies!!***

Lenten Dinners - Served every Wednesday evening prior to the Mid-Week Lenten Services, beginning at 6:00 pm. The following groups will be providing the meals:

## **Groups Serving Dinners during the Lenten Season:**

April 10<sup>th</sup> – Young Adults – Homemade Soups



# Easter

*Resurrection of Jesus Christ*

## **Holy Week, Easter Vigil and Easter Services:**

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be on April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. We are having an Easter Vigil with Evening Prayer service on Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm and two Easter services at 8:00 am and 10:30 am on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Elders will once again serve a wonderful Easter breakfast between the services that morning. Please plan to join us!

## 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 April:***

April 14<sup>th</sup> – Tom & Brenda Richards

April 21<sup>st</sup> – Easter Flowers

April 28<sup>th</sup> – Easter Flowers

**Garry & Cheryl McCreary** gave Altar flowers today in celebration of Garry's Birthday. May God Bless him on this special occasion!

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

**Saturday Evening Divine Service 5:00 PM** – *LAST REGULAR ONE ON APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup>*

**Monday Evening Divine Service 7:00 PM** – *Begins on April 29<sup>th</sup>*

**Wednesday morning Prayer Service and Bible Study** – ***Morning Prayer services WILL NOT take place again until after Easter.*** Bible Study is 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 Rev. Matthew Harrison, our Synod President and all our elected officers and board members in the LCMS.

**COMPASSION CIRCLE:** Our next meeting will be on **Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**. Anyone is welcome to join us!

**Everyone Welcome!** Pastor Johnson and Pastor Krueger are doing **monthly Chapel Services** at Cherrywood Pointe in Plymouth - 18405 Old Rockford Rd, Plymouth, MN 55446. The next one will be on **Monday April 8<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 am. Please feel free to attend this service.

**Gloria Christi Music Camp:** Don't miss Gloria Christi Music Camp this year! 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 21. Visit [www.gloryofchrist.org/events/gloria-christi-music-camp](http://www.gloryofchrist.org/events/gloria-christi-music-camp) for a registration form and to pay online. Camp fee is \$50. 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](mailto:alyssa.burdick.mezzo@gmail.com).

**Save the date! VBS 2019** is titled "Out of Egypt I Called My Son" – June 10-13 (4 days this year) 9am-12pm.



**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!

**2019 Directory photos are ready!** An All-Member email has gone out on how to order and/or download your photo. If you do not have a computer, please talk to Christine Zitzlsperger on how to order yours!



## Youth Group!

On March 17th, our Youth Group was invited to an informal Volleyball Tournament with several other LCMS churches at the new field house at Mayer Lutheran. There were more than 30 youths playing, competing, and praying together. We look forward to more gatherings in the future with nearby Youth Groups!

**Next Youth Group: Sunday, April 14th** - Palm Sunday after Bible Study for lunch, devotions and a mission project.

We will be preparing materials for **Sole Hope** for shoes to be made to protect the feet of children and adults alike from jiggers and their injuries which prevents the people of Uganda from walking to school and work.

Everyone should bring an old pair of jeans & heavy fabric scissors to cut according to the stencils provided. These plus a few simple materials will become new shoes! Once finished, we will mail them to Sole Hope for stitching, finishing and distributing! Sign up with Julie Anderson [julesanders@live.com](mailto:julesanders@live.com)



Please check out their website [www.solehope.org](http://www.solehope.org) to learn more.

# ANNOUNCING!

## A Congress on the Lutheran Confessions

May 8 - 10, 2019

Crowne Plaza Aire\*

Bloomington, Minnesota

### THEME

*ANTINOMIANISM New & Old:*

*The Return of Seminex theology in Light of the Lutheran Confessions*

### Presentation Topics:

- The Third Use of the Law: Seminex and Today
- The Atonement: When did Lutherans Start Denying It?
- Gerhard Forde and the Theology of Radical Lutheranism
- Hermeneutics & Textual Criticism: Seminex and Today
- The Death of the Word of God
- Lutheran Pastoral Practice: Avoiding Law-Gospel Reductionism
- Preaching Antinomianism (banquet)
- Gender Theology and the Splitting of the ELCA
- Drums, Saxophones & Bouncing Balls
- Trinity and the Amoral God / and Surviving the Storms
- Drums, Saxophones, and Bouncing Balls

### Registration Fees:

**ACL Member** - \$80.00 / spouse - \$60.00

Banquet: \$30.00 ca.

**Non-ACL Member** - \$90.00 / spouse - \$70.00

Banquet: \$30.00 ca.

\* The cut-off date for accepting reservations into the special Congress room block is Tuesday, April 16, 2019. The special room rate (single and double) is \$125.00 per night (plus tax). To make room reservations, please call the hotel directly at 952-854-9000 or toll-free at 1-800-227-6963 and reference "Congress on the Lutheran Confessions."



## SMALL CLASSES HELP KIDS SOAR! Pre-Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Now enrolling **NEW** families for 2019/20 school year!

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- Are confident participants in small classes
- Discover and use their God-given talents

Play together, encourage each other, and witness to one another

Contact Suzanne Haag to schedule a tour  
suzanne.haag@stjlutheran.org 763-420-2426.

**Hear ye, hear ye!**  
**Save the Date**



**Missions Fest**  
**May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**3pm**

**Dropeth off thy donations in the  
room across from the kitchen!**

**Donation forms and sign up forms on the table in the Narthex**

**Listen to**  
**Pastor Jeremiah Johnson**  
**and host**  
**Pastor Jonathan Fisk**

**on**



**Tue., April 9, at 8:00 a.m. CT**  
**for**

**Sharper Iron**  
**Lectionary study on**  
**“How it Began” Series**  
**Genesis 14:1-16**