- or 1-4. BC Farmers Market is 3pm-7pm every Thursday now through October 24th.
- •Art Gallery Celebrating Life Together! The art and photos are hung and beautiful! Make sure to stop by and take a look. A special thanks to Keith Williams and Renee Dahl for the beautiful mixed media confirmation project titled "The Last Supper."
- •Bishop's Installation All are welcome to the installation of Rev. Jen Nagel as Bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod on Sat, Sept 21 at 10:30 am at Central Lutheran Church in downtown Minneapolis. Visit https://mpls-synod.org/ 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.

The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost



September 22, 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.

WELCOME

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who calls us to life together. In the presence of God and of one another, let us repent and confess our sins.

**Silence for repentance and reflection **

P: God of grace,

A: We confess that we have sinned, both in words spoken and left unspoken, in actions done and left undone. We exploit the gifts of the earth for our own convenience. We hoard resources while our neighbors hunger. We are quick to take the best seat at the table, putting our own wants before the needs of others. Free us from our sin, gracious God, and lead us by your love, that we might love our neighbors as you love us. Amen.

P: Hear the Good News: in Jesus Christ † your sins are forgiven. God has prepared a feast, a celebration, a seat at the table for you. Come now and be fed by the gifts of God's grace, forgiveness, and love.

All: Amen!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- •Coffee Hour All are welcome to a time of food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall following worship!
- •Song Requests Wanted The last Sunday of this month is a 5th Sunday. Let us know your favorite hymns and worship songs by Sunday, Sept 22nd, and we'll craft the service around them. Submit requests to the office (763-533-8602 or office@crossofglory.us), or to Mark (MLTrease@comcast.net).
- •Table Talks— Join us TODAY as Rev. Dale Peterson, the chaplain at Mt. Olivet Homes will address/lead our Table Talk. The topic: Faith + end of life care. Dale has been a guest preacher at CoG in the past and is looking forward to being with us again.
- •Bethel Room—During THIS WEEK we will be working on the Bethel room floor. This includes moving furniture and other items, mopping, and waxing the floor. We need several hands to help get this work done. If you can help at any time on any day during that week, please sign up on the poster by the welcome desk Treats will be available for helpers!
- •Pastor Peter Samuelson Pastor Peter will have office hours on Wednesdays 9-1, and will be available to meet by appointment. Reach out to the office to connect!
- •Weekly Bible Study Bible study will meet Wednesdays, at 9:30 am, in September and October, both onsite and online via Zoom. We'll explore the texts assigned for the upcoming Sunday.
- •Garden Harvest Table Food grown in CoG's community gardens, and your gardens, is being shared at our Garden Harvest Table, located by the Welcome Desk
- •Our annual Fall Work Day will be on Saturday, Oct 12 from 9:00 AM Noon. There will be lots to do leaf removal, garden shutdown, brush/ tree trimming, etc. Donuts will be served
- Fresh Food in the Neighborhood- CAPI's food shelf is open Tuesdays between 1-4 pm, and Wednesdays-Thursdays between 9-12



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

Mavis Wold Norma Gilbertson Audrey Swanberg Jeannie Kuzmich Eric Thompson & family Dolores Narey Lois Tollefsrud Friends and family of John Rowley

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.

MUSIC Kyrie Haugen

** Please rise as you are able **

Leader: In peace, in peace, Let us pray to the Lord

All: Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have Mercy

Leader: For the reign of God and for the peace through out the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord,

All: Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have Mercy Leader: For the people here, who have come to give you praise for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord,

All: Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have Mercy

Leader: Help, save, and Defend us, O God.

All: Amen,

MUSIC Now the Feast and Celebration Haugen

Refrain

Now the feast and celebration, All of creation sings for joy To the God of life and love and freedom Praise and glory forevermore!

Verse 1

Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, Whose blood has freed and united us. To be one great people of God (refrain)

Verse 2

Power and riches, wisdom and might, All honor and glory to Christ Forever. (*Refrain*)

Verse 3

For God has come to dwell with us, To make us people of God; To make all things new. (*Refrain*)

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, our teacher and guide, you draw us to

yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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)



FIRST READING

A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her. and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household

and tasks for her servant-girls.

Proverbs 31:10-31

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, 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

MUSIC CREDITS

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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.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING BLESSING

** Please rise as you are able **

P: Comforted and confounded by God's love, in the company of one another and with good courage, Let us go forth now to live out the Good News of this love, With the blessing of God † Father, Mother, Son, and Holy Spirit, **A: Amen**.

MUSIC O Master, Let Me Walk with You

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Verse 1

O Master, let me walk with you in lowly paths of service true; tell me your secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Verse 2

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love; teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

Verse 3

Teach me your patience; share with me a closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong,

Verse 4

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broad'ning way, in peace that only you can give; with you, O Master, let me live. She considers a field and buys it: with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows. for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands,

and let her works praise her in the city gates.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

^{**}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!**

SECOND READING

James 3:13-4:3. 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM **Jesus Is the Answer**

Crouch/Lafferty

Jesus is the answer for the world today.

Above Him there's no other; Jesus is the way.

He is the way.

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Above Him there's no other: Jesus is the way.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,

And all these things will be added unto you. Alleluia.

Jesus is the answer for the world today.

Above Him there's no other; Jesus is the way. He is the way.

Music **Lord of All Hopefulness**

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Verse 1

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy: be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Verse 3

Lord of all kindliness. Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:

be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Verse 4

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm. whose voice is contentment. whose presence is balm: be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts. Lord, at the end of the day.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

"Spirit open My Heart" Sung between petitions

Spirit, open my heart, To the joy and pain of living. As you love may I love,

In receiving and in giving. Spirit, open my heart.



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

Verse 4 I live within you. Deep in your heart, O love,

I live within you. Rest now in me.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed

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.

OFFERING

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GOSPEL READING

** Please stand as you are able **

P: The Gospel according to Mark the ninth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Leader: The word of the Lord. ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

MUSIC

Open My Eyes

Manibusan

Dr. Anna Marsh

Mark 9:30-37

Verse 1

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see Your face. Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

Verse 2

Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear Your voice. Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

Verse 3

Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like You. Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

Bridge

And the first shall be last, And our eyes are opened, And we'll hear like never before. And we'll speak in new ways, And we'll see God's face In places we've never known.

^{**} Please stand as you are able **

^{**} Please be seated **

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