

Feb 15 for a 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.
- **Think Spring Flowers**- It's that time of year again, our campers will be having our annual plant and flower fundraiser. The website will open on February 16th for you to begin placing orders for a beautiful garden this summer.
- **Synod Youth Choir** - Kids ages 5-18 are invited to take part in synod-wide choir. This is a great way to grow in relationship with one another, in musicianship, and in faith! Youth will gather at 10 AM on the last Sat of the month January-April 2026 (rotating location). They'll sing at Synod Assembly on May 2nd and have a spring concert on May 17th. Reach out to Pastor Ali to get involved!
- **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 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



Cross of Glory Lutheran Church  
February 8, 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 rise 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

<p><b>Verse 1</b> I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul (<i>repeat</i>)</p> <p><b>Verse 2</b> I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,</p>	<p>I've got love like an ocean in my soul. (<i>repeat</i>)</p> <p><b>Verse 3</b> I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul. (<i>repeat</i>)</p>	
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### 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.
- **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.
- **Donation Collection** - CAPI's food shelf 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 and drop them off in the grocery cart. 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. A soup supper will begin at 5:15 PM (soup provided - you're invited to bring bread/side/salad). 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." Each Wednesday during Lent, 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](mailto:vicar@faithlilacway.org)) for more info.
- **Jazz Worship + Guest Preacher Next Sunday** - Join us on Sunday,



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

*Norma Gilbertson  
Jeannie Kuzmich  
Eric Thompson & family  
Becca and Donald Floyd  
Josh Day  
Marian Priest*

*Jackie Fryhling  
Iva Stockdill  
Lois Tollefsrud  
Loved ones of Arlene Finke*

*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.*

**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: Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Word*

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]

Shout out; do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,  
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me  
and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness  
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;  
they ask of me righteous judgments;  
they want God on their side.  
“Why do we fast, but you do not see?  
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”  
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day  
and oppress all your workers.  
You fast only to quarrel and to fight  
and to strike with a wicked fist.  
Such fasting as you do today  
will not make your voice heard on high.  
Is such the fast that I choose,  
a day to humble oneself?  
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush  
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?  
Will you call this a fast,  
a day acceptable to the Lord?  
Is not this the fast that I choose:  
to loose the bonds of injustice,  
to undo the straps of the yoke,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
and to break every yoke?  
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?  
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you;  
the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.  
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.”  
If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
if you offer your food to the hungry

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

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### MUSIC CREDITS

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### WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

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**Fellowship:** Tom and Kris Simon

**Ministers:** The people of Cross of Glory

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MUSIC      We Are Marching in the Light of God      #866**

*\*\* Please stand as you are able. Kids are invited to grab an instrument from the basket, return to your seat, and make a joyful noise as we sing.\*\**

**Verse 1**

We are marching  
in the light of God,  
we are marching  
in the light of God.  
We are marching  
in the light of God,  
we are marching  
in the light of God.

We are marching, marching,  
we are marching, marching,  
we are marching  
in the light of God.  
We are marching, marching,  
we are marching, marching,  
we are marching  
in the light of God.

**Verse 2**

We are praying . . .

**Verse 3**

We are singing . . .

**Verse 4**

We are dancing. . .

**Verse 5**

We are living. . .

**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!**

and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.  
The Lord will guide you continually  
and satisfy your needs in parched places  
and make your bones strong,  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water  
whose waters never fail.  
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**MUSIC      Rise, Shine, You People      #665**

**Verse 1**

Rise, shine, you people!  
Christ the Lord has entered  
our human story;  
God in him is centered.  
He comes to us,  
by death and sin surrounded,  
with grace unbounded.

**Verse 2**

See how he sends the pow'rs  
of evil reeling;  
he brings us freedom,  
light and life and healing.  
All men and women,  
who by guilt are driven,  
now are forgiven.

**Verse 3**

Come, celebrate;  
your banners high unfurling,  
your songs and prayers  
against the darkness hurling.  
To all the world go out and  
tell the story of Jesus' glory.

**Verse 4**

Tell how the Father sent the  
Son to save us.  
Tell of the Son,  
who life and freedom gave us.  
Tell how the Spirit calls  
from ev'ry nation  
God's new creation.

**CHOIR ANTHEM      Like a Shepherd Lead Us      Thrupp/Bradbury**

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;  
In thy pleasant pastures feed us, For thy use our folds prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us Thine we are.  
Early let us seek Thy favor; Early let us do Thy will;  
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with Thy love our beings fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us Thine we are.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us Thine we are.*

**GOSPEL READING**

**Matthew 5:13-20**

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

P: The Gospel according to Matthew the fifth chapter.

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

[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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

**SERMON**

**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: 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.**

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*Table*

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**LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Our prayers continue as we 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.**

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

*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!*



### MUSIC

**We Are**

**Cash/McBride/Tealy/Buttler**

#### Verse 1

Ev'ry secret, ev'ry shame.  
Ev'ry fear, ev'ry pain  
Live inside the dark;  
But that's not who we are.  
We are children of the day.

#### Pre-Chorus

So wake up, sleeper, lift your head.  
We were meant for more than this.  
Fight the shadows, conquer death,  
Make the most of the  
time we have left.

#### Chorus

We are the light of the world.  
We are the city on a hill.  
We are the light of the world  
And we gotta, we gotta, we gotta  
Let the light shine. *(repeat)*

#### Interlude

Let the light shine.  
Let the light shine.

#### Verse 2

We are called to spread the news,  
To tell the world the simple truth.  
Jesus came to save,  
there's freedom in His name,  
So let His love break through.

#### Bridge

We are the light, we are the light,  
we are the light,  
So let your light shine brighter.  
We are the light, we are the light ,  
we are the light.  
Jesus, You are the light ,  
You are the light,  
You are the light.  
We will lift You high and  
Shine, shine, shine. *(Chorus)*

#### Ending

Let the light shine, let the light shine.  
Let the light shine, let the light shine.

### MUSIC

**More Like Jesus**

**Ligertwood/Stanfill/Younger**

#### Verse 1

You came to the world You created,  
Trading Your crown for a cross.  
You willingly died,  
Your innocent life paid the cost.

#### Verse 2

Counting Your status as nothing,  
The King of all kings came to serve,  
Washing my feet,  
Covering me with Your love.

#### Chorus

If more of You means less of me,  
Take ev'rything.  
Yes, all of You is all I need  
Take ev'rything.

#### Verse 3

You are my life and my treasure,  
The One that I can't live without.

### CONFESSION OF FAITH

*\*\* 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,**

### Apostles Creed