

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Make a Gift

Your Easter offering empowers us to share God's gift of life through a variety of vibrant ministries both in our congregation and in our broader community. To make a contribution today, leave an offering in the plates, mail a check to the church, or click the "Give" button on the bottom of our home page to give a secure, one-time or recurring gift. Thanks for your generosity!

Join us for Worship

Worship with the Cross of Glory community every Sunday at 9:30 am onsite or online (via Zoom). Video recordings of all worship services are also posted to our website. crossofglory.us

Where do you see resurrection?

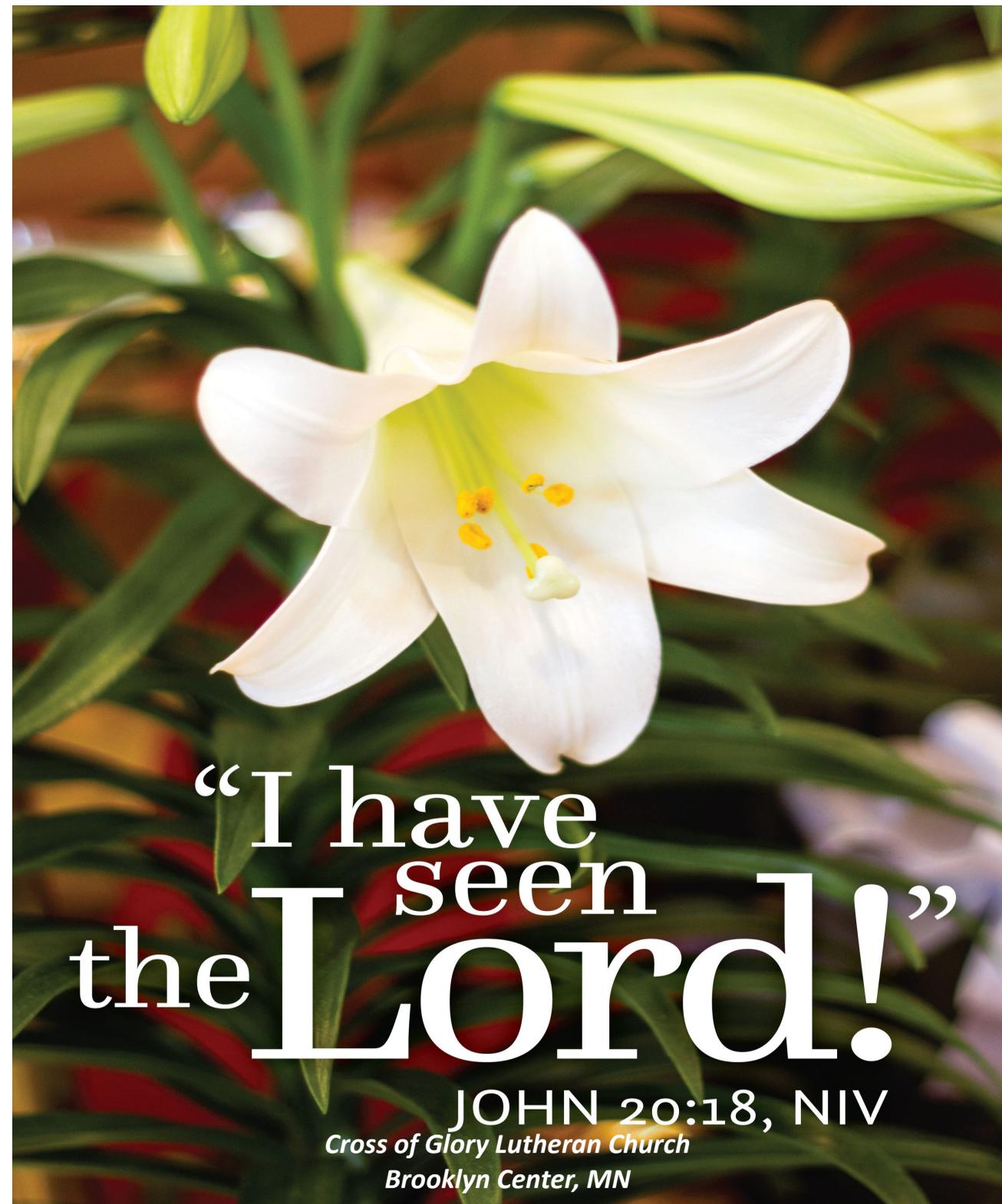
This Easter season, we invite you to share phrases and photos of where you see resurrection in the world. Share a couple sentences or a picture of new life and send it to office@crossofglory.us. We look forward to sharing these glimpses with one another throughout the Easter season as we help each other continue to see that Christ is Risen!

Pastoral Care

Pastor Ali is available for conversation, prayer, and pastoral care. Reach out at atranvik@crossofglory.us to set up a time to connect.

Take Part in our Life Together

From Bible study to mutual aid work, the softball team to the worship team, community gardening to tutoring, there is a place for you here. Check out the "Connect" page of our website to learn more about ways to take part in God's gift of life together here at Cross of Glory.



Christ is risen! Jesus is alive! Today we gather to witness the good news of Jesus' resurrection, to proclaim that life cannot be stopped--not even by death. In word and sacrament, we celebrate God's gifts of life and of love, and are sent into the world to live out these gifts in our lives. Alleluia!

If you're worshipping with us from home today, please prepare a bowl of water for the remembrance of baptism, and bread/crackers and wine/juice for Holy Communion. However you are joining us, we are glad you're with us, and we welcome you in the name of the risen Christ.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Please rise as you are able and face the baptismal font.

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ, let us confess our sins and be cleansed by the gift of new life.

We come to the water, O God, thirsting for you and for your grace. Forgive us for our sins of greed, pride, self-centeredness, indifference, the ways we cling to death even though you offer us life. *Silence for reflection.*

We thank you, risen Christ, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life. We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us in these grace-filled waters of rebirth, like rains to our thirsting earth. We praise you, risen Christ, for giving us the gift of your grace in these waters and for showering us, day by day, with the gift of new life. **Amen!**

You're invited to mark the sign of the cross on your forehead, remembering the gift of baptism.

MUSIC CREDITS

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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik

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

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

Lector: Lois Tollefsrud

Greeters: Ron and Lois Tollefsrud

Communion: Cheryl Anderson, Dick Mero, Don Halverson, Gayle Merritt

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

Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

Mavis Wold

Shar Lauster

Norma Gilbertson

Arlene Finke

Marian Henjum

Nancy Hengel

Sharon Quick

Sue Birch

Chet Janasz

Elaine Merila

Dale Anderson

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 to add a written prayer, fold it up and place it between the wooden pieces in the wall. Further instructions can be found at the prayer wall.

COMMUNION PRAYER

God of the table, you fill us not only with bread of your body but with the joy of your presence. Send us forth from this feast nourished in body and in spirit to proclaim your good news and share this bread with all who are hungry. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Blessed with the gift of new life from God our gardener, go now to be gardeners of new life, in the name of the Father, Risen Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

MUSIC Christ is Alive #389 vs 1, 3, 5

Please rise as you're able.

Verse 1

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Verse 3

In ev'ry insult, rift, and war,
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.

Verse 5

Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is Risen!
He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

Please join us after worship in the Fellowship Hall for Easter breakfast. All are welcome!

MUSIC Jesus Christ is Risen Today #365 vs 1,2,4

Verse 1

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross,
Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Verse 2

Hymns of praise then let us sing,
Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heav'nly king,
Alleluia!

*** You may be seated***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray together:

God our gardener, by the power of your love, you bring forth new life where we thought it was not possible. May the gift of this new life spring forth within and around us, that we might live as resurrection people, through the power of your risen Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

MUSIC: This Is Amazing Grace Wickham/Riddle/Farro

Verse 1

Who breaks the power of sin and
darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much
stronger
The King of Glory the King above all
kings

Verse 2

Who shakes the whole earth with
holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe
and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all
kings

Chorus

(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've
done for me

Verse 3

Who brings our chaos back into
order
Who makes the orphan a son and
daughter
The King of Glory the King of
Glory

Verse 4

Who rules the nations with truth
and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its
brilliance
The King of Glory the King above
all kings

Bridge

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who
conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who
conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
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conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy worthy worthy

SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say,

‘His steadfast love endures for ever.’

The LORD is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

‘The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted;
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.’

I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the LORD.

Chorus 2

It is done it is finished
Mercy won I'm forgiven
Sing His name

He is worthy of our praise
Jesus

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered together as one 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
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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome to partake in this holy meal at God's table, where Christ is the host
and we are the guests. If you're worshiping onsite, you're invited to come forward
when an usher cues your row. You'll be offered bread from the first server (gluten-
free options available upon request), and wine from the second server (grape juice
available upon request). If you'd like to take communion in your seat, simply cue an
usher and we'd be happy to bring it to you.*

*If you're worshiping at home, we invite you to have bread or a cracker and wine or
juice, trusting that God is present in it, and that it draws us together as one body
even while we are apart.*

The body of Christ is given for you. **Amen.**
The blood of Christ is shed for you. **Amen.**

**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

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

BLESSING OF THE OFFERING

Offering can be placed in the plates located just outside the sanctuary, sent to the church (5929 Brooklyn Blvd), or given online via our secure giving page located at www.crossofglory.us. Thank you for your generously sharing what God has first given us.

MUSIC	It Is Finished	Stanfill/Younger/Quilala/Ligertwood
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Verse 1

The cross is my beginning
The line drawn in the sand
The end of all my striving
Now I am born again

Verse 2

There Jesus was forsaken
So I will never be
His grace is my salvation
The gift of God
The work of Calvary

Chorus 1

It is done it is finished
Christ has won He is risen
Grace is here
Love has triumphed over death
Forever

Verse 3

The cross needs no addition
His mercy is complete
His love is not in question
The Son of God
Has spoken over me

Bridge

Strongholds
Bowing to the Savior
Resurrection power
Over ev'ry circumstance
His word stands
Final and forever
It will not be shaken
He alone has won it all

The LORD has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.
Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL READING John 20:1-18

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

P: The Gospel according to John the twentieth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb.

He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

*** Please be seated ***

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Following the children's sermon, all kids are invited to meet in the back of the sanctuary for a special kid's activity. Kids will re-gather in the sanctuary again following the sermon.

SERMON

MUSIC

Now the Green Blade Riseth

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love who had been slain
thinking that he would never wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter like the risen grain,
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;
quick from the dead, my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Jesus' touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed

*** 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.**