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•**Transportation Request** - Would you be willing to offer a ride to someone on Sunday mornings a time or two a month? A few folks who live within a few miles of the church have recently requested rides. If you're willing to help, even occasionally, please let Rachel in the office know ASAP, and we'll coordinate a schedule.

•**Visitation** - If you're interested in receiving a visit from Pastor Ali or a CoG friend, or would be willing to serve as a visitor (who makes either in-person or phone call visits to homebound members), let Rachel in the office know.

•**Want to Know More About COG?** - We're so glad you're worshipping with us! Welcome. If you're interested in learning more about life together at COG, reach out to Pastor Ali ([atranvik@crossofglory.us](mailto:atranvik@crossofglory.us)).



### WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

*Mavis Wold  
Norma Gilbertson  
Audrey Swanberg  
Jeannie Kuzmich  
Dick Mero  
Eric Thompson & family  
DeLores Olson*

*Sharon Quick & Sue Birch  
Martha Krueger  
Josh Day  
Penny Lindblom  
Sherry Mattfield  
Debbie Sjoquist*

To be added or removed from the weekly prayer list, please contact the church office ([office@crossofglory.us](mailto:office@crossofglory.us)) or call 763-533-8602.

You are welcome to stop at our community prayer wall just outside the sanctuary to place a written prayer in the wall. Further instructions are at the prayer wall.

# The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



**October 8, 2023**

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



**LENT**  
 Stories of Call:  
 A Season of  
 Prayerful Listening



**EASTER**  
 Stories of Life:  
 A Season of  
 Proclaiming Life Amidst Death



**PENTECOST**  
 Stories of Togetherness:  
 A Season of  
 Exploring Life Shared Together

Welcome to Cross of Glory! We're glad you're here. If you're new, we invite you to fill out a "Welcome" card from the pew rack and place it in the plate during the offering so we can know you were here and extend a personal welcome. Everyone is invited to stay after the service for a brief time of food and fellowship. We hope that at Cross of Glory you experience God's gift of life together, made richer by your presence among us.

## Gathering

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be God, Mother who creates us, † Jesus who dwells among us, and Spirit who stirs us to life.

**All: Amen.**

Although God calls us to life together, we continually separate ourselves from God and one another. Let us take a moment of silence to repent and confess our sins...

*\*\*Silence for reflection\*\**

P: Ever-living God,

**All: You have offered us the gift of life, taught us the ways of shalom, shown us the ways of justice, yet we fail to listen to your call. We are complacent in the face of violence and suffering, and afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we limit the scope of those we think we're responsible for loving, forgive us. Draw us toward one another--toward you, through the power of your living Spirit among us. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

•**Coffee Hour** - Join us after worship today in the fellowship hall for a time of food and fellowship!

•**WMA Meeting Today** - The Worship Music Arts team will gather after worship today - all are welcome so please join as you're interested!

•**Fall Fest THIS THURSDAY** - Join neighbors from CoG, CAPI, and across the BC community this Thursday, Oct 12 between 4-6 for a neighborhood block party in the CAPI parking lot (5930 Brooklyn Blvd). Swing by for a food truck dinner, a community resource fair, fresh food distribution, kids' activities, a covid and flu vaccination clinic, and more.

•**Welcoming guest preacher** - We are excited to welcome back to CoG Rev. Kisten Thompson, who will be our guest preacher next Sunday, Oct 15.

•**Community Art Project** - If you haven't yet had the chance to take part in the cross project that reflects "God's Work, Our Hands," please stop by the art station by the welcome desk after church today, or anytime M-W 10-2 (if you're unable to take part onsite, reach out to the office and we'll bring the project to you!) We'd love to have everyone's hand included (literally) to display the many hands that share in God's gift of life together here at CoG!

*\*A special thanks to Ceramic Tileworks and MN Clay Company for their generosity in supporting our work with their tiles and glazes.*

•**Prayers of the People** - If you're interested in helping lead the Prayers of the People on occasion, please let Pastor Ali know. We'll be gathering next month to share some resources and create a schedule for folks to lead, as we work to make our liturgy more fully reflect "the work of the people!"

•**Reformation Sunday Song Suggestions** - Reformation Sunday will be a 5th Sunday service of lessons and music. We love to craft these services with your suggestions in mind. Please share any song/hymn suggestions with Rachel or Mark by Oct 20 and we'll do our best to include them!

•**ELCA Youth Gathering Registration** - This is the last week for early bird registration! If you're interested in taking part with fellow Wildfire congregations in the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans on July 16-20, reach out to Pastor Ali ASAP.

•**W/ELCA is collecting Christmas gifts** for residents of Good Samaritan Home in Robbinsdale who do not have family to celebrate with. Shopping lists and envelopes for cash/check donations are located under the poster

## PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

*\*\*Please rise as you're able and face the back doors as we prepare to go into the world with good courage. You're also invited to join hands with or put your hand on a neighbor near you as a reminder that we do not go forth alone.\*\**

**ALL: O God, you have called us to ventures  
of which we cannot see the ending,  
By paths as yet untrodden,  
Through perils unknown.  
Give us faith to go out with good courage.  
Not knowing where we go,  
But only that your hand is leading us,  
And your love supporting us,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen!**

## SENDING BLESSING

P: Go in peace, and love the world God so loves.

**A: We will! Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

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## MUSIC CREDITS

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## WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik  
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Guitar: Josh Smith, Steve Sebald  
Greeters: Linda Knudsen, Luella  
Hinnenkamp

Reader: Pam Gilbert  
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Cheryl Anderson  
Technical Team: Ryan Bailey, Dawn and  
Bill Bailey  
Fellowship: Tom and Kris Simon  
Ministers: The People of Cross of Glory

P: Beloveds in Christ, in Jesus, God is always making a way out of no way, calling us out of ourselves and into one body. In † Christ, we are already and always forgiven, and freed for life together. And to that we say:

**A: Thanks be to God!**

*\*\* Please rise as you are able \*\**

## MUSIC

### Chorus

Kyrie Eleison on our world  
And on our way.

Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day.

### Verse 1

For peace in the world,  
For the health of the church,  
For the unity of all,  
For this holy house,  
For all who worship and praise,  
Let us pray to the Lord.  
Let us pray to the Lord. *(Chorus)*

### 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,

## Kyrie Eleison

**(Olson)**

Let us pray to the Lord.  
Let us pray to the Lord. *(Chorus)*

### Verse 3

For peace in our hearts,  
For peace in our homes,  
For friends and family,  
For life and for love,  
For our work and our play,  
Let us pray to the Lord.  
Let us pray to the Lord. *(Chorus)*

### 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. *(Chorus)*

## GREETING

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

*\*\* Please be seated \*\**

**MUSIC****Gather Us In****#532****Verse 1**

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.

**Verse 3**

Here we will take  
 the wine and the water,  
 here we will take  
 the bread of new birth,  
 here you shall call  
 your sons and your daughters,  
 call us anew to be

salt for the earth.  
 Give us to drink  
 the wine of compassion,  
 give us to eat the bread that is you;  
 nourish us well,  
 and teach us to fashion  
 lives that are holy  
 and hearts that are true.

**Verse 4**

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.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray together:

**All: O God, you generously gave us the gift of your son: our rock and our redeemer. Help us to be tripped up by your grace and to stumble over your justice, that your kingdom would come. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

**MUSIC****God So Loved****Cash/Bergthold**

*\*\* Please rise as you are able. Kids are invited to grab a musical instrument from the basket in the back and make a joyful noise as we sing! \*\**

**Verse 1**

Come all you weary,  
 Come all you thirsty.  
 Come to the well  
 that never runs dry.  
 Drink of the water.  
 Come and thirst no more.

**Verse 2**

Come all you sinners,  
 Come find His mercy.  
 Come to the table He will satisfy.  
 Taste of His goodness  
 Find what you're looking for

**Chorus 1**

For God so loved  
 the world that He gave us  
 His one and only Son to save us.  
 Whoever believes in Him  
 will live forever.

**Verse 3**

Bring all your failures.  
 Bring your addictions.  
 Come lay them down  
 at the foot of the cross.  
 Jesus is waiting there  
 With open arms.

**Chorus 2**

For God so loved  
 the world that He gave us  
 His one and only Son to save us.  
 Whoever believes in Him  
 will live forever.  
 The power of hell forever defeated.  
 Now it is well.  
 I'm walking in freedom.  
 For God so loved,  
 God so loved the world.

**Bridge**

Praise God, praise God,  
 From whom all blessings flow.  
 Praise God, praise God,  
 For the wonders of God's love.

**Chorus 3**

For God so loved the world  
 that He gave us  
 His one and only Son to save.  
 (Chorus 2)

**Verse 4**

Bring all your failures.  
 Bring your addictions.  
 Come lay them down  
 at the foot of the cross.  
 Jesus is waiting.  
 God so loved the world.

**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.**

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## Sending

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### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Pastor: We rejoice in the opportunity to welcome Charles Korkoyah into our life together here at Cross of Glory!

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 of others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace? If so, please respond "I will, and I ask God to help and guide me"

**New member: I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P: People of Cross of Glory, I ask you now will you support this new member in our faith community and share with them God's wide welcome in 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.**

P: Let us pray: We thank you, God, for this new member of our congregation. Bind us to each other in you and empower us for service, that together we would be witness to your love of the world.

**ALL: Amen.**

*\*\* congregation is invited to welcome our newest member with a round of applause \*\**

### MUSIC

### You are Holy

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#### Verse 1

You are holy, you are whole.  
You are always ever more  
than we ever understand.  
You are always at hand.  
Blessed are you coming near.  
Blessed are you coming here  
to your church in wine and bread,

raised from soil, raised from dead.  
You are holy,  
you are wholeness,  
you are present.  
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!  
Sing hosanna in the highest!  
Sing hosanna!  
Sing hosanna to our God! *repeat*

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## Word

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### SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved  
my love-song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard  
on a very fertile hill.  
He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,  
and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
he expected it to yield grapes,  
but it yielded wild grapes.  
And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and people of Judah,  
judge between me  
and my vineyard.  
What more was there to do for my vineyard  
that I have not done in it?  
When I expected it to yield grapes,  
why did it yield wild grapes?  
And now I will tell you  
what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge,  
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,  
 and it shall be trampled down.  
 I will make it a waste;  
 it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
 and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;  
 I will also command the clouds  
 that they rain no rain upon it.  
 For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts  
 is the house of Israel,  
 and the people of Judah  
 are his pleasant planting;  
 he expected justice,  
 but saw bloodshed;  
 righteousness,  
 but heard a cry!

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## CHOIR ANTHEM

### GOSPEL READING

**Matthew 21:33-46**

*\*\* Please rise as you are able \*\**

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

**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.**

‘Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.” So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ They said to

## MUSIC

### In Christ Alone

### Getty/Townend

#### Verse 1

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
 He is my light,  
 my strength, my song  
 This Cornerstone,  
 this solid Ground,  
 Firm through the fiercest  
 drought and storm.  
 What heights of love,  
 what depths of peace,  
 When fears are stilled,  
 when strivings cease.  
 My Comforter, my All in All,  
 Here in the love of Christ I stand.

#### Verse 2

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
 Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
 This gift of love and righteousness,  
 Scorned by the ones  
 He came to save.  
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
 The wrath of God was satisfied.  
 For every sin on Him was laid;

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Sung between petitions:*

**Spirit, open my heart,  
 To the joy and pain of living.**

Here in the death of Christ I live.

#### Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay,  
 Light of the world  
 by darkness slain;  
 Then, bursting forth in glorious Day,  
 Up from the grave He rose again!  
 And as He stands in victory,  
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
 For I am His and He is mine,  
 Bought with the precious  
 blood of Christ.

#### Verse 4

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
 This is the power of Christ in me;  
 From life's first cry to final breath,  
 Jesus commands my destiny.  
 No power of hell,  
 no scheme of man,  
 Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
 Till He returns or calls me home,  
 Here in the power of Christ  
 I'll stand.

**As you love, may I love.  
 In receiving and in giving.  
 Spirit, open my heart.**

*Table*

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered together as one body by the Holy Spirit, let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us...

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

## Apostles Creed

*\*\* Please rise 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 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 \*\**

## OFFERING

*The Spirit moves through the offering we joyfully share. We invite you to leave an offering in the plates or scan the QR code here to make a secure, online gift. Thank you!*



him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.'

Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

"The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone;

this was the Lord's doing,

and it is amazing in our eyes"?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.'

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

P: The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Praise to you O Christ.**

*\*\*Please be seated.\*\**

## SERMON

### MUSIC

### If You but Trust in God to Guide You

#769

#### Verse 1

If you but trust in God to guide you  
with gentle hand  
through all your ways,  
you'll find that God is there  
beside you

when crosses come, in trying days.  
Trust then in God's  
unchanging love;  
build on the rock that will not move.

#### Verse 3

The Lord our  
restless hearts is holding,  
in peace and quietness content.

We rest in

God's good will unfolding,  
what wisdom from on high has sent.  
God, who has chosen us by grace,  
knows very well the fears we face.

#### Verse 4

Sing, pray, and keep  
God's ways unswerving,  
offer your service faithfully.  
Trust heaven's word;  
though undeserving,  
you'll find God's promise true to be.  
This is our confidence indeed:  
God never fails in time of need.