

# GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Missouri Synod



## The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 14-15, 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!**

**The Johnson-Lane Family** gave Altar Flowers this morning in loving memory of Joel Johnson.

**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 Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Plymouth, and Pastor Tom Sotebig and Pastor Joe Behnke.

**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!

**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!

**Mom's Group Summer Park Playgroups** have begun 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 for August are:**

August 16- Heather Ponds Park- 3426 Lawndale Ln. North, Plymouth  
August 23- Baker Park Reserve Playground

**Instructional Class** - Our Instruction Class has started! Whether you're new to Glory of Christ or you've been here for twenty years, you are welcome to join us. We'll be covering the Christian faith, A to Z and answering questions along the way. Class will be running during the Bible Study hour right after church in the Sanctuary.

**1st Annual Glory of Christ Microbrewery Tour!** Limited spots remain. We will depart from Glory of Christ promptly at 4:00PM on Saturday, August 27th. We will proceed to three Twin Cities microbreweries to sample their finest creations. Cost is \$100 per person which will go to our church Missions. Cost of admission includes transportation only, all food and beverage at each brewery will be each individuals responsibility. We have reserved a 40 person bus and still have space for you to join us. If interested, please register on the sign-up sheet located in the narthex. Questions? Talk to: Travis Dorweiler, Kevin Skau, Todd Schoolman or Todd Zitzlsperger.

**Red Cross Blood Drive!** Glory of Christ will once again be sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive **THIS Monday August 15<sup>th</sup>** from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm. You may sign up online at: [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter Sponsor Code: GLORYOFCHRISTPLYM. You may also sign up on the sheet on the table in the Narthex. There will be 3 shifts that will need a volunteer to assist with check in, 1-3, 3-5 and 5-7. If you wish to assist with this, please let Brenda know.

**Lectionary Preparation for Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup> Adult Bible Class:** To prepare for the Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup> Bible Study, please read the following passages:

Introit - Ps. 117; antiphon: Ps. 96:6a; 115:18  
Old Testament - Isaiah 66:18-23  
Epistle- Hebrews 12:4-24  
Gospel- Luke 13:22-30  
Gradual- Ps. 34:9, 19



*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 Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**Luke 12: 49-53**

"Is Jesus the Great Divider?"

Jesus said, *"Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."* Perhaps the pretend "Precious Moments" Jesus that many people have in mind, would never speak such harsh words. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, our text says. As Jesus continues, even in-laws become outlaws because of Him.

Is Jesus the Great Divider of the family of man? With joyful gratitude we can answer "yes!" He came as true man to divide the family of man from sin and its very real punishment. If Jesus had not come, the family of man would have gone on undisturbed in its unified mess of sin and guilt until its doom.

But one day the cells of a small body began to multiply and divide in the womb of a young virgin – Mary. Knit together there in human flesh and blood, the creator stooped down to become a creature to redeem His fallen creation. The seed of the woman who would crush Satan's head was conceived by the Holy Spirit in Mary. The Messiah, promised through the ages, the Savior who would divide us from sin, death and the devil was born of Mary through those dividing cells. Is Jesus the Great Divider? Yes, He is. He divided the whole world from its sin at Calvary. Jesus blood in your Baptism cleansed you and divided you from the multitude of unbelievers. He has divided you from the fiery future you deserve and given you His future in the Father's kingdom. One day soon, you don't know when, but He does, He will divide you from this life and unite you with your heavenly home.

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**OPENING HYMN #404 - "Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered"**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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### SERVICE OF THE WORD (page 204)

INTROIT Ps. 55:1, 12–14, 16; antiphon: Ps. 55:22



Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;\*  
he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

**Give ear to my prayer, | O God,\***  
**and hide not yourself from my plea for | mercy!**

**For it is not an enemy who taunts me—then I could | bear it;\***  
**it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me—then I could | hide from him.**

**But it is you, a man, my | equal,\***  
**my companion, my fam- | iliar friend.**

**We used to take sweet counsel to- | gether;\***  
**within God’s house we walked | in the throng.**

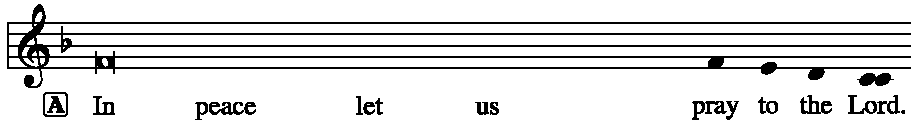
**But I | call to God,\***  
**and the LORD will | save me.**

**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.**

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;\*  
he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

### 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.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – page 204

### COLLECT

Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 23:16–29

<sup>16</sup>Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. <sup>17</sup>They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'"

<sup>18</sup>For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

<sup>19</sup>Behold, the storm of the LORD!

Wrath has gone forth,  
a whirling tempest;  
it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

<sup>20</sup>The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart.

In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

<sup>21</sup>"I did not send the prophets,  
yet they ran;  
I did not speak to them,  
yet they prophesied.

<sup>22</sup>But if they had stood in my council,  
then they would have proclaimed my words to my people,  
and they would have turned them from their evil way,  
and from the evil of their deeds.

<sup>23</sup>"Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? <sup>24</sup>Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' <sup>26</sup>How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, <sup>27</sup>who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD.

<sup>29</sup>Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

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

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

#### **EPISTLE** Hebrews 11:17–31

<sup>17</sup>By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, <sup>18</sup>of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." <sup>19</sup>He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. <sup>20</sup>By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. <sup>21</sup>By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. <sup>22</sup>By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

<sup>23</sup>By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. <sup>24</sup>By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, <sup>25</sup>choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. <sup>26</sup>He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. <sup>27</sup>By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. <sup>28</sup>By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

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

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

## **HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 12:49–53

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

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

<sup>49</sup>[Jesus said:] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled!

<sup>50</sup>I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. <sup>52</sup>For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. <sup>53</sup>They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

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

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

## **CREED**

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**SERMON HYMN #655** – *"Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Your Word"*

## **SERMON**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

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## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

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## **The Distribution Hymns:**

**Hymn #724** – *“If God Himself Be for Me”*

**Hymn #621** – *“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”*

**Hymn #580** – *“The Gospel Shows the Father’s Grace”*

## **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 #921** – *“On What Has Now Been Sown”*