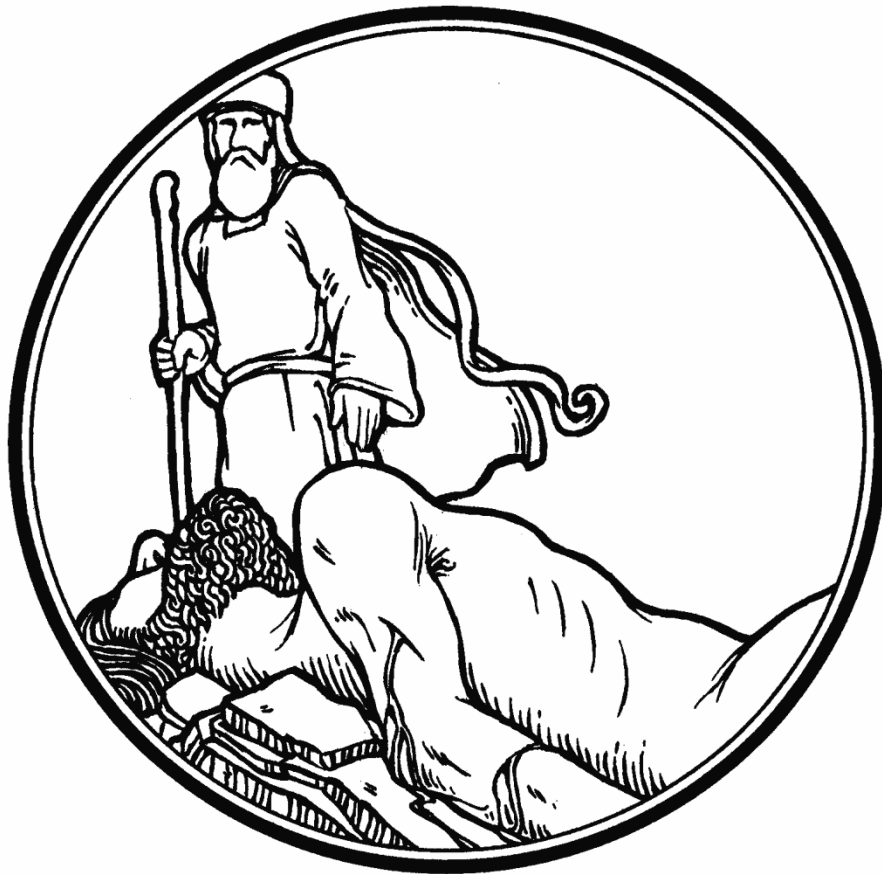


GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 10-11, 2016

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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.

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!**

Jim & Jean Small gave Altar Flowers in celebration of their wedding anniversary. May God Bless them on this special occasion!

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

Monday Evening Divine Service: 7:00 PM

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 Rev. Dean Nadasdy, our District President, and all of our elected officers and board members in the MN South District.

FORE! The Glory of Christ 9-hole golf event is coming back this summer! Mark your calendar and join us on Saturday, August 13th beginning at 3:30 PM at Hollydale Golf Course with awards and dinner following. No pressure, just a lot of fun for golfers of all experience levels. More details to follow. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. Questions? See Mike Miller or Naomi Teske.

LCMS National Day of Offering – The National Offering embodies our walk together in WITNESS, MERCY, and LIFE TOGETHER as we proclaim the Gospel and provide for our brothers and sisters in Christ in our congregations, communities and throughout the world. Please see the pamphlets on the table in the Narthex to learn more and how to contribute.

2016 Glory of Christ Men's Retreat The men's retreat has been set for September 16th-18th. 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 Summer Park Playgroups will begin after VBS and are held every Tuesday at 10 am. Come bring your kids and enjoy some much needed outdoor time and social time! We usually eat snacks/lunch together, but please remember - **do not bring any food containing nuts to Mom's Group playgroups. Thanks for your help in keeping all of our playgroups safe for all. Questions? Ask Susan Johnson. Dates and locations are:**

July 12- Corcoran City Park - 20200 County Road 50, Corcoran

July 19th- Baker Park Reserve Playground

July 26th- Greenwood Elementary Playground

Help needed with the Church Grounds/Gardening! Like to garden? Want to make a little extra spending money this summer? GoC is looking for people to assist with the gardens/plants around the church grounds this summer. Council has approved a stipend of \$12.00 an hour as payment for anyone who is willing to help out. Please let Brenda know if you have spent some time in the gardens, and a payment can be made. If you purchase flowers to be planted keep the receipts and you will be reimbursed. Thank You!

Adult Bible Class: Philemon

More than any of the letters that Paul wrote, his letter to Philemon is a good example of the kind and eloquent letters people wrote in the Greco-Roman world. It is the shortest and most personal of Paul's letters. Despite its brevity, it contains some of the deepest insights and theology on forgiveness, reconciliation, vocation, and Christ. Luther says, regarding the Book of Philemon, "*This epistle gives us a masterful and tender illustration of Christian love...*" (LW 29, Lectures on Philemon)

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
Luke 10:25-37
"The Good Samaritan"

Lutheran ears recoil at the lawyer's question "Teacher, what *shall I do* to inherit eternal life?" We may have preferred if Jesus just would have said, "there's nothing you can do to inherit eternal life. only I can give it to you." But Jesus doesn't respond that way. He lets the lawyer continue on with his self-justifying quest. He knows who God is, but who is his neighbor? So Jesus tells us the parable of the "good Samaritan" not only to answer this question but also to show us who *He* is.

In the parable, the Samaritan demonstrates what it looks like to love your neighbor as yourself. He picked the near-dead man off the road, put him on his *own* donkey, took care of his wounds, and at his own expense, made sure that this man was cared for until his return.

This is a certainly a model for how we should selflessly care for our neighbor. We should treat anyone in need, *anyone* as if they were a dearly loved family member and be willing to sacrifice our time, money, and effort for their sake. This is the kind of service Jesus calls us to.

But if we see the parable of the good Samaritan *only* as a morality lesson, we've missed the greater part of the parable. Yes, we are the Samaritan, and we care for the needs of our neighbor. But Jesus is the good Samaritan all the more. Jesus came upon us when we were still dead in our trespasses and sins, bleeding and good as dead on the side of the road. With no cooperation from us, Jesus scooped us up, put us on His own donkey, and bound up our wounds. Like the Samaritan, he has provided for our ongoing care until His return. And He *will* return for us. Jesus is the one who not only loves the Lord (His Father) with all His heart, soul, and mind *and* loves us, His neighbor, as Himself.

Correction: *more* than Himself. After all, He gives His life for dead travelers like us.

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OPENING HYMN #845- "Where Charity and Love Prevail"

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SERVICE OF THE WORD (page 204)

INTROIT Ps. 136:23–26; antiphon: Ps. 136:1



Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,*
for his steadfast love endures for- | ever.

It is he who remembered us in our | low estate,*

for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

and rescued us | from our foes,*

for his steadfast love endures for- | ever;

he who gives food | to all flesh,*

for his steadfast love endures for- | ever.

Give thanks to the God of | heaven,*

for his steadfast love endures for- | ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

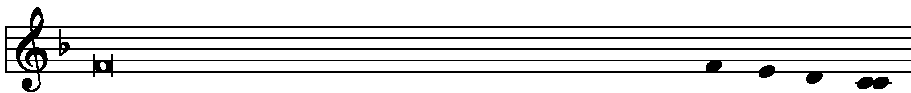
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,*

for his steadfast love endures for- | ever.

KYRIE



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray



to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

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COLLECT

Lord Jesus Christ, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Leviticus 19:9–18

⁹“When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. ¹⁰And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.

¹¹“You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. ¹²You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

¹³“You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. ¹⁴You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

¹⁵"You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. ¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

¹⁷"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE Colossians 1:1–14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

²To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, ⁶which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, ⁷just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf ⁸and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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HOLY GOSPEL Luke 10:25–37

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

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

²⁵And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

CREED

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SERMON HYMN #844 – *"Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace"*

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING – *"Evening and Morning" – Small Group*

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #559 – *“Oh, How Great is Your Compassion”*

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

Hymn #848 – *“Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service”*

Individual Prayer for after Communion:

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

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord, Amen.

Martin Luther

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CLOSING HYMN #539 – *“Christ Is the World’s Redeemer”*

Dear Glory of Christ Members:

The initial planning phase of the capital campaign to fund the building renovations at Glory of Christ is complete. We are now preparing for the campaign kickoff this fall. As part of our strategy to manage the campaign "in house" we are looking to build the teams necessary to put the campaign into action.

The following teams are needed to assist the committee with communications, mailings and the kickoff event on September 11, 2016:

- **Mail team (3 - 4 people) - Prepare mailings, pledge packets and invitations for Campaign kickoff dinner by stuffing envelopes and applying labels/postage.**
- **Host Team (approx. 16-18 people) - Handout pledge packets and assist your group (table) at kickoff dinner.**
- **Communications Team (4-5 people) – Confirm attendance for Campaign kickoff dinner, follow up on collection of pledge cards**

In addition, the Campaign Committee is looking for **Technical/Media support** to prepare PowerPoint or video presentations at the kickoff event and as an ongoing member of the GoC Technical "Geek" Squad.

For more information, or to assist the Capital Campaign Committee as part of any of the above teams, please contact Dennis Karius (952) 220-4236.

It's almost here! A few quick Christmas in July party reminders:

On July 17th the fun starts at 2 pm and wraps up at 7:00 pm!

5 pm = Judging for Most Festively Dressed, White Elephant Exchange

1. Meat and beverages provided. Please bring a dish to share--consider an insulated container to keep it cold.
2. White Elephant Gift Exchange-- White Elephant means funny, weird, something you shouldn't go out and buy full price! However many gifts you bring is the number you trade and take home!
3. Most Festively Dressed Contest- This is open for lots of interpretation. Come dressed in your best red and green or elf swimsuit and let the judging begin. Highly coveted prizes are awarded.
4. Just a friendly reminder--if your child is swimming in the pool, please be in the pool with your child or poolside. Parent supervision is needed to keep everyone safe.
5. Other items to bring: sunscreen, lawn chairs, lawn games, swim diapers, towels, swimsuits.
6. Parking: You may enter the party through the shop garage located at 21340 County Road 30. Plenty of parking is available on that driveway. Otherwise, feel free to park in the house driveway: 9706 Lily Pond Lane, Corcoran and enter through the garage.

This is an outdoor party! In the event of rain, we'll move it to our rain date which is August 21st.