

**CROWN
OF GLORY**
ELCA LUTHERAN CHURCH



**16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 20th, 2020
Crown of Glory Lutheran Church**

PRELUDE *One Lord, One Faith, One Birth* (arr. Douglas Wagner)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Next Outdoor Worship:** Join us next **Sunday, September 27** for our annual Peace worship service at 9:30am! Registration is now available online! Contact either of the Pastors or Kellie Bokusky. (crownofglorychaska@gmail.com) with questions!
- **Holy Communion during Livestream/Outdoor Worship:** For our outdoor parking lot services, if you prefer to worship from home due to COVID-19, and you would still like to participate in Holy Communion, please contact the church office or one of our Pastors, and we will make arrangements for you to pick up Communion Kits for you and your family.
- **Blessing of the Animals on Oct. 3!** Do you have a furry, scaly, or feathered friend that you would love to honor and bless? In the spirit of “all God’s creatures having a place in the choir,” CoG will be hosting its first ever Blessing of the Animals service on Saturday, October 3, at 5:00 p.m.! Plan to come with your pet(s), or a picture of a pet who has died, for a short blessing service outside in the CoG parking lot. Registration and following CDC guidelines is required, and all pets must be leashed or in a crate. More details to come in a few weeks! Questions? Contact Pastor Laura.
- **THANK YOU:** to the worship team and to our AV technicians for helping to set up and run the livestream and the sound. We also want to thank the CoG congregation for your ongoing financial support and participation in worship during these times. Your support is greatly appreciated!
- In an effort to be more transparent regarding the stewardship of the church and the life of our congregation, we have printed our YTD Financial Update and our Live-Stream Worship Attendance Update below.

CoG Worship Attendance for Sunday, September 13:

In-person (Outdoor): 128

Live-stream Live views: 37

Next Day Live-stream views: 81

August Sustaining Fund Updates:

Year-to-Date Mortgage & Cash Payments	\$495,799
Year-to Date-Revenues	\$472,709
Balance	(-\$23,090)

CONFSSIONAL SONG *The Church’s One Foundation* (ELW 654) (vs. 1, 3, 4)

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:
by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900
 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
 who creates, redeems, and sustains all of creation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

P: Faithful God,

C: **have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we are captive to sin
 and cannot free ourselves.**

**We turn from your loving embrace
 and go our own ways.**

**We pass judgment on one another
 before examining our own hearts.**

We place our own needs before the needs of our neighbors.

**Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
 and turn us again to life in you
 through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need.

Hear the truth that God proclaims:

Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and grace to do God's work in the world.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE *The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing* (ELW 531) (vs. 1 & 3)

Verse 1

The trumpets sound, the angels sing, the feast is ready to begin.
The gates of heav'n are open wide, and Jesus welcomes you inside.

Refrain

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heavens love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin; the feast is ready to being.

Verse 3

The hungry heart he satisfies, offers the poor his paradise.
Now hear all heav'n and earth applaud the amazing goodness of the Lord. (Refrain)

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GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God,

C: **you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 145: 1-8

¹I will exalt you, my God and king,
and bless your name forever and ever.

²**Every day will I bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.**

³Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised!
There is no end to your greatness.

⁴**One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.**

⁵I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty
and all your marvelous works.

⁶**They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts,
and I will recount your greatness.**

⁷They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;
they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

⁸**The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *My Good Lord Done Been Here* (American Spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan) (Karen Brown, soloist)

GOSPEL: Matthew 20: 1-16

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE “Unfair Josie” (Jenni Payne, CoG Nursery Coordinator)

SERMON “First and Last” (Pastor Reggie Klindworth)

HYMN OF THE DAY *Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace* (ELW 716) (vs. 1-4)

1. Lord of all nations, grant me grace to love all people, every race;
And in each person may I see my kindred, loved, redeemed by thee.
2. Break down the wall that would divide they children, Lord, on every side.
My neighbor’s good let me pursue; let Christian love bind warm and true.
3. Forgive me, Lord, where I have erred by loveless act and thoughtless word.
Make me to see the wrong I do will crucify my Lord anew.
4. Give me thy courage, Lord, to speak whenever strong oppress the weak.
Should I myself the victim be, help me forgive, remembering thee.

Text: Olive Wise Spannaus, b. 1916, alt.

Music: Šamotulský Kancionál, 1561

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

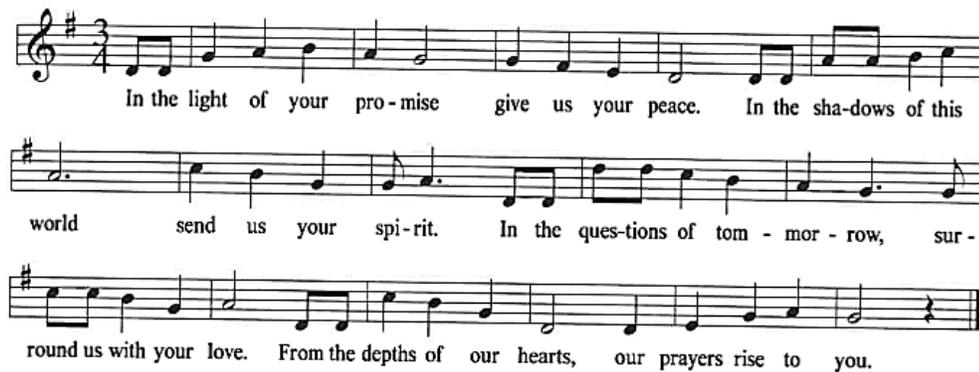
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *In the Light of Your Promise* (by Pastor Laura and Tom Paulson)



P: For the Prayers of the People during the season of Pentecost, we will be singing our responses to each prayer petition. The words to the sung response are on the screen for you and printed in the outline and will take place after each spoken prayer petition.

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

P: Generous God, you make the last first, and the first last. Where this gospel challenges the church, equip it for its works of service. Sun and wind, bushes and worms, cattle and great cities—nothing in creation is outside your concern, mighty God. In your mercy, tend to it all. Give us a spirit of generosity toward all you have made. We pray for all those who have been affected by the wildfires of California, Oregon, and Washington state. For those who have suffered loss of property, possession or life. For those who are being displaced and fleeing for safety, and for the safety of those battling the fires. May your spirit of hope reign down over all those who suffer. Hear us as we pray...

C: In the light of Your promise...

P: Where we find envy and create enemies, you provide enough for all. Bring peace to places of conflict and violence (especially). Inspire leaders with creativity and wisdom. Bless the work of negotiators, peacekeepers, and development workers. Accompany judges and lawyers, victims of crime and those serving sentences. Give fruitful labor and a livelihood to those seeking work. Hear us as we pray...

C: In the light of Your promise...

P: Even beyond our expectations, you choose to give generously. Grant life, health, and courage to all who are in need. We pray especially for Barb, Sylvia Quaas, Terry B., Cameron Campbell, and all those we name in our heart.

We also lift up to you all those around the world who continue to be affected by the outbreak of COVID-19. Surround all who are sick, all who are grieving the death of a loved one, and all who are consumed with the fear of what is yet to come with your healing presence. Come near to us and assure us all that you are here with us and you will not forsake us. Hear us as we pray...

C: In the light of Your promise...

P: All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

This week, we invite you to share a sign of Christ's peace by showing a sign of God's love! Create a "heart" with your hands and share the love and peace of God with those around you. May it serve as a reminder to all of us to share God's love at work, at home, and everywhere in-between!

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C: And also with you!

OFFERING *Mighty River* (by Wendall Burton and Bryan MacLeon) (Karen Brown, soloist)

Even though we are not all together in one place where you could bring your offering envelope forward or place your gift in the offering plate as it goes by, we want to encourage you to continue to give as you are able. There are a couple of ways that you can do this, even now! If you give by offering envelope, please drop it in the mail, attention to:

Crown of Glory Lutheran Church, 1141 Cardinal Street, Chaska, MN 55318

Or for you tech savvy folks, we do offer a "TEXT TO GIVE" option! You can simply make your offering right now with your phone by texting to our secure account: the number is 833-497-3991.

Again, we give thanks and praise for all gifts given toward our on-going mission.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.

C: You have set before us these gifts of your good creation.

**Prepare us for your heavenly banquet,
nourish us with this rich food and drink,
and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world,
through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: 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 SONG *This is My Father's World*

1. This is my Father's world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.
2. This is my Mother's world,
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their maker's praise.
This is my Mother's world,
She shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Her pass;
She speaks to me everywhere.
3. This is my Maker's world.
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Maker's world:
why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King; let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let the earth be glad!

BLESSING

P: Mothering God,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.
C: **Amen**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.
C: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE *St. Fulbert* (by Alec Rowley)

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