

GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The First Sunday in Lent

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

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Mark 1:9-15; 21-28

"Christ Defeats Our Temptation"

In faith and the fear of God, Abraham prepared to sacrifice his beloved son, Isaac. At the Word of the Lord, he "took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son." And "when they came to the place of which God had told him," Abraham bound Isaac "and laid him on the altar" (Gen. 22:6, 9). Then God stayed Abraham's hand and provided "for himself the lamb for a burnt offering" (Gen. 22:8). That Lamb is God's own beloved Son, Jesus, in whom "all the nations of the earth" are blessed (Gen. 22:18). As the Substitute for all the sons of men, Jesus is driven by the Spirit "into the wilderness" to be "tempted by Satan" (Mark 1:12-13) in order to endure and defeat all temptation. We are tempted by our own desire, which conceives and "gives birth to sin" (James 1:14-15). But this blessed Man, Christ Jesus, remained "steadfast under trial," and He has received "the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him" (James 1:12). His faithfulness, His victory and His life are now given to us by His grace in the Gospel.

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OPENING HYMN #555 – “*Salvation Unto Us Has Come*”
Vs. 1-5

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SERVICE OF THE WORD (page 204)

INTROIT Ps. 91:9–13; antiphon: Ps. 91:15–16



When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him*

and show him my sal- | vation.

Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—*

the Most High, who is my | refuge—

no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,*

no plague come | near your tent.

For he will command his angels con- | cerning you*

to guard you in | all your ways.

On their hands they will | bear you up,*

lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the | adder;*

the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.

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.

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in | trouble;*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him*

and show him my sal- | vation.

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 Genesis 22:1–18

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.

¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **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 James 1:12–18

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:9–15

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

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

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

CREED

Nicene Creed – page 206

SERMON HYMN #555 – *"Salvation Unto Us Has Come"*
Vs. 6-10

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #594 – *“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”*

Hymn #602 – *“The Gifts Christ Freely Gives”*

Hymn #718 – *“Jesus, Lead Thou On”*

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 #424 – *“O Christ, You Walked the Road”*

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 ***near the organ speaker to the right of the Altar***. 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 Flower chart for 2018 is in the back of the Sanctuary.**

Glory of Christ gave Altar Flowers this week.

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

Saturday Evening Divine Services 5:00 PM

Wednesday morning Bible Study begins at 10:00 here at Glory of Christ. Morning Prayer services will not take place, due to morning Lenten services, until after Easter.

Lenten Services Schedule:

February 21st – March 21st

Morning Services – 11:30 am

Evening Service: 7:00 pm

Lenten Meals:

Soup lunches - Served after every morning service ***beginning February 21st***

Lenten Dinners - Due to Fellowship Hall and Kitchen construction not being totally completed until the end of February, **Lenten dinners will NOT begin until March 7th**
They will be provided by the Elders, Council and Choir/Bells beginning at 6:00 pm.

Groups Serving Dinners during the Lenten Season:

March 7th – Elders - Tacos

March 14th – Council – Pulled pork sandwiches

March 21st – Choir/Bells – Lasagna, Salad and bread

Holy Week, Easter Vigil and Easter Services:

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be on March 29th and 30th at 7:00 pm. We are having an Easter Vigil with Evening Prayer service at 6:00 pm on Saturday March 31st, and two Easter services at 8:00 am and 10:30 am on Sunday, April 1st. Elders will once again serve a wonderful Easter breakfast between the services that morning. Please plan to join us!

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 Eternal Hope Lutheran, Brooklyn Park, and Vacancy Pastor Bill Hillyer

Offering Envelopes – Your 2018 Offering Envelopes are in the back of the Sanctuary. If you do not see a box assigned to you, please let Brenda know. These will be available until the beginning of March.

Lu Ann Jespersen would like to thank everyone for their generous prayers, food, cards, flowers and calls during her recovery. It is greatly appreciated! God Bless you all!

VBS – Save the Date! The dates for VBS have been set for June 11th through the 15th. More details to follow, but please mark this week down on your calendars!

Glory of Christ is having another Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, March 5th from 1:00 – 7:00 pm. This drive will once again be a bus drive, like we had last August. The signup sheet is in the back of the Sanctuary. We will need 2-3 volunteers to assist on that day for checking in donors. The shifts are 1-3, 3-5 and 5-7. If you can help, please let Brenda know.

Dedication of the new Church Building: On Sunday, **February 25th**, we will have our dedication service for the new church building. It will immediately follow the Divine Service. Afterwards, we will have a celebratory luncheon in our new Fellowship Hall! More details to come but save this date to your calendars!

Youth Group: On Sunday, February 18th, the youth group will have Bible Study, lunch and play games following the morning Adult Bible Study. Please mark this date on your calendars!

"Good Works Happen"

On Saturday, January 27th the Youth Group plus some extras attending a meal packing session at Feed My Starving Children. Our shift included various groups and together we packed 157 boxes filled with 33,912 meals that will feed 93 children for a year.



Getting back into the rhythm: With all of the construction going on, many of our usual, churchly rhythms have been disrupted over the last few months. Thankfully, we've still had use of the sanctuary, so the Divine Service hasn't been interrupted (even if it has been a little dusty). But Bible Class has been a little more challenging without our usual space, and Sunday School has been reduced to a 10-minute opening. But the fellowship hall will be done soon, and Sunday School will be starting again in full on March 5th, so we're getting ready to step back into the rhythm. So now is the time to make Bible Class a priority again and talking with your kids about Sunday School. Every change takes a little bit of effort, but the effort to get back into step with Sunday morning education is more than worth it!

Update on LCMS Mexico Mission: Both of our missionaries are based out of Mexico City, and as part of our work, we will be sponsoring a short-term work trip there over Memorial Day weekend this year. Although not all the details have been worked out yet, some of our activities will include doing some general repair and maintenance of one of the church buildings, working with the local musicians, and simply providing Christian encouragement to our brothers and sisters who are there. **We need to have final numbers for our Mexico mission trip over Memorial Day weekend. If you're interested but you haven't spoken with Pastor Johnson yet, please contact him by this next Sunday.**

Prayer List: As a reminder, if you have a friend or loved one that you ask to be on the prayer list, their name will remain for one month and then removed, unless otherwise notified. Thank You!

Remember in our Prayers: Sean Breininger, Arta Walter, Lee Hart, Velva Kosel, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Becky Fry (Naomi Teske's mother), Dave Teske, Mike Rogers (Cousin of Jen Schaumburg), Robert Presler (Friend of Jerry and Zelda Malo), Zachary Hoffman (friend of Russ and Eunice McBroom), Bertha Oelthke, Alice Yount, Allen Yount, and the Family of Gladys Romansky.



Easter Flowers

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

Easter Lilies (5 or more flowers)	7.75
Tulips: (red, purple, yellow or an assortment)	7.25
Mums: (purple, yellow, white or an assortment)	7.75
Hydrangea (Pink)	15.00

LAST DAY TO ORDER Sunday, March 11th

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!