

•**CAPI Packing Event TODAY** - Help stock the CAPI food shelf with some extra household essentials! Join us later this afternoon between 3-5 in the COG Fellowship Hall to help pack kits of household items for neighbors.

•**Synod Assembly** - Please hold churches across the synod in prayer as they head into Synod Assembly this Friday-Saturday. We are grateful to Carolyn Davis, Cheryl Anderson, and Pastor Ali for representing COG this year.

•**Joint New Creation Summer Worship Services to Begin Next Week!** As we continue exploring the possibility of becoming a new creation with Faith Lilac Way and First, we are experimenting with a once-a-month shared worship service this summer, beginning in May. The first will take place at COG on next Sunday, May 3. The service will be followed by a potluck (bring a dish to share!), and then the kick-off meeting for Visioning Work Groups.

•**Visioning Work Groups** - If you haven't signed up for a visioning group yet, let us know ASAP if you'd like to join! We need you to help us begin to imagine possibilities for our shared life together in different ministry areas. Groups are comprised of members across all three new creation congregations and will meet for a couple months this summer. More info at the Welcome Desk.

•**Upcoming Pastoral Sabbatical** - Pastor Ali is preparing for her upcoming pastoral sabbatical (May 11-Aug 10), and is grateful for prayers ahead of this time of reflection, rest, and renewal. We look forward to welcoming back Pastor Peter Samuelson during this time! Pastor Peter will be serving in a part-time capacity assisting with worship, leadership, and pastoral care.

•**Camp Wapo Welcome/Orientation** - All camp families and kids are invited to a gathering with s'mores on Sunday evening, May 10 at 7 pm at CoG. This is an opportunity to learn more about what kids' time at camp will entail, go over some logistics, and get to know fellow campers and their families. Please RSVP to Pastor Ali by May 1.

•**Vacation Bible School** - Summer is just around the corner! Know any kids (ages 3-12) who might be interested in taking part in VBS? COG is joining together with Wildfire churches in our community to host "ReNew: the Green VBS," drawing from the parable of the sower and our call to care for God's creation. Mark your calendars for the evenings of Aug 10-13 and pick up a flyer at the Welcome Table to learn more!

•**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.





We are **CALLED**

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



We are called to **LIFE**



We are called to life **TOGETHER**

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

A: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

***Congregation is invited to rise as able and turn to face the baptismal font.
Children are invited to gather around the font.*

P: Ever-creating God, whose life and love flow throughout all creation, we thank you for the waters of this earth: gentle rains, rushing rivers, roaring waves, and for the still waters that you lead us beside. We praise you for the waters that nourish and sustain us here, including the Mississippi River and Basset Creek Watershed. Blessed are you.

A: You revive us with the waters of life.

P: Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life among us, your death, and your resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

A: You revive us with the waters of life.

P: Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

A: You revive us with the waters of life.

P: Holy One, we thank you for the gift of baptism, for your mercy showered upon us, for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

A: Amen.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik

Guest Preacher: Rev. Barbara Lundblad

Director of Choirs: Keith J. Williams

Worship & Tech Director: Mark Trease

Vocalists: Becca Floyd, Erik Haugland, Laura McClanahan

Guitar: Josh Smith

Technical Team: Dawn, Ryan and Bill Bailey

Greeters: Wendy and Bryan Toenies

Reader: Deb Olson

Ushers: Tom Simon, Cheryl Anderson, Gayle Merritt, Don Halverson

Fellowship: Cheryl Anderson, Lori Kosek

Bulletin Art: Katherine Tranvik

Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory



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

*Jeannie Kuzmich
Eric Thompson & family
Becca and Donald Floyd
Don Earnest
Denia Bokai*

*Carolyn Nottingham Davis
Kris Simon
Loved ones of Norma Gilbertson
Loved ones of Iva Stockdill*

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

•**Coffee Hour** - All are welcome to stick around after worship for a time of food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

•**Table Talks TODAY**- Join us after worship next Sunday, April 26th for Table Talks, our monthly Adult Education hour. This month, our topic is Faith + AI. Pick up an article to read ahead of time at the bulletin board by the office to serve as the basis for our conversation--and join us even if you haven't read it!

MUSIC Behold, I Make All Things New



Be - hold, be - hold, I make all things new be -
gin - ning with you and start - ing from to - day. Be -
hold, be - hold, I make all things new, my
prom - ise is true for I am Christ, the Way.

DISMISSAL

P: Christ is risen. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

MUSIC AND ART CREDITS

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This season's bulletin covers celebrate the artwork of COG kids, whose trees help us remember the God in whom new life is always springing forth. This week, we're grateful to Katherine Tranvik, almost 5, for our bulletin cover.



During the next song, we will "asperge" the congregation, an ancient ritual that entails a light sprinkling of holy water, a reminder of our baptism. Children will assist by making the sign of the cross.

MUSIC

Savior of the World

Wickham, Smith, Brock

Verse 1

Have you heard?
Death has been conquered.
The night is gone,
The morning has come.
Every fear
Has been stripped of its power.
Jesus Christ, Lord of life,
You've already won.

Chorus

From a throne in heaven
to a sinner's cross,
You bought our freedom
with Your outstretched arms.
We praise
the Savior of the world.
Jesus is alive!
The stone was rolled away.
Our hope is built upon

*** Please be seated ***

GREETING

P: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray together:

All: O Christ, we are your flock and you are our Good Shepherd. Meet us in our longings and in our fears, in the darkest valleys and the greenest pastures, and lead us into life. In the name of the risen Jesus, we pray, Amen.

an empty grave.
We praise
the Savior of the world.

Verse 2

Come and see,
There is hope from the ashes.
The risen king
Will break every chain.
Lift your voice
And shout hallelujah!
All the glory and honor
Forever to His name. *(Chorus)*

Bridge

Worthy is the lamb
Who gave His life for me.
Glory to the king
Who rose in victory.
(repeat, chorus)

MUSIC/SCRIPTURE The King of Love My Shepherd Is #502/Psalm 23

Verse 1

The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
and he is mine forever.

Verse 2

Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth
and, where the verdant
pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

Verse 4

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
with thee, dear Lord, beside me,
thy rod and staff my comfort still;
thy cross before to guide me.

Verse 5

Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
thine unction grace bestoweth;
and, oh, what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

Verse 6

And so, through all the
length of days,
thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd,
may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Tell it Out: He is Risen!

Wetzler

*He is risen, he is risen! Tell it out with joyful voice:
He has burst His three days' prison;
Let the whole wide earth rejoice:
Death is conquer'd, we are free, Christ has won the victory.
He is risen, He is risen, Christ has risen from the dead.
Come ye sad and fearful hearted,
With glad smile and radiant brow:
For Lent's long shadows have departed;
All His woes are over now,
And the passion that He bore:
Sin and pain can vex no more.
He is risen, He is risen, Christ has risen from the dead.*

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Pastor: We rejoice in the opportunity to welcome new members: Deb Osowski and Brian Stivers into our life together here at Cross of Glory!

P: In response to God's love and grace you are joining with us in this community of faith today, and we are so delighted to welcome you! We ask you now, as you live out these same baptismal vocations as God's people, in this place and in the world, will you: trust in God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care of others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace? If so, please respond "we will, and we ask God to help and guide us."

New members: We will, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: People of Cross of Glory, I ask you now will you support these new members in our faith community and share with them God's wide welcome in our shared life together? If so, please respond, "We will, and we ask God to help and guide us."

Congregation: We will, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: Let us pray: We thank you, God, for these new members of our congregation. Bind us to each other in you, and empower us for service, that together we would be witnesses to your love in the world.

ALL: Amen.

*** New members can return to their seats, the congregation is invited to welcome our newest members with a round of applause ***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Kids are invited to come to the front to help lead the final blessing . ***

BLESSING

L: The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

A: Amen.

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

you all de - sires known. To you there are no
se - crets, al - might - y God; we come to you.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

ALL: Hear our prayer

Table

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as 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.

MUSIC

Lead Me, Guide Me

#768

Refrain

Lead me, guide me along the way.
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk
each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Verse 1

I am weak and I need thy strength
and pow'r to help me
over my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness
thy face to see.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

Verse 2

Help me tread
in the paths of righteousness,
be my aid when Satan
and sin oppress.
I am putting all my trust in thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

Verse 3

I am lost if you take
your hand from me.
I am blind without thy light to see.
Lord, just always let me
thy servant be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

Duncan IV

*** Please stand as you are able. The Gospel Acclamation is sung before and after the spoken gospel***

P: The Gospel according to John the tenth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL READING

John 10:1-10

[Jesus said:] "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

Leader: Word of God, Word of Life.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION REPRISE

Alleluia

Duncan IV

*** Please be seated ***

SERMON

MUSIC

Psalm 23

Townend

Verse 1

The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want
 He makes me lie in pastures green
 He leads me by the still still waters
 His goodness restores my soul

Chorus

And I will trust in You alone
 And I will trust in You alone
 For Your endless mercy follows me
 Your goodness will lead me home.

Verse 2

He guides my ways in righteousness
 And He anoints my head with oil
 And my cup it overflows with joy
 I feast on His pure delights (Chorus)

Verse 3

And though I walk the darkest path
 I will not fear the evil one
 For You are with me
 And Your rod and staff
 Are the comfort I need to know
 (Chorus)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed

*** Please rise 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 the risen Christ be with you!

A: And also with you.

P: Let's share a sign of God's peace with one another.

You may be seated

OFFERING

*Our "alleluias" continue through the offering we joyfully share.
 Offerings can be placed in the plates that will be passed around, or
 given online at www.crossofglory.us. Thank you for sharing
 generously for the sake of God's gift of life together!*



MUSIC

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

#954

Verse 1

You, Lord, are both
 Lamb and Shepherd.
 stripped of might upon the cross,
 shining in eternal glory,
 beggared by a soldier's toss,
 you, the everlasting instant;
 you, who are both gift and cost.

Verse 2

You, who humbly walk beside us,
 sit in power at God's side.
 You, who preach

a way that's narrow,
 have a love that reaches wide.
 You, the everlasting instant;
 you, who are our pilgrim guide.

Verse 3

Worthy is the earthly Jesus!
 Worthy is the cosmic Christ!
 Worthy is the Lamb and Shepherd.
 Worthy still your peace and strife.
 You, the everlasting instant;
 you, who are our death and life.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*** The following song is sung at the beginning and the end of the prayers ***

MUSIC

To You All Hearts Are Open

#1012



To you all hearts are o - pen, to