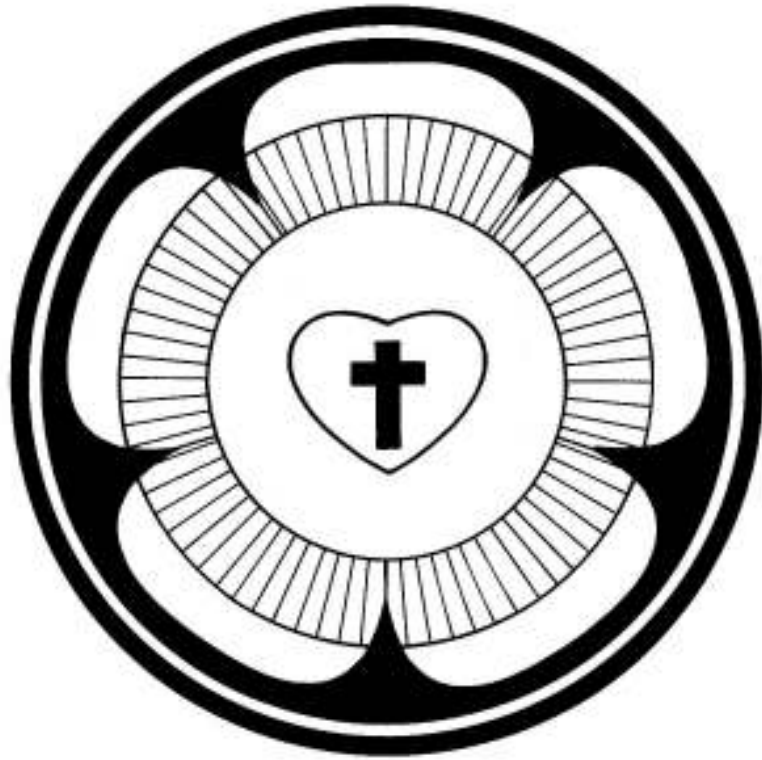


GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



Reformation Day October 29-30, 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!**

Kim & Jan Diemand gave Altar Flowers this morning in celebration of the recent birth of their Grandson, Thomas Eugene Diemand. May God Bless them on this special occasion!

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 Rev. John Fehrmann and his work with confessional Lutheran Educational Foundation (CLEF) in other nations.

Additional Time to Worship - Every Wednesday morning beginning at 9:15 am, Pastor Johnson and Pastor Krueger will have a Prayer Office (Matins or Morning Prayer). This happens right before Wednesday morning Bible Study. Please join us if you are able!

Annual GoC Chili Cook-Off! The Annual Glory of Christ Chili Cook-Off is TODAY, October 30th at 5:00 pm. There is room for last minute entries! You don't have to prepare something to attend however. Please come and enjoy all the wonderful food and have *fun* voting!

New Sunday Morning Bible Study: Coming in mid to late November, Pastor Krueger will be leading the Sunday Morning Bible Study. We will be studying the book of Colossians.

Update to the Prayer List: We will keep the current prayer list until Thanksgiving. Then, if you want to have your name, or the name of your friend, loved one, to remain on the list, please let Brenda know. Once a name is added, it will be removed after 4 weeks unless we are notified to have it remain. Thank You!

"A Candid Look at Islam" is the topic for the 29th Annual Lutheran Free Conference on **Saturday, November 5th** at Redeemer Lutheran church, 2719 3rd St. N., St. Cloud, from 9:30 to 4:00. Addressing this topic will be Dr. Timothy Furnish from Atlanta, GA., and Rev. Dr. Alvin Schmidt from St. Louis MO. Registration is \$25 which includes coffee, rolls, and lunch (\$10 for high school and college students). Though pre-registration is not required, a non-monetary **pre-registration is required if you plan to eat**. For the meal call (320) 252-8171 or email office@redeemerstcloud.org by Oct. 27th. *Although this date has passed*, you may still be able to register for the meal. More information about this event and the speakers can be found on the table in the Narthex.

Quilting news: On the 18th we had 11 quilters diligently working with fabric and sheets that so many of you have donated. We want to thank you all for your contributions. A big thanks to all our quilters, who put in many hours of work. Our next work days will be: November 1st, 15th, and 29th. We start at 9:00am and work until 3:00pm. You can come and go as the time works for you. You may bring a bag lunch, if you plan on working through the lunch hour. Thanks so much for all your hard work.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Caitlyn Jenner, school bathrooms, the Supreme Court decision, transgender, gay rights, non-binary: the issues of human sexuality are front and center on the American stage, and the church cannot remain silent. How do we respond to our cousin who announces that he's gay and wants to know that we're ok with it? How do we respond to those who vilify the church as "hate-filled" and "homophobic"? How do we respond with compassion to the Orlando shooting without having our response confused as approval? This new Sunday morning Bible Study is called, **"Speaking the truth in love: a Christian's guide to the issues of sexuality."** During this study, we'll review what the Bible has to say about all this, familiarize ourselves with the modern perspective on sexuality, and address how we can respond to friends and family members, hot-button issues, and the slogans that we encounter every day. So join us this fall as we endeavor to better speak the truth in love.

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 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

Reformation Day

To be a Lutheran does not mean that we take everything that Luther said to be gospel truth. To be Lutheran means that we believe what Luther believed—that everything *God* said is gospel truth. The account of Luther's life, and indeed the entire Lutheran reformation, reads much like a movie script, complete with political struggles, armed conflicts, sabotage, and covert operations. But too often, historians and theologians alike have overlooked the significance of the reformation for the church, opting instead to analyze it as a political revolution or a class struggle. But at its core, Luther and the entire reformation is still about the Gospel. It's still about our Lord's sacrifice for his bride, the church. It's about his resurrection and our resurrection. It's about Christ in every way, and that's why the reformation still means something today. It means something because it's about Christ and His salvation for all who believe.

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"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" – Bell Choir

OPENING HYMN #656 – *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

Baptism of Owen Joseph Kruger

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT



I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.

I will bless the LORD at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*
I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.

The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;*
none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

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.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.

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COLLECT

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

FIRST READING Revelation 14:6–7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL



Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,
that you may tell the next gener- | ation*
that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

EPISTLE Romans 3:19–28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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HOLY GOSPEL John 8:31–36

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

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

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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SERMON HYMN #645 – *"Built on the Rock"*

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OFFERING – *"Thy Strong Word"* – *Children's Chimes/As arranged by Austin Corey*

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #578 – *“Thy Strong Word”*

Hymn #655 – *“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”*

Hymn #627 – *“Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”*

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 #582 – *“God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”*