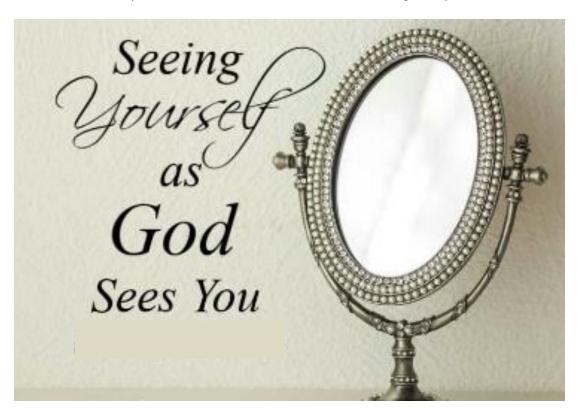
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)



"Seeing Myself the Way God Sees Me"

Order of Worship October 22, 2023 | 10 AM Vacancy Pastor Matthew Cephus

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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: God made us who we are so we could make known who He is.

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 Bible Study with Pastor Matthew on Wednesday, October 25 at 11 am

Thursday evening "Knowing the Bible" bible study, October 26 at 5:30 pm with

Daniel and Katie Beth Carlson

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

AS WE GATHER: Your true identity is ultimately based on what God has done for you. In Christ, you are loved and created with a purpose. God lovingly designed every detail of your person. Can you imagine the love involved with that intricate design?

+ CONNECT+

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SOLO

"His Eye is On the Sparrow"

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 the Father who is faithful to hear us and to forgive.

C: Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness, and we also ask for your strength. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. AMEN

FORGIVENESS IS ANNOUNCED

+ NURTURE +

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Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul and sing of Him who died for thee. And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the virgin's Son, the God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won which now His brow adorn;
Fruit of the mystic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
The root whence mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem.

Crown Him the Lord of love. Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save. His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, enthroned in worlds above, Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n the wondrous gift of Love. Crown Him with many crowns as thrones before Him fall; Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, for He is king of all.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 139:13-16

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.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Ephesians 2:10-13

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

One in Christ

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:13-16

L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to You, O Lord!

Salt and Light

"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SONG OF THE DAY "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" LSB 702, v. 1,2,4

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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!

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!

MESSAGE: Part III Pastor Matthew Cephus

"Seeing Myself the Way God Sees 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

+ FMPOWFR +

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.

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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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OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

10/22 Sun	Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost	
	10:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion,
w/Vacancy Pastor Matthew Cephus of Royal Family		
	11:00 am	Congregational Meeting w/voting
	10:30 am	Royal Family Sunday School
	11:45 am	Royal Family Worship Service
	2:00 pm	Financial Peace University
	6:00 pm	NA
10/23 Mon	7:00 pm	AlAnon
10/24 Tues	6:00 pm	Financial Peace University
10/25 Wed	11:00 am	Mid-Week Service & Bible Study w/Fellowship
	6:00 pm	Royal Family Bible Study
10/26 Thurs	5:30 pm	"Knowing the Bible" Bible Study
10/27 Fri	5:00 pm	Living Word Music Rehearsal
10/28 Sat	10:00 am	Living Word Worship & Fellowship
	6:00 pm	Living Word Prayer Night
10/29 Sun	Twenty-second 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
	2:00 pm	Financial Peace University
	6:00 pm	NA

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson

Reading: Mary Piper

Ushers: Tom and Patty Lyrenmann Counters: Pat Scott and Shirley Slagle Altar Care: Tom and Patty Lyrenmann

Attendance: 10/15/2023: 34

Offerings - Loose Plate \$90; Regular \$1,785; Snow Removal \$100;

Online \$200 Total: \$2,175

Needed each week for 2023: \$2,733

TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR

October 22 "Matching Pace" (Psalm 96:13)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Hear about the Savior Who walks beside us, at our pace, and teaches us to walk with others.

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

October 29 "What Are People Good For?" (Psalm 46:1)

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Our family and friends are with us in life but they can't shield us from life and all its uncertainty. Where will you find security?

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: Proper 24

Matthew 22:21 — "Then he said to them, 'Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." So what is Jesus saying? Doesn't everything belong to God? Yes — and God has a place for everything. Some of what He gives us goes to Caesar. Some must come back to the work of His church. And some goes to support the families He has given us. All belongs to God, and He has work for us to do with what He has given us in the home, in the church and in society.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

"So no matter how offensive we find a neighbor, we do not regard her or him as enemy, adversary, or opponent. God has created, redeemed, and called each one as His own precious treasure, the same as us. We want to rejoice with them as brothers and sisters unto eternity in all the blessings our Savior Jesus has obtained for us." Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9 am with an episode of *This Is the Life*. This week's episode is "Big Account." An advertising agency art director learns the impact of his work on his family and others. The worship service begins at 9:30 am with the Rev. Eric Zacharias from Zion Lutheran Church in Cologne, MN, presenting a message titled, "Chosen by God? PTL!" based on 1 Thessalonians 1:4. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the "Twin Cities" tab.

BIRTHDAYS: None

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ETERNAL CANDLE: Open

FLOWERS: Open

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Butch Morelli – Blocked carotid artery, pending surgery (within 2 weeks)

Gene & Helen (Dan's friends) Gene passed away due to Covid (October 7) and Helen is doing better and will be returning home. Our thoughts and prayers are with their family **Derald Hadrath** – knee replaced on Sept 26, prayers he is back on his feet soon **Yvonne Pawlowicz** (Wenda's sister) surgery for cancerous brain tumor and benign cyst went well, radiation will be needed, prayers for recovery

Amy Rich (Morelli's DnL) – successful surgery for recent breast cancer diagnoses, treatment to follow

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

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 neice, Mandy's husband) prayers for recovery

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 niece, Holly, after years of trying to solve complicated health issues, she finally found the help she needed

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.

Please Plan to Join Us!

Plan to join the Congregational Meeting following today's 10 am Service. The meeting will discuss the call process (for GDLC's open half-time pastor position). Questions are welcome and an open discussion will take place. Pastor Hugo, the Circuit Visitor from St. Matthew will be in attendance and can also answer any questions and provide guidance with regards to the call process. At the conclusion of the meeting, there will be a vote via paper ballots. All members and non-members are welcome to attend this important, decision-making meeting.



Gloria Dei and Royal Family will be collecting warm clothing items for those in need. Distribution dates will be announced. Please bring in gently used or new coats, jackets, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, mittens and scarfs. Bring in your donations at any time and fill our large boxes found in the Fireside room.

Thank You!

Collection for Operation Christmas Child has begun!

Here is what you do: **(1)** Find a Shoebox - You can use any empty shoebox or shoebox-sized plastic container. **(2)** Girl or Boy? - Decide whether you will pack for a girl or a boy and the age category: Age groups are 2 - 4, 5 - 9, 10 - 14. **(3)** Fill with Gifts. **(4)** Pray - Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift. **(5)** Follow your box - remember to include \$10 (per box) for shipping. **(6)** Drop-Off - Bring your shoebox gift to Church before Sunday, November 12.

Find full details on Operation Christmas Child in the October Newsletter.

St. Anthony Civic Orchestra in Concert October 29 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

The St. Anthony Civic Orchestra will play a Fall Concert Sunday, Oct. 29, 3 pm at the St. Anthony Community Center, 3301 Silver Lake Road NE. Program includes Berlioz's "Roman Carnival Overture," Wagner's "Elsa's Procession To The Cathedral," Mussorgsky's "Night On Bald Mountain" and Beethoven, "Symphony No. 6." This is a **Free** event.