

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)



“Trusting God”

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Welcome to God's House!

The Mission of Gloria Dei is Caring. Sharing. Serving. Reaching.

We strive to be the local church in the community of Northeast Minneapolis, who are here to help people come to KNOW Jesus, GROW in their faith and GO into the world equipped to SERVE others. GLORY TO GOD!

Today's Topic: The safest and best place to be is in the will of God.

A special welcome to visitors and guests; we are pleased that you have joined us today! If you have no church family, and if we can be of any assistance to you, please speak with the Pastor after the service or via the church office. We pray you will feel God's love for you and be empowered to live as God's child this week. We look forward to seeing you again.

Is there something you'd like us to pray for today? If you have family members or friends who require our prayers, please use the prayer request cards found in each pew. They will be added to the Prayer list. You can hand your request to an usher before the service or during the offering. They will be given to the Pastor to be included in the prayers for today. **Other prayer requests can be made by contacting the church office at 612.781.1989.**

Children are welcome in worship!

The Lord's Supper is celebrated.

When we receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ,

- we express the belief that Jesus is the Son of God and Son of Man;
- that Jesus is our Savior and only way for salvation;
- that Jesus offers us His Body and Blood in a mysterious yet real way;
- that Christ's sacrificial death grants the forgiveness of our sins;
- and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a more godly life and to amend with the help of the Holy Spirit, those areas not in conformity with God's will.

We declare these statements because it is our concern for people to not be hypocritical between their faith and celebrate the blessings of God's Table at the Altar. e.

You have heard of Jesus, but do you know him? Join us for Bible Study

- Wednesday, May 8 at 11 am for bible study with fellowship (lead by Sandy Westling)
- Thursday, May 9 at 5:30 pm for bible study with fellowship (lead by Katie Beth & Daniel Carlson)

Sixth Sunday after Easter

AS WE GATHER: The simple truth is that whenever the Lord calls us, he also provides what's needed for the way ahead. We are not left alone to fend for ourselves. Jesus himself is with us.

+ CONNECT +

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SOLO

"Healing Rain"

Daniel Carlson

INVOCATION

L: Our worship begins the way our lives in Christ begin in baptism: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF OUR SINS

L: Let us confess our sins to our Heavenly Father who truly loves us.

C: **Heavenly Father, we confess that too often we think that we know best. We insist on charting our own course, and we don't feel we can completely trust anyone but ourselves. But we are wrong. You are the Way, the Truth, and the Life. You are the hope of nations. You are our King. You are our resurrected Lord. You are the one who forgives our sins. You are the one who loves us more deeply than we can ever imagine. Teach us to live like You. Amen.**

FORGIVENESS IS ANNOUNCED

+ NURTURE +

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart; my zeal inspire!
As Thou has died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm and changeless be, a living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior, then, in love, fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

OLD TESTAMENT READING**Proverbs 3:5-8**

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.
Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.
It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING**1 Corinthians 2:9-10**

But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"—these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 5:1-11

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord!**

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

HYMN OF THE DAY

"'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

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'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His Word
Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord!"

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! Oh, for grace to trust Him more!

I'm so glad I learned to trust Him, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend
And I know that He is with me, Will be with me to the end.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! Oh, for grace to trust Him more!

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CONFESSION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

+ EMPOWER +

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(Prayer response – P: Lord, in your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.)

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

L: It is our duty and delight at all times and everywhere to give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for You have enlightened us by the working of the Holy Spirit. Grant that the Spirit, who has called and gathered us, would guide us in all things, that we be enabled to speak the Gospel to others and rejoice in sharing the gift of salvation that is our treasure. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, with You and the Holy Spirit, is one God, through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take this, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you, Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy, You would strengthen us through the same, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"To God be the Glory"

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To God be the glory, great things He has done;
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

**Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He has done.**

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Refrain

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Refrain

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

+ Silent Prayer +

POSTLUDE

+ WE DEPART TO SERVE +

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Thank you For Filling Our Cart!

27.5 pounds of food and hygiene products were recently donated to the
Central Avenue Salvation Army Food Shelf (May 1).

Thank you to everyone who graciously contributes to filling our cart!!



OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

5/05 Sun

Sixth Sunday of Easter

10:00 am **Worship w/Holy Communion,
Pastor Matthew Cephus**

11:45 am Royal Family Worship

4:30 pm NA Potluck (downstairs)

6:00 pm NA

5/06 Mon

7:00 pm Beginners AIAnon (downstairs)

7:00 pm AIAnon (upstairs)

5/08 Wed

11:00 am **Bible Study and Fellowship**

5/09 Thurs

5:30 pm **Thursday Evening Bible Study**

5/10 Fri

5:00 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal

5/11 Sat

10:00 am Living Word Worship & Fellowship

6:00 pm Living Word Prayer Night

5/12 Sun

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

10:00 am **Worship w/Holy Communion,
Pastor Matthew Cephus**

11:45 am Royal Family Worship

6:00 pm NA

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson

Reading: Jason Matasovsky

Ushers: OPEN

Altar Care: OPEN

Counters: Tom and Patty Lyrenmann

Attendance: 4/28/2024: 26



BIRTHDAYS: 7th Mary Lenzen; 11th Karmon Christopherson; 11th Tom Lyrenmann
ANNIVERSARIES: None

ETERNAL CANDLE: Lisa & John Kleinwolterink – Karmon’s 85th Birthday;
Tom’s Birthday

FLOWERS: OPEN

PRAYER CONCERNS

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Meridel Christopherson, Gwen Johnson, Robert & Delores Kluwe, Larry Schlais, Pat Scott and all our shut-ins

Carin Anderson will have knee replacement surgery on Wednesday, May 8th.

Kim Morelli (Morelli’s DnL) diagnosed with breast cancer; surgery on May 1

Wade Billmeyer home/doing well after March 27 surgery on a benign brain tumor. Prayers to our Heavenly Father to strengthen and comfort Wade with the power of healing.

James Norman, Sr. (James’ dad) Prayers for a successful surgery

Jim (Gwen Johnson’s brother) reoccurring issues due to his time in the Service

Pastor Jim Gullickson (Sandy Westling’s friend) now at home after suffering a stroke, continuing rehab, using a wheelchair

John (Meridel and Patty’s brother) transplanted kidney issues, continued prayers

Butch Morelli – Blocked carotid artery, surgery postponed; continued prayers

Amy Rich (Morelli’s DnL) – ongoing treatment after successful surgery for breast cancer

Nonie Wakeman (Shirley Slagle’s SnL) diagnosed with Lung Cancer

Karen (Karmon’s sister) Recently diagnosed with cancer (Warren’s wife)

Kurt Nowacki (Bruce & Julie Cross’ Brother-in-Law) recently diagnosed with ‘myopathy,’ a degenerative muscle disease

Bruce (Wenda Schwoch’s BnL has stage 4 prostate cancer and **Ashley** (Wenda’s niece) continued prayers

John (Karmon/Meridel SnL) has been diagnosed with chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML), prayers for good results on continued cancer treatments

Roxie Johnson (Morelli’s niece) heart issues, pacemaker implanted, continued prayers

Warren (Karmon’s BnL) Receiving chemo and radiation for Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma

Ty (Wade Billmeyer’s Friend of a friend) continued prayers

Amy Price (Morelli’s niece) – treatments for stage 4 cancer

For First Responders/Health Care Workers, including James Norman, an ICU nurse

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN DANGEROUS AREAS

NOTE: Those “in our extend prayers” are removed from the list after eight weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another eight weeks, please contact the church office.

TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR

May 5

"Rejoicing on the Way"

(Acts 8:28-39)

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes

God empowers His people to share the Gospel with those they meet along the way.

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

May 12

"Unforecastable"

(Acts 9:31)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

It's been said that God's call often comes as a surprise. In Acts 9, we meet three men who found themselves called in ways they could neither forecast nor control.

On Sunday mornings, listen on 830 AM WCCO AM at 6:05 am, or 1110 AM, Omaha, at 6:30 am, or XM 170 Satellite Radio on Sundays at noon or listen anytime at www.lutheranhour.org

STEWARDSHIP: *Easter 6*

1 John 5:3 – “For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.” God’s commandments are not burdensome, but that’s only true for Christians precisely because we know that we are not saved by our keeping of the Law. We are saved by grace. Therefore, we are set free by grace to walk in newness of life, to grow in faithfulness, and rejoice in the Law of the Lord, loving God and our neighbor by keeping His commandments.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

“The Ascension assures us that Jesus has finished His work of salvation and now rules ALL things in this world for the good of His Kingdom and His Church: that is, you and me! What is Christ’s goal that the song highlights? Jesus wants His Body, us, to be with Him where He is in paradise, in heaven.” *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9 am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of This Is the Life. This week’s episode is “How Come a Nice Girl Like You?” A nurse struggles with what to do after reconnecting with an old boyfriend. The worship service begins at 9:30 am with Rev. Brent Klein from Trinity Lutheran Church in Northfield, MN, presenting a message titled "Jesus, Your Friend" based on John 15:9-17. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the “Twin Cities” tab.

May/June Spring Offering Begins Next Week!

The May/Spring Offering will go directly to the Central Avenue Salvation Army food shelf, located at 2727 Central Avenue NE, Minneapolis.

Two ways to Help? Make a monetary donation (using your "May Mission Offering" envelope) OR fill our cart by bringing in food donations! The Salvation Army is always seeking food, hygiene and monetary contributions to help restock their shelves.

Donated food items are put to immediate use, helping to feed the hungry in our neighborhood. High demand items include 100% juice, healthy cereal, canned chicken, salmon and pork, and culturally specific items like coconut milk, bamboo shoots, jasmine rice and fish sauce. Personal hygiene items such as toilet paper and toothpaste are also highly requested items.

Thank you for your efforts to help in the fight against hunger.



Pentecost Sunday Ethnic Food Potluck Luncheon

The May 19 Pentecost Service will be a joint service with Royal Family and begin at 11 am with special guest Pastor Vue Lee preaching (*note the later start time*). The service will be followed by a Potluck Luncheon.

Do you have a favorite dish that you remember from your childhood? OR a favorite dish you make for family on special occasions? Think Hot Dish, Lefsa, Apple Pie, Schnitzel, Pasta, Pierogis, Irish Soda Bread, Hummus, Doughnuts, Pizza, Deviled Eggs – you get the picture! Bring your favorite mouth-watering dish that represents your ethnicity to share. Be sure to mark your calendar to attend!

The Lutheran Witness

If you would like to receive The Lutheran Witness magazine mailed directly to your home, please let the office know before May 31. The cost is **\$24.97** (\$2.27/per issue) for 11 magazines (June/July are a combined edition), you will be invoiced through the church office. Thank you!

It's not too early to start looking around your house for unwanted items to sell at this year's garage sale. The sale will run Thursday, Friday and Saturday, June 13 – 15. If you have clutter you would like to see gone, this is a great way to discard those unwanted items and help the church. All proceeds go directly to Gloria Dei. See Mary Piper with any questions.