

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

<i>Mavis Wold</i>	<i>Trish Hambrick</i>
<i>Jackie Fryhling</i>	<i>Marian Henjum</i>
<i>Shar Lauster</i>	<i>Nancy Hengel</i>
<i>Norma Gilbertson</i>	<i>Sharon Quick</i>
<i>Dorothy Shoemaker</i>	<i>Sue Birch</i>
<i>Vicky Jacobson</i>	<i>Diane Wenninger</i>

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 also welcome to stop at our community prayer wall just outside the sanctuary and add a written prayer, fold it up and place it between the wooden pieces in the wall. Further instruction can be found at the prayer wall.



January 23, 2022

Cross of Glory Lutheran Church

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Brooklyn Center, MN

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

*Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who creates us,
redeems us,
and calls us by name.*

All: Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
and your beloved children.**

**We have turned our faces away from your glory
when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word
when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality
to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done
and the things we have left undone.**

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe
in the glory of your Son born among us,
and reflect your love for all creation.**

Amen.

Rejoice in this good news:

*In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.
You are descendants of the Most High,
adopted into the household of Christ,
and inheritors of eternal life.*

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

Amen.

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please join us next Sunday, Jan 30th, for our annual congregational meeting immediately following worship (approx. 10:30 am) in the sanctuary. You're welcome to take part in person, via Zoom video, or by telephone. If you have any questions about getting connected, please reach out to Erik Haugland (erikshaugland@hotmail.com).
- Annual reports are available to pick up today, or anytime this week (M-W 10-2). Reports are also available on our website. If you'd like a hard copy mailed to you, please let Rachel in the office know (763-533-8602, office@crossofglory.us).
- New members - please stick around after worship today for our new member gathering and info session in the Fellowship Hall!
- Next Sunday we'll have a 5th Sunday of Lessons & Music. If you have any specific hymn or song requests, please leave your suggestion in the basket at the usher's table today after worship (or if you're worshipping with us on Zoom, you're invited to share your suggestion via the chat function before today's service ends). We'll do our best to incorporate as many suggestions as possible!
- Do you play an instrument? Have tech skills? Have a gift for hospitality? We always welcome new additions to our musical ensembles, readers, ushers, communion assistants, tech team, and greeters, and the start of the new year is a wonderful time to begin sharing your gifts with the church in a new way! The word "liturgy" means "the work of the people," and we're grateful for the ways so many people help make the joyful work of worship possible! If you'd like to share your gifts in our worship life, please reach out to Pastor Ali.
- Applications for this summer's Youth Gathering in Minneapolis (July 24-28) are still open. Also, applications for Lutheran Volunteer Corps and Young Adults in Global Mission are now live. Let Pastor Ali know if you're interested!
- All are welcome to take part in Bible Study each Tuesday morning at 9:30 am via Zoom or in person.
- The COG community is invited to the funeral of Doris Fern at 10:30 am (please note the recent time change) on Monday, Jan 24 at Cross of Glory (visitation begins at 9:30 am and a luncheon will follow).
- Pastor Ali's designated office hours for pastoral care--virtual or in-person--are Tuesdays from 10:30-1:30 and Wednesdays from 2-5, and designated home/care facility visitation hours are Thursdays from 3-5. Please reach out if you'd like to connect.

MUSIC **The Spirit Sends us Forth to Serve** **#551 vss 1-4**

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| 1 The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim. | 3 We go to be the hands of Christ,
to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed. |
| 2 We go to comfort those who mourn
and set the burdened free;
where hope is dim, to share a dream
and help the blind to see. | 4 Then let us go to serve in peace,
the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name. |

DISMISSAL

The Spirit of the Lord is upon you. Go now in peace!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Lead Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik
Vocalist, choir, and handbell director: Keith J. Williams
Pianist, vocalist, worship team director, tech director: Mark Trease
Vocalist: Johnetta Freeman
Lector: Gayle Merritt
Greeters: Arlene Kosek and Luella Hinnenkamp
Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn Bailey, and Bill Bailey
Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

MUSIC **Let Your Kingdom Come** (Kauflin)

Verse 1 Your glorious cause, O God, Engages our hearts. May Jesus Christ be known Wherever we are. We ask not for ourselves But for Your renown. The cross has saved us so we pray, "Your kingdom come."	earth Till Your sov'reign work on earth is done. Let Your kingdom come.
Chorus Let Your kingdom come. Let Your will be done So that ev'ryone might know Your Name. Let Your song be heard ev'rywhere on	Verse 2 Give us Your strength, O God, And courage to speak. Perform Your wondrous deeds Through those who are weak. Lord, use us as You want, Whatever the test. By grace, we'll preach Your Gospel till Our dying breath. <i>(Chorus 2x)</i>

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*** Please be seated ***

MUSIC **Maranatha** (Maher)

Verse 1 Come let us go to the house of the Lord, The Kingdom of God and humanity. A place for all races, A place where Your graces dwell in our hearts In the works of our hands.	A glorious cloud, A beauty profound in the widow, The orphan, the lame, and the poor. <i>(Chorus 2x)</i>
Chorus Come again. Feed Your lambs. We are Your hands.	Bridge We are a broken world, oh Lord, Not worthy for the call to love. We're healed by grace through faith in You, A people truly set apart. We are a broken world, oh Lord, Not worthy to be set apart. We die unto our selfish ways And go unto Your sacred heart. <i>(Chorus 2x)</i>
Verse 2 And now we see as in a mirror Reflections of You, of what is to come.	

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray together...

Holy God, send your Spirit upon us. As we read your holy Word, may it comfort us when we're afflicted, afflict us when we're comfortable, and bring life to all who hear it; in the name of Jesus of Nazareth, we pray. Amen.

MUSIC

Messiah

(Olson)

Verse 1

Someone's shouting from the desert.
Someone's shouting from the sea.
Someone's shouting from the mountain.
Someone's shouting from the valley.

Verse 2

Someone's shouting from the city,
"I am young. I am cold."
Someone's shouting from the country,
"I am lonely. I am old." (*Chorus*)

Chorus

Messiah,
Come and be our King.
Messiah,
Come and be our King.

Verse 3

Someone's shouting, "I am broken."
Someone's shouting, "Make me whole."
Someone's shouting, "Come and change me."
Someone's shouting, "Save my soul."

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Cor 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body,

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 witness to your love for the world.

ALL: Amen.

*** New members may return to their seats. The congregation is invited to welcome our newest members with a round of applause. ***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace, hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

And now let us pray together the prayer that 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

*God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,
who rejoices over you,
and who calls you by name,
✠ bless your going out and your coming in,
today and forever.*

Amen.

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

MUSIC

Bind Us Together

Refrain

Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together
With cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together, Lord
Bind us together with love.

Verse 1

There is only one God,
There is only one King;
There is only one body,
That is why we sing:
(Refrain)

Verse 2

You are the family of God,
You are the promise divine;
You are God's chosen desire,
You are the glorious new wine.
(Refrain)

Verse 3

There is only one God,
There is only one king;
There is only one body,
That is why we sing:
(Refrain)

WELCOME LITANY FOR NEW MEMBERS

Pastor: We rejoice in the opportunity to welcome new members Jeffline Tolbert & Jenell Dennis, Wendy, Bryan, Christopher, & Parker Toenies, and Steven & Sean Clough into our life together here at Cross of Glory! New members, please join Pastor Ali up front as we officially welcome you...

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 for 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 of 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.

giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 4:14-21

P: The Gospel according to Luke the fourth chapter

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

Pastor Ali Tranvik

MUSIC

Let Streams of Living Justice

#710 vss 1-3

- 1 Let streams of living justice
flow down upon the earth;
give freedom's light to captives,
let all the poor have worth.
The hungry's hands are pleading,
the workers claim their rights,
the mourners long for laughter,
the blinded seek for sight.
Make liberty a beacon,
strike down the iron pow'r;
abolish ancient vengeance:
proclaim your people's hour.
2. For healing of the nations,
for peace that will not end,
for love that makes us lovers,
God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together;
knit our lives as they are spun;
- 3 Your city's built to music;
we are the stones you seek;
your harmony is language;
we are the words you speak.
Our faith we find in service,
our hope in others' dreams,
our love in hand of neighbor;
our homeland brightly gleams.
Inscribe our hearts with justice;
your way—the path untried;
your truth—the heart of stranger;
your life—the Crucified.

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

CONFESSION OF FAITH

**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

The peace of the Christ be with you always.

And always with you.

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

If you're worshipping in-person, you're invited to stand up, remain in your pews, and turn to neighbors near you, offering a physically distant sign of peace: a wave, nod or bow, peace sign, or crossing arms over the chest as a symbol of an embrace. If you're worshipping on Zoom, you're invited to turn on your video and wave or give a peace sign to others.

*** Please be seated ***

BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

Offering plates will not be passed around at this time. Please drop off offering before or after the services in the plates located just outside the sanctuary. If you're worshipping with us virtually, we invite you to make an offering by sending a check to the church or by visiting our secure online giving page at www.crossofglory.us. Thank you for your generosity!