

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

(The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)



“A Mother Called by 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: Today, we will be focusing on some life-examples of a Godly mother.

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

- **NO** Wednesday, May 15, 11 am bible study – Pastor Matthew at the Pastor's Conference in Brainerd (May 13 – 15).
- Thursday, May 16 at 5:30 pm for bible study with fellowship (lead by Katie Beth & Daniel Carlson)

Seventh Sunday after Easter

AS WE GATHER: Mothers are a gift to all humanity because they show us what God is like. In a loving mother, we see Christ, who longs to gather his people like a mother hen would gather her chicks under her wings.

+ CONNECT +

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING DUET **"Let There Be Light"** **Lisa & John Kleinwolterink**

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 and ready to forgive.

C: **Merciful Father, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole hearts; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

FORGIVENESS IS ANNOUNCED

+ NURTURE +

SONG OF PRAISE "Holy God We Praise Thy Name" LSB 940 vs. 1,2,4,5

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Holy God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain, everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy Lord!

Thou art King of Glory Christ; Son of God, yet born of Mary
For us sinners sacrificed, as to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death, Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee.
Though in essence only one, undivided God we claim Thee.
And adoring, bend the knee, while we own the mystery.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 31:10,14,15, 27-30

The Woman Who Feared the LORD

An excellent wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels.
She is like the ships of the merchant; she brings her food from afar.
She rises while it is yet night and provides food for her household and portions for her maidens.
She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 6:9

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 12:46-50

L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to You, O Lord!

Jesus' Mother and Brothers

While he was still speaking to the people, behold, his mother and his brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him. But he replied to the man who told him, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Stuart Townend, 1995 Thankyou Music; admin. EMI Christian Music CCLI # 1558110

How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son, To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss, The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One, Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross, My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that left Him there, Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything, No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom

MESSAGE

"A Mother Called by God"

Pastor Matthew Cephus

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

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

LSB 643

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Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The Supper is ended. O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching, receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us, with Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Than may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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

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
5/13 Mon	7:00 pm	Beginners AIAnon (downstairs)
	7:00 pm	AIAnon (upstairs)
5/15 Wed	11:00 am	<u>NO</u> Bible Study and/or Fellowship
5/16 Thurs	5:30 pm	Thursday Evening Bible Study
5/17 Fri	5:00 pm	Living Word Music Rehearsal
5/18 Sat	10:00 am	Living Word Worship & Fellowship
	4:00 pm	Living Word Board Meeting
	6:00 pm	Living Word Prayer Night
5/19 Sun		Pentecost Sunday
	11:00 am	Worship w/Holy Communion, Guest Pastor Vue Lee Preaching
	12:00 pm	Potluck Luncheon
	6:00 pm	NA

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson

Reading: Julie Cross

Ushers: Julie Cross

Altar Care: Julie Cross

Counters: Pat Scott and Shirley Slagle

Attendance: 5/05/2024: 31



Pastor Matthew will be attending the Pastor's Conference in Brainerd and will not be in the office May 13 - 15.

BIRTHDAYS: None

ANNIVERSARIES: 18th Tom & Patty Lyrenmann – *Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary!*

ETERNAL CANDLE: Lisa & John Kleinwolterink –

Tom and Patty Lyrenmann's 50th wedding anniversary

FLOWERS: OPEN

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Meridel Christopherson upcoming surgery to insert a stint in her main artery, which is completely blocked. Thankful for a plan.

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

Kim Morelli (Morelli's DnL) recovering from breast cancer surgery on May 1

Wade Billmeyer continued improvement after March 27 surgery on a benign brain tumor

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 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.

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

May 19

"Waiting, But Not Alone"

(Acts 2:1-21)

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge

Jesus leaves His followers waiting for Him to return but He promises they will not be left alone.

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 7*

1 John 5:12 – “Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.” Jesus is the foundation, the bedrock, the beginning and the end. To have Him is to have it all. In Him we have life. And we are called to live in Him, to live this new life He has given us, to grow up into His image. This is a struggle in this sinful world! But His grace is sufficient as He refreshes us through Word and Sacrament.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

“Now we get to receive and enjoy our times and our lives as blessings. And we get to do the same with the gifts and privileges that each of our neighbors embodies, from unborn to elderly and from fertilization to forever. The Lord our God has blessed us for the purpose of life, and He has blessed us for the duration of life. So, let’s partake in the blessing of proclaiming God’s truth and putting Christ’s love into practice, even as the Psalmist himself does!” *Pastor Michael Salemink – 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 **“A Will to Live.”** A man leaves a large portion of his money to the church and hospital, then has his will contested by relatives. The worship service begins at 9:30 am with Rev. Michael Michalk from Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Mound, MN, presenting a message titled **“My Joy Fulfilled in My People”** based on **John 17:13**. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the “Twin Cities” tab.

May/June Spring Offering: Salvation Army Programs

The May/Spring Offering will go directly to the Central Avenue Salvation Army food shelf, located at 2727 Central Avenue NE, Minneapolis. **Use your "May Mission Offering" envelopes to make your donation.**

Did you know, when hard times hit, the Salvation Army is there to help. No matter what the need – physical, emotional or spiritual.

From meeting the most basic needs to outlining the path to long-term solutions, they can help with overcoming the obstacles people face today and provide hope for tomorrow.

Local programs and services include:

- Food support; free summer lunch program (Monday – Friday) and summer day camp for youths (June – August); Rent and utility assistance; After-school programs; Transportation assistance for medical appointments and new jobs; Job postings and resume assistance; Referrals for furniture assistance; Hygiene supplies, formula, diapers; Emergency financial assistance (as funding is available); Referrals for budget counseling; Men's, women's and children and teen ministries. For information, call 612-789-2858 to learn more or request help.



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!