

learning more, reach out to Pastor Ali.

Funeral of Lorraine Clinton - The CoG community is invited to the funeral for Lorraine Clinton on Tues, Feb 14. Visitation at 10 am, service at 11, luncheon to follow (note: there will be no CoG Bible study that morning).

GOLF - If you enjoy playing golf, Cross of Glory has a league for you. We have a summer league that has a long history. It is a friendly bunch with all levels of players. We play weekly on Thursday evening starting at 5 PM. We play at Pheasant Acres in Corcoran. This league is open to anyone, not necessarily members of Cross of Glory. It is open to men and women. We start sometime in April, depending on when the course opens and play till the end of August. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Mike McClanahan, mikemc5751@outlook.com, or call or text 612-405-3245.

Tech Team Support Needed - If you're open to helping run Zoom or audio during worship, we are looking for folks who are willing to sub in on occasion. Please be in touch with Mark Trease if you're open...we'll teach and train you so you're comfortable! Thanks!

Care & 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 (office@crossofglory.us).

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

The Sixth Sunday After Epiphany



February 12, 2023

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who makes all things new,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Trusting in this mercy, let us take a moment of silence to confess our
sins, both individual and collective...

Silence for reflection and repentance.

**Holy One, source of our renewal,
we confess that we are wrapped up in sin,
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have prioritized our own wants over the needs of our
neighbors.**

Our hearts have turned away from you.

**For the sake of the world you so love,
forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another
for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Thus says our God:

“The former things have come to pass
and new things I now declare.”

God’s mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our Savior.

Amen.

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

MUSIC The Lord’s Prayer (It’s Yours) (Fowler, Sooter, Maher)

Verse

Father, let your kingdom come.
Father, let your will be done

On Earth as in Heaven,
Right here in my heart. *(Repeat)*

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Fellowship - You’re invited to stick around after worship to share in food and fellowship. Today, we’re also excited to share birthday cake as we celebrate the birthdays of both Ethel and Verle Smith. If you’re able to help with set-up or clean-up in coming weeks, please sign up at the welcome desk. We’re grateful for the hands that make possible this time together.

Childcare provided next Sunday - Families with kids: confirmation students and adult helpers will be providing childcare during worship next Sunday, Feb 19! Kids of all ages welcome.

Camp Wapo— Calling all kids that have finished 1st-8th grade! Next Sunday we will have a children's message about camp during service. After service you are invited to stay for a camp informational meeting and have questions answered by a member of Wapo staff.

Community Meals - On Wednesdays starting at 5:15, all are welcome to join the tutoring community and share a meal together in Fellowship Hall.

Bible Study - Join the COG Bible Study as we explore the texts for the upcoming Sunday on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am onsite and online. Note: We will not gather on Tues, Jan 31.

Ash Wednesday - Mark your calendars! On Wed, Feb 22, stop by CoG between 12-2 pm for individual imposition of ashes and a blessing with Pastor Ali. And/or join us at 7 pm for Ash Wednesday worship onsite + online.

Stories of Call: A Season of Prayerful Listening - This Lent, we will be listening for God’s voice speaking to us through exploring stories of call in scripture and through various prayer practices. Join us for worship on Sundays at 9:30 am, midweek prayer on Wednesdays at noon, and check out this month’s Glory Banner for more info!

Table Talks - Join us on Feb 26th to hear from Mark Tranvik of Luther Seminary teach about our Lenten theme of “Call.”

Isaiah - On Feb 21-24, Isaiah--a nonpartisan coalition of faith communities & others working for racial and economic justice in MN--is hosting a week of action at the capitol, guided by a vision of a childcare system where care is affordable for families, regardless of where they live or how much money they make, and where teachers receive the liveable wages and benefits. If you’re interested in taking part or

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor: Rev. Ali Tranvik
Guest Preacher: Rev. Jon Anderson
Director of Choirs: Keith J. Williams
Worship & Tech Director: Mark Trease
Vocalists: Becca Floyd, Erik Haugland,
Kris Simon
Guitar: Stan Haugland

Greeters: Judy Lewis, Judy Olson
Reader: Steve Ferley
Ushers: Cheryl Anderson, Dick Mero,
Don Halverson,
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:

*Don and Karen Earnest
Norma Gilbertson
Nancy Hengel
Jeannie Kuzmich
Shar Lauster
Rachel Marquardt*

*Eilert Pederson
Audrey Swanberg
Mavis Wold
Loved ones of Lorraine Clinton as they
grieve her recent death*

*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 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.*

Chorus

Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us, forgive us.
As we forgive the ones who sinned
Against us, forgive them.
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from the evil one
Let your kingdom come.
(Verse)
(Chorus)

Bridge

It's yours, it's yours,
All yours, all yours,

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray together...

**God the grower of all that is good, make us into fertile fields and
rich soil, that your love, your truth, and your light might grow
through us; in your name we pray, Amen.**

*** Please be seated ***

MUSIC

Verse 1

You are here
moving in our midst.
I worship You.
I worship You.

Waymaker

You are here
working in this place.
I worship You.
I worship You. (repeat)

Egbu

The kingdom, the power,
The glory are yours.
It's yours, it's yours,
All yours, all yours,
Forever and ever,
The kingdom is yours. (Repeat)
(Verse)

Tag

On Earth as in Heaven,
Right here in my heart.

Chorus

You are
Way Maker,
Miracle Worker,
Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness,
My God, that is who You are.
Way Maker,
Miracle Worker,
Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness,
My God, that is who You are.

Verse 2

You are here touching ev'ry heart
I worship You.
I worship You.
You are here healing ev'ry heart.
I worship You.
I worship You.

Verse 3

You are here turning lives around.
I worship You.
I worship You.
You are here mending ev'ry heart.
I worship You.
I worship You. (*chorus*)

Tag

That is who You are.
That is who You are.
That is who You are.
That is who You are. (*repeat*)

Bridge

Even when I don't see it,
You're working.
Even when I don't feel it,
You're working.
You never stop,
You never stop working.
You never stop,
You never stop working. (*repeat*)

FIRST READING

Psalms 119:1-8

Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
Happy are those who keep his decrees,
who seek him with their whole heart,
who also do no wrong,
but walk in his ways.
You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.
O that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!
Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

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*

Verse 5

Let us build a house
where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim
from floor to rafter: *Refrain*

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. "For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building."

A: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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Please stand as you're able.

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

**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!**

MUSIC **All Are Welcome** **#641 vs 1,2,4,5**

Kids are invited to grab an instrument and play along on the last song of the service. Instruments can be found in the basket of the center aisle in the back of the sanctuary. Pick an instrument, return to your seats, and make a joyful noise!

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.

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*

I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous ordinances.
I will observe your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING **1 Corinthians 3:1-9**

And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human? What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labour of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM **Light Everlasting** **O. Christiansen**

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

GOSPEL READING **Matthew 5:21-37**

P: The Gospel according to Matthew fifth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

'You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not murder"; and "whoever murders shall be liable to judgement." But I say to

you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgement; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, "You fool", you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

'You have heard that it was said, "You shall not commit adultery." But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell. 'It was also said, "Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce." But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

'Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord." But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be "Yes, Yes" or "No, No"; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

*** Please be seated ***

SERMON

Rev. Jon Anderson

4. You may also take the star home with you this week to continue praying. Tip: keep it in a place--fridge, car, backpack, pocket, purse, etc.--where you'll see it often and be reminded to keep lifting up your neighbor's prayer in your own!

**NOTE: If you need assistance hanging your star or retrieving someone else's, cue an usher and we'll be glad to assist you.*

P: And now let us pray:

God of light, as we journey through the wilderness, you are our bright star,

All: guide us.

As we navigate rough terrain, as we struggle to find our footing,

All: accompany us.

As we stumble and stray, searching for life in all the wrong places,

All: lead us home by another way.

As we wonder where to find you,

All: surprise us.

Be our awakening.

All: Be our epiphany.

Form us as we pray,

All: Amen.

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Thanks for giving with good courage toward the work that God is doing among us! We invite you to leave an offering in the plates or scan the QR code here to make a secure, online gift. Thank you!



MUSIC

For the Fruit of All Creation

#679

Verse 1

For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

Verse 2

In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.

In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

Verse 3

For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Throughout the season of Epiphany, we invite you to take part in the Prayers of the People. Here's how:

- 1. Take a paper star (located at the end of your pew) and write a prayer on it--a prayer for yourself, the church, the neighborhood, the world, or those in need. You may sign your name or leave it anonymous.*
- 2. Come forward to hang your star on the Christmas tree, and before you return to your seat, take the prayer of someone else from the tree.*
- 3. Return to your seat, and spend the remaining prayer time offering a silent prayer to God about the prayer of your neighbor.*

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.

CONFESSIO OF FAITH

Apostles Creed

**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**