

**Crossroads Parish
Atonement Lutheran Church
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church**



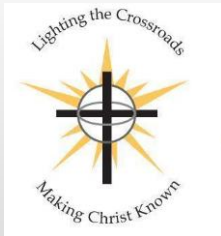
**March 28, 2021
Palm Sunday**

Welcome!

*Thank you for joining us.
May you find inspiration & joy in your time with us.*

Thank you to our staff and volunteers.

Cassie Nault, Pastor
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Diane Lightbody, Atonement Accompanist
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Order of Worship

Words of Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer. **Amen.**

God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

Silence for reflection.

Fountain of living water,

pour out your mercy over us. Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free. Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood. Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as healers and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.

Beloved, God's word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are † forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus. **Amen.**

Blessing of the Palms

Opening Hymn: "All Glory, Laud, and Honor", vs. 1, 4 & 5

ELW #344

Greeting

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

And also with you!

Prayer of the Day

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Lenten Acclamation: “Where Charity and Love Prevail”, vs. 1

ELW #359

Gospel: Mark 11:1-11

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and

bring it. ³If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” ⁴They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” ¹¹Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Cassie Nault

Hymn of the Day: “My Song Is Love Unknown”, vs. 1-3

ELW #343

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 Intercession

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Offering:

8:30 – Ballet from “Suite in The Old Style” by A. Schnittke

Ivan Konev

10:30 – “Hosanna” - Ligertwood

Shannon Rosas & Diane Lightbody

Offertory Prayer

Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymn: “By Your Hand You Feed Your People”, vs. 1-2

ELW #469

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

Sending Hymn: “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”, vs. 1-3

ELW #335

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday – April 1 – 7pm at Atonement

Good Friday – April 2 – 7pm at Cross of Glory

Easter Sunday – April 4 – 8:30am at Cross of Glory; 10:30am at Atonement.

All of our services this week will also be live-streamed including both Easter services.

First Communion

Today we celebrate and ask God to bless the following children as they come to share in the Lord's Supper and receive their first communion: *George Emerson, Ethan Lunde, Elijah Nault, Oliver Nault, Abigail Sumsy, Melanie Thomalla & Alexandra Wilkinson*

Sunday Morning Volunteers Needed – We are in need of volunteers at both Atonement and Cross of Glory to help with ushering and counting on Sunday mornings. Please let either church office know if you would be available to help or if you have any questions.

Spring Plant Sale Orders Due – TODAY is the DEADLINE to submit your plant orders through Cross of Glory's Annual Spring Plant Sale. Pick up will be drive up style at Cross of Glory on Friday, May 7.

King's Kids Preschool Rummage Sale – Mark your calendars! King's Kids Preschool will host their annual rummage sale fundraiser at Atonement on Wednesday, May 12 and Thursday, May 13 from 9am - 5:30pm each day. While doing your spring cleaning, gather your gently used items and bring them to Atonement on *Wednesday or Friday mornings, April 7 through May 7, between 9:30 - 11am.* (NO used TV sets, VCRs or mattresses are accepted.) There will also be two Saturdays, *May 1 and May 8 that you can drop off your donations from 3 - 5pm* at Atonement.

Growing Through Loss – The next 6 week Growing Through Loss series begins Tuesday evenings, April 6 – May 11 from 6:45 – 9pm at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church in Mounds View. This series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. The educational presentations will also be live streamed through YouTube entitled GTL North Suburban. Call 763-755-5335 or visit www.growingthroughloss.org for more information. (Please note a speaker change on April 20. Deacon John Cleveland, Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Chaska, will be speaking on the same topic for Stuart Walker.)

Atonement Worship Committee - Atonement's Worship Committee is looking for a volunteer to schedule ushers for worship services. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Carol Hoiby at 763-572-9169.

Men's Retreat - The men of Atonement and Cross of Glory are invited to a Men's Retreat, May 21-23 at the Heartwood Resort and Conference Center in Trego, WI. Please contact Atonement member Steve Klaers at 612-599-8103 for more information.