

# Cross of Glory

Lutheran Church & School



**Trinity**  
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***Sunday 9am Worship***

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# WELCOME to our worship center

Blessed to be a member of



*God defines a church as people gathering around Word and Sacrament. As you join us in this gathering, we pray that Jesus' peace and power will fill you.*

Growing in Faith — Living in Grace — Sharing His Glory

## ABOUT US

*The continuing purpose of this congregation, as a gathering of Christians, is to spread to all people in God's world the glory of the cross of Christ, by sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ on the basis of the Holy Scriptures.*

### Today's Worship Focus



**GOD IN THREE PERSONS, BLESSED TRINITY** In the first half of the Church Year (Advent through Pentecost) we look at the life of Christ—his birth, ministry, death, resurrection, ascension, and the sending of the Holy Spirit. In the second half of the year, we look at the teachings of Christ. We begin by looking at one of the most mind-blowing truths: that God is triune. Already in the very first chapter of the Bible we read, “Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image...” (Genesis 1:26). Note the singular “God” and the plural “us.” Scripture teaches us that there is only one God but that he exists as three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

He is triune (three-in-one). This teaching is not some logical exercise or philosophical excursion. The doctrine of the Trinity is central to our salvation. The triune God is our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. Lose this doctrine, and as the Athanasian Creed says, you lose it all. A Jesus who is less than God is also less than a Savior. So often, when life gets hard, we get frustrated. We don't understand how God is working always for our good. But the doctrine of the Trinity teaches us we cannot even comprehend God's existence. How then, could we ever comprehend all his workings? On this Holy Trinity Sunday, let it be enough to know that all three persons—Father, Son, and Spirit—love us with an everlasting love.

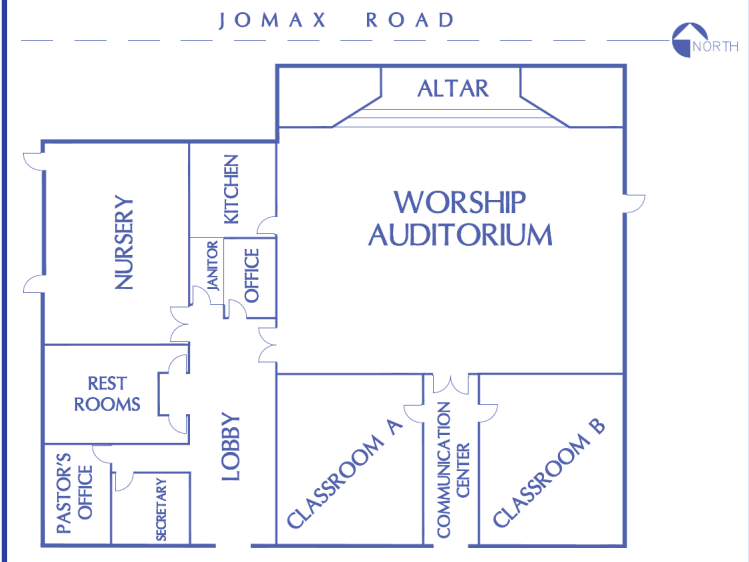
## VISITOR INFORMATION

**New to Cross of Glory?** We are so glad you joined us today! We invite you to stay after the service to chat and join us for coffee time followed by Bible study.

Would you like to learn more about us? We'd love to get to know you better as well. Connect with Cross of Glory by either:

- Using the **friendship register** at the end of each row to connect with us today.
- Emailing us at [church.secretary@crossofglory.org](mailto:church.secretary@crossofglory.org)

## CHURCH MAP



## FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

- Restrooms with changing tables located in lobby.
- Nursery for toddlers 2 years and younger accompanied by adult directly across the lobby.
- **Children in Church Program:** Worship is a family affair, something that children best learn from their parents. We encourage parents to guide their children through the service. We invite children to come forward for the Children's Message during the service. Let's work together to bring up the next generation in the Word of the Lord!

## The Service and Lord's Supper

### Opening Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

CWH 483



Hymn of praise, prayer,  
or reflection on the  
season of the church  
year.

We follow the advice of  
the Apostle Paul to  
“teach and admonish  
one another with all  
wisdom through  
psalms, hymns, and  
songs from the Spirit,  
singing to God with  
gratitude in your  
hearts.”

(Colossians 3:16)



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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### Call to Worship for Trinity Sunday

(Spoken Responsively)

**M:** On this Trinity Sunday, we pray for the one true God to fill us with a strong, believing faith in the mystery of the Three-in-One God who created us, redeemed us, and continues to sanctify us.

**C:** Let us give glory to him because he has shown mercy to us.



We call upon God to be  
present with us. We  
worship the triune God,  
Creator, Redeemer, and  
Sanctifier.

### Confession

(Spoken Responsively)

**M:** If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**C:** If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

**M:** Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**C:** Holy God, gracious Father,  
I am sinful by nature  
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.



“If we confess our sins,  
he is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our  
sins and purify us from  
all unrighteousness.”

(1 John 1:9)

I have not loved you with my whole heart;  
 I have not loved others as I should.  
 I deserve your punishment both now and forever.  
 But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins  
 with his innocent suffering and death.  
 Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Christ said to his disciples, "If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven". The pastor speaks for God and announces God's forgiveness to those who made confession.



This hymn of praise gives the congregation the opportunity to praise God and express joy because Jesus is our victorious Savior.

## Absolution

(Spoken Responsively)

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## Glory to God in the Highest

Tune: CWH 745

Tune: GALILEAN

1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en, peace to those he  
 2 On - ly Son of God the Fa - ther, Lamb who takes our

loves so well. On the earth let all his peo - ple speak his  
 sin a - way, now with him in tri - umph seat - ed— for your

grace, his won - ders tell: Lord, we praise you for your glo - ry,  
 mer - cy, Lord, we pray: Je - sus Christ, most high and ho - ly,

might - y Fa - ther, heav - en's King; hear our joy - ful  
 Sav - ior, you are God a - lone in the glo - ry

ad - o - ra - tion and ac - cept the thanks we bring.  
 of the Fa - ther with the Spir - it, Three in One!

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## The Word

## Prayer of the Day

(Spoken by Minister)

M: Almighty God and Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by your eternal Spirit, and manifesting your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ, in mercy cleanse our hearts and lips that, free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship you, one true, immortal God, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, living and reigning, now and forever.

C: Amen.



*The main thoughts of the day are collected or summarized in this short prayer.*

## First Reading

Genesis 1:1—2:3

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

<sup>3</sup>And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. <sup>4</sup>God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light “day,” and the darkness he called “night.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

<sup>6</sup>And God said, “Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water.”

<sup>7</sup>So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. <sup>8</sup>God called the vault “sky.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day.

<sup>9</sup>And God said, “Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear.” And it was so. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry ground “land,” and the gathered waters he called “seas.” And God saw that it was good.

<sup>11</sup>Then God said, “Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds.” And it was so.

<sup>12</sup>The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>13</sup>And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day.

<sup>14</sup>And God said, “Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, <sup>15</sup>and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth.” And it was so. <sup>16</sup>God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. <sup>17</sup>God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup>to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup>And God said, “Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky.” <sup>21</sup>So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.



*The triune God demonstrates his power at Creation.*

<sup>22</sup>God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth.” <sup>23</sup>And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, “Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.” And it was so. <sup>25</sup>God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

<sup>27</sup>So God created mankind in his own image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

<sup>29</sup>Then God said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. <sup>30</sup>And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so.

<sup>31</sup>God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.

And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

<sup>1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array.

<sup>2</sup>By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. <sup>3</sup>Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.



The Book of Psalms was the Old Testament hymnbook, prayer and liturgy book. It was used by worshipers at the temple. Many of the Psalms are the basis for our hymns and part of our liturgy is taken from the Psalms. The word “Psalm” comes from the Greek and means “a song sung to the accompaniment of a stringed instrument.”

## Psalm of the Day

Psalm 8

Spoken Responsively

M: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

**C: the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,**

M: what is a human being that you are mindful of him,

**C: a Son of Man that you care for him?**

M: You have made him a little lower than the angels

**C: and crowned him with glory and honor.**

M: You made him ruler over the works of your hands;

**C: you put everything under his feet.**

## Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-14

<sup>11</sup>Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

<sup>12</sup>Greet one another with a holy kiss. <sup>13</sup>All God's people here send their greetings.

<sup>14</sup>May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



By sharing his grace, love, and fellowship, the Trinity gives us unity and peace.

## Verse of the Day

(Spoken by Minister; Response sung by Congregation)

M: Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory. Alleluia.

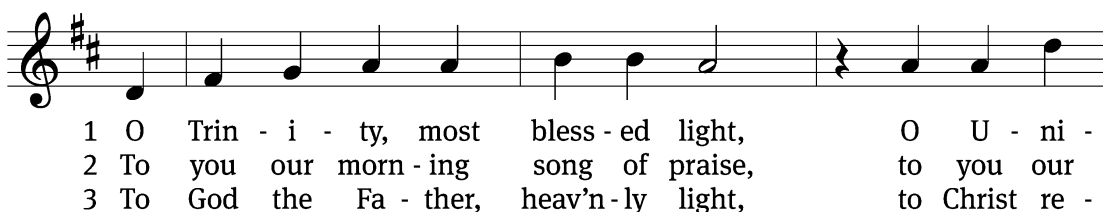


A verse from the Holy Scriptures is usually spoken to capture the theme of the service.

The sung response is taken from Romans 10:17

## Hymn of the Day: O Trinity, Most Blessed Light

CWH 792



This hymn follows the theme of the readings and sets the stage for the sermon.





In the sermon the Pastor proclaims God's Word and applies that word to modern life and problems. He stresses both what God demands of us (the Law) and what God does for us through Jesus Christ (the Gospel).



After hearing the word of God, the worshiper responds with this confession of faith.

This creed is named after St. Athanasius, a staunch defender of the Christian faith in the fourth century. It was prepared to assist the Church in combating two errors that undermined Bible teaching. One error denied that God's Son and the Holy Spirit are of one being or Godhead with the Father. The other error denied that Jesus Christ is true God and true man in one person. The Athanasian Creed continues to serve the Christian Church as a standard of the truth. It declares that whoever rejects the doctrine of the Trinity and the doctrine of Christ is without the saving faith.



sun de - parts,      come shed your light with - in our hearts.  
ev - er be      to praise your name e - ter - nal - ly.  
let us raise      one heart and voice in cease-less praise.

Text (sts. 1–2): tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt; (sts. 1–2): Ambrose of Milan, 340–397; (st. 3): tr. John Chandler, 1806–1876, alt.; (st. 3): Charles Coffin, 1676–1749  
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## Sermon      Why Belief in the Trinity Is the True Saving Faith      Matthew 28:19

<sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### Athanasian Creed

*(Spoken Responsively)*

M: Whoever wishes to be saved must, above all else, hold to the true Christian faith.

**C: Whoever does not keep this faith pure in all points will certainly perish forever.**

M: Now this is the true Christian faith:

**C: We worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being.**

M: For each person—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is distinct,

**C: but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, equal in glory and co-eternal in majesty.**

M: What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit.

**C: The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**

M: the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

**C: the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal;**

M: yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal,

**C: just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite, but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.**

M: In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, the Holy Spirit is almighty;

**C: yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty.**

M: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

**C: yet they are not three Gods, but one God.**

M: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

**C: yet they are not three Lords, but one Lord.**



M: For just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually to be God and Lord, so the true Christian faith forbids us to speak of three Gods or three Lords.

**C: The Father is neither made nor created nor begotten of anyone.**

M: The Son is neither made nor created, but is begotten of the Father alone.

**C: The Holy Spirit is neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

M: So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

**C: And within this Trinity none comes before or after; none is greater or inferior;**

M: but all three persons are coequal and coeternal, so that in every way, as stated before, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

**C: Whoever wishes to be saved must have this conviction of the Trinity.**

M: It is furthermore necessary for eternal salvation that one faithfully believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh.

**C: Now this is the true Christian faith:**

M: We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.

**C: He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother,**

M: fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh;

**C: equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity;**

M: and though he is both God and man, Christ is not two persons but one:

**C: one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God;**

M: one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person;

**C: for just as the rational soul and flesh is one human being, so God and man is one Christ.**

M: He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead.

**C: He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, and from there will come to judge the living and the dead.**

M: At his coming all people will rise with their own bodies to answer for their personal deeds.

**C: Those who have done good will enter eternal life, but those who have done evil will go into eternal fire.**

M: This is the true Christian faith.

**C: Whoever does not faithfully and firmly believe this cannot be saved.**



This is a hymn selected for the current church season that is generally new to our congregation, usually introduced first by a soloist, and repeated for several weeks to assist the congregation in learning the hymn.



The gifts of God's people are a response to God's blessings.

The apostle Paul encouraged young Pastor Timothy: "I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people". (1 Timothy 2:1)

The pastor and people get ready to celebrate the Holy Meal by greeting each other and with an exhortation as how to celebrate the meal.

## Song of the Season: Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing

CWH 595

1 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's sow - ing, may we rip - en  
 2 Lad - en branch - es free - ly bear - ing gifts the Giv - er  
 3 Root - ed deep in Christ our Mas - ter, Christ our pat - tern  
 4 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's tend - ing, may we grow till

and in - crease, fruit to life e - ter - nal grow - ing,  
 loves to bless; here is fruit that grows by shar - ing,  
 and our goal, teach us, as the years fly fast - er,  
 har - vests cease; till we taste, in life un - end - ing,

rich in love and joy and peace.  
 pa - tience, kind - ness, gen - tle - ness.  
 good - ness, faith, and self - con - trol.  
 heav - en's love and joy and peace.

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## Offering and Offering Prayer

(Spoken by Minister)

## Prayer of the Church

(Spoken by Minister)

## The Sacrament

### Preface

(Spoken Responsively)

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



*Sanctus* is a Latin word meaning "Holy". The *Sanctus* contains words from Isaiah's vision of God (Isaiah 6:3) and the crowd's response on Palm Sunday when Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem (Matthew 21:9). We join them in spirit by singing their words as we anticipate Christ's coming in the sacrament.

## Holy, Holy, Holy Sanctus

Tune: CWH 742

Tune: MISSIONARY HYMN



1 Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts on high,  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How blest is Christ our King,



your ev - er - last - ing glo - ry fills earth and sea and sky."  
who died as our Re - deem - er, e - ter - nal life to bring!



Our voic - es cry, "Ho - san - na!" Lord, hear our hum - ble plea:  
How blest are you, Lord Je - sus, now com - ing in God's name!



in mer - cy, come and save us; in love, come set us free.  
"Ho - san - na in the high - est!" our grate - ful hearts pro - claim.

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

M: We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus

Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

(Spoken in Unison)



*We speak to God as  
our Father as Jesus  
taught us. (Matthew 6)*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## Words of Institution

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: Amen.**



*The pastor speaks the  
words which Jesus  
spoke when he institut-  
ed the Supper with his  
disciples in the Upper  
Room. With these  
words the bread and  
wine are consecrated,  
that is, set apart for  
God's use in this special  
meal.*



**Agnus Dei** is a Latin phrase meaning "Lamb of God". John the Baptist spoke these words as he pointed to Jesus coming toward him (John 1:29). As Christ comes to us in the Holy Supper, we recognize him as the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from the bondage of sin and death.

## O Christ, Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

Tune: CWH570

Tune: ST. CRISPIN

1 O Lamb of God, once lift - ed high up - on a  
 2 O Lamb of God, your sac - ri - fice has can - celled

cross to bleed and die, in per - fect love you  
 sin, has paid its price; your per - fect love will

took our place— be - stow on us your sav - ing grace.  
 nev - er cease— have mer - cy, Lord, and grant us peace.

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## Distribution of Sacrament

We follow the Scriptural practice of **CLOSE COMMUNION**. If you have not communed here prior to today, you should speak with our pastor before the service. We would like to help you establish the unity which comes from a common confession of faith (1 Corinthians 10:17) before expressing that union together at the Lord's Table. It is not our intent to judge hearts, but to remain faithful to the truth of God's Word. Those who have established that connection as members of sister WELS or ELS congregations may register by checking the box in the attendance record book at the end of your row. Thank you for honoring our practice.



This is a hymn sung by the congregation during the distribution of the Lord's Supper.

## Distribution Hymn: Jesus Comes Today with Healing

CWH 668

1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, knock - ing at my  
 2 Christ him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, yet in bread and  
 3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the  
 4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, gives him - self to

door, ap - peal - ing, of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.  
 wine a - bid - ing in this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,  
 Sav - ior ho - ly, blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,  
 me this hour— in this or - di - nar - y sign.



He him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, and I hear his  
gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, and the cup, the  
ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, who to bit - ter  
On my tongue his pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept his



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."  
pre - cious to - ken of his sa - cred cov - e - nant.  
death was giv - en, hung up - on the curs - ed tree.  
grace, be - liev - ing that I taste his love di - vine.

Let me praise God's boundless favor,  
whose own feast of love I savor,  
bidden by his gracious call.  
Wedding garments he provides me,  
with a robe of white he hides me,  
fits me for the royal hall.

Now have I found consolation,  
comfort in my tribulation,  
balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
cleanses me from sin and error,  
makes my wounded spirit whole.

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## Thanksgiving and Proclamation

(Spoken Responsively)

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**C: his mercy endures forever.**

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift.

We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*We offer our thanks  
and express our faith  
in what God has  
done for us and has  
promised to do for  
us in the future.*



The **Aaronic Blessing** is the blessing that Aaron and his sons were to speak over the people of Israel, recorded in Numbers 6:23–27. The pastor offers the same blessing to the congregation as they are about to conclude their worship.

## Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

## Closing Hymn: May the Peace of God

CWH 929

1 May the peace of God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther,  
2 May this peace which pass - es un - der - stand - ing,  
and the grace of Christ the ris - en Son,  
and this grace which makes us what we are,  
and the fel - low - ship of God the Spir - it  
and this fel - low - ship of his com - mun - ion  
keep our hearts and minds with - in his love.  
make us one in spir - it and in heart.

*Refrain*  
And to him be praise for his glo - rious reign  
from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n.  
We de - clare the name of the Lamb once slain—  
Christ e - ter - nal, the King of kings.

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## Personal Prayers for Communion

### ***Before Communing***

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

### ***After Communing***

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

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## Friendship Register

Please remember to fill out the red friendship register located in the seat pockets so we can have record of your attendance with us.

### Ways to Serve

<b>Worship Volunteers</b>	<b>June 4th</b>	<b>June 11th</b>	<b>June 18th</b>
<b>Counters</b>	Nick Nicolai Michael Ryan	Nancy Murphy Harry Novak	Judy Sasse Susie Cornell
<b>Communion</b>	Andrea		Dawn
<b>Ushers</b>	Len Collyard Nick Nicolai Steve Semmann Sharon Wilson	John Kull Kim Moline Dean Ellis	Brian Ehinger Jake Ehinger Trey Ehinger Kade Ehinger
<b>Sunday Refreshments</b>	Stacy Cornell Jennifer Paul	Diana Piepenbrink Rachel Plitzuweit	Nicole Brown Tracy Ditter
<b>A/V</b>	Kelly Simpson Gus Koutia	Titus Patterson Isaac Patterson	Stacy Cornell Pedro Contreas

### Weekly QR Code

Please check your email or use this QR Code for weekly announcements



## Hope Patterson and Kassi Aguilar's Letter

The following letter was received in the church office from Kassi Aguilar and Hope Patterson, who will be attending Martin Luther College in New Ulm, Minnesota, this fall to be trained for the teaching ministry in our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

*To the leadership and our dear members at Cross of Glory,*

*We first want to thank you for the immense support you have given both of us throughout the years. You cheered Hope on during many grade school and high school sports games, gave her the privilege to sing in church services, and always gave a listening ear for guidance. In the same way, you helped Kassi through her time away from MLC and welcomed her into your Cross of Glory teaching family.*

*Soon will come the day when we have to say goodbye to you all for some time and venture on to learn how to serve God's future family of believers as we attend Martin Luther College. We ask for your financial and spiritual support for this time in our lives. Would you please consider giving to the congregational matching program offered by MLC? They will match COG's gift up to \$1,325 for each of us, and it will all go directly to our tuition accounts. Thank you for considering. Please keep us in your prayers as you will be in ours.*

*Serving together in Christ,  
Kassi Aguilar and Hope Patterson*

If you wish to encourage Kassi and Hope as they devote their lives to teaching children the love of Jesus, please use the **special envelope** located at each of the church's entrances. You may place it in the offering plate or mail it inside your own envelope to the church office. If you do not have access to the special envelope, please identify your gift on the check as going to the MLC tuition fund. Make your check out to **Cross of Glory Lutheran Church**. Gifts that total more than \$2,650 will add even more to Kassi's and Hope's tuition accounts. Please make your gift of encouragement by July 31.

## Employment Opportunities at COG and MLC

**Cross of Glory** has several teaching-aid positions open for next school year. Most do not require special training or degrees. Hours range from 4 to 7 hours a day. Workdays may be flexible. For more information, contact Mr Aguilar. You can complete the application using the link found in the weekly news, and submit it to the school office for consideration.

**MLC** Martin Luther College is accepting applications for part-time Assistant Coaches in football, basketball, and tennis. Interested individuals should apply online at [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/).

## This Week at Cross Of Glory

June 4th

9:00 am

Jomax Worship (Live Streamed)

9:30 am

New River Worship Service

10:45 am

Contemporary Service

10:45 am

Kids Klub

11:45 am

VBS Meeting

June 5-9

Vacation Bible School

June 8th

9:30 am

Golden Agers Breakfast

## Summer Camps

### ALA summer sports camps

Registration is now open for the ALA summer sports camps that take place the first three weeks of June. All the camps are Monday through Thursday.

Week one, June 5 -8, will be baseball, softball and volleyball.

Week two, June 12 -15, will be boys basketball.

The last week, June 19 -22, will be girls basketball.

For more information or to register for one of the camps go to [ALAcoyotes.org/camp](http://ALAcoyotes.org/camp)

### Good Shepherd Bible Camp

GSBC groups campers into 3 groups: Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors. Each group has their own set of activities throughout the week, some even unique to that specific camper group. Check out the various activities your camper will get to do if they attend GSBC! Haven't registered yet? Head to our website and sign up today! Camper and staff registration are both open. The staff fee is \$60 and camper fee is \$330.

[www.goodshepherdbiblecamp.com](http://www.goodshepherdbiblecamp.com)

# PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

*For members and friends with noteworthy blessings, difficulties or health issues. Today we especially remember in our prayers and ask God to give strength, comfort and courage to them and their families.*

**Velta Larson**, as she regains her strength

**Gerry Ehlers**, who was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer and is still undergoing treatments.

**Pat Powell**, as she recovers from back issues.

**Anita Lindsay (Weyer)**, daughter of Mark and Shelley Heiser, as she recovers from surgery after a serious hit-and-run accident.

**Norm Voigt**, as he regains his strength.

## MILITARY

**E4 Specialist Alice Henderson**, granddaughter of Larry and Faye Kennedy, at San Antonio, TX Ft. Sam Houston Army base in Medical Institute of Surgery Research: Burn Unit.

**E6 Specialist Staff Sgt. Austin Seignious**, grandson-to-be of Larry and Faye Kennedy, at El Paso, TX Ft. Bliss Army Base.

**Major JD Larson**,  
son of John & Chi Larson,  
based at Kirkland AFB in New Mexico.

**Sara (Dan) McArdle**,  
daughter of Martha (Scott) Wofford,  
Air Force Pilot, based in Little Rock, Arkansas.

**Sgt. Blake Andrew Nelsen**,  
son of Rick & Karyn Nelsen and  
brother of Seri & Lilli, USMC.

**Ben Weyer**, serving in the military, at El Paso, TX

**Cross of Glory** was planted by the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) in March 1998 so that with the Gospel of Jesus she can strengthen the faith of her members and reach out into the community with the free gift of salvation. First worship services began at Easter 1999; the dedication of our Ministry Center at Easter, 2005. Our synod's name reflects that her founders began in the state of Wisconsin. As a WELS church we still hold to the teachings of the Bible restored in the Reformation era. We are...



- a Christ-preaching church. We preach that Jesus is true God, the Son of God who became man, so that through his perfect life and innocent death, He is the prophesied “Lamb of God” who has taken away the sin of the world.
- a Bible-believing church. We teach that the Bible is the verbally inspired, inerrant Word of God, the only authority for Christian faith and life. We aim to teach God's Word in all its truth and simplicity.
- an evangelical church. We trust the Bible's claim that God saves people through the power of the Gospel in the Word and Sacraments. The Gospel is the Good News (the Evangel) about Jesus' saving work. The WELS has congregations throughout the USA and around the world to share the Evangel, the Bible's primary message, with all people.
- a people-caring church. That we're all sinners equally saved by Jesus' substitutionary work strips away human judgments and egos. This truth also empowers us to live Jesus' love for all people by offering friendship, support, and Biblical counseling. Our church family cares about other people-- including you.

Our Preschool & Elementary School exists to help parents in their God-given duty of teaching the Faith to their children: an important aspect of our Church's plan to grow a comprehensive womb-to tomb ministry that serves souls for eternity.