

# GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



## The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost June 19-20, 2016

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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!**

**Glory of Christ** gave Altar Flowers this morning in celebration of a successful VBS!!

**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 St. Paul Lutheran Church, Osseo, MN and Daniel Burns.

**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.

**2016 Glory of Christ Men's Retreat** The men's retreat has been set for September 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. 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. June dates are:**

June 21- Greenwood Elementary Playground (Plymouth)

June 28- Heather Ponds Park - 3426 Lawndale Lane N. (this is nestled in a neighborhood just a few minutes from church)

**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)

**Youth Group Paintball Event**, Sunday, June 26th. Meet after Bible Study for lunch and devotions, then head out to Special Forces Paintball course in Buffalo; 1:30 - 5:00 pm.

**Paintball Anyone?** The Youth Group invites anyone interested to join them **Sunday, June 26th beginning at 1:30pm**. Course is located at Special Forces Paintball, Buffalo. Sign up required and coming up in short order -- ends on Monday, June 20th. Contact Julie Anderson to sign up, get your waiver form, or for more information. 612-791-0163. julesanders@live.com



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 Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**

#### **Luke 8:26-39**

Jesus goes to the most unclean of the unclean... and literally cleans house! Christ can overcome any obstacle to create a hearer of His Word. Formerly naked, now the man is rightly clothed. Formerly chained and bound, now he is in his right mind and free. Formerly in the control of demons and the dead, now he sits at Jesus' feet receiving life. What a wondrous change! The drowning of the swine is an amazing testimony that the hellish powers had departed and were drowned. With water and Christ's word the unclean spirit departed. There was drowning and death and then a man emerged with a new life in Christ.

Beloved, the beautiful benefits of Baptism are that Satan's control over you is broken, you are placed at Jesus' feet and you are no longer naked with the shame of sin, but clothed in Christ. You have been put in your right mind, the mind of Christ.

The battle is real. Don't be surprised at the suffering and struggle and sin you will have in this coming week and throughout your earthly life. Do not be deceived, the enemy is very real and is much too strong for you. But for this reason your Father in heaven sent His son to make you a son, a child, an heir of heaven.

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#### **June 19, 2016**

**OPENING HYMN #849- "Praise the Lord Who Breaks the Darkness"**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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### SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT Ps. 71:20–24; antiphon: Ps. 71:3



Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may contin- | ually come;\*

you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my | fortress.

**You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive | me again;\***

**from the depths of the earth you will bring me | up again.**

**You will increase my | greatness\***

**and comfort | me again.**

**I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, | O my God;\***

**I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of | Israel.**

**My lips will shout for joy, when I sing prais- | es to you;\***

**my soul also, which you | have redeemed.**

**And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all | the day long,\***

**for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to | do me hurt.**

**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.**

Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may contin- | ually come;\*

you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my | fortress.

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### COLLECT

O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☪ Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 65:1–9

<sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me;  
I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here am I, here am I,"  
to a nation that was not called by my name.

<sup>2</sup>I spread out my hands all the day  
to a rebellious people,  
who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;

<sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me  
to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens  
and making offerings on bricks;

<sup>4</sup>who sit in tombs,  
and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat pig's flesh,  
and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels;

<sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself,  
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."  
These are a smoke in my nostrils,  
a fire that burns all the day.

<sup>6</sup>Behold, it is written before me:

"I will not keep silent, but I will repay;  
I will indeed repay into their bosom

<sup>7</sup>both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together,  
says the LORD;

because they made offerings on the mountains  
and insulted me on the hills,  
I will measure into their bosom  
payment for their former deeds."

<sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD:

"As the new wine is found in the cluster,  
and they say, 'Do not destroy it,  
for there is a blessing in it,'  
so I will do for my servants' sake,  
and not destroy them all.

<sup>9</sup>I will bring forth offspring from Jacob,  
and from Judah possessors of my mountains;  
my chosen shall possess it,  
and my servants shall dwell there."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE** Galatians 3:23—4:7

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. <sup>27</sup>For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

<sup>1</sup>I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, <sup>2</sup>but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. <sup>3</sup>In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world.

<sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **ALLELUIA** – *Men's Group*

## **HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 8:26–39

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

**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." <sup>29</sup>For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed.

<sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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**SERMON HYMN #541** – *“Away from Us! The Demon Cried”*

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**The Distribution Hymns:**

**Hymn #636** – *“Adorn Yourself with Gladness”*

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

**Hymn #637**– *“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”*



## **Individual Prayer for after Communion:**

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

Lord, it is true that I am not worthy that you should come under my roof. Yet I am in need and desire your help and grace. So I come with no other plea except that I have heard the gracious invitation to come to your altar. I am unworthy, but you have assured me I shall have forgiveness of all sins through your body and blood which I eat and drink in this sacrament. Amen, dear Lord; your word is true. I do not doubt it. Let happen to me whatever you say. Amen.

Martin Luther

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**CLOSING HYMN #643** – *"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"*