

The Glory Banner

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church (ELCA)

a Wildfire Congregation

April 2023

WORSHIP WITH US!

Onsite – Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am for worship in the sanctuary.

Online – Tune in to services in live-time via Zoom on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. For further information about how to connect to Zoom by computer or phone, visit www.crossofglory.us.

Recorded services - We record weekly worship so that you can worship from anywhere, anytime. Visit our home page, or Service Library page, at www.crossofglory.us for service recordings!

Bulletins – Bulletins are mailed to those who have requested mailings. Please contact the church office at 763-533-8602 or office@crossofglory.us if you'd like to be added to/removed from this weekly mailing list. Electronic bulletins are posted to our website weekly as well.

We give thanks that the Spirit continues to guide, inspire, and enliven us in our worship, however you choose to take part!

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Sunday, April 2

- Palm Sunday Worship
9:30am
- Community Choir
Concert of Dubois— “The
Seven Last Words of
Christ”
3 pm

Thursday, April 6

- Community
Health Fest
4pm-6:45pm
- Maundy Thursday*
Worship **7pm**

Friday, April 7

- Good Friday
Worship **6pm**

Sunday, April 9

- Easter Sunday
Worship **9:30am**
- Fellowship treats and
coffee hosted by
camp youth following
service. See the next
column for more info.

SUPPORT Camp Kids

We are so excited to be sending 9 kids to Camp Wapo this June.

Than you in advance for supporting them generously this Easter through a free will donations as they host refreshments after Easter worship. Have a seat during fellowship hour or grab and go on your way out! Won't be here on Easter? Not to worry, you can support them in May as our camp youth will be having another fundraiser! They will be selling greeting cards created by our youth and adults in the CoG community. Look for more details on this in the coming weeks.

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*Please note: Due to the Community Health Fest, parking lots will be much more filled ahead of our Maundy Thursday worship service. Please plan to get dropped off at the door and we can assist with parking, or plan to park further away and walk. Thank you!

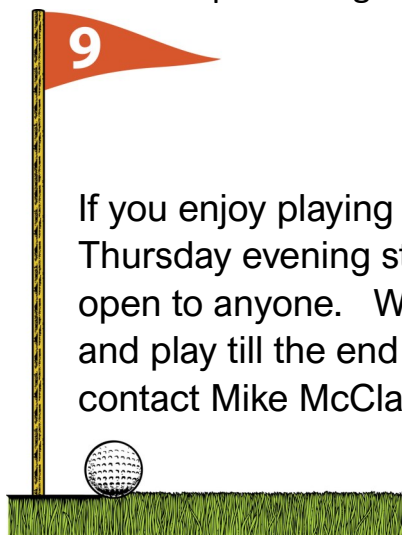
Circle Bible Study will meet on **WEDNESDAY April 19, 2023 at 1:00 PM**. Bring your own drink, snack, and a friend. All women are welcome. Copies of the Bible Study will be available if needed. A microphone will be used.

April 2023 Session four:
Guardrails for love of God and neighbor Commandments 7,8,9 & 10 In this fourth and final session, we will consider sayings from Proverbs and other biblical wisdom related to minding our tongues, integrity in the marketplace, and practical ways to serve our neighbors. The WELCA board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday April 25, 2023 at 1:00 pm. Weather permitting.



CoG Golf League

If you enjoy playing golf, Cross of Glory has a league for you. We play weekly on Thursday evening starting at 5 PM at Pheasant Acres in Corcoran. This league is open to anyone. We start sometime in April, depending on when the course opens and play till the end of August. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Mike McClanahan at mikemc5751@outlook.com.



CoG Kids & Youth

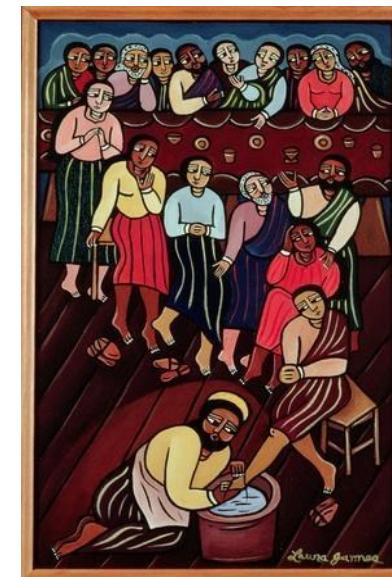
First Sundays - We continue to invite kids of all ages to join us on the first Sundays of the month. On first Sundays during part of the worship service, kids are invited to take part in "Godly Play" with our children's ministry leaders--a time of imaginative and question-filled storytelling. And as always, kids are invited to play musical instruments on the last song in worship!

Confirmation - Confirmation continues to meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 pm Due to Holy week, confirmation will meet on the second Wednesday, April 12th. (come early for pizza!).

COMMUNITY HEALTH FEST MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 6TH FROM 4-6:45 PM

"Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. [...] 'I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'" -John 13:3-5

Through healing the sick, feeding the hungry, embracing the grieving, Jesus cared not only for people's souls but also their bodies. There is perhaps no story that more powerfully attests to this than the one we read each year on Maundy Thursday, when Jesus shared a meal with his disciples and then washed their feet ("soles" of another kind!). This Maundy Thursday, before we gather in worship to retell this story and share in a meal of holy communion, Cross of Glory is hosting Community Health Fest, a neighborhood gathering that includes various community health resources--including professional foot care, dental care, vision care, health screenings, and a covid vaccination clinic. There will also be mental health and community health resources available, as well as a shoe and sock distribution. Drawing on the story of Maundy Thursday, a meal will also be provided. Hosted in conjunction with CAPI, this gathering is open to all neighbors of all faith traditions, and the CoG community is warmly welcome to take part! Here are a few ways to do so:



Donate Socks and Shoes - We're collecting socks and shoes ahead of time to share with neighbors on Maundy Thursday. Socks (all sizes) must be new, shoes may be new or gently used. All donations can be directed to the bin located near the Welcome Desk.



Lend a Hand the Day Of - If you're interested in helping out the day off (welcoming folks, directing them to resources, etc.), you can sign up at the link on our website (www.crossofglory.us).



Show up! - Health resources are open to all, CoG members included. Stop by for a screening vaccine, foot clinic, etc., or simply come early before the worship service for a time of fellowship and food!

SPOTLIGHT ON SOLECARE

One of the organizations that will be joining us at Community Health Fest is SoleCare for Souls, a medical outreach program that provides free medical foot care to over 2,000 elderly, unsheltered, and people in high-risk circumstances every year. During the hands-on work of cleaning, trimming, and filing, SoleCare volunteers and staff--all of whom are licensed medical professionals--listen to those who entrust their feet to their care. With dignity and respect, Sole Care tends to outer "soles" while nourishing inner "souls" with friendship, encouragement, and kindness. At the Community Health Fest, foot care will be open to all on a first-come first-serve basis.

