

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Fellowship Hour** - Please join us for a time of fellowship--accompanied by coffee and treats--immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks to all who have signed up to help with set-up and clean-up to make these gatherings possible!
- **Name Tags** - As a gesture of hospitality to new members and visitors, we invite everyone to make a name tag at the Welcome Desk upon entry. Thank you!
- **Want to Know More About COG?** - If you're interested in learning more about life together at Cross of Glory, or joining as a new member, please reach out to Pastor Ali (atranvik@crossofglory.us).
- **Support to Ukraine** - Donations--which go toward food, basic supplies, and other emergency needs--can be given directly through Lutheran Disaster at www.elca.org/disaster. You may also write a check to Cross of Glory and mark it as "Ukraine Aid" and we will direct those funds toward these efforts.
- **Bible Study** - All are welcome to take part in Bible Study Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am via Zoom or in person.
- **Mutual Aid** - In the months to follow the killing of Daunte Wright, CoG members and neighbors gathered to explore what mutual aid looks like longer-term. That group is gathering for a conversation and community meal on Tuesday, May 3. If you're interested in learning more or taking part, please reach out to Pastor Ali by April 29.
- **Brooklyn Blvd Construction** - There currently remains access to the church via Brooklyn Blvd. Additionally, CoG's back parking lot can be accessed from Ewing (via Admiral Ln) or Drew (via Bass Lake Road), where gates will remain open. For ongoing updates, visit www.ci.brooklyn-center.mn.us/.
- **Individual & Home Communion** - If you are not able to attend worship in person but are interested in having communion at church or brought to your home, please reach out to Pastor Ali to set up a time for a CoG lay minister to visit.
- **Pastoral Care** - Pastor Ali's pastoral care office hours--virtual or in-person--are Tuesdays from 10:30-1:30 and Wednesdays from 2-5, and home/care facility visitation hours are Thursdays from 3-5. Please reach out to her if you'd like to connect.

The Second Sunday of Easter



Sunday April 24, 2022

***Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Brooklyn Center, MN***

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS AT THE FONT

Please rise as you are able and face the baptismal font.

Refreshed by the resurrection we share in Christ Jesus, let us confess our sins and be cleansed by the gift of new life.

God of Life, we come to the water, thirsting for you and for your grace. Forgive us for our greed, our self-centeredness, our indifference, and for all the ways we cling to death even though you offer us life. Silence for reflection and repentance.

We thank you, O God, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life. We bless you, O God, that your Spirit comes to us like rains to our thirsting earth. We praise you, O God, for giving us the gift of your grace in these waters, and for showering us, day by day, with the gift of new life. **Amen!**

You're invited to mark the sign of the cross on your forehead, remembering the gift of baptism.

MUSIC

God So Loved

Cash/Bergthold

Verse 1

Come all you weary
Come all you thirsty
Come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water
Come and thirst no more

Come to the table He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness
Find what you're looking for

Chorus 1

For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Verse 2

Come all you sinners
Come find His mercy

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace and live as Christ's body.

A: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik

Vocalist, choir, and handbell director: Keith J. Williams

Pianist, vocalist, worship team director, tech director: Mark Trease

Lector: Lois Tollefsrud

Greeters: Ron and Lois Tollefsrud

Communion: Cheryl Anderson, Dick Mero, Don Halverson, Gayle Merritt

Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn Bailey, and Bill Bailey

Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

<i>Mavis Wold</i>	<i>Sue Birch</i>	<i>Trish Hambrick and Dan</i>
<i>Shar Lauster</i>	<i>Chet Janasz</i>	<i>Jacobson in the recent</i>
<i>Norma Gilbertson</i>	<i>Elaine Merila</i>	<i>death of Trish's sister</i>
<i>Arlene Finke</i>	<i>Angela, granddaughter</i>	<i>and brother -n-law</i>
<i>Marian Henjum</i>	<i>of Helen Slobodnik</i>	<i>The family of Desmon</i>
<i>Nancy Hengel</i>		<i>McNamara III in his</i>
<i>Sharon Quick</i>		<i>recent passing</i>

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 also welcome to stop at our community prayer wall just outside the sanctuary to add a written prayer, fold it up and place it between the wooden pieces in the wall.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered together as one 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING BLESSING

P: Even in an aching world that's crying out for healing, the joy of Christ alive is our steady companion. The same Spirit that has sustained our sisters and brothers through the centuries promises to see us through these days. That we might hang on to hope, work for justice and peace, and celebrate the gifts of being loved and loving. We go proclaiming our hallelujahs, for Christ is risen. Alleluia and amen!

Please rise as you're able.

MUSIC **Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises** **ELW 535**

Refrain

Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness.

Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness. *Repeat*

Verse 1

Christ the Lord to us said:
I am wine, I am bread,

I am wine, I am bread,
give to all who thirst and hunger.
Refrain

Verse 2

Now he sends us all out,
strong in faith, free of doubt,
strong in faith, free of doubt.
Tell to all the joyful gospel. *Refrain*

Verse 3

Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot
of the cross
Jesus is waiting there
With open arms

Chorus 2

For God so loved the world that
He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live
forever
The power of hell forever
defeated
Now it is well I'm walking in
freedom
For God so loved God so loved
the world

GREETING

P: Easter people, Jesus is alive! May his grace, love, and communion be with you all.

A: And also with you.

*** You may be seated***

MUSIC

Living Hope

Wickham/Johnson

Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay
between us
How high the mountain I could not
climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night

Then through the darkness Your
loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my
soul
The work is finished the end is
written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Bridge

Praise God praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him praise Him
For the wonders of His love

Chorus 3

For God so loved the world that
He gave us
His one and only Son to save

Verse 4

Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot
of the cross
Jesus is waiting
God so loved the world

Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let's pray together...

All: O God of life, you reach out to us in the midst of our fears, with the wounded hands of your risen son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Verse 3

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
(REPEAT)
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

Ending

Jesus Christ my living hope
Oh God You are my living hope

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

A: And also with you.

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

*** Please be seated ***

BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

Offering can be placed in the plates located just outside the sanctuary, sent to the church (5929 Brooklyn Blvd), or given online via our secure giving page located at www.crossofglory.us. Thank you for your generously sharing what God has first given us.

MUSIC

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God,
Fall fresh on me.

Spirit of the living God,
Fall fresh on me.

Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.

Spirit of the living God,
Fall fresh on me. *Repeated.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: God of life...

A: Move us in prayer.

WITNESSING RESURRECTION

Throughout the Easter season, we will be relying on one another to help us witness the resurrection that's unfolding around us. We invite you to send us photos of resurrection--glimpses of new life--that you notice in your daily lives. We will incorporate them into this time of reflection each week, in which you're invited to prayerfully ponder the new life that is emerging all around.

MUSIC**Healer of our Every Ill****ELW 612****Refrain**

Healer of our ev'ry ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.

Verse 1

You who know our fears and
sadness,
grace us with your peace and
gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts.
Refrain

Verse 2

In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love.
Refrain

Verse 3

Give us strength to love each other,
ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide.
Refrain

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**

MUSIC**In Christ Alone****Getty/Townend****Verse 1**

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my
song
This Cornerstone this solid
Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought
and storm
What heights of love what depths
of peace
When fears are stilled when
strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and
righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to
save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness
slain
Then bursting forth in glorious
Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ

Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of
man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll
stand

SCRIPTURE READING:**Psalm 118:14-29**

The LORD is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.
There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:
'The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted;

the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.’
I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the LORD.
The LORD has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.
Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.
This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the LORD’s doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!
O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.
We bless you from the house of the LORD.
The LORD is God,
and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.
You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.
O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures for ever.

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL READING John 20:19-31

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

P: The Gospel according to John the twentieth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.’

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, ‘We have seen the Lord.’ But he said to them, ‘Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.’

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.’ Thomas answered him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.’

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

*** Please be seated ***

SERMON