

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Fellowship Hour** - Please join us for a time of fellowship--accompanied by coffee and treats--immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks to all who have signed up to help with set-up and clean-up to make these gatherings possible!
- **Name Tags** - As a gesture of hospitality to new members and visitors, we invite everyone to make a name tag near the Welcome Desk upon entry. Thank you!
- **Want to Know More About COG?** - If you're interested in learning more about life together at Cross of Glory, or joining as a new member, please reach out to Pastor Ali (atranvik@crossofglory.us).
- **Bible Study** - All are welcome to take part in Bible Study Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am via Zoom or in person. All are also welcome to attend the WELCA (Women of the ELCA) Gather Bible Study which takes place Wednesday May 18th at 1pm For more information, reach out to Carol Stejskal.
- **Mutual Aid** - In the months to follow the killing of Daunte Wright, CoG members and neighbors gathered to explore what mutual aid looks like longer-term. That group is gathering for a conversation and community meal on Tuesday, May 3. If you're interested in learning more or taking part, please reach out to Pastor Ali by April 29.
- **Pastoral Care** - Pastor Ali's pastoral care office hours--virtual or in-person--are Tuesdays from 10:30-1:30 and Wednesdays from 2-5, and home/care facility visitation hours are Thursdays from 3-5. Please reach out to her if you'd like to connect.
- **Grief & Loss Support Group** - Wildfire churches are now offering grief support to those who have experienced grief and loss of various kinds. May's gatherings are at Elim in Robbinsdale (3978 W Broadway Ave) on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 pm. Sessions are free and open to the public. If you're interested in learning more, see the May issue of the Glory Banner for more info.
- **Carpooling to Church** - We are organizing rides on Sunday mornings for some of our homebound members here who have requested transportation assistance. If you are open to being paired someone and giving a ride either regularly or on occasion, please let Pastor Ali know

The Third Sunday of Easter



May 1, 2022

**Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Brooklyn Center, MN**

PRELUDE

WELCOME

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

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS AT THE FONT

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

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

God of Life, we come to the water, thirsting for you and for your grace. Forgive us for our greed, our self-centeredness, our indifference, and for all the ways we cling to death even though you offer us life.

Silence for reflection and confession.

We thank you, O God, for these waters where you make us new, leading us from death to life. We bless you, O God, that your Spirit comes to us like rains to our thirsting earth. We praise you, O God, 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

Christ is Alive

#389 vs 1,4,5

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 4

Women and men, in age and youth,

can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

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

P: Go in peace and live as Christ's body.

A: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Ali Tranvik

Guest Preacher: Rev. John Schweln

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

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

Vocalist: Johnetta Freeman

Lector: Julie Aulwes

Greeters: Josephine Cook and Judy Olson

Communion: Judy Olson, Bruce & Sue Vukelich

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

Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn Bailey, & 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

Sue Birch

Sar Lauster

Ardis Fairchild in the death of

Norma Gilbertson

her Sister-in-Law Harriet Oien

Arlene Finke

Trish Hambrick and Dan

Marian Henjum

Jacobson in the recent death of

Nancy Hengel

Trish's sister and brother –in-law

Sharon Quick

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING BLESSING

P: Even in an aching world that's crying out for healing, the joy of Christ alive is our steady companion. The same Spirit that has sustained our sisters and brothers through the centuries promises to see us through these days. That we might hang on to hope, work for justice and peace, and celebrate the gifts of being loved and loving. We go proclaiming our hallelujahs, for Christ is risen.

Alleluia and amen!

Please rise as you're able.

MUSIC	That's Why We Praise Him	Walker
Verse 1 He came to live, live a perfect life. He came to be the living word our light. He came to die so we'd be reconciled. He came to rise to show His pow'r and might.	Verse 2 He came to live, live again in us. He came to be our conquering King and friend. He came to heal and show the lost ones His love. He came to go prepare a place for us. <i>(Chorus)</i>	
Chorus That's why we praise Him, that's why we sing. That's why we offer Him our ev'rything. That's why we bow down and worship this King, 'Cause He gave His ev'rything. 'Cause He gave His ev'rything.	Bridge Halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah. <i>(Repeat)</i> <i>(Chorus)</i>	

GREETING

P: Easter people, Jesus is alive! May his grace, love, and communion be with you all.

A: And also with you.

*** You may be seated ***

MUSIC

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

#392 3-5

Verse 3

Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's redeemer, hear our plea
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Verse 4

Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let's pray together...

All: Eternal God, through the resurrected body of your Son, Jesus Christ, you empower us to embody the Gospel of Easter. Give us the bold vision now to share it, in the name of the one who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

As within the veil you entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest,
here on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.

Verse 5

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
as redeemed us by his blood."

MUSIC You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore #817 vs 1-4

Verse 1

You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy, but only asking for me to follow.

Refrain

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you've called out my name.

On the sand I have abandoned my small boat; now with you, I will seek other seas.

Verse 2

You know full well what I have, Lord:

neither treasure nor weapons for conquest, just these my fish nets and will for working. *Refrain*

Verse 3

You need my hands, my exhaustion, working love for the rest of the weary-- a love that's willing to go on loving. *Refrain*

Verse 4

You who have fished other waters; you, the longing of souls that are yearning: O loving Friend, you have come to call me. *Refrain*

SCRIPTURE READING:

Acts 9:1-6

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.'

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered together as one body 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.

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 across time and space

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

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

COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, what we have experienced at your table is a glimpse of resurrection. We give you thanks for inviting us to this feast, where we have tasted the joy of your presence. Send us forth now and joyfully share the gifts of your table with all those who hunger, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WITNESSING RESURRECTION

Throughout the Easter season, we will be relying on one another to help us witness the resurrection that's unfolding around us. We invite you to send us photos and phrases of resurrection--glimpses of new life--that you notice in your daily lives. We will incorporate them into this time of reflection each week, in which you're invited to prayerfully ponder the new life that is emerging all around.

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

God With Us

Ingram / Jordan

Verse 1

Oh, You've come to bring peace,
to be Love,
To be nearer to us.
You've come to bring life, to be
Light,
To shine brighter in us.
Oh Emmanuel, God with us.

Chorus

Our Deliverer, You are Savior.
In Your presence we find our
strength
Over ev'rything, our Redeemer,
God with us.
You are God with us.

Verse 2

Oh, You've come to be Hope to
this world,
For Your honor and name.
And You've come to take sin, to
bear shame,
And to conquer the grave.
Oh Emmanuel, God with us.
(Chorus 2x)

Ending

Oh God with us.
You are God with us.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: God of life...

A: Move us in prayer.

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL READING John 21:1-19

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

P: The Gospel according to John the twenty-first chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

*** Please be seated ***

SERMON

Rev. John Schwehn

MUSIC

His Mercy is More

Papa / Boswell

Verse 1

What love could remember no
 wrongs we have done?
 Omniscient, all knowing, He counts
 not their sum.
 Thrown into a sea without bottom
 or shore,
 Our sins they are many; His mercy
 is more.

Chorus

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more.
 Stronger than darkness, new every
 morn.
 Our sins they are many, His mercy
 is more.

Verse 2

What patience would wait as we
 constantly roam?
 What Father so tender is calling
 us home?
 He welcomes the weakest, the
 vilest, the poor.
 Our sins they are many, His
 mercy is more. (*Chorus*)

Verse 3

What riches of kindness He
 lavished on us.
 His blood was the payment. His
 life was the cost.
 We stood 'neath a debt we could
 never afford.
 Our sins they are many, His
 mercy is more. (*Chorus*)

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.
 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 always.

A: And also with you.

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

*** Please be seated ***