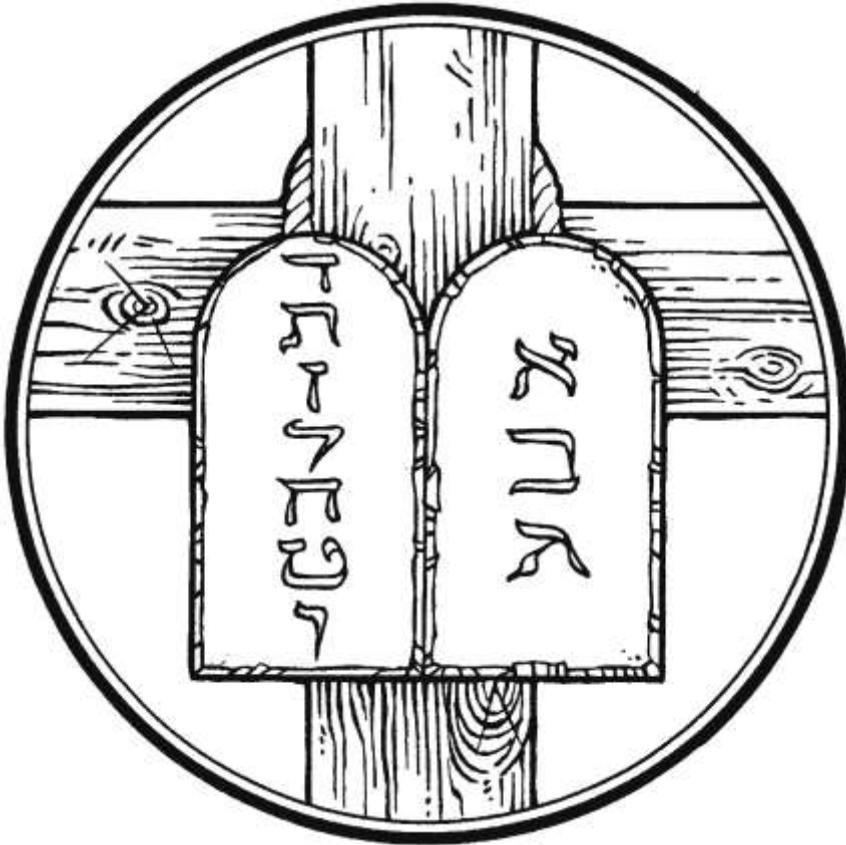


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The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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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 203. 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 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost The Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and your mother

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

Learn, therefore, first, what is the honor towards parents required by this commandment, to wit, that they be held in distinction and esteem above all things, as the most precious treasure on earth. Furthermore, that also in our words we observe modesty toward them, do not accost them roughly, haughtily, and defiantly, but yield to them and be silent, even though they go too far. Thirdly, that we show them such honor also by works, that is, with our body and possessions, that we serve them, help them, and provide for them when they are old, sick, infirm, or poor, and all that not only gladly, but with humility and reverence, as doing it before God. For he who knows how to regard them in his heart will not allow them to suffer want or hunger, but will place them above him and at his side, and will share with them whatever he has and possesses.

-Luther's Large Catechism

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 13:44–52

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

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

⁴⁴[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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SERMON HYMN #581 – *“These Are the Holy Ten Commands”*
Vs. 1, 5, 11 & 12

SERMON

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THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

Hymn #867 – *“Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds”*

Hymn #619 – *“Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior”*

Hymn #863 – *“Our Father, by Whose Name”*

Individual Prayer for after Communion:

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

Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited,
Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love’s treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me
As Your guest in heav’n receive me.

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CLOSING HYMN #862 – “*Oh, Blest the House*”

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 on the kitchen counter. 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.

Craig & Charlotte Smith gave Altar Flowers this morning, in celebration of their grandson, Luke Merkle’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 Services 7:00 PM

Wednesday morning Prayer services begin at 9:15 AM; followed by Wednesday morning Bible Study.

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 Redeemer Lutheran, Robbinsdale, and Pastor Dan Matasovsky (vacancy pastor).

Glory of Christ Golf Event: You saved the date, now it is time to sign up for the Glory of Christ Golf Event. All skill levels welcome for a fun time of golf and fellowship together. Saturday, August 19th at Shamrock Golf Course with tee times beginning at 3:30 PM, with the last group going off at 4:37PM. Dinner following at the course. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and, if you have a preference of an earlier or later tee time, please indicate that on the sheet. Greens fees are \$23 per person and need to be paid to Glory of Christ (indicate “golf” in the memo on your check). Riding carts available (pay at the course) for \$8 per person. We are looking forward to another fun afternoon and the opportunity to get to know each other better (or meet some new friends)! Questions? See Mike Miller or Naomi Teske.

Stock Donations: For those members who choose stock donations as a form of tithing to the church, when we receive notification of the donation, and ultimately, the check, it doesn't always tell us who the donating person is. If you would like to have your tithe specified to you for tax purposes, please let either Jesse Huber, or Brenda know. Thank You!

2017 Glory of Christ Men's Retreat: The Men's Retreat has been set for September 15th-17th. It will be at the same location on the Whitefish Chain of Lakes in Crosslake, MN. The retreat last year was a big success and we are continuing the tradition. Please sign up on the signup sheet in the Narthex. When you sign up, please indicate the day and time you plan to arrive. If you have any questions about the event please ask one of the Elders. If you attended last year, recruit others who missed out on this great fellowship event!

Mom's Group:

Mom's Group playgroups in the park resume this summer!

This is a great time for moms and kids of all ages to get together over the summer. If you bring a snack/lunch, please make sure it is nut-free so our friends with allergies can safely enjoy this event. We meet on Tuesdays at 10 am! Questions? See Susan Johnson. Locations for July are:

8/1- Heather Ponds Park - 3420 Lawndale Ln. N., Plymouth

8/8- Gleason Park and Playfields in Maple Grove on 101 North - 18815 67th Ave. N (Hwy 101 N.)

8/15- Greenwood Elementary

8/22- Baker Park Play Area

THANK YOU to everyone who said prayers for me, sent cards, or phoned me after my recent knee surgery. It was very much appreciated and brightened the days. Recovery and therapy are going very well. God's blessings to you all. Zelda Malo

Red Cross Blood Drive: Even though construction will be going on, we are still planning our August Blood Drive on Monday, August 14th 1:00 to 7:00 pm. Because of construction, we will have a bus in our parking lot for the drive. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex. Blood supplies are especially low this time of year, so please help with your life saving donation! Thank You!

Farewell to the Fellowship Hall! It's exciting to think about what our new Kitchen and Fellowship Hall are going to look like! For some of us who have been members of Glory of Christ for 20 years or more, we remember when our current Fellowship Hall was our Sanctuary. Some of us had our children Baptized in that room! It has served us well, hosting so many events – some happy and some sad. **TODAY** will be the final Coffee Hour in the current Fellowship Hall. We are having special treats and will bid it and the kitchen a fond farewell after Bible Study with a *Thank You* toast! Please plan to attend!

