

# Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

*(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)*



## The Chosen Series 2-Episode 5: “Spirit”

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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!*

*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 help to you, please speak with Pastor Martin after the service or via email or 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.*

***Today's Topic:*** The Psalm is a meditation on the attributes of God. He is all knowing, all powerful, ever present, and Holy!

***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 Pastor Martin to include in the prayers for today and on Wednesday. ***Other prayer requests can be made by contacting the church office.***

***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. Persons unable to approach the Altar may be communed in the pew, please notify the Pastor or Elder if you wish this service.

**Pastor Martin will be on vacation May 23 – May 31.  
No mid-week Service and/or Bible Study on Wednesday,  
May 25. Concrete work will be in progress!**

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

**AS WE GATHER:** God knows our every thought, word, and deed, and despite our sins, loves us all the same.

+ *CONNECT* +

## WELCOME

**OPENING HYMN SOLO** "On Christ's Ascension I Now Build" K. Christopherson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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:** Before we receive the gift of forgiveness from God's altar, let's confess our need for that forgiveness.

**C:** **Heavenly Father, you dwell within us in sighs too deep for words, yet we cannot hear you. You wrap us tenderly in fierce love, you give us the breath of life, yet we cannot touch you.**

**L:** Lord Jesus, we yearn for your presence, we seek your abundant grace, yet we cannot feel it.

**C:** **Holy Spirit, you prepare to sear our souls for your purpose, yet we allow our somber selves to intrude, shutting our minds to your power.**

**ALL:** **Remind us, we pray, that we need only trust in the Giver of Life to find the hope and faith you have promised. Gather us up in the winds of your favor and carry us to ever greater heights, through Christ who loves us still. Amen.**

## FORGIVENESS IS ANNOUNCED

+ NURTURE +

**SONG OF PRAISE**

**"Oh How He Loves You and Me"**

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Oh, how He loves you and me, Oh how He loves you and me.  
He gave His life, what more could He give?  
Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how He loves me; Oh, how He loves you and me.

Jesus to Calvary did go, His love for sinners to show.  
What He did there brought hope from despair.  
Oh, Hoe He loves you; Oh, how he loves me; Oh, how He loves you and me.

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

**Psalms 139: 1-14a, 23-24**

***Search Me, O God, and Know My Heart  
To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.***

O Lord, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord you know it altogether. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God!**

**EPISTLE LESSON**

**Romans 8:38-39**

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

**Luke 15:3-10**

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 15:3-10

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

So he told them this parable: "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

### ***The Parable of the Lost Coin***

"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

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

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**"O How I Love Jesus"**

**(v 1,2,4)**

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
It sounds like music in my ear, The sweetest name on earth.

### **Refrain:**

Oh, how I love Jesus, Oh, how I love Jesus,  
Oh, how I love Jesus, Because He first loved me

It tells me of a Savior's love, Who died and set me free;  
It tells me of His precious blood, The sinner's perfect plea.

**Refrain**

It tells of One whose loving heart Can feel my deepest woe;  
Who in each sorrow bears a part, That none can bear below.

**Refrain**

Oh, how I love Jesus, Oh, how I love Jesus  
Oh, how I love Jesus, Because He first loved me

**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 truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And now we bless you that in Jesus Christ you have come among us, displaying your heavenly brightness and sharing your forgiving and limitless love. Grant us grace to hear your words with grateful hearts, remaining steadfast in hope throughout our earthly lives as we await the joys of heaven, where we will join in the eternal chorus of angels and archangels giving you unending praise:

## **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 SONG**

### **"I Love to Tell the Story"**

**v 1,3,4**

Songwriters: Katherine Hankey / William G. Fischer; © Kobalt Music Publishing Ltd.

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above  
Of Jesus and his glory Of Jesus and his love  
I love to tell the story Because I know 'tis true  
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do

I love to tell the story 'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love

I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat  
What seems each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet.  
I love to tell the story; For some have never heard  
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

I love to tell the story For those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest  
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song  
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long

## **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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## **May/June Spring Offering**

**The May/Spring Offering for 2022 will be directed to the Central Avenue Salvation Army food shelf.** Located within our neighborhood at 2727 Central Ave NE, Minneapolis. Your donation will help those in our community, who need food (*use the May Mission Offering envelope in your box*). Let's help envision a future where all our neighbors and community members have access to healthy food and no one struggles with food insecurity.

**There are two ways to Help?** Make a monetary donation 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 your 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.



## SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson

Reader: Julie Cross

Ushers: Wade Billmeyer and Dale Raschke

Counters: Shirley Holzinger and Verlayne Sather

Altar Care: OPEN

Attendance: 5/15/2022: 25

Offerings – Loose Plate \$45; Regular \$895; May/June Mission \$70; Rent \$565; WiFi Install Reimbursement \$469; Online \$200                      Total \$2,244

Needed each week for 2022: \$2,488.85

## OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

5/22 Sun	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter – Ascension of Our Lord</b>
	<b>10:00 am</b> <b>Worship Service w/HC</b>
	11:45 am    Royal Family Worship Service
	<b>6:00 pm</b> NA
5/23 Mon	<b>6:30 pm</b> AIAnon 1
	<b>7:00 pm</b> AA/AIAnon 2
5/25 Wed	<b>2:00 pm</b> <b>Mid-week Service and Bible Study ft. <i>The Chosen</i></b>
	<b>5:30 pm</b> <b>Mid-week Service and Bible Study ft. <i>The Chosen</i></b>
5/27 Fri	<b>8:00 pm</b> AA/A1Anon
5/28 Sat	<b>10:00 am</b> TLWCC Worship & Fellowship
5/29 Sun	<b>Seventh Sunday of Easter</b>
	<b>10:00 am</b> <b>Worship Service w/HC</b>
	11:45 am    Royal Family Worship Service
	<b>6:00 pm</b> NA

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### **The Ascension of Our Lord**



Lord Jesus, though You have ascended into heaven, we know You are at work in our lives. Thank You for uniting us with You in Baptism so that we may die to sin and walk in newness of life. Thank You for Your body and blood, given to us for the forgiveness of sins. Thank You for proclaiming Your life-giving Gospel through our pastors and for bringing our prayers before Your Father. Amen.

## **TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR**

**May 22**

**"What the Bible Is For"**

**(1 Timothy 4:13)**

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Dr. Michael Zeigler outlines five principles to help us better hear what Scripture is saying.

## **NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR**

**May 29**

**"Imagine That!"**

**(Revelation 22:1-7)**

Guest Speaker: Dr. Dean Nadasdy

Dr. Dean Nadasdy reflects on five images from the Book of Revelation and shows how God's Word plus faith and imagination equals hope.

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](http://www.lutheranhour.org)

### **STEWARDSHIP: May 22 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 16:9 – "And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' "** God does all the saving of the Macedonians, but He does it through the ministry of St. Paul who was called to go and help them out. How is the Lord calling you to use your gifts for His work?

### **LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:**

"Your ascended Jesus goes with you. When you have doubts and struggles, take them to Jesus. When you're conflicted and troubled by sin and guilt, take it to Jesus and the cross. Together we lift each other up and grow up in Jesus! You are gifted! You are equipped! Know you are serving Jesus! Now and to eternity." *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

**Main Street Living** airs each Sunday at 9 a.m. on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of This Is the Life. This week's episode **"The Prisoners"** features an elderly woman attacked and terrorized by a teenage gang. The worship service will begin at 9:30 a.m. with the Rev. Gregg Coop from Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Baxter, MN, presenting message based on **John 5:1-9**. For more information or to watch the program, go to [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) select the "Twin Cities" tab.

**BIRTHDAYS:** 23<sup>rd</sup> Ashlee Kruse and Zachary Kruse, 24<sup>th</sup> Cindy Martinez  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** 26<sup>th</sup> Larry Schlais & Wenda Schwoch

**ETERNAL CANDLE:** OPEN

**FLOWERS:** OPEN

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Jean Brede, Walter Cutter, Mille House, Robert & Delores Kluwe, Mary Lenzen, Patty Lyrenmann, Dorothy Norback, Aaron Peterson, Larry Schlais, Bev Svac, Lillian Troiden, Bill Woll and all our shut-ins

### **IN OUR EXTENDED PRAYERS**

**Patty Lyrenmann** tested positive for Covid, starting treatment – prayers for speedy recovery

**Bev Svac** recent successful eye surgery, recovering and doing well

**Brandon Johnson** (Verlayne's nephew/Lori's son) surgery was successful; tumor on his foot was benign.

**Mille House** recovering from recent surgery

**Roselyn Norman's** older sister in London had been diagnosed w/early stage Breast Cancer. Prayers for successful treatment

**Rod DeKam** (Dale's brother in law) has pancreatic cancer

**Kole Vogt** (Dale's nephew) has an aggressive form of T-cell lymphoma

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

**Kevin O'Brien** (Julie Cross' Brother-in-Law) Stage 3 Colon Cancer

**Susan Turner** (Patty & Meridel's niece) Receiving treatment for a large brain tumor

**Gwen Johnson's** sister-in-law and niece who both are suffering with serious health issues

**Richard** (Gwen's brother) recovering from major heart surgery (May 13)

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

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

**Dale** (friend of Patty's brother, Dick) Stage 4 kidney/lung cancer, in hospice

**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.

## **\*\* SIDEWALK PROJECT UPDATE \*\***

The sidewalk repair work will get underway in the next few weeks. New cement will be installed in front of the church and the surrounding walkway areas. Currently we have \$4,235 in the Sidewalk Fund and are still welcoming contributions. The price tag on this project is estimated to be well over \$14,000. **If you would like to make a contribution, please mark your envelope "Sidewalk Fund."** Thank you for your continuing support.

### **Garage Sale Alert – Donations Needed!**

**Do you have a few things you want to get rid of? We can help!**

Mary Piper, Gloria Dei's neighbor, is planning a garage sale in conjunction with the Eleventh Annual 2022 NEighbors Garage Sale! Sale dates are Friday, June 17 and Saturday, June 18, 9 am to 5 pm. Rain Date is Sunday, June 19, 2022. If you have items you would like to donate, please bring them to Mary's house before June 12 (2955 Benjamin Street NE, leave them at the side garage door). **All proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Sidewalk Fund.** IF you have an interest in helping with any aspect of the sale, please let the office know. All help is welcome – a little or a lot! All items not sold, will be donated to Hidden Treasures Thrift Store in St. Anthony.

### **The Lutheran Witness**

If you would like to receive The Lutheran Witness magazine mailed directly to your home, please let the office know. The cost is **\$19.70** for 11 magazines (June/July are a combined edition), you will be invoiced through the church. Thank you!

### **Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast**

**TODAY, May 22 @ 8:30 am - 12:30 pm**

Boy Scout Troop 132 will hold their 23rd annual pancake breakfast on **Sunday, May 22, 8:30 am-12:30 pm, at Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church**, 1701 St. Anthony Pkwy. Breakfast includes pancakes, sausage, and eggs. Adult tickets are \$8 and child tickets are \$5. Available through curbside pickup and limited indoor dining.

### **Polka at Murzyn Hall - May 22 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm**

The Midwest Polka Association (MPA) hosts an afternoon of polkas and waltzes featuring the Jolly Zuk Band at their Anniversary Dance on **Sunday, May 22, 1-5 pm at Murzyn Hall**, 530 Mill St. NE. Bar service available. Admission \$10 per person.

Info: [www.midwestpolkaassociation.com](http://www.midwestpolkaassociation.com)