



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

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Audrey Swanberg
Jeannie Kuzmich
Eric Thompson & family
Dick Mero

Martha Krueger
Penny Lindblom
Sherry Mattfield
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Marian Priest
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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.

Advent 2023 Holden (Morning) Prayer

Dec 3 - Advent I: Love that Fills the Night with Wonder

Dec 10 - Advent II: Love that Warms the Weary Soul: A Service of Lessons & Music

Dec 17 - Advent III: Love that Bursts All Chains Asunder

Dec 24 (9:30 am) - Advent IV: Set us Free and Make us Whole

*Christmas Eve Worship will take place on Sunday, Dec 24 at 4 pm - All neighbors welcome!



The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost



November 12, 2023
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Brooklyn Center, MN



LENT
 Stories of Call:
 A Season of
 Prayerful Listening



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



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

Welcome to Cross of Glory! We're glad you're here. If you've started worshipping here recently, 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

Down By the Riverside
Amazing Grace

arr. Severson
 arr. Gillis

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: We begin our worship by centering our hearts and minds through confession. Let us silently reflect on the lives we bring before our Lord.

Silence for reflection

L: Promising to give us rest from our burdens, our Creator calls us to repent and ask forgiveness for our sins. Let us confess before the Lord.

All: For unkind and unthinking acts, and for not acting when we could, good Lord forgive us. For not understanding or addressing the needs of others, good Lord forgive us. For failing to express our love for you by not remembering to love our fellow human beings, good Lord forgive us. For failing to care for your creation as good stewards, good Lord forgive us. For refusing to love ourselves as you have asked us to do, good Lord forgive us.

L: God created us all and saw us as good. God continues to love us in and

•**W/ELCA Christmas Gifts** - W/ELCA is collecting gifts for residents of Good Samaritan Home in Robbinsdale. 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 Nov 19.

•**W/ELCA Christmas Gathering** - will be held on December 2, 2023 punch at 11:30, luncheon at noon, program at 1pm. Sign up on the poster by the information desk. If you are unable to sign up in person, call the church office or Carol Stejskal by Nov. 26, 2023.

•**Thanksgiving Pie Delivery** - This Thanksgiving, join us in sharing pie with those in our community who may particularly enjoy a slice. If you'd like to help with pie delivery Thurs morning, Nov 23--or if you'd like to receive some pie!--let Isak Tranvik know or call the church office at 763-533-8602 by Nov 15.

•**Christmas Cookie Distribution**—Our Christmas Cookie tradition continues. We have been blessed with donations of cookies from all of our parishioners in the past. The cookie plates have been cheerfully and thankfully received. We need your help to bring fresh baked, store bought, or candy Dec. 10, 2023 to prepare plates for our homebound and care center members this holiday season— fill out the sheet on the ushers table to sign up to take part.

•**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).

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Coffee Hour** - Join us after worship today in the fellowship hall for a time of food and fellowship!
- Prayers of the People Workshop TODAY** - If you're interested in helping lead the Prayers of the People on occasion, join us after worship to share some resources as we work to make our liturgy more fully reflect "the work of the people!"
- Stewardship** - This month, we invite you to prayerfully ponder your financial commitment in 2024, and to join us for worship Stewardship Sunday, Nov 19. We are so grateful for your generosity as we work to live out God's call to life together!
- Neighborhood Listening THIS WEDNESDAY** - As we work to discern what God's call to life together looks like at CoG, we'll be gathering with neighbors from the BC community on the third Wednesday of the month for a Neighborhood Listening Session. Join us from 5:30-6:30 as we share a meal and get to know our neighbor(hood)! This month's session, featuring neighbors from our fellow 5929 congregations, will take place this Wed, Nov 15.
- Site Visits** - As we work to further discern our call, we'll also be learning from neighboring churches who have reimagined ways to share space for the sake of God's work. If you're interested in taking part in a site visit or two in the next few months, join us for a brief orientation on either Thurs, Nov 16 at 7 pm on Zoom or onsite after worship on Sunday, Nov 19 at 10:45 am. Reach out to Kris Simon with questions.
- Table Talks** - 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 at 11 am on Nov 26, and the topic is "Faith + Predatory Lending." We look forward to welcoming a speaker from Exodus Lending to share more about payday lending and the work Exodus does in response. Reach out to Gordy Johnsrud with any questions.

through our brokenness and limitations as children in need of nurturing. God sent Jesus as Word made human flesh so that our suffering would be shared, and our sins would be forgiven. By God's grace we are forgiven and freed to love our God, our neighbors and ourselves.

All: Amen.

MUSIC

Soon and Very Soon

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Verse 1

Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We're goin' to see the King!

Verse 2

No more cryin' there
we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there
we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there

we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
we are goin' to see the King!

Verse 3

Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

P: Let us pray,

A: O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*** Please be seated ***

Word

KYRIE

Do Lord

Howe & Williams

Verse 1

Do Lord, O do Lord,
O do remember me,
Do Lord, in mercy,
O do remember me,
Do Lord, grant peace, Lord,
Yes, do remember me,
Grace has made us free!

that comes from above,
Send us your peace Lord,
descending like a dove.
Grace has made us free!

Verse 3

Make safe Your people,
Now don't let us fall.
Make the church whole now,
and one with its call.
Make us all whole now,
in unity with all.
Grace has made us free!

Verse 2

Send us your peace, Lord,
a sign of Your love,
Send us your peace Lord,

SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalm 78:1-7

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,
things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.
We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.
He established a decree in Jacob,
and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors
to teach to their children;
that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,
and rise up and tell them to their children,
so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget the works of God,
but keep his commandments;

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Stay awake!!
A: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

I'll Fly Away

Spiritual

MUSIC CREDITS

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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

MUSIC Benedixie

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May God's face shine on you. — May God be gracious unto you, and grant you grace and peace. —

SENDING BLESSING

P: Be emboldened to go into the world as beloved children of God, ready to abide in God's love and to share it with one another.

MUSIC When the Saints Go Marching In

*** 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 1	When the sun begins to shine.
Oh, when the saints go marching in,	Verse 3
Oh, when the saints go marching in,	Oh, when the trumpet sounds the call,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number	Oh, when the trumpet sounds the call,
When the saints go marching in.	Oh Lord I want to be in that number
Verse 2	When the trumpet sounds the call.
And when the sun begins to shine,	
And when the sun begins to shine,	
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number	

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM Keep Your Lamps Trimmed Williams

GOSPEL READING Matthew 25:1-13

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

ALL: All creatures, great and small, cry aloud your name.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Sanctus (Sing along)

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

Lord, Ho ly Lord... Ho ly! Lord, Ho ly Lord... Ho ly! All crea tures great and small shall cry a loud your name. Ho ly! Ho san na! Ho sa na! Cry ho sa na in the name of the Lord.

‘Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, “Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.” Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, “Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.” But the wise replied, “No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.” And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, “Lord, lord, open to

us.” But he replied, “Truly I tell you, I do not know you.” Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

P: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Cry hosanna in the name of the Lord.

*** Please be seated ***

GOSPEL RESPONSE Sanctus (Reprise) (Sing along)

SERMON

MUSIC This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.
Let it shine. Let it shine. Let it shine.

Verse 2

Let it shine o’er the whole wide world, I’m gonna let it shine....

Verse 3

Let it shine ‘til Jesus comes, I’m gonna let it shine.....

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

A: And always with you.

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

MUSIC DURING SHARING OF THE PEACE

Just a Closer Walk With Thee arr. Don Gillis

*** You may be seated ***

Table

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!



OFFERING MUSIC What a Friend We Have in Jesus #742

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 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.

OFFERING OF COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, like grains of wheat that are gathered together to become one bread, so let your church, along with all peoples, be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom. For yours is the glory, through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Lord, in your mercy...

A: Hear our prayer.

LORD’S PRAYER

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.