

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Coffee Hour** - Join us after worship today for a time of food and fellowship! If you're able to lend a hand to help set up or clean up in coming weeks, sign up at the Welcome Desk.
- **CoG Campers Head to Wapo** - Please hold in prayer the CoG kids headed to Camp Wapo next week! Hand-crafted greeting cards made by campers will continue to be available for purchase through our church office.
- **Summer Community Meals** - Monthly community meals will take place in the CoG courtyard (weather permitting) on the last Wednesday of the month (June 28, July 26, and Aug 30) at 5:30 pm. Bring some friends and neighbors - all are welcome!
- **Vacation Bible School** - If you're hoping to send kids to VBS, contact the church office ASAP! This summer's joint Wildfire VBS is taking place at Faith Lilac Way Lutheran Church in Robbinsdale, July 10-13, 5:30-7:30 pm (dinner included). The theme is "Operation Restoration: Mending God's world."
- **W/ELCA is collecting school supplies for Progeny Academy** students and teachers during the months of June and July. Shopping lists and envelopes for \$\$\$ donations are under the poster by the Welcome Desk. Make check donations out to: Progeny Academy. Envelopes go to the church office. Last Sunday for donations is July 30th.
- **Respite Care & Caregiver Support Group** - Respite Care is a collaborative Wildfire ministry that provides companionship for those in need of care, and some respite for care-givers. It meets at House of Hope in New Hope on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month from 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Also, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at House of Hope, Wildfire also hosts a caregiver support group. Contact Debbie Haney (612) 408-2049 for more info.
- **Afternoon Fellowship at CoG**—All adults are welcome to come and join us at church for an afternoon of fellowship, treats and card games. We will meet between 1 and 3 on Thursday June 29th and August 3rd. Please let Judy Lewis (612-483-6450) or Linda Knudsen (612-518-4879) know if you are planning on coming or if you need a ride.
- **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 worshiping with us! Welcome. If you're interested in learning more about life together at COG, reach out to Pastor Ali (atranvik@crossofglory.us).

The Third Sunday after Pentecost



June 18, 2023

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

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CROSS OF GLORY!

This year, we are working to listen for and live into God's call to life together.
Here's what that looks like in our worship life...



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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Let us confess 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 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.**

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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik
Guest Preacher: Seminarian Nathan Lyke
Director of Choirs: Keith J. Williams
Worship & Tech Director: Mark Trease
Vocalists: Shadlyn Bourne, Johnetta Freeman, Erik Haugland, Kris Simon
Guitar: Josh Smith

Greeters: Linda Knudsen, Harriet Halverson
Reader: Merle Solie
Ushers: Cheryl Anderson, Don Halverson, Steve Ferley
Communion: Merle Solie Linda Knudsen
Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn 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:

*Mavis Wold
Norma Gilbertson
Audrey Swanberg
Jeannie Kuzmich*

*Eric Thompson & family
DeLores Olson
Verle Smith
Ron Tollefsrud*

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 2

I've seen
 many searching for answers
 Far and wide.
 But I know
 we're all searching for answers
 Only You provide,
 Because You know
 just what we need
 Before we say a word.
 (Chorus)

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways.
 You are perfect in all of Your ways.
 You are perfect in all of Your ways
 to us.

Verse 3

Love so undeniable,
 I can hardly speak.
 Peace so unexplainable,
 I can hardly think
 As You call me deeper still,
 As You call me deeper still,
 As You call me deeper still,
 Into love, love, love.
 (Chorus)

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

**As we pray the Prayer of Good Courage, we invite you to rise as you're able and face the back doors, a reminder that as we go forth into the world, we go with good courage. You're also invite to join hands with or put your hands on a neighbor near you, 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!**

POSTLUDE

P: With joy, I proclaim to you that God who is rich in mercy and abundant in love, forgives you all your sin, freeing you for life, and life together. **A: Thanks be to God!**

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

MUSIC

God Is Here!

#526

Verse 1

God is here! As we your people
 meet to offer praise and prayer,
 may we find in fuller measure
 what it is in Christ we share.
 Here, as in the world around us,
 all our varied skills and arts
 wait the coming of the Spirit
 into open minds and hearts.

Verse 2

Here are symbols to remind us
 of our lifelong need of grace;
 here are table, font, and pulpit;
 here the cross has central place.
 Here in honesty of preaching,
 here in silence, as in speech,
 here, in newness and renewal,
 God the Spirit comes to each.

Verse 3

Here our children find a welcome
 in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
 here as bread and wine are taken,
 Christ sustains us as of old.
 Here the servants of the Servant
 seek in worship to explore
 what it means in daily living
 to believe and to adore.

Verse 4

Lord of all, of church and kingdom,
 in an age of change and doubt,
 keep us faithful to the gospel;
 help us work your purpose out.
 Here, in this day's dedication,
 all we have to give, receive;
 we, who cannot live without you,
 we adore you! We believe!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Let us pray together:

All: God of compassion, by the death of your Son, you love us back to life. Pour your love into our hearts, that we may live as your beloved children, sharing your abundant grace through word and deed, Amen.

*** Please be seated ***

FIRST READING

Exodus 19:2-8a

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.'

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.' Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 5:1-8

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Chorus

Thank you,
Thank you, dear Lord.
Thank you
from the bottom of my heart.

Verse 2

At the cross you gave
your life for me
As a gift of your great love.
It was the gift of
everlasting life from above.

I can boldly come
before your throne
Through your love and suffering.
I'm going to shout it
to the heavens,
I've been redeemed (*Chorus 2x*)

Ending

Gracias, Gracias Señor.
Gracias mi Señor, Jesús.
Gracias, Gracias Señor.
Gracias mi Señor, Jesús.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING BLESSING

P: The Spirit of Pentecost continues to move in our midst,
Stirring us to love neighbor and enemy,
Empowering us to work for peace and justice,
And enlivening us to share God's gift of life together.
So go with good courage, for the Spirit goes with you.

ALL: Amen!

MUSIC

Good, Good Father

(Brown/Barrett)

*** 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 some joyful noise as we sing! ***

Verse 1

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like.
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night.
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone.

Chorus

You're a Good, Good Father.
It's who You are.
It's who You are.
It's who You are.
And I'm loved by You.
It's who I am.
It's who I am.
It's who I am.

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Come to the table, where God's gifts of grace and love are poured out for all, and where all are welcome. If you're worshipping onsite, you're invited to come forward when an usher cues your row. You'll be offered bread from the first server (gluten-free 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.

The body of Christ is given for you.
The blood of Christ is shed for you.
Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

MUSIC	He Knows My Name	(Walker)
Verse 1 I have a Maker, He formed my heart. Before even time began My life was in His hand.	He sees each tear that falls And hears me when I call.	
Chorus He knows my name. He knows my every thought.	Verse 2 I have a Father, He calls me His own. He'll never leave me No matter where I go. (Chorus)	

MUSIC	Gracias (Thank You)	(Witt)
Verse 1 Lord you took me into your arms. You have shown me truest love. You have given me such mercy I'm not worthy of.	Lord your mercy everlasting I could never understand For all the love and grace you've shown I just want to say that I	

GOSPEL READING Matthew 9:35-10:8

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

P: The Gospel according to Matthew the ninth and tenth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

P: The word of the Lord

ALL: Praise to you O Christ.

*** Please be seated ***

SERMON

Seminarian Nathan Lyke

MUSIC

I Love to Tell the Story

#661

Verse 1

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.

Refrain

I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.

Verse 2

I love to tell the story:
how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it,
more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
for some have never heard
the message of salvation
from God's own holy word. *Refrain*

Verse 3

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. *Refrain*

CONFESSION 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 ***

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!



OFFERTORY SPECIAL MUSIC

Kris Simon

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Hear us, O God.

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

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