

• **God's Work Our Hands** - Mark your calendars for Sept 8 as we lift up and give thanks for the many hands that come together to do God's work at Cross of Glory, in the Brooklyn Center community, and beyond. Worship will include many hands and voices (if you are open to sharing yours, sign up these next few weeks at the Welcome Desk!). After worship, there will be potluck brunch (please sign up at the Welcome Desk or by calling the church office, and bring a dish to share!). Reach out to the Worship, Music, Arts Team for more info!

• **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:

*Mavis Wold  
Norma Gilbertson  
Audrey Swanberg  
Jeannie Kuzmich  
Eric Thompson & family  
Dick Mero*

*Martha Krueger  
Dolores Narey  
John Rowley  
Lois Tollefsrud  
Pastor Ali Tranvik and Family*

To be added or removed from the weekly prayer list, please contact the church office ([office@crossofglory.us](mailto: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 Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost



**August 4, 2024**

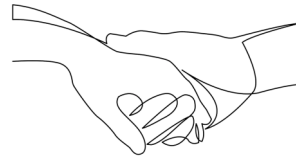
**Cross of Glory Lutheran Church  
Brooklyn Center, MN**



We are **CALLED**



We are called to **LIFE**



We are called to life **TOGETHER**

Welcome to Cross of Glory, where we work to share in the joy of life **together!** If you're visiting, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card in your pew and put it in the offering plates so we can further extend a welcome.

## Gathering

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**All: Amen.**

P: Trusting in the abundance of God's grace, let us take a moment of silence to repent of our sins--individual and collective, known and unknown, of things done and left undone....

*\*\*Silence for repentance and reflection \*\**

P: God of abundance,

**A: We struggle to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world.**

**We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.**

**We disentangle ourselves from the lives of others,**

**and from the life that swarms in the sky, seas, and soil,**

**and in doing so, from the very life of you.**

**Have mercy on us, O God.**

**Fill us with your grace**

**and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

•**Coffee Hour** - All are welcome to a time of food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall following worship!

•**Welcoming Pastor Peter Samuelson** - We're grateful for Pastor Peter's presence at CoG during Pastor Ali's maternity leave. This part-time role will help oversee the areas of worship, pastoral leadership, and pastoral care. Pastor Peter will have office hours onsite on Wednesdays 9-1, and will be available to meet by appointment. Reach out to the office to connect!

•**Kids at Camp Wapo** - Thanks again for your support and prayers as CoG kids went to Wapo during the last week of July. We look forward to hearing more from them in worship on Aug 11.

•**Summer of Seminarians** - We're grateful to continue hearing the Good News proclaimed from seminarians/pastors-to-be through Luther Seminary. We look forward to welcoming our final seminarian of the summer, Katie Weiland, on Aug 11.

•**National Night Out** - Stop by our neighborhood's national night out gathering on Tues, Aug 6th at CAPI for food, free giveaways, activities for kids, an outdoor movie, and a chance to connect with neighbors!

•**Garden Harvest Table** - Food grown in CoG's community gardens is now being shared at our Garden Harvest Table, located by the Welcome Desk. Each Sunday through the rest of the growing season, help yourself to some produce, and/or bring some food from your gardens to share!

•**55+ Fellowship** - Our monthly game day is scheduled for Thurs, Aug 15 from 1-3 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome for games and fellowship. Treats will be provided.

• **Fresh Food in the Neighborhood**- CAPI's food shelf is open Tuesdays between 1-4 pm, and Wednesdays-Thursdays between 9-12 or 1-4. CEAP hosts Farm Fest Every Wednesday from 3pm-5pm in July and August. BC Farmers Market is 3pm-7pm every Thursday now through October 24th.

• **Art Gallery** - This next month, we're looking forward to featuring art from YOU! This past spring, you were invited to share photos and drawings of "life together." We're excited to display these images in our gallery as we continue to live into God's call. NOTE: If you submitted any photos or artwork that you wish \*not\* to include as part of the exhibit, let Rachel in the office know ASAP.

**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**

L: Go in peace. You have been fed for the journey through Jesus, our provider!  
**A: Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

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### **MUSIC CREDITS**

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### **WORSHIP LEADERSHIP**

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik  
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Reader: Amanda Smith  
Communion: Laura McClanahan, Sharon Quick, Kathy Stejskal-Swendiman  
Ushers: Dan Aulwes, Cheryl Anderson, Don Halverson, Josh Day  
Fellowship: Laura and Mike McClanahan  
Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

P: Beloved of God:

In God, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By God, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through God, † the bread of life, you are given the gift of mercy--forgiven and loved again into abundant life.

**A: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### **MUSIC**

**All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly**

**#461**

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

#### **Verse 1**

All who hunger gather gladly;  
Holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness  
And wand'ring.  
Here in truth we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness,  
all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.

#### **Verse 2**

All who hunger, never strangers;  
seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness  
and roaming.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: May 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.**

P: Let us pray together... **O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*\*\* Please be seated \*\**

**FIRST READING**

**Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15**

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.'

Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." ' And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." '

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.'

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING**

**Ephesians 4:1-16**

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.' (When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BIRTHDAY SONG**

**SENDING BLESSING**

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

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever.

**A: Amen.**

**MUSIC**

**God With Us**

**Ingram / Jordan**

*\*\*Kids may grab a musical instrument from the basket in the back and return to your seats to make some joyful noise as we sing!\*\**

**Verse 1**

Oh, You've come to bring peace,  
to be Love,  
To be nearer to us.  
You've come to bring life,  
to be Light,  
To shine brighter in us.  
Oh Emmanuel, God with us.

**Chorus**

Our Deliverer, You are Savior.  
In Your presence  
we find our strength  
Over ev'rything, our Redeemer,  
God with us.  
You are God with us.

**Verse 2**

Oh, You've come to be Hope  
to this world,  
For Your honor and name.  
And You've come to take sin,  
to bear shame,  
And to conquer the grave.  
Oh Emmanuel, God with us.  
(Chorus 2x)

**Ending**

Oh God with us.  
You are God with us.

**PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE**

*\*\*You are invited to face the back doors. Join hands or put your hand on a neighbor as a reminder that we do not go alone.\*\**

**ALL: O God, you have called us to ventures  
of which we cannot see the ending,**

**Verse 1**  
As this cup of blessing  
is shared within our midst,  
may we share the presence  
of your love. (*Refrain*)

**Verse 2**  
Let this be a foretaste  
of all that is to come  
when all creation  
shares this feast with you. (*Refrain*)

**MUSIC**                      **Behold the Lamb**                      **Getty/Getty/Townsend**

**Verse 1**  
Behold the Lamb who  
bears our sins away,  
Slain for us; and we remember  
The promise made  
that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So, we share in this Bread of Life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.

**Verse 3**  
The blood that cleanses  
every stain of sin,  
Shed for you: drink and remember  
He drained death's cup  
that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God.  
So, we share in this Bread of Life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King.

**Verse 2**  
The body of our Savior,  
Jesus Christ, Torn for you;  
eat and remember  
The wounds that heal,  
the death that brings us life,  
Paid the price to make us one.  
So, we share in this Bread of Life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King.

**Verse 4**  
And so, with thankfulness  
and faith we rise  
To respond and to remember  
Our call to follow  
in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering,  
We proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
Around the table of the King.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: At your table, O Jesus, we have feasted on the gifts of your grace and love. As you've nourished us in this meal, now empower us to go forth from it to love the world as you do.

**All: Amen.**

heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**MUSIC**                      **I Am the Bread of Life**                      **#485**

**Verse 1**  
"I am the Bread of life.  
You who come to me  
shall not hunger,  
and who believe in me  
shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me  
unless the Father beckons."

**Refrain**  
"And I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up  
on the last day."

**Verse 4**  
"I am the resurrection,  
I am the life.  
If you believe in me,  
even though you die,  
you shall live  
forever." (*Refrain*)

**Verse 5**  
Yes, Lord, I believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God,  
who have come into the world.  
(*Refrain*)

**GOSPEL READING**

**John 6:24-35**

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

P: The Gospel according to John the sixth chapter.

**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.**

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*\*\* Please be seated \*\**

## SERMON

### MUSIC

#### What Feast of Love

#487

#### Verse 1

What feast of love is offered here,  
what banquet come from heaven?  
What food of everlasting life,  
what gracious gift is given?

This, this is Christ the king,  
the bread come down from heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing!  
How sweet the manna given!

## Table

### 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 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

*\*\*If you're worshiping onsite, you're invited to come forward when an usher cues your row. You'll be offered bread from the first server (gluten-free option available), and wine from the second server (grape juice option available). If you'd like to take communion in your seat, simply cue an usher and we'd be glad to bring it to you. \*\**

P: The body of Christ is given for you.

The blood of Christ is shed for you.

**All: Amen.**

### MUSIC

#### As the Grains of Wheat

#465

#### Refrain

As the grains of wheat  
once scattered on the hill  
were gathered into one  
to become our bread;

so may all your people  
from all the ends of earth  
be gathered into one in you.

## OFFERING

We give thanks for the ways your generous giving empowers us to share God's gift of life together in our congregation and wider community. You may share an offering in the plates as they're passed or scan the QR code here to make a secure, online gift. Thank you!



## MUSIC

### In Christ Alone

### Getty/Townend

#### Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light,  
my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone,  
this solid Ground,  
Firm through the fiercest  
drought and storm.  
What heights of love,  
what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled,  
when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

#### Verse 2

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones  
He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*\*\*During the prayers, kids are invited to come forward to the chalkboards to write and/or draw their prayer.\*\**

Leader: God of mercy,  
**All: Hear our prayer.**

#### Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world  
by darkness slain;  
Then, bursting forth  
in glorious Day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine,  
Bought with the precious  
blood of Christ.

#### Verse 4

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell,  
no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ  
I'll stand.

#### Verse 2

What light of truth is offered here,  
what covenant from heaven?  
What hope of everlasting life,  
what wondrous word is given?  
This, this is Christ the king,  
the sun come down from heaven.  
Oh, see and hear and sing!  
The Word of God is given!

#### Verse 3

What wine of love is offered here,  
what crimson drink from heaven?  
What stream of everlasting life,  
what precious blood is given?  
This, this is Christ the king,  
the sweetest wine of heaven.  
Oh, taste and see and sing!  
The Son of God is given!

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

## Apostles Creed

*\*\* 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.**

## 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 \*\**