

•**W/ELCA Christmas Gifts** - W/ELCA is collecting gifts for residents of Good Samaritan Home in Robbinsdale who do not have family to celebrate with. Shopping lists and envelopes for cash/check donations are located under the poster by the Welcome Desk. Make checks payable to: Good Samaritan Society; insert "senior gifts" in memo line. Last day to donate is Sunday, Nov 18.

•**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.

•**Want to Know More About COG?** - We're so glad you're worshipping with us! Welcome. If you're interested in learning more about life together at COG, reach out to Pastor Ali (atranvik@crossofglory.us).



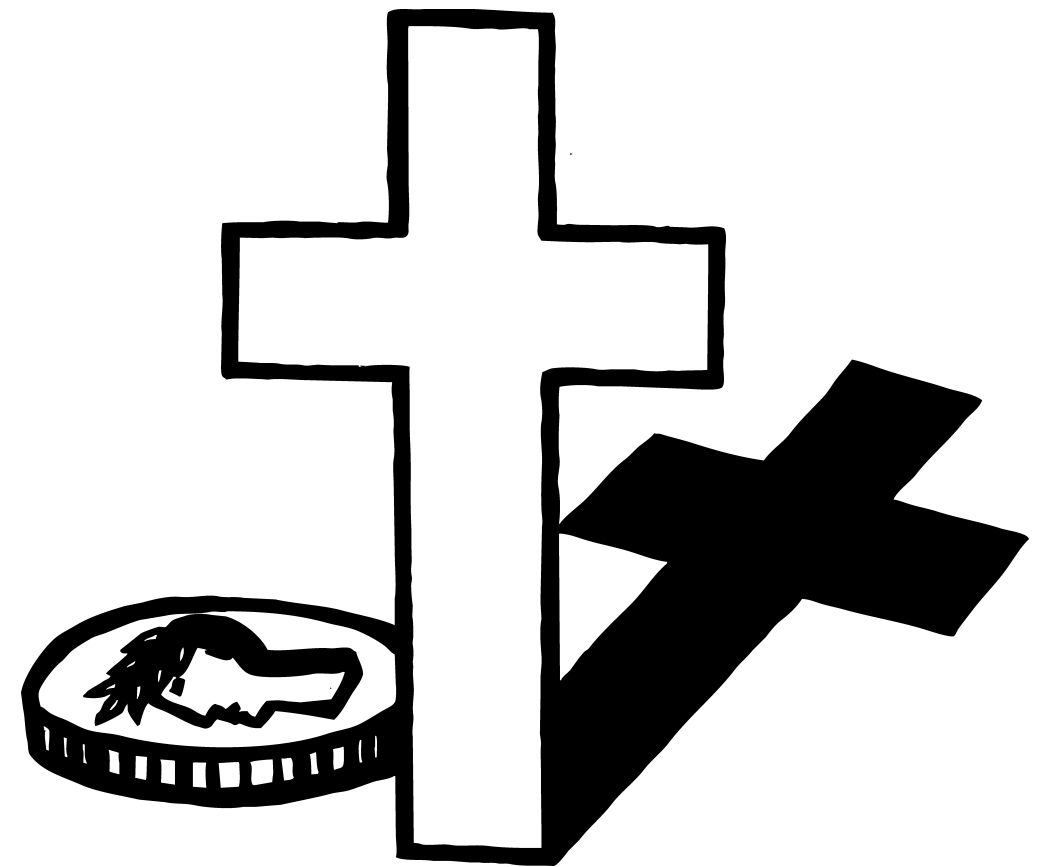
Please join us in lifting up these brothers and sisters in prayer:

<i>Mavis Wold</i>	<i>Eric Thompson & family</i>	<i>Josh Day</i>
<i>Norma Gilbertson</i>	<i>DeLores Olson</i>	<i>Penny Lindblom</i>
<i>Audrey Swanberg</i>	<i>Sharon Quick & Sue</i>	<i>Sherry Mattfield</i>
<i>Jeannie Kuzmich</i>	<i>Birch</i>	<i>Debbie Sjoquist</i>
<i>Dick Mero</i>	<i>Martha Krueger</i>	<i>Mike Edstrom</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 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.

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



October 22, 2023

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS



LENT
Stories of Call:
A Season of
Prayerful Listening

Welcome to Cross of Glory!



EASTER
Stories of Life:
A Season of
Proclaiming Life Amidst Death



PENTECOST
Stories of Togetherness:
A Season of
Exploring Life Shared Together

We're glad you're here. If you're worshipping with us for the first time today, we invite you to fill out a "Welcome" card from the pew rack and place it in the plate during the offering so we can extend a deeper welcome. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for a brief time of food and fellowship. We hope that at Cross of Glory you experience God's gift of life together, made richer by your presence among us.

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be God, Mother who creates us, † Jesus who dwells among us, and Spirit who stirs us to life.

All: Amen.

Although God calls us to life together, we continually separate ourselves from God and one another. Let us take a moment of silence to repent and confess our sins...

Silence for reflection

P: Ever-living God,

All: You have offered us the gift of life, taught us the ways of shalom, shown us the ways of justice, yet we fail to listen to your call. We are complacent in the face of violence and suffering, and afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we limit the scope of those we think we're responsible for loving, forgive us. Draw us toward one another--toward you, through the power of your living Spirit among us. Amen.

•**Coffee Hour** - Join us after worship today in the fellowship hall for a time of food and fellowship!

•**Table Talks TODAY** - All are welcome on fourth Sundays after worship for "Table Talks," our monthly education hour where we explore the ways our faith shapes our everyday lives. This month's gathering will take place today and the topic is "Faith + Parking Lots."

•**Reformation Potluck** - The whole CoG community is invited to a potluck luncheon after worship on Reformation Sunday, Oct 29th. Bring a dish to share (sign up near Welcome Desk) and join us as the Vision + Vocation team shares more about next steps!

•**First Communion Class** - Kids who have not yet taken part in a first communion class, as well as their parent(s), are invited to take part in a First Communion class in CoG's Fellowship Hall this Wed 10/25 from 5:30-7pm. We'll share a meal, bake communion bread, and learn together about the sacrament. Please RSVP to Pastor Ali ASAP if you haven't already!

•**Confirmation** - Confirmation takes place on first Wednesdays at 7 pm for children ages 6th-8th grade. Kids of all ages are welcome to gather between 5:30-7 pm for activities. Reach out to Kris Simon with questions.

•**Transportation Request** - Would you be willing to offer a ride to someone on Sunday mornings a time or two a month? A few folks who live within a few miles of the church have recently requested rides. If you're willing to help, even occasionally, please let Rachel in the office know ASAP, and we'll coordinate a schedule.

•**Community Art Project** - If you haven't yet had the chance to take part in the cross project that reflects "God's Work, Our Hands," please stop by the art station by the welcome desk after church today, or anytime M-W 10-2 (if you're unable to take part onsite, reach out to the office and we'll bring the project to you!) *A special thanks to Ceramic Tileworks and MN Clay Company for their generosity in supporting our work with their tiles and glazes.

•**Prayers of the People** - If you're interested in helping lead the Prayers of the People on occasion, please let Pastor Ali know ASAP. We'll be gathering next month to share some resources and create a schedule for folks to lead, as we work to make our liturgy more fully reflect "the work of the people!"

SENDING BLESSING

P: Go in peace, and love the world God so loves.

A: We will! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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Guitar: Steve Sebald	Ministers: The People of Cross of Glory
Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn and Bill Bailey	

P: Beloveds in Christ, in Jesus, God is always making a way out of no way, calling us out of ourselves and into one body. In † Christ, we are already and always forgiven, and freed for life together. And to that we say:

A: Thanks be to God!

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

MUSIC

Chorus

Kyrie Eleison on our world
And on our way.
Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day.

Verse 1

For peace in the world,
For the health of the church,
For the unity of all,
For this holy house,
For all who worship and praise,
Let us pray to the Lord.
Let us pray to the Lord. *(Chorus)*

Verse 2

That we may live out
Your impassioned response
To the hungry and the poor,
That we may live out
Truth and justice and grace,
Let us pray to the Lord.
Let us pray to the Lord.
(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.**

*** Please be seated ***

Kyrie Eleison

(Olson)

Verse 3

For peace in our hearts,
For peace in our homes,
For friends and family,
For life and for love,
For our work and our play,
Let us pray to the Lord.
Let us pray to the Lord.
(Chorus)

Verse 4

For Your Spirit to guide,
That You center our lives
In the water and the word,
That You nourish our souls
With Your body and blood,
Let us pray to the Lord.
Let us pray to the Lord.
(Chorus)



Join us next Sunday, October 29th, for a potluck celebration and learn as the Vision + Vocation team shares more about next steps!

MUSIC**Take My Life**

#583

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Verse 1

Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain*

Verse 2

Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use

ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Refrain**Verse 3**

Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Refrain**Verse 4**

Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Let us pray together:

**All: O God, you have lovingly created us--and everyone else--in
your image. Help us to reflect your image; and to witness your
image reflected in everyone else; through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen.**

MUSIC**God of Grace and God of Glory**

#705

Verse 1

God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
crown your ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Verse 2

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long
have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days,

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*Sending***COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS****MUSIC****It's Yours****(Fowler/Sooter/Maher)**

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

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.

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

***Please rise as you're able and 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!**

OFFERING

The Spirit moves through the offering we joyfully share. We invite you to leave an offering in the plates or scan the QR code here to make a secure, online gift. Thank you!



MUSIC

I Give You My Heart

Morgan

Verse

This is my desire,
To honour You.
Lord, with all my heart,
I worship You.
All I have within me
I give You praise.
All that I adore is in You.

Chorus

Lord, I give You my heart,
I give You my soul.
I live for You alone.
Ev'ry breath that I take,
Ev'ry moment I'm awake,
Lord, have Your way in me.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sung between petitions:

**Spirit, open my heart,
To the joy and pain of living.**

**As you love, may I love.
In receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.**

Table

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.

Verse 3

Cure your children's
warring madness;
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton,
selfish gladness,

rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom,
grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:
I will go before you
and level the mountains,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I surname you, though you do not know me.
I am the Lord, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the Lord, and there is no other.
I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the Lord do all these things.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM **Amazing Grace** **(arr. Shafferman)**

GOSPEL READING **Matthew 22:15-22**

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

P: The Gospel according to Matthew the twenty-second chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

P: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

MUSIC **I Give Myself Away** **Hinn/ McDowell**

Chorus
I give myself away.
I give myself away
So You can use me.
I give myself away.
I give myself away
So You can use me. *(Repeat)*

Verse 1
Here I am.
Here I stand.
Lord, my life is in Your hands.
Lord, I'm longing to see
Your desires revealed in me.
(Chorus)

Verse 2

Take my heart.
Take my life
As a living sacrifice.
All my dreams.
All my plans,
Lord, I place them in Your hands.
(Chorus)

Bridge

My life is not my own.
To You, I belong.
I give myself.
I give myself to You.
My life is not my own.
To You, I belong.
I give myself.
I give myself to You. *(Repeat)*
(Chorus)

CONFESSON OF FAITH

Apostles Creed

*** Please rise 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.

*** Please be seated ***