

GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



The First Sunday in Lent March 10, 2019

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Welcome all in the name of Jesus, especially those who are worshipping 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

The First Sunday in Lent

Luke 4:1-13

You see how the Spirit led him, not into a city or public arena, but into a wilderness. In this desolate place, the Spirit extended the devil an occasion to test him, not only by hunger, but also by loneliness, for it is there most especially that the devil assails us, when he sees us left alone and by ourselves. In this same way did he also confront Eve in the beginning, having caught her alone and apart from her husband.

John Chrysostom

COLLECT

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; 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 Deuteronomy 26:1–11

¹When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. ³And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.' ⁴Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

⁵And you shall make response before the LORD your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. ⁶And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. ⁷Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. ⁹And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God. ¹¹And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

¹²And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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SERMON HYMN #424 *"O Christ, You Walked the Road"*

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #600 *"Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering"*

Hymn #544 *"O Love, How Deep"*

Hymn #634 *"The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord"*

Hymn #716 *"I Walk in Danger All the Way"*

Individual Prayer for after Communion:

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

We thank you, almighty Lord God, that you have refreshed us with this precious gift, and we ask for your mercy that you would let it nurture in us strong faith toward you and intensive love among us all, through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. Amen.

Martin Luther

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CLOSING HYMN #655 *"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"*



Lent

The Forty days before Easter

Lenten Services: March 13th – April 10th

Morning Services – 11:30 am

Evening Service: 7:00 pm

Lenten Meals:

Soup lunches - Served after every morning service ***beginning March 6th***

*****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:

March 6th – Elders - Tacos

March 13th – Council – Pulled pork sandwiches, Salads

March 20th – Sunday School Teachers & Families – Bake Potatoes/Fixins

March 27th – Altar Guild – Hot dishes, Salads

April 3rd – Choir/Bells – Lasagna, Salad and breads

April 10th – 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 18th and 19th at 7:00 pm. We are having an Easter Vigil with Evening Prayer service on Saturday April 20th at 7:00 pm and two Easter services at 8:00 am and 10:30 am on Sunday, April 21st. 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 now available for you to sign up for Flowers. The following people have signed up through March:***

March 17th – Josh & Alisha Christian

March 24th – Nora Bell

March 31st - Open

Carla Claussen gave Altar flowers today in loving memory of her mother, Luella Olson.

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

Saturday Evening Divine Service 5:00 PM

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 Redeemer Lutheran, Robbinsdale, and Pastor Doug Minton

New Church Photo Directory: We are doing a new church photo directory in 2019! Photos will be taken on one more Sunday – TODAY - March 10th. If you haven't had your photo taken yet, please plan to do so TODAY!

COMPASSION CIRCLE: With all the snow, spring thawing and tornadoes, the Compassion Circle has decided to make Hygiene Kits for the Orphan Grain Train to distribute to areas where needed. Our meeting on Monday, March 11, will start at 1:00 with dessert and devotion and then we will assemble the kits. 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 March 11th** at 11:00 am. Please feel free to attend this service.

Quilting: There is one more March date on the 19th. We start at 9:00am. Please bring your lunch, if you plan to stay into the afternoon. We would love to see a few more willing hands doing some of God's work for the unfortunate. As we say, "It is better to give than to receive". We will receive our rewards in heaven!!

Gloria Christi Music Camp: SAVE THE DATE! Mark your calendars for the 2019 Gloria Christi Music Camp: July 15 - 19. Details to follow.

GoC Red Cross Blood drive: Glory of Christ is once again hosting a Red Cross Blood drive on Tuesday March 19th from 1:00-7:00 pm. Sign up information is now on the table in the Narthex.

Missions Fest – Save the Date! Missions Fest will be held on Saturday May 18th. Please place this on your Calendar. The theme this year is Medieval Times and the Renaissance. More information regarding times to follow. Please join us for fun and festivities!



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.

Youth Group Event Sunday, March 17th after Bible Class, with lunch, devotions, activities and games (indoor/outdoor depending on weather). To sign up, contact Julie Anderson: julesanders@live.com

Remember in our Prayers: Sean Breininger, Arta Walter, Lee Hart, Velva Kosel, Jack Jakupciak, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Peggy Snustad (Friend of Tom and Brenda Richards), Paul Richards (Brother of Tom Richards), Sara Tibbets (Niece of Tom and Brenda Richards), Kevin Gruenhagen (Dan Gruenhagen's Father), Jim Small, Enya Abel, Dorita Uhler (Janet Preus's sister), Esther Lund, and Mac (The son of a good friend of Dave & Naomi Teske).

Listen to
Pastor Jeremiah Johnson
and host
Pastor Jonathan Fisk

on



Tue., March 12, at 8:00 a.m. CT
for
Sharper Iron
Lectionary study on
“How it Began” Series
Genesis 3:8-15



Bach's St. John Passion

in collaboration with Choral Arts Ensemble

Bach Society of Minnesota will collaborate with Rochester-based Choral Arts Ensemble performing Bach's St. John Passion, the story of Jesus crucifixion. Bach's fast-paced, dramatic Passion According to John was created for his first Holy Week as cantor in Leipzig. He returned to this masterpiece with revisions in 1725, 1732, and 1749, making the St John Bach's first and last Passion.

Friday, March 15 @ 7:30 pm Hamline University; [Sundin Music Hall](#) 1536 Hewitt Avenue St. Paul, MN

Fun Glory of Christ Event! We are looking to have an outing for Glory of Christ members to attend **Bach's Passion concert on Friday March 15th**. We will board a bus here at church around 5:00 pm, go to dinner at 7th Street Social in St. Paul at 6:00 pm, and then attend the concert at 7:30. We will be brought back to church by the bus right after the concert, approximately 10:30. Reverend Resch can get us a group discount on tickets for \$10.00 a piece! (regularly \$25). Brenda has booked the bus rental, and it should be between \$10-\$12 a person and then, dinner is on your own. This is also a collaborative outing with members from St. John's as well. If you are interested, there is a signup sheet in the Narthex. Thank You!

We will need to firm up our numbers and order the concert tickets by Sunday March 10th.

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."



Easter Flowers

Help decorate the church for Easter. There are several flowers to choose from. You may take them home after the Easter Service.

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| Easter Lilies (5 or more flowers) | \$8.00 |
| Tulips: | \$7.50 (red, purple, yellow) |
| Mums: | \$7.75 (purple, yellow, white) |
| Hydrangea (Pink) | \$15.00 |

LAST DAY TO ORDER Sunday, March 31st

Family Name: _____

I would like to order:

| <u>Type</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Color</u> | <u>Price</u> |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| <u>Easter Lily</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <u>Tulips</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <u>Mums</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| <u>Hydrangea</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ |

TOTAL PRICE \$ _____

Please place your order on Brenda's desk with payment. Thank You!

***Additional order forms on the table in the Narthex.