

Pastor Ali know

The Sixth Sunday of Easter



WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

Mavis Wold

Shar Lauster

Norma Gilbertson

Arlene Finke

Evan Lewis, grandson of Judy Lewis

Dan Jacobson

Trish Hambrick

Laura McClanahan

Marian Priest

Sue Birch, daughter of Sharon Quick

Gayle Merritt

*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.*



May 22, 2022

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor: Christ is risen. **All: 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

Gather Us In

#532 vs 1,2,4

Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Softball** has begun! The next few games are: May 23rd at 6:20 pm at Centennial Park south field. June 6th at 8:20pm at Centennial Park north field. Games are also listed on the calendar on our website at Crossofglory.us

• **Fellowship Hour** - Please join us for a time of fellowship with coffee and donuts 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!

• **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, reach out to Pastor Ali (atranvik@crossofglory.us).

• **Share your song/hymn requests** - On Sunday, May 29th, we will have a 5th Sunday service of Lessons & Music. Have a favorite song or hymn you'd like the congregation to sing together? Please share it with Rachel by Sunday, May 22nd and we'll do our best to incorporate them!

• **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 newsletter for more info.

• **Bible Study** - All are welcome to take part in Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am onsite or online. The final session before our summer hiatus will be Tuesday, May 24th. You're also invited to attend the WELCA (Women of the ELCA) Gather Bible Study which takes place on the third Wednesday of the month at 1 pm. For more info about WELCA, reach out to Carol Stejskal.

• **Carpooling to Church** - We're organizing rides on Sunday mornings for some of our homebound members here who have requested transportation assistance. If you're open to being paired someone and giving a ride either regularly or on occasion, please let

Please stand as you're able.

MUSIC	We Are Part of His Family	Jonas
Verse		
We are part of His family		Hallelujah! With my brothers I'll
Called to give Him praise.		praise Him.
We are children of blessing		Hallelujah! With my sisters I'll sing!
Celebrate His grace.		Bridge
Chorus		We are His adopted family
Hallelujah! With my brothers I'll		Chosen from iniquity.
praise Him.		We've been made His sons and
Hallelujah! With my sisters I'll sing.		daughters.
		We are children of the King.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Live hospitably

A: Thanks be to God!

MUSIC	"Benediction"	Choir
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POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

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Ministers: The people of Cross of Glory

We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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	As We Gather at Your Table	#522
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Verse 1

As we gather at your table,
as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your
presence;
let our hearts and minds be
stirred.

Nourish us with sacred story
till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy
banquet
how to make Love's vict'ry known.

Verse 2

Turn our worship into witness
 in the sacrament of life;
 send us forth to love and serve
 you,
 bringing peace where there is
 strife.
 Give us, Christ, your great
 compassion
 to forgive as you forgave;
 may we still behold your image
 in the world you died to save.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let's pray together...

All: Christ alive, you swing wide the doors of our hearts and our homes by the power of your resurrection. Move us now into lives of hospitality, embodying your welcome to all; in the name of the risen Christ we pray. Amen.

Verse 3

Gracious Spirit, help us summon
 other guests to share that feast
 where triumphant Love will
 welcome
 those who had been last and
 least.
 There no more will envy blind us
 nor will pride our peace destroy,
 as we join with saints and angels
 to repeat the sounding joy.

MUSIC

All Are Welcome

#641 vs 1-4

Verse 1

Let us build a house where love can
 dwell
 and all can safely live,
 a place where saints and children tell
 how hearts learn to forgive.
 Built of hopes and dreams and
 visions,
 rock of faith and vault of grace;

here the love of Christ shall end
 divisions:

Refrain

All are welcome, all are welcome,
 all are welcome in this place.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: God of life...

A: Move us in prayer.

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Hand Bells

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.

A: Alleluia and 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 ***

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

Multiply Your Love

Park

Verse 1

Multiply Your love through us
To the lost and the least
Let us be Your healing hands
Your instruments of peace
May our single purpose be
To imitate Your life
Through our simple words and
deeds
Let love be multiplied

deeds
Let love be multiplied

Chorus

Let us see Your kingdom come
To the poor and broken ones
Let us see a mighty flood
Of justice and mercy O Jesus
Let love be multiplied

Verse 3

Multiply Your church through us
To the ends of the earth
Where there's only barrenness
Let us see new birth
Use us as Your labourers
Working side by side
Let us see Your harvest come
Let love be multiplied (*Chorus*)

Verse 2

Multiply Your love through me
To someone in need
Help me Lord to freely give
This grace that I've received
Let my single purpose be
To imitate Your life
Through my simple words and

Verse 2

Let us build a house where prophets
speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to
seek

to dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as
witness

and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of
Jesus: *Refrain*

Verse 3

Let us build a house where love is
found

in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground

where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through
Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that
frees us: *Refrain*

Verse 4

Let us build a house where hands
will reach

beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and
teach,

and live the Word they've known.

Here the outcast and the stranger

bear the image of God's face;

let us bring an end to fear and
danger: *Refrain*

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she

and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING John 5:1-9

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

P: The Gospel according to John the fifth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?' The sick man answered him, 'Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.' Jesus said to him, 'Stand up, take your mat and walk.' At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

*** Please be seated ***

SPECIAL MUSIC I Will Sing of My Redeemer

Choir

SERMON

MUSIC

Brother , sister, let me serve you,
Let me be as Christ to you
Pray that I might have the grace to
Let you be my servant too

We are pilgrims on a journey
We are trav'lers on the road
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load

Servant Song

I will weep when you are weeping
When you laugh I'll laugh with you
I will share your joy and sorrow
Till we've seen this journey
through

When we sing to God in heaven
We shall find such harmony
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony

Gillard

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**