



Wednesday Evening Prayer
June 24, 2020
Crown of Glory Lutheran Church

PRELUDE *Blessed be the God of Israel* (ELW 250)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Join us this Sunday** on our YouTube channel for our live-stream worship service at 9:30am.
- **Tune in to our YouTube Channel tomorrow at 12:05** for this week's Thankful Thursdays devotion led by Pastor Reggie!
- **Crown of Glory Mid-year Financial Report:** Reports were mailed out to individual homes yesterday (Tuesday, June 23)!
- **Minneapolis Synod Worship on Sunday, July 5th:** The Minneapolis Synod leaders are once again providing an online worship service for Sunday, July 5th. This will be CoG's worship service for that day. We will make the link and bulletin available for easy access and participation! If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Pastor Reggie or Pastor Laura.
- **THANK YOU:** to each of our worship team members and musicians today and to our AV technicians for being with us and leading us in the background.

Worship Attendance (livestream views) for Sunday, June 21:

Live views: 55

Next Day views: 84

May Sustaining Fund Updates:

Year-to Date-Revenues: \$294,527

Year-to-Date Mortgage & Cash Payments: \$309,863

DIALOGUE (ELW p. 320)

P: Almighty God grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

C: **Amen.**

P: By day, O God,

C: **you grant your steadfast love,**

P: and at night your song is with me,

C: **a prayer to the God of my life.**

THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

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

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

P: We give you thanks, O God,

for in the beginning you called light into being,

and you set light in the sky

to govern night and day.

In a pillar of cloud by day

and a pillar of fire by night

you led your people into freedom.

Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ:

may your Word be a lamp to our feet

and a light to our path;

for you are merciful,

and you love your whole creation,

and with all your creatures we give you glory,

through your Son Jesus Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

now and forever.

C: Amen.

NIGHT HYMN *All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night* (ELW 565)

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains five lines of lyrics, and the second system contains five lines of lyrics. The music is marked with a first ending bracket and a repeat sign at the end of the second system.

1* 2 3 4

1 All praise to thee, my God, this night for all the bless-ings of the light.
2 For - give me, Lord, for thy dear Son, the ill that I this day have done;
3 Teach me to live, that I may dread the grave as lit - tle as my bed.
4 Oh, may my soul in thee re - pose, and may sweet sleep mine eye-lids close,
5 Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be - low;

Keep me, oh, keep me, King of kings, be - neath thine own al - might - y wings.
that with the world, my - self, and thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
Teach me to die, that so I may rise glo - rious at the awe - some day.
sleep that shall me more vig - 'rous make to serve my God when I a - wake!
praise God a - bove, ye heav' n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

* *May be sung in canon.*

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.
Music: 'TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, 1505–1585

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 321)

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

C: **I confess that I have sinned against you this day.**
Some of my sin I know—
the thoughts and words and deeds
of which I am ashamed—
but some is known only to you.
In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness.

Deliver and restore me,
that I may rest in peace.

P: By the mercy of God
we are united with Jesus Christ,
in whom we are forgiven.
We rest now in the peace of Christ
and rise in the morning to serve.

C: Amen.

PSALMODY: Psalm 141

¹O Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly;
hear my voice when I cry to you.

²**Let my prayer rise before you as incense,
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

³Set a watch before my mouth, O Lord,
and guard the door of my lips.

⁴**Let not my heart incline to any evil thing.**

Let me not be occupied in wickedness with evildoers, nor eat of their sweet foods.

⁵Let the righteous strike me; their rebukes, as oil upon the head, are not to be refused.
Yet my prayers are continually against the deeds of the wicked.

⁶**Let their rulers be thrown down upon the stones,
that they may hear my words, for they are sweet.**

⁷Just as one who tills the earth breaks the rock,
so let their bones be scattered at the mouth of the grave.

⁸**But my eyes are turned to you, Lord God;
in you I take refuge; strip me not of my life.**

⁹Guard me from the trap that they have laid for me
and from the snares of evildoers.

¹⁰**Let the wicked fall into their own nets,
while I alone pass through.**

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PREACHING TEXT: Luke 1: 57-80

⁵⁷Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. ⁵⁸Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

⁵⁹On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. ⁶⁰But his mother said, "No; he is to be called John." ⁶¹They said to her, "None of your relatives has this name." ⁶²Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. ⁶³He asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And all of them were amazed. ⁶⁴Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. ⁶⁵Fear came over all their neighbors, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea. ⁶⁶All who heard them pondered them and said, "What then will this child become?" For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him.

⁶⁷Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy: ⁶⁸"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.

⁶⁹He has raised up a mighty savior for us
in the house of his servant David,

⁷⁰as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

⁷¹that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

⁷²Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,
and has remembered his holy covenant,

⁷³the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,
to grant us ⁷⁴that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies,
might serve him without fear, ⁷⁵in holiness and righteousness
before him all our days.

⁷⁶And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

⁷⁷to give knowledge of salvation to his people
by the forgiveness of their sins.

⁷⁸By the tender mercy of our God,

the dawn from on high will break upon us,
79 to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

80 The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE *O Lord, Now Let Your Servant* (ELW 313)

O Lord, Now Let Your Servant

1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,

for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
till earth-ly shad - ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;

a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
till rap - tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin - ing shore,

the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
where Christ, the bless - ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

The musical score consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

Text: Ernest E. Ryden, 1886-1981, alt.

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version

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MESSAGE "What is the Meaning of This?" (Pastor Reggie and Pastor Laura)

PRAYERS

P: Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C: listen to my cry.

P: Keep me as the apple of your eye;

C: hide me in the shadow of your wings.

P: In righteousness I shall see you;

C: when I awake, your presence will give me joy.

P: Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work or watch or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, comfort the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake.

C: Amen.

OFFERING *Waiting Here For You* (Jesse Reeves, Martin Smith, and Chris Tomlin)

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 off at the church office Monday through Thursday, or 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: Merciful God,

**C: our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration,
but you make of them an abundance,
just as you do with our lives.**

**Fill us with your strength
for service in your name,
in the love of the risen Christ.
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.**

BLESSING (ELW p. 327)

P: Let us bless the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG *Send Me Out* (Steve Fee)

Verse 1

Jesus, Lord of my salvation, Savior of my soul;
Send me out to the world to make you known.
Jesus, King of every nation, this world's hope;
Send me out to the world to make you known.
Send me out to the world.

Chorus

I wanna be Your hands and feet,
I wanna be Your voice every time I speak.
I wanna run to the ones in need in the name of Jesus.
I wanna give my life away, all for your kingdom's sake.
Shine a light in the in the darkest place in the name of Jesus,
In the name of Jesus.

Verse 2

Carry to the broken-hearted mercy You have shown.
Send me out to the world to make you known.
To the ones in need of rescue, lead me, I will go.
Send me out to the world to make you known.
Send me out to the world. (Chorus)

Bridge

Here am I; I will go.
Send me out to make you known.
There is hope for every soul.
Send me out, send me out.
Here am I; I will go.
Send me out to make You known.
There is hope for every soul, so send me out. (Chorus 2)

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DISMISSAL

(from New Zealand Prayer Book; adaptation by Pastor Laura Laughlin)

P: May God, who in Jesus, stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart, bring us hope: that we will be made equals of whatever lies head.

May God, who in the Spirit, moves within and through us, bring us courage: to endure what cannot be avoided.

And as we go now into another week, may God, our great I AM, continue to go with us.

C: Amen.

POSTLUDE *Send Me Out* (Reprise)

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