



Community Announcements:

- If you're worshipping with us on Zoom, grab another cup of coffee and join us for Virtual Coffee Hour, a short time of fellowship following today's service.
- All are welcome to take part in Bible Study this Tuesday morning at 9:30 am on Zoom. For more information about how to connect to Zoom by phone, tablet, or computer, please see page 8 of the Glory Banner. This month's Glory Banner was sent out this past week. It can also be found online at www.crossofglory.us. If you did not receive a copy and would like to be added to our mailing list, please email the church office at office@crossofglory.us.
- The Worship, Music, and Arts Committee will meet on Zoom after church this Sunday, Jan 10. If you have any questions, please reach out to Julie Aulwes.
- Mark you calendars for the pre-annual meeting following worship on Sunday, Jan 24th and the annual meeting following worship on Sunday, Jan 31st. Look for more information from Council in the coming days about how you can take part.
- The Covid-19 Task Force continues to monitor the case counts for Hennepin County, using the 14-day-period case count per 10,000 metric. Cases have decreased dramatically since November (the Hennepin County case count in mid-November was

128 and dropped to 38 in mid-December. The Brooklyn Center numbers in that same period dropped from 180 to 60). Great news! However, rates are still high enough that we remain in Level 1 of our Preparedness and Response Plan, meaning all gatherings remain virtual with the exception of essential personnel and building maintenance. A full copy of that plan will be made available to you ahead of the congregational meeting. As always, if you have any questions, please reach out to the Task Force.

- As we commemorate Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 18th, the Minneapolis Area Synod invites you to take part in a joint worship service this week. This service was created in partnership with several African American clergy and leaders in Minneapolis, and includes a sermon by Rev. Paul Slack from Lutheran Services of MN, spoken word poetry by Joe Davis, liturgy by Rev. Kelly Chatman and Rev. Babette Chatman, and music by Redeemer Lutheran Church in north Mpls. You can watch the service at <https://churchanew.org/mlk>.
- On Sunday, Jan 24 from 2-5 pm, you're invited to attend a virtual public conversation with ISIAAH, an inter-faith, multiracial, state-wide, nonpartisan coalition of faith communities working for racial and economic justice in MN. Learn more about ISIAAH's work, hear from MN legislators, and find out how faith communities can get involved. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, reach out to Mike McClanahan at mikemc5751@outlook.com.
- Please reach out to Pastor Ali with any other announcements or pastoral concerns and needs. You can reach her by email (atranvik@crossofglory.us) or phone (763-533-8602).