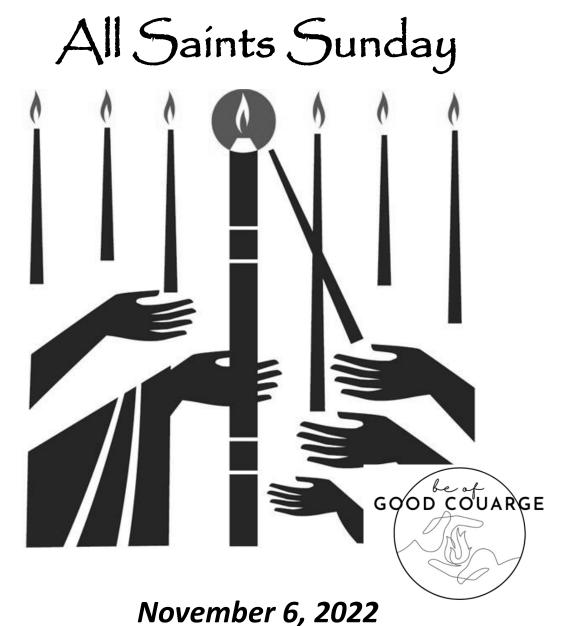


The Worship, Music and Arts Committee invites you to honor loved ones and adorn the sanctuary for the Christmas service.

The donation is \$16 per plant or two for \$30. Please make checks payable to Cross of Glory and note "memorial garden" on the memo line. Or you can also make a payment online by clicking the donate button on the website: www.crosofglory.us All order forms and payments need to be submitted to the office by December 4th.

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Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

Brooklyn Center, MN

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Holy Trinity †, the Mother who loves the world, the Son who dwells in the world, and the Spirit who empowers us for life in the world.

Although we are given the gift of life, we cling to the ways of death. Let us take a moment of silence now to confess and repent of our sins.

Silence is kept for prayerful reflection.

P: God of grace,

All: We confess that we have sinned,

both in words spoken and words left unspoken,

in actions done and left undone.

We turn our faces away from cruelty.

We exploit the earth with our indifference and greed.

We gaze upon your abundance and see scarcity.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

And lead us by your love,

that we might experience the fullness of the life you offer,

loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

P: Beloved of God, there is good news. And it's for *you*. Through the power of Jesus' love †, your sins are forgiven, and you are loved back to life. You are free now to live it.

All: Amen!

MUSIC For All the Saints #422 vss 1-3

Verse 1 thy name, O Jesus,

For all the saints who be forever blest.

from their labors rest, Alleluia! Alleluia!

who thee by faith before the world confessed.

- **Bible Studies** The COG Bible Study gathers onsite and online at 9:30 on Tuesday mornings. Join us as we explore the texts for the upcoming Sunday. The WELCA Bible Study gathers on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1 pm.
- Christmas Cookie Distribution Our Traditional Christmas Cookie Event planning continues and is scheduled for 12/11 following service. Cookie/candy donations can be brought to church on 12/11. The Visitation Ministry continues to call on our members who are home bound, at Care Centers or have had a life changing event. The Cookie Plates are a reminder that Cross of Glory friends are thinking about them at this Christmas season. Our prayer is that their worship experience continues to be meaningful, and are able to be with us again soon. Call Marcy Hartlage, with questions, 763-999-4944.
- Rachel out of office— Rachel will be out of the office from Monday Nov.7-Tuesday Nov. 15. If you need assistance, please call the church office and someone will return your call as soon as possible.
- **Birthday celebration!** Please join us in celebrating Lois Tollefsrud's 90th birthday in the fellowship Hall next Sunday, November 13th following the worship service. All are welcome!
- Care & Visitation If you're interested in receiving a visit from Pastor Ali or a CoG friend, or would be willing to serve as a visitor (who makes either in-person or phone call visits to homebound members), let Rachel in the office know (office@crossofglory.us).
- Want to Know More About COG? We're so glad you're worshiping with us! Welcome. If you're interested in learning more about life together at CoG, reach out to Pastor Ali (atranvik@crossofglory.us).

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Coffee Fellowship Stick around after worship to share in food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall! We're still looking for some hands to help with hosting through November and December. To sign-up, add your name to the list at the usher's table or call the church office (note: treats will already be provided. Hosting simply entails set up and clean up!).
- Stewardship 2022 This stewardship season, we're exploring the theme: "Be of Good Courage." You should've received some stewardship info in the mail this past week (let us know if you didn't!). Pastor Ali is available and glad to meet with you over coffee to reflect, pray, or discuss any questions you may have as you begin to prayerfully consider what it means to courageously give of your time, talents, and treasures in 2023. Note: bring your pledge cards to worship on Nov 20th!
- **3rd Quarter Giving Statements** Statements are ready for you to pick up at the welcome table. If you'd like your copy mailed to your home, please let Rachel know.
- Thanksgiving Eve Join us on Wed, Nov 23 at 5 pm for a short prayer service at 5:30 pm for a community meal (share the word about the meal with friends & neighbors...all are welcome!).
- Thanksgiving Pie Delivery The Faith & Neighboring Practices group invites you to extend the table of our Thanksgiving Eve community meal by sharing pie with those who weren't able to make it to the meal. If you'd like to help with pie delivery on Thurs morning 11/24 or Fri morning 11/25 (or if you'd like to receive some pie!) let Isak know (itranvik@gmail.com) or call the church office at 763-533-8602.
- **Church Directory** If you have not taken/submitted a photo yet for the new directory or shared your updated contact info--or you know a COG friend who hasn't--please be in touch with Rachel ASAP, as we hope to distribute new directories by the end of the year.

Verse 2

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 3

Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray together...

All: O God, in the face of our fear, you give us courage and love us back to life. Help us to celebrate the gift of new life--life for the saints who have passed, and life for the saints gathered here now. In your name we pray, Amen.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Lois Vaala Eleanor Swenson
Brian Danielson Art Hinnenkamp
Doris Fern Marti Cheney
Mayvis Smith Marian Henjum
Dorothy Shoemaker Darlene Rosholt

Desmond McNamara III Charlotte Morrow Bernadine Smith

MUSIC Nothing Can Trouble #1033

During this song, all are invited to come forward when the Spirit moves to light a candle in honor of a loved one that has passed away (this past year or at any time). Tapers lit from the Christ candle are located ends of the candelabras for lighting. As we light a candle in their memory, we give God thanks for the gift of their love among us, and for God's love, which continues to hold us in the midst of our grief and gratitude.

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. Those who seek God shall never go wanting. Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. God alone fills us. *(repeat)*

SRIPTURE READING Romans 8:31-39

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

MUSIC O God, Our Help in Ages Past #632 vss 1,2,5,6

Verse 1

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Verse 2

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Verse 5

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.

Verse 6

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home.

GOSPEL READING 1 John 4:7-12, 16b-19

** Please stand as you are able **

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik Director of choirs: Keith J. Williams Worship & Tech Director: Mark Trease

Vocalist: Kris Simon

Guest Organist: Allan Mahnke

Reader: Julie Aulwes

Greeters: Josephine Cook and Judy

Lewis

Communion: Gayle Merritt, Judy Lewis,

Carol Stejskal

Ushers: Cheryl Anderson, Dick Mero, Don Halverson, Dan Aulwes, Mia Bourne Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn

Bailey & Bill Bailey

Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

Special thanks to the Land O' Dixie Rented Mules Band

Trombone & Leader: John Clark Cornet: Steve Chaleen

Trumpet: Steven Dix Tuba: Rolf Westby

Piano: GR Svenddal Vocals: Kris Simon Clarinet & Composer of

Liturgical Music: Keith Williams

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WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

Mavis Wold
Shar Lauster
Norma Gilbertson
Sue Birch and Sharon Quick
Audrey Swanberg
Dale Anderson

Don and Karen Earnest
Rachel Marquardt
Audrey Pederson
Family and friends of Bernadine Smith
in her recent death

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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Dixieland Instrumental

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: O God, empower us to leave this table feeding as we have been fed, giving as we have been given, and loving as we have been loved; in the name of your Son Jesus Christ, **All: Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

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Dixieland Instrumental

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

ALL: O God, you have called us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, By paths 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, be of good courage!

A: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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P: The Gospel according to John the fourth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us.

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

SERMON

MUSIC Precious Lord Take My Hand

Verse 1

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Precious Lord, take my hand Lead me on, let me stand I am tired, I'm weak, I am worn Through the storm, through the night Lead me on to the light Take my hand, precious Lord Lead me home

Verse 2

When my way grows drear Precious Lord, linger nearer When my life is almost gone Hear my cry, hear my call Hold my hand lest I fall Take my hand, precious Lord Lead me home

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^{**} Please be seated **

^{**}Kids ages 1-12 are invited to meet our COG Kids Ministry leaders in the back of the sanctuary for a special kids activity. (Kids will return to the sanctuary after the sermon)**

Verse 3

When the darkness appears and the night draws near And the day is past and gone, At the river I stand, guide my feet hold my hand Take my hand, precious Lord Lead me home

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

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.

GIVING COURAGEOUSLY

During today's time of offering--and in this stewardship season as you prepare to make a financial pledge for the year ahead--we invite you to give courageously in response to the gifts God has first given us in love. If you're worshiping in person, plates will be passed around the sanctuary. If you are

worshiping online, you're invited to share your offering via the "Give" page at www.crossofglory.us. Thank you for your generosity, as we continue to work to live and share God's love in this place!

OFFERTORY MUSIC

What a Friend We Have in Jesus Dixieland Instrumental

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.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to partake in this holy meal at God's table, where Christ is the host and we are the guests. 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 (glutenfree options available upon request), and wine from the second server (grape juice available upon request). If you'd like to take communion in your seat, simply cue an usher and we'd be happy to bring it to you. If you're worshiping at home, we invite you to have bread or a cracker and wine or juice, trusting that God is present in it, and that it draws us together as one body even across time and space

The body of Christ is given for you. **Amen**.

The blood of Christ is shed for you. **Amen**.

^{**} Please be seated **