

ASH WEDNESDAY



March 2, 2022

*Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Brooklyn Center, MN*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

(Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination)

Most holy and merciful God,

**All: We confess to you and to one another,
and before the whole company of heaven,
that we have sinned by our fault,
by our own fault,
by our own most grievous fault,
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

Have mercy on us, O God.

We have shut our ears to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Our past unfaithfulness, the pride, envy, hypocrisy, and apathy that have infected our lives, we confess to you.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people, we confess to you.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to share the faith that is in us, we confess to you.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Our neglect of human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty, we confess to you.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Our false judgments, our uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us, we confess to you.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us, we confess to you.



WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

Mavis Wold

Jackie Fryhling

Shar Lauster

Norma Gilbertson

Vicky Jacobson

Arlene Finke

Marian Henjum

Nancy Hengel

Sharon Quick

Sue Birch

Dale Anderson

Eilert Pederson

Baby Kellen— Great

Grand child of the

Tollefsrud's

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.

MUSIC CREDITS

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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Ali Tranvik

Vocalist, choir, and handbell director: Keith J. Williams

Pianist, vocalist, worship team director, tech director: Mark Trease

Lector: Jodi Quiner

Greeter: Judy Lewis

Ushers: Cheryl Anderson, Gayle Merritt

Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn Bailey, and Bill Bailey

Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

Have mercy on us, O God.

Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.

Beloved in Christ, where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

In Jesus, God comes to you again and again, forgives you, and sets you free.

Live now in this wild and holy freedom to love one another.

Amen.

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

MUSIC

Bless Now, O God, The Journey

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| 1 | Bless now, O God, the journey
that all your people make,
the path through noise and silence,
the way of give and take.
The trail is found in desert
and winds the mountain round,
then leads beside still waters,
the road where faith is found. | We yearn for holy freedom
while often we are bound;
together we are seeking
the road where faith is found. |
| 2 | Bless sojourners and pilgrims
who share this winding way;
your hope burns through the terrors,
your love sustains the day. | 3 Divine eternal lover,
you meet us on the road.
We wait for land of promise
where milk and honey flow,
but waiting not for places,
you meet us all around.
Our covenant is written
on roads, as faith is found. |

*** Please be seated ***

LESSON:

Isaiah 58:1-12

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 practised righteousness

and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgements,

they delight to draw near to God.

‘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.
Look, 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 thongs 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 rearguard.
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
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,

BLESSING

*Though we are captive to boundaries, God frees us for life together.
Though we are captive to fear, God frees us for love.
Though we are captive to death, God frees us for life.
Though we are captive to worry, God frees us for rest.
Though we are captive to possessions, God frees us for joy.
May God bless you as you confess your captivity, and as you live into this holy freedom.*
Amen.

MUSIC

You Are My King

(Foote)

Verse

I'm forgiven
because you were forsaken.
I'm accepted;
You were condemned.
I'm alive and well,
Your Spirit is within me
Because you died and rose again.
(Repeat)

Chorus

Amazing love, how can it be
That You, my King, would die for
me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It's my joy to honor you.
(Repeat)
In all I do, I honor You.

Bridge

You are my King.
You are my King.
Jesus, You are my King.
Jesus, You are my King.

Amazing Grace,
how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found.
Was blind but now I see.

(Chorus)

In all I do, I honor You.
In all I do, I honor You.
In all I do, I honor You.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God goes with us as we begin our Lenten journeys.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*** 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**

*** Please be seated ***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor: God of grace:

(Sung response: **Oh Lord, Hear My Prayer ELW 751**)

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.
When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come, and listen to me.

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.**

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,

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

MUSIC

Kyrie Eleison

(Olson)

vss 4,3,2

Chorus

Kyrie Eleison on our world
And on our way.
Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day.

For life and for love,
For our work and our play,
Let us pray to the Lord.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Verse 4

For Your Spirit to guide,
That You center our lives
In the water and the Word;
That You nourish our souls
With Your body and blood,
Let us pray to the Lord.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Verse 2

That we may live out
Your impassioned response
To the hungry and the poor;
That we may live out
Truth and justice and grace,
Let us pray to the Lord
Let us pray to the Lord

Verse 3

For peace in our hearts,
For peace in our homes,
For friends and family;

LESSON:

Psalm 51:1-17

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgement.
Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.
Deliver me from bloodshed, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.
For you have no delight in sacrifice;
if I were to give a burnt-offering, you would not be pleased.
The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

‘And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

‘And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

‘Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

*** Please be seated ***

REFLECTION

Pastor Ali Tranvik

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

You are invited to come forward when an usher dismisses your row. Ashes will be imposed with a q-tip by a gloved assistant for covid safety. Those wishing to receive a blessing only, come forward and cross your arms across your chest. For those who would like to receive ashes in their pew, simply cue an usher.

Pastor: You are dust and to dust you shall return.

