

*Saturday, November 2, 2024 10:00am*

**Gathered to the glory of Jesus Christ**

*in memory of*

**Norman Walter Voigt**

*March 21, 1940—April 1, 2024*



*Those who wait for the Lord will receive new strength.*

*They will lift up their wings and soar like eagles.*

*Isaiah 40:31*

# Cross of Glory

## Lutheran Church & School

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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.*

### FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

- Restrooms with changing tables located in lobby.
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### CHURCH MAP



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# Christian Memorial Service



The Christian Memorial service begins with a hymn based on Psalm 91. The writer penned the words to comfort a friend whose father had died suddenly. What comfort we have to know our God cares for us as we face life's trials.

## Hymn: On Eagle's Wings

CWH 821

**You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in his shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge,  
my rock in whom I trust!" (Refrain)**

### **Refrain:**

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**

**The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear;  
under his wings your refuge,  
his faithfulness your shield. (Refrain)**

**For to his angels he's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone. (Refrain)**

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We remember our baptism with Bible references from Galatians 3:26-27 and Romans 6:3-5 reminding us that through baptism we are children of God and will be raised just as Christ was raised.

## Remembrance of Baptism

*(Spoken Responsively)*

**M:** We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**M:** In Holy Baptism, Norm was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all his sin. St. Paul affirms, "In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."

The apostle also writes, "All of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death. We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his."

**M:** Christ is risen!

**C:** He is risen, indeed!

M: We have come together to seek God's comfort in our sorrow and to rejoice in the promise of the resurrection. Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."

The wages of sin is death,

**C: but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

M: Death has been swallowed up in victory! Thanks be to God!

**C: He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

M: When Christ, who is our life, appears,

**C: then we also will appear with him in glory.**

M: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, you wept at the grave of your friend Lazarus, and you consoled Mary and Martha in their distress. Draw near to us who mourn the loss of Norm, and dry the tears of all who weep. Calm our troubled hearts; dispel our doubts and fears. We thank you for bringing Norm to faith and giving him the gift of eternal life. Strengthen us with your Word and sacraments, and keep us in the saving faith until we are united with you and all the saints where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Reading

Revelation 21:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, because the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. And the sea no longer existed. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the Holy City, the New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

<sup>3</sup>And from the throne I heard a loud voice that said, "Look! God's dwelling is with people. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them, and he will be their God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain, because the former things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup>The one who was seated on the throne said to me, "Look, I am making everything new!" He also said, "Write, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>And he said to me:

It is done.

I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End.

We are further comforted and given the assurance by additional Bible verses (1 Corinthians 15:53-57; Colossians 3:4) that a believer who dies in Christ will live with him forever in heaven.



In this life we live by faith, but those called home by the Savior live by sight. Notice how individual the expressions of God's love for us in heaven are: not one will cry, not one will mourn. And why? Because he wipes away all tears from our eyes! The picture is that of a loving father dealing with one child at a time. That's heaven! That's God's way of telling us that finally all sin will be gone and all of its consequences; Christ will not only be all in all; he will be seen to be all in all.

To anyone who is thirsty,  
 I will give freely from the spring of the water of life.  
<sup>7</sup>The one who overcomes will inherit these things.  
 I will be his God, and he will be my son.



In this comforting psalm, God's glory is shown to us when he reveals the type of God he is: slow to anger, abounding in love, rich in mercy, full of forgiveness, wanting all people to be saved from death and destruction. This is the Shepherd that restored and guided the author of the psalm, King David. This is the Shepherd that restores and guides us.

## Psalm 23: The Lord's My Shepherd

CWH554

Ensemble will sing verses and  
 the congregation will join on refrains.

*The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
 he makes me lie in pastures green.  
 He leads me by the still, still waters,  
 his goodness restores my soul. (Refrain)*

*He guides my ways in righteousness,  
 and he anoints my head with oil,  
 and my cup, it overflows with joy,  
 I feast on his pure delights. (Refrain)*

*And though I walk the darkest path,  
 I will not fear the evil one,  
 for you are with me, and your rod and staff  
 are the comfort I need to know. (Refrain)*

*Refrain*

And I will trust in you a - lone, and I will  
 trust in you a - lone, for your end - less mer - cy  
 fol - lows me, your good - ness will lead me home.

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<sup>1</sup>Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said, <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup>He sent out his servants to summon those who were invited to the wedding banquet, but they did not want to come.

<sup>4</sup>“Then he sent out other servants and said, ‘Tell those who are invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner. My oxen and my fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet!’

<sup>5</sup>“But those who were invited paid no attention and went off, one to his own farm, another to his business. <sup>6</sup>The rest seized the king's servants, mistreated them, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>As a result, the king was very angry. He sent his army and killed those murderers and burned their town.

<sup>8</sup>“Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding banquet is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>So go to the main crossroads and invite as many as you find to the wedding banquet.’ <sup>10</sup>Those servants went out to the roads and gathered together everyone they found, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup>But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. <sup>12</sup>He said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without wearing wedding clothes?’ The man was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king told the servants, ‘Tie him hand and foot and throw him into the outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen.”

## Apostles' Creed

*(Spoken in Unison)*



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

*The Apostles' Creed, developed over hundreds of years in the early Christian church, is a brief and simple statement of gospel truths taught by the apostles. Christians used it to tell others what they believed and also to confess their faith with one another as they met for worship.*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



This hymn beautifully summarizes the doctrine of justification. In perfect love, Christ put on our soiled, sinful robes and clothes us in brilliant white robes to live forever with him at home.

## Ensemble

### His Robes for Mine

Words by Christ Anderson

Music by Greg Habegger

*His robes for mine: O wonderful exchange!  
Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered 'neath God's rage.  
Draped in his righteousness, I'm justified.  
In Christ I live, for in my place he died.*

#### Refrain:

*I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost:  
Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God.  
Bought by such love, my life is not my own.  
My praise—my all—shall be for Christ alone.*

*His robes for mine: what cause have I for dread?  
God's daunting law Christ mastered in my stead.  
Faultless I stand with righteous works not mine,  
saved by my Lord's vicarious death and life. (Refrain)*

*His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased.  
Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased.  
Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried, "'Tis done!"  
Sin's wage is paid, propitiation won. (Refrain)*

*His robes for mine: such anguish none can know.  
Christ, God's beloved, condemned as though his foe.  
He, as though I, accursed and left alone;  
I, as though he, embraced and welcomed home! (Refrain)*

## Prayer

(Spoken Responsively)

**M:** Lord God, heavenly Father, you are always with us, especially when our hearts are heavy with grief. Send us your Spirit so that even as we grieve we are filled with hope. You have convinced us that your Son Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that our loved ones who have fallen asleep in Christ are resting in peace with you. Let nothing shake our confidence in your promise that we will be united with you and them in glory forever. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

**M:** What great mercy you have shown us, Father in heaven! Through your Son's resurrection, our hope is alive and our inheritance is certain. The bliss and security



We thank God for our confidence and comfort in our eternal home in heaven.

we will enjoy in your presence are blessings that will never perish, spoil, or fade. Shield us with your power and give us faith to trust in you in every trial until we inherit the glorious riches you are keeping for us in heaven. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: Gracious God, we see your abiding love in the kindness shown to us by family and friends. As we receive comfort and encouragement from others, we are experiencing your care. Help us bear all our burdens patiently. Be the strength of your people, now and in difficult days to come. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

M: O Lord, support us all day long, till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

*(Spoken in Unison)*

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.



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

## 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.**



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.





A vision from Revelation 21 penned by Bernard of Cluny in the 12th century directs the Christian's eyes heavenward to the home Christ is preparing for us.

## Hymn: Jerusalem the Golden

CWH 889



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, with milk and hon - ey blest—  
2 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, the home of God's e - lect!  
3 The Christ is ev - er with them, the day-light is se - rene;



the sight of it re - fresh - es the wea - ry and op - pressed.  
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try that ea - ger hearts ex - pect,  
the pas - tures of the bless - ed are ev - er rich and green.



I know not, oh, I know not what joys a - wait us there,  
where they who with their lead - er have con - quered in the fight  
There is the throne of Da - vid, and there, from care re - leased,



what ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, what bliss be - yond com - pare:  
for - ev - er and for - ev - er are clad in robes of white:  
the shout of them that tri - umph, the song of them that feast.



to sing the hymn un - end - ing with all the mar - tyr throng,  
in mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us to that dear land of rest  
To God en - throned in glo - ry the Church's voic - es blend,



a - midst the halls of Zi - on re - sound - ing full with song.  
where sings the host of heav - en your glo - rious name to bless.  
the Lamb for - ev - er bless - ed, the Light that knows no end.

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***Dear worshipers, thank you for celebrating Norm's victory in Christ.  
Following this service, the family invites you to join them for lunch.***



***Donations in memory of Norm Voigt are appreciated. Monies received will be designated to the  
Cross of Glory Building Fund.***

***Any checks received should be made out to Cross of Glory Lutheran Church. Please deposit your  
gift in the offering plates found at the entrance to the sanctuary.***

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## Norman Walter Voigt Obituary

Norman W. Voigt, age 84, called home to the Lord on Monday, April 1, 2024. He was born March 21, 1940 in Wausau to parents Walter and Helena (Schmidt) Voigt. He proudly served his country in the US Army. Norman was united in marriage to Judith Canniff. He retired from UPS after 31 years of service.

Norm loved spending time outdoors. With his family and friends, Norm enjoyed the wonderful summers in Eagle River and Brookfield as well as the warm winters in Arizona. He loved walking his dogs around and talking with all his neighbors. He took great pleasure in having guests stay with him in Arizona and taking them "jeeping" or "shooting" in the desert. Norm was an avid col-

lector of antique army rifles and knives. He was a kind and generous man who could talk to anyone, especially about how proud he was of his granddaughters and the history of his rifles. His faith was forefront in everything he did. Norm loved going to church and made many life-long friends there. He will be missed greatly.

Norman is survived by daughter Tracey (Jeff) Plate; granddaughter, Carly and Molly; siblings, Selma Miessner, Rosella Paulman and Dan (Cindy) Voigt. Also survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Preceded in death by wife Judith and siblings, Iona Schalow, Mildred Beck and David Voigt.





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