

**CROWN  
OF GLORY**  
ELCA LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Baptism of Our Lord  
January 10, 2021  
Crown of Glory Lutheran Church**

## PRELUDE *Joy* (by Thomas Keesecker)

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **New Book Study**: Crown of Glory's Justice and Inclusion Team will lead small-group discussions of Austin Channing Brown's book, *I'm Still Here*. All sessions will be held over Zoom, either on Sunday afternoons starting on January 24 or Wednesday evenings starting on January 27. Please indicate your interest and preferences on [this Google form](#). The Justice and Inclusion Team encourages participants to support local bookstores when obtaining a copy of the book by following this link. If you know anyone who may appreciate a special invitation to this discussion, please contact Pastor Reggie or Pastor Laura.
- **THANK YOU**: to our Worship Team for leading today's service and to our AV technician 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.
- To be 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, January 3:**

Live-stream Live views: 74

Next Day Live-stream views: 146

### **December Sustaining Fund Updates:**

Year-to-Date Mortgage & Cash Payments	\$755,428
Year-to-Date-Revenues	\$761,828
Balance	(\$6,400)

## CONFESSIONAL SONG *All Who Are Thirsty* (by Brenton Brown & Glenn Roberts)

### Verse 1

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,  
Come to the fountain.  
Dip your heart in the stream of life.  
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away  
In the waves of His mercy as deep cries out to deep.

### Chorus 1

Come, Lord Jesus, come. (Repeat 4x)

### Verse 2

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,  
Come to the fountain.  
Dip your heart in the stream of life.  
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away  
In the waves of His mercy as deep cries out to deep. (Chorus 1)

### Chorus 2

Holy Spirit, come. (Repeat 4x)

### Interlude

As deep cries out to deep. (Repeat 3x)

### Ending

Come, Lord Jesus, come. (Repeat)

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity,  
✠ one God,  
whose voice is upon the waters,  
whose mercy is poured out on all people,  
whose goodness cascades through creation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God, taking a moment for our own personal reflections.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy God,

C: **you search us and know us.**

**You are acquainted with all our ways.**

**We confess that our hearts are burdened by our own sins  
and the sins of broken systems that bind us.**

**We turn inward, failing to follow  
your outward way of love.**

**We distrust those who are not like us.**

**We exploit the earth  
and fail to consider generations to come.**

**Forgive us, gracious God.**

**Even before the words are on our tongues,  
you know them;**

**receive them in your divine mercy.**

**Amen.**

P: Through the power and promise of ✠ Christ Jesus,  
our sins are washed away  
and we are claimed as God's beloved.  
Indeed, we are forgiven.

Let us live into the call to be an embodiment of Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

C: **Amen.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE *Glory to God* (ELW p. 121)



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

## 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. Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness,

C: **your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 29

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,

ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**<sup>2</sup>Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name;  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**<sup>4</sup>The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**<sup>6</sup>the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the Lord  
bursts forth in lightning flashes.

**<sup>8</sup>The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.  
And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

**<sup>10</sup>The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

<sup>11</sup>O Lord, give strength to your people;  
give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 124)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

#### HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1: 4-11

P: The holy gospel according to St. Mark.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>4</sup>John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

<sup>5</sup>And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.

<sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

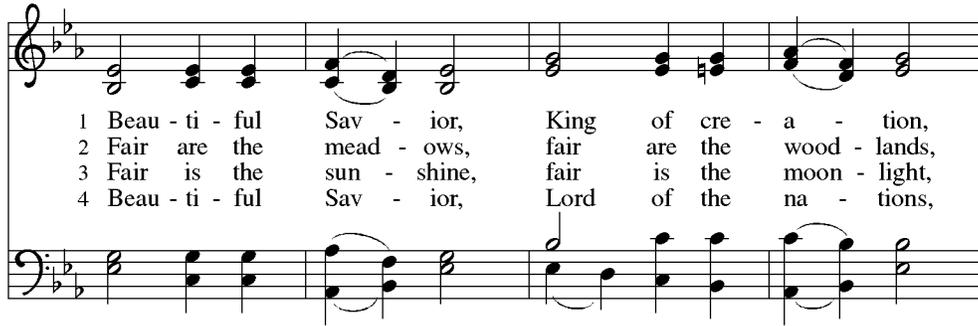
P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

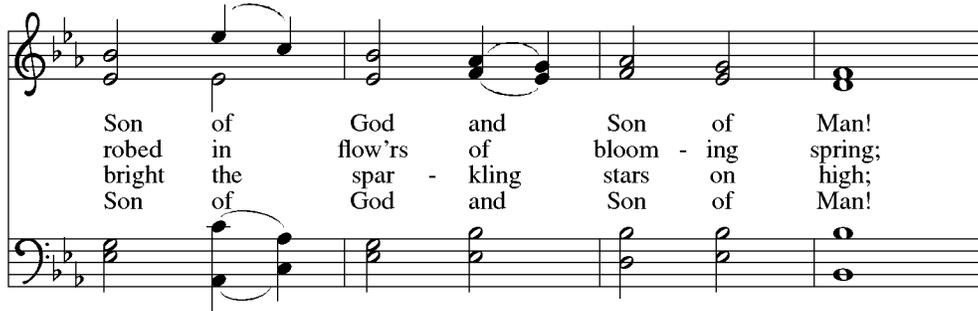
**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "The Only Example" (Jenni Payne, Nursery Coordinator)**

**SERMON "Jesus is Who God Says He is." (Pastor Laura Laughlin)**

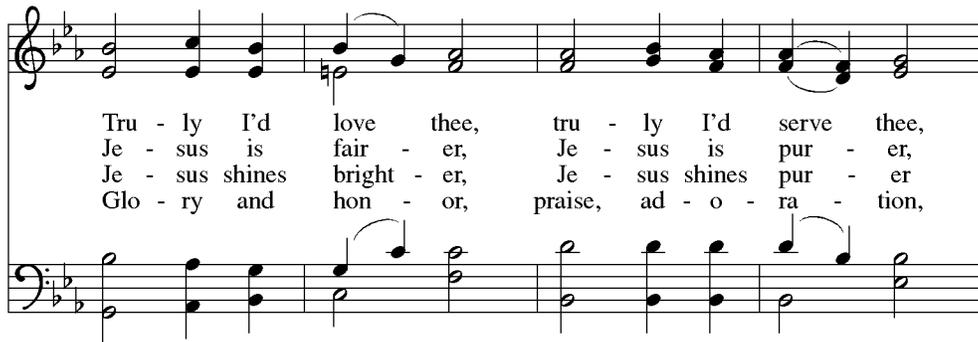
**HYMN OF THE DAY *Beautiful Savior* (ELW 838)**



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!  
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
than all the an - gels in the sky.  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904  
Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

**STATEMENT OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed***

**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 THE PEOPLE**

**P:** Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

For the church throughout the world and its leaders, that guided by the Holy Spirit they proclaim the forgiveness of sins, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** For wilderness and water, wind and wild beasts, and all living things on earth, that God's goodness is revealed through creation and faithful stewards care for all God has made, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** For the nations of the world and their leaders, for laborers busy both day and night, and for peacemakers amid strife, that God inspire all people to use their strength wisely, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** For the sick and those who provide medical care, for the imprisoned and those who show them mercy, for the lonely and those who provide companionship, and for all who suffer in any way, especially Barb C., Sylvia Q., Terry B., Cameron C., Larry M., Larry E., Lois P., Howard P., Lori H., Ted and Cindi A., Dick and Judy N., and Rick N., as well as all those we name out loud or keep in the quiet of our hearts. 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, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** For the congregation gathered remotely, for students returning to school, for those seeking renewal in their daily work, that all the beloved of God experience grace and peace, let us pray.

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

**P:** Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

### **PEACE**

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

**C: And also with you!**

**OFFERING *Make Us One* (by Chris Quilala, Ran Jackson, Ricky Jackson and Josh Silverberg)**

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. You can also visit our website and locate the “GIVE+Online” icon to give online!

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

**OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. O God,

**C: receive these gifts as you receive us:  
like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide.  
Nourish us anew in your tender care,  
and empower us in faithful service  
to tend to others with this same love,  
through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. 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 HYMN *We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus* (ELW 451)**



1 We are bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we are bap - tized in his death;  
2 In the wa - ter and the wit-ness, in the break-ing of the bread,  
3 Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo-ry be to Christ the Son,



that as Christ is raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.  
in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,  
glo-ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;



And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread-ful death like his,  
God has made a new be - gin - ning from the ash - es of our past;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, glo - ry now re - sounds a - gain



we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.  
in the los - ing and the win - ning we hold fast.  
in a song that has no end - ing. . . . A - men.

Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937  
Music: OUIMETTE, John C. Ylvisaker  
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## BLESSING

P: May God the creator strengthen you;  
Jesus the beloved fill you;  
and the Holy Spirit the comforter ✠ keep you in peace.

C: Amen.

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God. We will!

## POSTLUDE *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright* (by Dietrich Buxtehude)

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