ANNOUNCEMENTS

•**Coffee Hour -** All are welcome to stick around after worship for a time of food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

•**Welcoming Wapo Campers Home** - Thanks for your support and prayers as many of our church's children were at Camp Wapo in Amery, WI this past week. Campers are back home now and are excited to share more about their time at Wapo. Mark your calendars for Sunday, Aug 24th, when kids will be sharing a few stories and songs as part of worship!

•**Council Update -** As noted in the latest newsletter, Council has been preparing to share an update after receiving the 5929 Facilities Task Force's recent report and recommendations. Keep an eye out for a letter/email this next week, and join us during coffee hour next Sunday for further discussion!

•**Garden Harvest Table -** Stop by the Garden Harvest table near the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings and help yourself to some fresh fruits and veggies grown in our church's backyard. You're welcome to bring any produce you grow at home as well to share.

•**BC Farmers Market -** The BC Farmer's Market is back this summer at the United Methodist Church parking lot (7200 Brooklyn Blvd) on Thursdays from 1:30-6 pm from July 3-Sept 25.

•**Vacation Bible School Sign up deadline is TODAY!-** Are the kids in your life signed up for Wildfire VBS? On Aug 11-14, kids preschool age through 6th grade from Wildfire churches will join together for VBS hosted at Cross of Glory. This year's theme is "At the Table." Meals for kids and families begin at 5:15 pm, program (stories, crafts, games, worship) from 5:45pm-7:30pm. Sign up through the church office TODAY. If you're interested in volunteering for VBS, please reach out to Rachel in the office.

•**Brooklyn Center Community Health Fair –**on Saturday, August 16 from 12-4 pm at the Brooklyn Center Community School (6500 N Humboldt Ave) you're invited to take part in this is a family-friendly event offering free health resources and screenings with professional health providers, food, music, kids activities, & more.

•**Joint Wildfire Summer Worship -** All members of all of the 8 Wildfire Churches with whom CoG is in partnership are welcome and encouraged to take part in joint Wildfire summer worship services on second Wednesdays of the month at 7 pm Aug 13 here at CoG. Worship includes singing, prayer, scripture, preaching, and communion. Time of refreshments and fellowship will follow.

•**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.

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2025

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

Brooklyn Center, MN

Summer Worship:
God's Story/Our Story

This summer, we look to the Pentecost season lectionary stories to dive deeper into God's story and explore the ways our own stories are part of it. Join us as we gather to "tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love."

**If you are joining us for the first time, welcome! We invite you to fill out a "Welcome Card" located in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate so that we can follow up with you to further extend a welcome.*

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*** Please rise as you are able ***

MUSIC **It's Yours** **Fowler, Sooter, Maher**

Verse
Father, let your kingdom come.
Father, let your will be done
On Earth as in Heaven,
Right here in my heart. *(Repeat)*

Chorus
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us, forgive us.
As we forgive the ones who sinned
Against us, forgive them.
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from the evil one
Let your kingdom come.
(Verse)
(Chorus)

Bridge
It's yours, it's yours,
All yours, all yours,
The kingdom, the power,
The glory are yours.
It's yours, it's yours,
All yours, all yours,
Forever and ever,
The kingdom is yours. *(Repeat)*
(Verse)

Tag
On Earth as in Heaven,
Right here in my heart.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik
Director of Choirs: Keith J. Williams
Worship & Tech Director: Mark Trease
Vocalists: Johnetta Freeman, Laura McClanahan
Guitar: Steve Sebald, Josh Smith
Technical Team: Dawn, Ryan and Bill Bailey

Greeters: Linda Knudsen, Marcy Hartlage
Reader: Kris Simon
Prayers of the People: Carolyn Nottingham Davis
Ushers: Don Halverson, Tom Simon, Cheryl Anderson, Josh Day
Fellowship: Cheryl Anderson, Lori Kosek
Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

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

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

Claudia Reitan
The family of John Schoffstall
The family of Ardis Fairchild
Earl Simons
Harvey Johnson
The family of Ruth Boeser

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.

Verse 3
Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge--
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Please turn to face the back doors as we prepare to go into the world with good courage. You're also invited to join hands with or put your hand on a neighbor near you as a reminder that we do not go forth 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

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!
A: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

P: In the name † of the One who was, who is, and who will be evermore.
A: Amen.

Pastor: As we remember that we are part of God's great story, a story of generous grace and boundless love, a story that continues to be told around us, in us, and in spite of us we begin by confessing our sins before God and one another…
If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for confession and repentance

P: Most merciful God,
All: have mercy on us. We confess to you that 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 trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion, forgive our sin and uphold us by your Spirit, that we may live and serve you in the newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: With joy, I proclaim to you that God, who is rich in mercy and abundant in love, forgives you all your sins, and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

A: Thanks be to God!

*** You may be seated. ***

MUSIC Lord, Listen To Your Children Medema

Chorus
Lord, listen to Your children praying.
Lord, send Your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to Your children praying.
Send us love, send us pow'r,
send us grace.

Verse 1 (solo)
Something's gonna happen
Like the world has never known
When the people of the Lord
get down to pray.
A door's gonna swing open
And the walls come a-tumbling down
When the people of the Lord
get down to pray. *(Chorus)*

Chorus
Lord, listen to Your children praying.
Lord, send Your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to Your children praying.
Send us love, send us pow'r,
send us grace.

Verse 2 (solo)
He's gonna take over.
He's gonna take control.
When the people of the Lord
get down to pray.
He's gonna move the mountain.
He's gonna make the waters roll
When the people of the Lord
get down to pray. *(Chorus)*

Verse 3 (solo)
You're gonna know it
When the Lord
stretches out His hand
And the people of the Lord
get down to pray.
There's gonna be a brand new song
Of vict'ry in this land
When the people of the Lord
get down to pray. *(Chorus)*

GREETING
P: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
P: Let us pray together:
A: O God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Teach us how to pray as we ought, with our lips and with our lives; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Teacher, our Friend, and our Lord. Amen.

Word

FIRST READING **Psalm 138**

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;
I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,

Sung at the beginning and after the last petition.

Spirit of the Living God,
fall fresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God,
fall fresh on me.
melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall fresh on me.

Table

LORD'S PRAYER
P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as 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.

Sending

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BLESSING
L: May God the Creator, Jesus the Christ, and the ever-moving Spirit bless you now and forever.
A: Amen.

MUSIC **What a Friend We Have in Jesus** **#742**

*** Please rise as you are able. Kids are invited to grab a musical instrument from the basket in the back, return to your seats and make a joyful noise as we sing! ***

Verse 1
What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
oh, what needless pain we bear--
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!

Verse 2
Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged--
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--
take it to the Lord in prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you!
A: And also with you.
P: Let's share a sign of God's peace with one another.

You may be seated

OFFERING

We give thanks through the offering we joyfully share. Offering can be placed in the plates that will be passed around, or given online via our secure giving page found at www.crossofglory.us. Thank you for sharing generously for the sake of God's gift of life together!

Blessing the Harvest
Part of the offering we are grateful to share throughout the summer months is what grows in our community gardens. During the offering, children are invited to go grab items from our Harvest Table (near Welcome Desk) and bring them forward to the front of the sanctuary for a blessing.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings — Wismar/Gieseke

Gracious God, you send great blessings new each morning all our days.
For your mercies never ending, for your love we offer praise.
Lord, we pray…
By Your Word You formed creation filled with creatures large and small;
As we tend that endless treasure may our care encircle all.
Lord, we pray that we, Your people who Your gifts unbounded claim,
Through the sharing of Your blessings may bring glory to Your name.
In His earthly life, our Savior knew the care of faithful friends;
May our deeds of dedication offer love that never ends.
Lord, we pray…
Heav'nly Father, may our caring bear the imprint of Your grace;
With the Son and Holy Spirit, praise be Yours in ev'ry place!
Lord, we pray…

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Spoken between petitions

Leader: Spirit of the living God…
All: fall fresh on me.

for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.
On the day I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength of soul.
All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
for great is the glory of the Lord.
For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he perceives from far away.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand,
and your right hand delivers me.
The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

Leader: The word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION — I Love to Tell the Story — #661 verse 1

Please rise as you're able and turn toward the reading of the Gospel as we sing*

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 it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else would do.
I love to tell the story,
Twill be my theme in glory.
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.

GOSPEL READING — Luke 11:1-13

P: The Gospel according to Luke the eleventh chapter.
All: Glory to you, O Lord.

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."
And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

P: The Word of the Lord.
ALL: Praise to you O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION I Love to Tell the Story #661 verse 3

Please turn to follow the Gospel *

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,
I'll sing the old, old story
that I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story,
Twill be my theme in glory.
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus as his love.

*** You may be seated ***

SERMON

MUSIC Seek Ye First

Verse 1
Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And God's righteousness;
And all these things
shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!

Verse 2
Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be
opened unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!

Verse 3
We shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds out
from the mouth of God.
Allelu, Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles Creed

*** Please stand as you are able***

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.