

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



October 11, 2026
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church



We are **CALLED**



We are called to **LIFE**



We are called to life **TOGETHER**

Welcome to Cross of Glory

Welcome to Cross of Glory where we work to share in the joy of life together! If you're here for the first time, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card in your pew and put it in the offering plates so that we can further extend a welcome.

Congregation is invited to speak the **bolded parts throughout the service*

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand as you are able.

MUSIC: You're Worthy Of My Praise

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Verse 1

I will worship (I will worship)
With all of my heart
(with all of my heart)
I will praise You (I will praise You)
With all of my strength
(all my strength)
I will seek You (I will seek You)
All of my days (all of my days)
I will follow (I will follow)
All of Your ways (all Your ways)

Verse 2

I will bow down (I will bow down)
And hail You as King (and hail You
as King)
I will serve You (I will serve You)
Give You everything (everything)
I will lift up (I will lift up)
My eyes to Your throne
(my eyes to Your throne)
I will trust You (I will trust You)
Trust You alone (You alone)
(Chorus 2x)

Chorus

I will give You all my worship
I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship
You alone are worthy of my praise

the Bible and history, we're exploring what it means to live our faith in public today. The next gathering is Wed Oct 21 from 5:30-6:30 at COG. More info on the flyer at the Welcome Desk.

- **Christmas Gifts for Youth** - WELCA is collecting gifts for kids ages 10-17 for CEAP's annual "Toys for Joy" drive. Gift list and drop-off box are at the Welcome Desk. There are also envelopes for cash/check donations (checks made out to "CEAP" with "Toys for Joy" in memo line - submit to COG office). Drive runs Oct 11-Nov 22. Thank you!

- **Pastoral Care & Visitation** - If you're in need of care, prayer, or conversation, reach out to the office to be connected with the pastor or our Care & Visitation Team. We also invite you to stop by our Community Prayer Wall located just outside the sanctuary.

New Creation Joint Worship Services on First Sundays

We are experimenting with a once-a-month shared Sunday service with our neighbors at Faith Lilac Way and First Lutheran with whom we're exploring a new creation. These are joint services, meaning that members from all three congregations are invited to worship at the one site. Join us for these services, with a potluck to follow, as we join together to be God's church!

Next Joint Service:

November 8 at First Lutheran of Crystal - 9:30 AM
7708 62nd Ave N, Brooklyn Park, MN 5542

**Note that November's joint service has been moved to the second Sunday of the month, due to All Saints Sunday being on the first*

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

Jeannie Kuzmich, Eric Thompson & family, Becca and Donald Floyd, Don Earnest, Lois Tollefsrud, Gayle Merritt, and loved ones of Richard Peterson, Steve Sward, and Ethel Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Coffee Hour + New Creation Monthly Update** - All are welcome to stick around after worship for coffee, treats, and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall. This week, we'll also host our monthly New Creation Update. Come to ask questions and learn more as we prepare for our congregational meeting on Oct 25!
- **Voting on the New Creation Vision:** All active members at COG are invited to take part in a congregational meeting after worship next Sunday, Oct 25th. The meeting will include a congregational vote on the vision of a new creation church. The New Creation Team has sent out further information for all to prayerfully prepare for this vote. Please reach out to the office if you need a copy!
- **Bible Study** - Join new creation churches for weekly Bible study onsite or online on Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30 AM. We explore the texts for the upcoming Sunday. Location and leading pastors rotate each month. This month, Pastor Pam is leading at Faith Lilac Way.
- **Wildfire Talks** - Thanks to all who took part in the conversation with Rev. Mark Tranvik on Faith and Politics last month. Our second talk in this series will be on Thurs, Oct 22 at 7 pm at First when Rev. Christine Bellefueille, who will be speaking on Christian Nationalism. Events are free and open to the public--friends and neighbors warmly welcome.
- **First Wednesdays** - The whole COG community is welcome to gather on the first Wednesday of the month for a time of fellowship and fun for families and folks of all ages. Dinner is provided at 5:30 pm, activities for kids go from 6-7 pm, and confirmation begins at 7. Mark your calendars for Nov 4. All are welcome!
- **Public Discipleship** - New creation churches are joining together for a fall course on Public Discipleship. Building off the neighboring work we engaged in during Operation Metro Surge last winter, and drawing on the public ministry of Jesus as well as figures throughout

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth. **Amen.**

Trusting God's boundless compassion, let us confess our sins before God and one another...

*** Silence for reflection and repentance. ***

Holy God,
**we are quick to set our minds on human things:
our own self-preservation, our fear of losing control,
our comfort and convenience.
We squander the gifts of the earth
and neglect the needs of our neighbors.
We cling so tightly to our lives
that we close ourselves off to life itself.
Forgive us, O God, and open us by your tender mercy,
that we find our life in you. Amen.**

Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through + Jesus Christ,
and God's love knows no end.
Receive freely God's healing gift of forgiveness,
that we might go into the world to share it.
Amen.

*** Please be seated ***

KYRIE: “Christe”

Thompson



Cantor: Let us pray to God, have mer - cy.



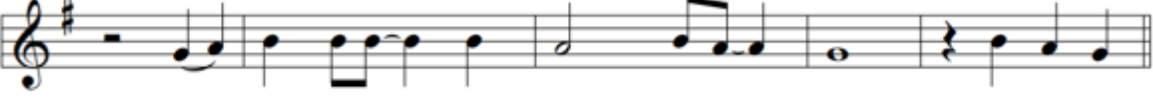
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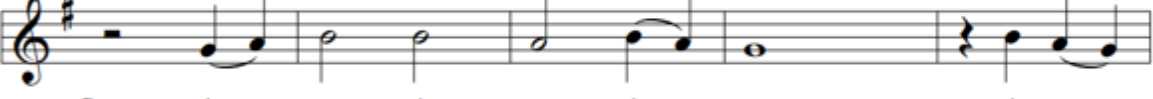
Cantor: For your peace to come to a trou - bled world, have mer - cy.
Refrain: Christe...



Cantor: For u - ni - ty a - mong all who seek the truth, have mer - cy.
Refrain: Christe...



Cantor: For strength - en - ing the threads of our lives, have mer - cy.
Refrain: Christe...



Cantor: A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men,



All: A - men, A - men.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

MUSIC CREDITS

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MUSIC

God of Grace and God of Glory

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Verse 1

God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
crown your ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Verse 2

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long
have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days,

Verse 3

Cure your children's
warring madness;
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton, selfish
gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Verse 4

Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of your salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving you whom we adore,
serving you whom we adore.

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

***Please face the back doors as we prepare to go into the world with good courage.
You're 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!**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to You

Dakota Road

Chorus: (All)

Praise to you O Great Creator
Maker of the land and sky
Praise to you O Living Water
Hope and breath of every life

Verse 1 (solo)

We are lost and we are longing
wandering in the wilderness
searching for your holy presence
and the reason we exist (Chorus)

Verse 2 (solo)

Hear the cries of all creation
how the tears like rivers flow
for your touch of grace and healing
and the love that leads us home
(Chorus)

Verse 3 (solo)

May we live your way of justice
May we walk your way of peace
May we see your sacred vision
May we know your sweet release
(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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray together...
**O God, we continually draw ourselves away from you, and put our
trust in the false promises of other gods. Forgive us, and
empower us to seek your kingdom first, as you always seek us. In
the name of Jesus, our Savior and Lord, we pray. Amen.**

Word

FIRST READING

Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold

rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. He took these from them, formed them in a mold, and cast an image of a calf, and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it, and Aaron made a proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being, and the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' " And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Table

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as 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.**

Sending

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

*** Congregation, please rise as you are able. Kids are invited to come forward to help lead the blessing, drawn from the prayer of St. Patrick:*

**Christ before us, Christ behind us,
Christ beneath us, Christ above us,
Christ on our right, Christ on our left.
Christ with us, today and everyday.
Amen!**

MUSIC Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty #413 vs 1, 2, 4

Verse 1
Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy,
merciful and mighty!
God in three persons,
blessed Trinity!

Verse 2
Holy, holy, holy!
All the saints adore thee,
casting down t
heir golden crowns
around the glassy sea;

cherubim and seraphim
falling down before thee,
which wert and art,
and evermore shall be.

Verse 4
Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
All thy works
shall praise thy name
in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy,
merciful and mighty!
God in three persons,
blessed Trinity!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: “Spirit, Open My Heart”

*** Sung at the beginning and the end of the prayers ***

Spirit, open my heart
To the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love,
In receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

*** Spoken between petitions: ***

L: Lord in your mercy...
All: Hear our prayer.

CHOIR ANTHEM Lead On Softly, Lord Posegate

*Lead on softly, Lord; Lord lead on.
In the unknown days to come, When I may be far from home,
Will you lead on softly, Lord, lead on.
I must follow through the darkness, Lord; Lord, lead on.
Light for only a step at a time, Feeling always Your hand on mine,
I must follow through the darkness; Lord, lead on.
I must keep my eyes upon You Lord, Lord; lead on.
Though my eyes be blind with tears, When I cannot calm fears,
I must keep my eyes on You, Lord; Lord, lead on.*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Listen to the Word of God” (see insert)

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

GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:24-33

P: The Gospel according to Matthew the sixth chapter.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

“No one can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Leader: Word of God, Word of Life.
ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION REPRISE: Listen to the Word of God
(see insert)

*** Please be seated. ***

SERMON

MUSIC	Seek Ye First	Lafferty
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Verse 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness And all these things Shall be added unto you Allelu alleluia	Verse 3 Ask and it shall be given unto you Seek and ye shall find Knock and the door Shall be opened unto you Allelu alleluia
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Verse 2
We shall not live by bread alone
But by ev'ry word
That proceeds
From the mouth of God
Allelu alleluia

CONFESSIO	OF FAITH	Apostles Creed
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**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!
A: And also with you.
P: Let’s share a sign of God’s peace with one another.

You may be seated

OFFERING

We are called to share the gifts God has first given us for the sake of God’s work at Cross of Glory and beyond. Children will also be collecting “noisy offering” --any coins/loose change this month goes to CAPI. Raise a hand if you have loose change to share today. We invite you to bring loose change for “noisy offering” each week.

