

jazz worship service and a sermon from guest preacher Nick Tangen, Assistant to the Bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod, as we celebrate Transfiguration Sunday, the final Sunday before Lent.

•**Art Gallery Talk** - All are welcome to stick around after worship on Feb 22 for a gallery talk with the artist/photographer of our new art exhibit that explore themes of place and calling.

•**Register for Camp Wapo by Feb 15** - Hey families, registration for Camp Wapo is now open! Kids ages 5-2nd grade are invited to attend Wapo One Day on July 22; kids completing grades 1-3rd are invited to attend the Seeds Weekend on July 24-26th; and kids completing grades 4th-9th are invited to attend the week-long camp on July 19-24th. Like in years past, the church will provide scholarships and we hope that fundraising efforts will significantly reduce costs. Reach out to Rachel in the office to learn more and register today!

•**Pastoral Care & Visitation** - If you're in need of care, prayer, or conversation, reach out to the office to be connected with the pastor or our Care & Visitation Team. We also invite you to stop by our Community Prayer Wall located just outside the sanctuary.

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

Norma Gilbertson
Jeannie Kuzmich
Eric Thompson & family
Mark Trease
Becca and Donald Floyd
Josh Day

John Thomson
Marian Priest
Sherry Weko
Loved ones of Mavis Wold
Loved ones of Ardy Jereski



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 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany



Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

February 1, 2026



Welcome to worship! In this season of Epiphany, as we read scriptural stories that reveal the kind of kingdom Jesus has taken on flesh to bring about, we glimpse God who meets us in the ordinary stuff of our world--flesh, bread, wine, water--and who invites us to help make God's kingdom manifest in our world today. And it all begins in baptism. This is why our services this season begin at the font. As we're splashed with the waters of baptism, we remember our call to boldly live out our baptisms in the ordinariness of our lives, and to do so with extraordinary love.

We're glad you're here to take part in this holy work! If you're visiting Cross of Glory, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card located in the pews, so we can further extend a welcome to you.

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

Congregation is invited to stand and turn toward the font where we confess our sins, receive the gift of God's grace, and remember the gift of our baptisms. Kids are invited to come toward the font and make waves with the blue linen, a reminder of the ever-moving waters of baptism).

MUSIC

I've Got Peace Like a River

#159

Verse 1

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river
in my soul (*repeat*)

Verse 2

I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean,

I've got love like an ocean
in my soul. (*repeat*)

Verse 3

I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain
in my soul. (*repeat*)

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Called to live the baptized life, let us confess our sins and be cleansed by the gift of new life...

P: God of life,

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

•**Coffee Fellowship Hour** - Stick around after worship for a time of food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

•**First Wednesday this Week** - All are welcome to come to COG this Wednesday for our monthly First Wed gatherings, which includes a community meal at 5:30 pm, activities for kids between 6-7, and confirmation at 7 pm.

•**Giving Statements and Envelopes** - 2025 giving statements and 2026 giving envelopes are completed and available at the Welcome Desk. Please pick up yours to save the church on postage fees. Contact Rachel if you have any questions or need anything else!

•**Resource Table** - Stop by our resource table near the Welcome Desk to learn more about ways you can support our neighbors. We are grateful to have our partners at ACER joining us this week to share more information.

•**Donation Collection** - CAPI is collecting household items for neighbors in need. Let's help them out! For the next two weeks, please bring laundry detergent, dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, garbage bags. Join us for a packing event at COG on Feb 15 from 3-5.

•**Ash Wednesday Worship** - Cross of Glory will host Ash Wednesday worship at 6 pm on Wed, Feb 18 as we begin the Lenten season. Join us as we begin "Journeying with Jesus" this Lent.

•**New Creation Lenten Soup Suppers & Evening Prayer** - COG, FLW, and First are hosting rotating midweek Lenten gatherings as we move more deeply into the theme of "Journeying with Jesus." Come anytime after 5:15 for supper. Worship is at 6 pm, and will conclude in time for music rehearsals at 7 pm. Feb 25th will take place at First Lutheran.

•**Wildfire Book Club** - Join Wildfire siblings for a communal reading and study of Julia Lambert Fogg's "Finding Jesus at the Border," which explores stories of migration and welcome in Scripture and in our current context. There are two more sessions you can jump into: Tues 2/10 at 6:30 pm at FLW and on Zoom (ch 5-8), Thurs 2/12 from 6-8 at House of Hope with pizza (discussion led by author). Reach out to Karla Leitzman (vicar@faithlilacway.org) for more info.

•**Jazz Worship + Guest Preacher Feb 15** - Join us on Sunday, Feb 15 for a

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

We invite you to face the back doors, link hands or arms with someone near you, an embodied reminder that we go forth not only with the presence of God, but also in the company of one another

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!

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.
A: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

The Order of Service is from Evangelical Lutheran Worship which is commended for use in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Sundays and Seasons © 2020 Augsburg Fortress. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #024779. All rights reserved

CCLI License #2215024

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik
Director of Choirs: Keith J. Williams
Worship & Tech Director: Mark Trease
Vocalists: Becca Floyd, Johnetta Freeman, Laura McClanahan
Guitar: Steve Sebald, Josh Smith
Tech Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn Bailey & Bill Bailey

Greeters: Arlene Kosek, Chellie Sebald
Reader: Laura McClanahan
Communion Servers: Laura McClanahan, Brenda Edstrom, Judy Olson
Ushers: Don Halverson, Gayle Merritt, Cheryl Anderson, Gordy Johnsrud
Fellowship: Arlene Kosek, Wilma Frantz
Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

ALL: We come to the water, thirsting for you and for your grace. Forgive us for our sins—known and unknown, of things done and left undone. For our carelessness with the gifts of your creation, our indifference toward our neighbor in need, for the ways we prefer to live in darkness rather than in the light of your presence. And for all the sins we confess silently in our hearts before you now...

Silence for reflection and repentance

P: In these baptismal waters, God calls us by name. In these baptismal waters, we are made new. By the power of the risen Christ, your sins are forgiven. God showers us, morning by morning, with grace and mercy, freeing us to live as God’s new creation.

A: Amen!

MUSIC **I’ve Got Peace Like a River** **Reprise**

***see lyrics on page 2.*

***Please be seated ***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
P: Let us pray together...

All: Living God, you have come among us to usher in your kingdom of justice, mercy, and love. Help us to be comforted, convicted, and compelled by your words today, that we might join in the holy work of your kingdom here and now.
Amen.

MUSIC **Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly** **Barrett/Ingram/Tomlin**

Verse 1
It all comes down to this,
What you require of me:
Love my neighbor as myself
And You above all things.

Chorus
Act justly, love mercy,
walk humbly with You, God.

In all things, in all ways,
walk humbly with You, God.
Verse 2
It all comes down to this,
To be Your hands and feet,
Good news to all the world,
The truth will set us free. (*Chorus*)

Bridge

It's beauty for ashes,
It's mourning to dancing,
It's closer and closer,
The Kingdom of heaven. (Repeat)

Verse 3

Years from now we'll see
The fruit our hands have sown,
Faith, just like a seed,
The only way it grows. (Chorus)

SCRIPTURE READING

Word

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says:
Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.
Hear, you mountains, the case of the Lord,
and you enduring foundations of the earth,
for the Lord has a case against his people,
and he will contend with Israel.
“O my people, what have I done to you?
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!
For I brought you up from the land of Egypt
and redeemed you from the house of slavery,
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.
O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”
“With what shall I come before the Lord
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”
He has told you, O mortal, what is good,

Verse 2

What patience would wait
as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender
is calling us home?
God welcomes the weakest,
the vilest, the poor.
Our sins they are many,
God’s mercy is more. (Chorus)

Verse 3

What riches of kindness
God lavished on us.
His blood was the payment.
His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt
we could never afford.
Our sins they are many,
God’s mercy is more. (Chorus)

COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart.
Send us from this table with fed and nourished, that our lives may reflect
the abundance of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and
heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

Sending

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY SONG

MUSIC

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

#551

Verse 1

The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.

Verse 2

We go to comfort those who mourn
and set the burdened free;
where hope is dim,
to share a dream
and help the blind to see.

Verse 3

We go to be the hands of Christ,
to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed.

Verse 4

Then let us go to serve in peace,
the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name.

MUSIC

Verse 1

This is communion,
Your body broken.
The cup we're drinking
Is bittersweet.
The gift of friendship,
Truest salvation,
Borne of Your suffering
On Calvary.

Chorus 1

We remember the sacrifice of love.
We remember
the blood poured out for us.
We remember the only Son of God
Upon the cross.

Verse 2

From stained to spotless,
From wrath to favor,
Through You, our Savior,
The work complete.
In full repentance
Led by Your kindness,
Partake of presence
As we receive.

MUSIC

Verse 1

What love could remember no
wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing,
God counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea
without bottom or shore,
Our sins they are many;
God's mercy is more.

Communion

Chorus 2

We remember the sacrifice of love.
We remember the blood
poured out for us.
We remember the only Son of God
Upon the cross.
We remember
the price You had to pay.
We remember
the wounds that made a way.
We remember the Lamb
for all was slain
Upon the cross.

Bridge 1

How can it be?
There is a table
For all who would come,
For all who would come.
Taste now and see
There is a table
For all who would come,
For all who would come. *(Repeat 3x)*

Ligertwood, Ingram

and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice and to love kindness
and to walk humbly with your God?

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Create in Me

Muskrat

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free spirit.
And then will I teach transgressors thy ways,
and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

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

P: The Gospel according to Matthew the fifth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter

all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

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

Please be seated** Kids are invited to meet our Kids Ministry Leaders in the back of the sanctuary for “Godly Play,” a time of storytelling. We’ll regather in the sanctuary following the sermon.

SERMON

MUSIC Let Streams of Living Justice #710

Verse 1
Let streams of living justice
flow down upon the earth;
give freedom's light to captives,
let all the poor have worth.
The hungry's hands are pleading,
the workers claim their rights,
the mourners long for laughter,
the blinded seek for sight.
Make liberty a beacon,
strike down the iron pow'r;
abolish ancient vengeance:
proclaim your people's hour.
Verse 2
For healing of the nations,
for peace that will not end,
for love that makes us lovers,
God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together;
knit our lives as they are spun;
on your loom of time enroll us

till our thread of life is run.
O great weaver of our fabric,
bind church and world in one;
dye our texture with your radiance,
light our colors with your sun.
Verse 3
Your city's built to music;
we are the stones you seek;
your harmony is language;
we are the words you speak.
Our faith we find in service,
our hope in others' dreams,
our love in hand of neighbor;
our homeland brightly gleams.
Inscribe our hearts with justice;
your way—the path untried;
your truth—the heart of stranger;
your life—the Crucified.

Table

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: 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
P: Let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us:
ALL: 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.

HOLY COMMUNION
Pastor: Jesus shows up in a lowly manger, and in the simple gifts of bread and wine. Come, meet Christ in this meal.
P: The body of Christ is given for you..
The blood of Christ is shed for you.
A: Amen.

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 worshiping onsite, you’re invited to come forward when an usher cues your row. Communion is served intinction-style: you may dip the bread into the juice. If you’d like to take communion in your seat, simply cue an usher and we’d be glad to bring it to you.

MUSIC Let Justice Roll Down Gibson		CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles Creed	
Chorus Let justice roll down like a river Let justice roll down like a sea Let justice roll down like a river Let justice begin through me Verse 1 Justice for all who go hungry Crying to God to be fed Left in a world of abundance To beg for a morsel of bread (chorus)	Verse 2 Justice for those who are homeless Victims of warfare or need Trapped on the borders of nowhere Lost in the canyons of greed (chorus) Verse 3 Justice for all who are pow'rless Yearning for freedom in vain Plundered and robbed of their birthright Silently bearing their pain (chorus)	** 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.	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Throughout the season of Epiphany, we invite you to take part in the Prayers of the People: 1. Take a paper star (located in your bulletin) and write a prayer on it--a prayer for yourself, the church, the neighborhood, the world, or those in need. You may sign your name or leave it anonymous. 2. Come forward to hang your star on the Epiphany tree, and before you return to your seat, take the prayer of someone else from the tree. 3. Return to your seat, and spend the remaining prayer time offering a silent prayer to God about the prayer of your neighbor. 4. You may also take the star home with you this week to continue praying. Tip: keep it in a place where you'll see it often -- fridge, car, backpack, pocket, purse, etc.-- and be reminded to keep lifting up your neighbor's prayer in your own! P: And now let us pray: God of light, we commend all these prayers before you, trusting in your abundant mercy, and in your light, which shines in our darkness. All: 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 As part of our baptismal lives we are called to joyfully share our gifts. We invite you to leave an offering in the plates as they are being passed or scan the QR code here to make a secure, online gift, so that we might share God's love here in our congregation and throughout the wider community. Thank you! 