

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)



“You Anoint My Head with Oil; My Cup Overflows”

**Order of Worship September 3, 2023 | 10 AM
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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: Remember that God often uses material things to speak to us about spiritual things. Today, we'll look at how **The Good Shepherd** uses two things that we can touch and handle: oil and a cup to communicate how He sustains us.

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

Join us over the next several Sundays, as our sermons will explore Psalms, specifically, PSALMS 23. Please join us, as this Series will have something for everyone!

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

AS WE GATHER: Even though it may be difficult at times, it is important that, like David, we have complete trust and dependence in our God. It is He who anoints us with oil and helps us heal from fast pains and hurts. He also overflows our cup because of His great love for us.

+ CONNECT +

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SOLO **"Jesus the Shepherd of My Soul"** **Martin McGinn**

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 God who is faithful to hear us and merciful to forgive.

C: **Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.**

FORGIVENESS IS ANNOUNCED

+ NURTURE +

Take my life, and let it be, Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my King;
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;
Take my intellect, and use, Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

OLD TESTAMENT READING**PSALMS 23*****The Lord Is My Shepherd (A Psalm of David)***

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 121:1-8

My Help Comes from the Lord (A Song of Ascents)

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:10-15

L: The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to You, O Lord!

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF THE DAY "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" LSB 849

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Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands with the very Bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong, yet gentle word;
Praise the One who drove out demons with the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand;
From this Well comes living water, quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

Let us praise the Word Incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the One who makes us one.

PSALMS 23 SERIES #8

Pastor Matthew Cephus

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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.

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Your love possessing triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for Your Gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to Your truth may we be found.

Savior, when Your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way,
Let not fear of death appall us, glad Your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever reign with You in endless day.

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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FREE Community Dinner at St. Timothy's - September 12@ 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Join St. Timothy's and the local community for their drive thru community dinner on Tuesday, September 12, from 5 pm to 6:30 pm (or until the food is gone). Please spread the word, everyone is Welcome! St. Timothy's Lutheran Church is located at 825 51st Ave. NE, in Columbia Heights.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

9/03 Sun

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am **Worship w/Holy Communion,
w/Vacancy Pastor Matthew Cephus of Royal Family**
10:30 am Royal Family Sunday School
11:45 am Royal Family Worship Service
6:00 pm NA

9/04 Mon

Happy Labor Day – Be Safe!

7:00 pm AlAnon

9/05 Tues

5:00 pm Living Word Church Bible Study Groups

9/08 Fri

5:00 pm Living Word Music Rehearsal

9/09 Sat

10:00 am Living Word Worship & Fellowship

6:00 pm Living Word Prayer Night

9/10 Sun

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am **Worship w/Holy Communion,
w/Vacancy Pastor Matthew Cephus of Royal Family**
10:30 am Royal Family Sunday School
11:45 am Royal Family Worship Service
6:00 pm NA

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson

Reading: Sandy Westling

Ushers: Tom and Patty Lyrenmann

Counters: Shirley Holzinger and Verlayne Sather

Altar Care: Morelli's

Attendance: 8/27/2023: 29

Offerings – Loose Plate \$177; Regular \$1,145; Online \$700

Total: \$2,022

Needed each week for 2023: \$2,733

Fall Garage Sale at Gloria Dei Scheduled for September 28-30

Gloria Dei will hold a fall garage sale Thursday, September 28, Friday, September 29 and Saturday, September 30 from 9 am – 5 pm. If you have items you would like to donate to the garage sale, please bring them to Mary's house any time between now and September 24 (2955 Benjamin Street NE, leave them in the bin by the back door).

All proceeds will be donated to Gloria Dei. If you have an interest in helping with any aspect of the sale, please connect with Mary OR call the church office at 612-781-1989. The more volunteers, the bigger the success! All items not sold, will be donated to a local thrift store and/or charity.

TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR

September 3

"Entryway"

(Psalm 26:8)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

The Psalms are God's words, given to us as an entryway into His presence.

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

September 10

"Not Just a Formality"

(Psalm 32)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

After trust has been broken, forgiveness is more than a mere formality.

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: Matthew 16:26

"For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul?" He who dies with the most toys ... is dead. But the one who trusts in the Lord, even though he dies, yet shall he live. We live out our trust in the Lord by faithfully fulfilling the roles God has given us to play in home, church and society as loving, generous people. Those who don't know the Lord are afraid to be generous because they think that what they give away is lost to them. But we who know the Lord know that the things of this world become true blessings when they are used for God's kingdom

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

"We are made holy by the perfect righteousness of Jesus Christ, ours by faith in His life, death, and resurrection. Yet we are holy in another sense, too. We have been set apart, called out, by a holy God for God's holy purposes—to love God and our neighbor, to serve, to make disciples. We have been set apart to serve as spouses, parents and grandparents, citizens, workers." *Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy, Guest Speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • 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 is "**The Sound of Doors Closing**" - A man's mid-life crisis and the effect it has on his family. The worship service begins at 9:30 a.m. with Rev. Peter Adelsen from Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in West Salem, WI, presenting a message titled "**Through Sufferings, We Receive the Promise**" based on **Jeremiah 15:15-21**. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the "Twin Cities" tab.

BIRTHDAYS: 9th Bev Svac

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ETERNAL CANDLE: OPEN

FLOWERS: OPEN

PRAYER CONCERNS

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Robert & Delores Kluwe, Larry Schlais, Bev Svac, Lillian Troiden and all our shut-ins

Amy Rich (Morelli's DnL) – diagnosed with breast cancer, ongoing treatment

Bev Svac - recent surgery to remove gallbladder and large gallstones, still very weak, further recovery at Mount Olivet Home transitional care facility

Cory – Tom & Patty's nephew – Open heart surgery, now recovering

Jan Gaddes (Aaron Peterson's mother) – recent breast cancer surgery went well, no radiation and/or chemo at this time

Roselyn Norman – Recovering from vertebrae fusion back surgery on July 18

Verlayne Sather – Knee Replacement surgery July 19, exercises and PT going well

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

Greg Henderson (Vicki's Husband and Shirley Holzinger BnL) Prostate Cancer

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

James Norman, Sr. (James' dad) Being treated for Stage 4 cancer

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

Jeremy (Patty and Meridel's niece, Mandy's husband) prayers for successful recovery from recent surgery

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

Bruce (Wenda Schwoch's BIL 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

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

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.

Mid-Week Service & Bible Study to Resume!

Gloria Dei will be restarting the weekly mid-week service and bible study. However, they are moving to **WEDNESDAY at 11 am** – beginning Wednesday, September 13. We are honored to have Pastor Matthew Cephus lead the services and bible studies and look forward to interesting topics and lively discussions. ☺

The service will include Holy Communion and will be followed by fellowship. Mark your calendars and join us as we discover the good news of the Gospel!

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Gloria Dei is excited to announce the addition of a Thursday evening bible study led by Katie Beth and Daniel Carlson **beginning September 14 at 5:30 pm**. This 12 week study will go through "Knowing the Bible" (the book of Romans). IF you have an interest in attending the Thursday evening sessions, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the Lobby bulletin board OR speak with Daniel and/or Katie Beth directly – Daniel can also be reached on his cell at 906-361-9211. Materials will be provided.

Are you interested in joining the newly created *Outreach Team* here at church? Daniel and Katie Beth Carlson will head up the team and are looking for members. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet. Once members are established, an initial meeting will be scheduled. More to come on the projects the team will tackle.

Minnesota State Fair Early Years

During the fair's early years, the site of the exposition changed annually with stops in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Rochester, Red Wing, Winona and Owatonna. In the 1870s and early 1880s, civic groups from both St. Paul and Minneapolis worked relentlessly to provide a permanent home for the fair in their respective cities, but could not agree on a location. The State Fair finally found a permanent home at its present location when Ramsey County donated its 210-acre poor farm to the state for exclusive use by the Agricultural Society, the governing body of the State Fair.

Secure in its new surroundings, the State Fair began to grow. Physically, the fairgrounds blossomed to its current 322 acres.

Since its inception, the fair has been held every year with only six exceptions: in 1861 and 1862 due to the Civil War and U.S.-Dakota War, in 1893 because of scheduling conflicts with the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, in 1945 due to federal government travel restrictions during World War II, in 1946 due to a polio epidemic, and in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Did You Know? The State Fair holds approximately 220 events during the non-fair time.