GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Transfiguration of our Lord

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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.

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. In order 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. **If you take the black "liners" home, please be sure to bring them back to church by the following Wednesday. Thank You!**

2017 Altar Flower Chart: The Flower chart for 2017 is now up. *Please be sure to sign up for the dates you want to give Altar Flowers.*

David & Louise Werts gave Altar Flowers this morning in loving memory of David's father.

Ash Wednesday & Lenten Services: 11:30 AM & 7:00 PM – beginning March 1st. Because of this, the Wednesday 9:15 am Prayer Services will not take place again until after Easter.

Saturday Evening Divine Service: 5:00 PM

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

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 Grace Lutheran Church, Brooklyn Park, and Pastor Vance Milbrath.

VBS 2017: You have received an email about **Creation Stations: A Hands-On Journey.** You have read about it in the newsletter. You have seen the table in Narthex. Is Creation Stations on your calendar? March 11! 12:30-5pm (the event runs from 1-4). We need families to participate and volunteers to run the stations! Please plan to attend!

SAVE THE DATE! Missions Fest 2017 will be held on Saturday, April 22nd. The theme this year is a 1950's Sock Hop! More information to follow, but please place the date for this fun event on your calendars!

Congregation Informational Meeting: There will be a congregation informational meeting regarding our building project on Sunday March 5th right after Bible Study. We will bring everyone up to date on the latest construction plans and costs. Please plan to attend.

March Quilting Dates: Tuesdays March 7th and March 21st at 9:00 am. Please bring your own lunch. Thank you to all who have donated material to the quilters! We have enough now to last until after the remodel project.

Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Season is fast approaching! Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, March 1st. *Imposition of Ashes at the morning service will begin at 11:15 am and for the evening service, it will begin at 6:45 pm.* We will once again have Mid-Week Lenten Services at 11:30 am, with a soup lunch following and a 7:00 pm evening Lenten service every Wednesday through April 5th. Dinners will be provided by various groups from our congregation each Wednesday evening beginning at 6:00 pm. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be on April 13th and 14th at 7:00 pm with two Easter services at 8:00 am and 10:30 am on Sunday, April 16th. Elders will once again serve a wonderful Easter breakfast between the services that morning. Please plan to join us!

Groups Serving Dinners during the Lenten Season:

March 1st (Ash Wednesday) – Elders – Tacos March 8th – Young Adults – Homemade Soups March 15th – Church Council – BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwiches March 22nd – Choir/Bells – Lasagna, Salad and bread March 29th – Sunday School Teachers & Families – Bake Potatoes/Fixins April 5th – Altar Guild – Hot dishes, Salads **POBLO International:** The NW Suburban Circuit of the Twin Cities is exploring opportunities for mission work in the inner ring suburbs. POBLO International, a Mission society of the LCMS, will be assisting our circuit churches in the possibility of establishing an International Friendship Center in the Western Suburbs. Please see the flyers in the Narthex regarding an informational event on March 26th at 9:00 am to be held here at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church. Questions? Please ask Pastor Krueger.

Glory of Christ is having another Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, March 6th from 1:00-7:00 pm. We 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. Donation sign up information is on the table in the narthex. You may also sign up online: www.redcrossblood.org. Enter Sponsor Code: GLORYOFCHRISTPLYM.

St. John's Lutheran Church and School Accepting Enrollment: St. John's Lutheran Church and School's 3-year-old, 4-year-old and 5-year-old, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten programs are now accepting enrollment. These classes are filling quickly and only have a few openings left. Please visit stilutheran,org or call 763-420-2426 for more information.

Remember in our Prayers: Idena Hagen, Sean Breininger, Lisa Brackmann, Arta Walter, Paul Johnson, Ann Olson, Lee Hart, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Shelby Klapprich (Friend of Jen & Ben Schaumburg), Terrie Barnhardt (Daughter of Arta Walter), Sarah Miller, Isaiah Homrighausen, (Grandson of Mike and Sarah Miller), Gen Dykhoff, Leo Esget and Mandy Ewig (Daughter of Mike & Lea Connealy).

Serving This Sunday:

Coffee Servers: Rhea Schulz & Linda Corey

Acolyte: Will Brolsma
Processional: Bill Anderson III

Elders: Andy Madson & Mark Swenson
Ushers: Russ McBroom & Chuck McGriff

Tech Duty: Josh Christian

Altar Guild: Beth Schoolman & Brenda Richards

Offering Counters:

Bread Baker:

Bread Deliverer:

David & Naomi Teske
Susan Johnson
Charlotte Smith

Serving Ash Wednesday: (March 1, 2017)

Acolyte: ?

Elders: Ben Rolf & Paul Koosman Ushers: Jerry Malo & Brian Malo

Altar Guild: Brenda Richards

Serving Sunday: (March 5, 2017)

Coffee Servers: Mark & Karen Swenson

Acolyte:

Elders: Ben Rolf & Paul Koosman

Ushers: David Barnaby & Ben Schaumburg

Tech Duty: Ryan Marshall
Altar Guild: Brenda Richards
Offering Counters: Bob & Arlene Strom
Bread Baker: Charlotte Smith
Bread Deliverer: Craig Smith

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday Divine Service: 24
Sunday Divine Service: 160 **Total: 184**Bible Class: Wed/Sun 27/56
Sunday School: 31

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 167. 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.

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OPENING HYMN #414 – "Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT Ps. 99:1–5; antiphon: Ps. 99:9



Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;*

for the LORD our God is | holy!

The LORD reigns; let the peoples | tremble!*

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The LORD is great in | Zion;*

he is exalted over all the | peoples.

Let them praise your great and | awesome name!*

Ho- | ly is he!

The King in his might loves | justice.*

You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in | Jacob.

Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his | footstool!*

Ho- | ly is he!

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.

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;*

for the LORD our God is | holy!

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HYMN OF PRAISE

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COLLECT

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 24:8–18

⁸And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God.

¹⁴And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them."

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL



Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*

bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

EPISTLE 2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," ¹⁸we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 17:1–9

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

¹And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. ³And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁵He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." ⁸And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

⁹And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN #413 - "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"

Vs. 1,2 – Congregation

Vs. 3,4 - Choir

Vs. 5 - Congregation

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #631 – "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

Hymn #620 – "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"

Hymn #680 – "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

Individual Prayer for after Communion:

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

O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.

Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.

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CLOSING HYMN #415 – "Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

