- •Office Updates Please note that starting this month, Rachel will be onsite as Office Administrator for the following updated office hours: MWTh from 10-3. Please continue to direct any church-related questions to Rachel at office@crossofglory.us or 763-533-8602. We're also excited to share that Gayle Merritt will be assisting with some facilities coordination and administration this fall. Facilities-related questions and space-sharing inquiries can be directed to Gayle at facilities@crossofglory.us.
- Saints Game with Wildfire Churches Wildfire congregations are joining together for a night of fun and fellowship with the St. Paul Saints on Aug 11. Email office@faithlilacway.org to reserve your ticket today!
- Fresh Food in the Neighborhood- CAPI's food shelf is open Tuesdays between 1-4 pm, and Wednesdays-Thursdays between 9-12 or 1-4. CEAP hosts Farm Fest Every Wednesday from 3pm-5pm in July and August. BC Farmers Market is 3pm-7pm every Thursday now through October 24th.
- •Pastoral Care & Visitation If you're in need of care, prayer, or conversation, reach out to the office to be connected with the pastor or our Care & Visitation Team. We also invite you to stop by our Community Prayer Wall located just outside the sanctuary.



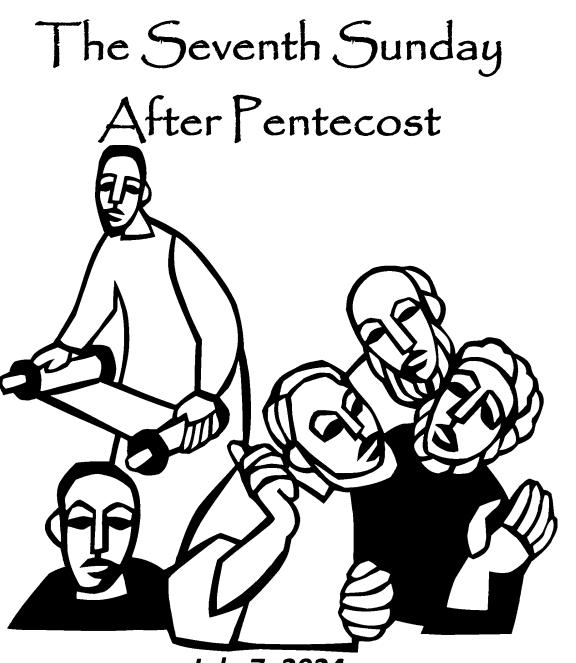
Please join us in lifting up these brothers and sisters in prayer:

Mavis Wold
Norma Gilbertson
Audrey Swanberg
Jeannie Kuzmich
Eric Thompson & family

Dick Mero Martha Krueger Dolores Narey Julie Aulwes Luella Hinnenkamp John Rowley Deb Olson Lori Balzer

To be added or removed from the weekly prayer list, please contact the church office (office@crossofglory.us) or call 763-533-8602.

You are welcome to stop at our community prayer wall just outside the sanctuary to place a written prayer in the wall. Further instructions are at the prayer wall.



July 7, 2024
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

Brooklyn Center, MN







We are **CALLED**

We are called to **LIFE**

We are called to life **TOGETHER**

Welcome to Cross of Glory, where we work to share in the joy of life **together**! If you're visiting, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card in your pew and put it in the offering plates so we can further extend a welcome.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

All: Amen.

P: Trusting in the abundance of God's grace, let us take a moment of silence to repent of our sins--individual and collective, known and unknown, of things done and left undone....

P: God of abundance,

A: We struggle to believe there is enough to share.
We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world.
We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.
We disentangle ourselves from the lives of others,
and from the life that swarms in the sky, seas, and soil,
and in doing so, from the very life of you.
Have mercy on us, O God.
Fill us with your grace
and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik
Director of Choirs: Keith J. Williams
Worship & Tech Director: Mark Trease
Guest Organist: Allan Mahnke
Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn

Bailey, Bill Bailey

Greeters: Gordy and Maggie Johnsrud

Reader: Carolyn Davis

Communion: Dawn Bailey, Carolyn Davis, and Sharon Quick

Ushers: Steve Ferley, Gayle Merritt Don Halverson, Cheryl Anderson Fellowship: Bob Wertz, Ron and Lois

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Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- •Coffee Hour All are welcome to a time of food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall following worship!
- •COG Fellowship: Music in the Park -This Tues, July 9 at 7 pm, bring a blanket or lawn chair, some snacks, and join the CoG community in Centennial Park for free live music and fellowship. Between music by the Kendra Glenn Band, the adjacent playground for kids, and the good company of one another, it will be sure to be a fun evening for all ages!
- •Creation Sunday, July 14 As we give thanks for all that is growing in our gardens and in the world around us, join us for a special worship service on Sunday, July 14, full of creation-themed music, readings, and reflections, and immediately following worship for a Blessing of the Gardens out back.
- •WELCA Summer Service Project WELCA is collecting items through the end of July to support MARS Animal Rescue, a local nonprofit that provides support services for animals in need. See the poster by the welcome desk for further info.
- •Thursday Fellowship and Games— Will meet Thursday July 18th from 1pm-4pm in the fellowship hall, come and have some fun!
- •Wildfire VBS CoG kids and families, mark your calendars for the evenings of July 15-18 when we'll be joining together with other Wildfire churches for VBS at Faith Lilac Way Lutheran Church in Robbinsdale. There will be a free meal for families that begins at 5:15 pm, and then kids programming to follow. For more info and the registration link, stop by the Kids Table outside the sanctuary or contact the office.
- •Summer of Seminarians We're grateful to continue hearing the Good News proclaimed from seminarians/pastors-to-be through Luther Seminary. We look forward to welcoming Rachel Wyffels on July 21st and Katie (Continued) Weiland on August 11th

^{**}Silence for repentance and reflection **

Verse4

"Go to the world!
Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you
till the age shall end,

when all the hosts of glory cry, Amen!" Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

You are invited to face the back doors. Join hands or put your hand on a neighbor as a reminder that we do not go alone.

ALL: O God, you have called us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, By paths as yet untrodden, Through perils unknown.
Give us faith to go out with good courage. Not knowing where we go, But only that your hand is leading us, And your love supporting us, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Be prophets of God's presence.

A: We will. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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P: Beloveds of God:

In God, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By God, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through God, † the bread of life, you are given the gift of mercy--forgiven and loved again into abundant life.

A: Thanks be to God. Amen.

MUSIC Making Their Way

#979

Verse 1

Making their way down through the ages, sinners and saints have heard God's call: wealthy and poor, powerful, lowly, Jesus' disciples, one and all. Gathered for worship, offering thanks, the greatest with the least have come to share this feast.

Verse 2

Making their way all the world over, Christians assemble on this day, hearing the Word, sharing the Banquet, learning to walk in Jesus' way. Members of Christ, united in love, they seek our God to know, and so together grow.

Verse 3

Making our way season by season, pilgrims, we journey till life's end, traveling light, sharing the riches, caring for stranger as for friend, till in the joy of longing fulfilled, together we will come to our eternal home.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

A: And also with you.

P: Let us pray together... O God, we give you thanks for the prophets who have gone before us, the ones in our midst, and the ones who will come after us, who have spoken unwelcome words of truth. Empower us to be prophetic witnesses to the power of your presence among us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

^{**} Please rise as you are able **

^{**} Please be seated **

Word -

FIRST READING

God said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when God spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. God said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

MUSIC Let Streams of Living Justice

#710

Verse 1

Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth; give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth. The hungry's hands are pleading, the workers claim their rights, the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight. Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron pow'r; abolish ancient vengeance: proclaim your people's hour.

Verse 2

For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end, for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend. Weave our varied gifts together; knit our lives as they are spun;

on your loom of time enroll us till our thread of life is run.
O great weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one; dye our texture with your radiance, light our colors with your sun.

Ezekiel 2:1-5

Verse 3

Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek; your harmony is language; we are the words you speak. Our faith we find in service, our hope in others' dreams, our love in hand of neighbor; our homeland brightly gleams. Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way—the path untried; your truth—the heart of stranger; your life—the Crucified.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: At your table, O Jesus, we have feasted on the gifts of your grace and love. As you've nourished us in this meal, now empower us to go forth from it to love the world as you do.

All: Amen.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS BIRTHDAY SONG

SENDING BLESSING

** Please rise as you are able **

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever.

A: Amen.

MUSIC Go to the World

Kids may grab a musical instrument from the basket in the back and return to your seats to make some joyful noise as we sing!

Verse 1

Go to the world!
Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross
where Christ renews life's worth,
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 2

Go to the world!
Go into ev'ry place.
Go live the word
of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence

in each time and space. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 3

Go to the world!
Go struggle, bless, and pray;
the nights of tears
give way to joyous day.
As servant church,
you follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

#991

**If you're worshiping onsite, you're invited to come forward when an usher cues your row. You'll be offered bread from the first server (gluten-free option available), and wine from the second server (grape juice option available). If you'd like to take communion in your seat, simply cue an usher and we'd be glad to bring it to you. **

P: The body of Christ is given for you. The blood of Christ is shed for you.

All: Amen.

MUSIC As the Grains of Wheat

#465

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in you.

Verse 1

As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst, may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain*

Verse 2

Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come when all creation shares this feast with you. *Refrain*

MUSIC As We Gather at Your Table

#532

Verse 1

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own; teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.

Verse 2

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; as we join with saints and a bringing peace where there is strife. There no more will envy bloom nor will pride our peace de as we join with saints and a bringing peace where there is strife.

Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave; may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Verse 3

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant
Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

P: The Gospel according to Mark the sixth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Leader: The word of the Lord. ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

** Please be seated **

SERMON

^{**} Please stand as you are able **

MUSIC To Be Your Presence #546

Verse 1

To be your presence is our mission here, to show compassion's face and list'ning ear, to be your heart of mercy ever near, to be your voice of hope, alleluia!

Verse 2

To be your presence is our mission bold, to feed the poor and shelter homeless cold. to be your hands of justice, right uphold. alleluia!

Verse 3

To be your presence is our mission blest. to speak for all the broken and oppressed, your love expressed, alleluia!

Verse 4

We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your people is our call and choice. and in this mission we. the church, rejoice, alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

** Please stand as you are able **

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again: he ascended into heaven. he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

A: And also with you.

P: Let's share a sign of God's peace with one another.

OFFERING

We give thanks for the ways your generous giving empowers us to share God's gift of life together in our congregation and wider community. You may share an offering in the plates as they're passed or scan the QR code here to make a secure, online gift. Thank you!



SPECIAL MUSIC Allan Mahnke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

During the prayers, kids are invited to come forward to the chalkboards to write and/or drawer their prayer.

Leader: God of mercy, All: Hear our prayer.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered together as one body by the Holy Spirit, let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us...

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.

^{**} Please be seated **