

Crossroads
Atonement Lutheran Church
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church



July 11, 2021
7th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME!

*Thank you for joining us today.
We hope you find inspiration in your time with us.*

Thank you to our staff and volunteers.

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Thank you for being here for worship!
These are our safety practices for worship in the sanctuary.

As more of us are returning to worship, it is important to remember that the pandemic is not over and we must still work together to keep each other safe.

Please remember that everyone has their own comfort level, which might not be the same as yours, and we must respect each other's feelings.

1. If you are feeling ill, please do not stay for worship. Go home and get well.
2. Wear a mask unless you are fully vaccinated. Masks are welcome.
3. If you are a guest, please be sure to add your name and email address or phone number to the signup sheet in the narthex. This is for contact tracing.
4. When seating yourself, please be conscious of spacing yourself 6 feet away from others in the pews in front/back and next to you. (For reference, 6 feet is every other pew or the width of 3 adults within a pew.)
5. While entering and exiting the sanctuary and our buildings, please remain 6 feet from others.
6. If you test positive for COVID-19 and have attended in-person worship while potentially having the virus, please contact the church office so we can notify those who attended worship. We keep this information confidential – we do not identify who has COVID, only that there was a case in worship.

It is wonderful to be in worship together.

Please follow these guidelines so we can continue worshipping in-person in the sanctuary.

Thank you!

Order of Worship

Words of Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

All: Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection.

God, our provider,

All: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

All: Amen.

Gathering Song

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee", vs. 1 & 2

ELW #697

Greeting

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

All: And also with you!

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise

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Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray,

All: O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Message

First Reading: Amos 7:7-15

⁷This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' " ¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "

Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 85:8-13

⁸I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

⁹**Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell in our land.**

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

¹¹**Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

¹²The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.

¹³**Righteousness shall go before the LORD
and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

The holy gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³And he solemnly swore to her,

“Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.” ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” She replied, “The head of John the baptizer.” ²⁵Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.” ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John’s head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Intern Pastor Marty Wyatt

Hymn of the Day

“Let Justice Flow like Streams”

ELW #717

Apostles’ Creed (All)

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 (Repeated response)

L: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Offering

F. Chopin Etude in E Major no. 3

Ivan Konev

Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

All: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Sending Hymn

"Abide with Me", vs. 1, 3 & 4

ELW #629

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"God's work. Our hands."

Dog Days of Summer at Cross of Glory – WOOF

We are welcoming leashed, well-mannered dogs (and their owners) to our Dog Days of Summer event this Thursday, July 15 from 5:00 – 6:30pm in the parking lot of Cross of Glory. Your pooch can enjoy fun and games. Bring your camera or cell phone for a photo opportunity to snap a pic with your pooch. Invite your friends and neighbors! Please contact Dawn in either church office if you would like to help the night of the event.

Lutheran Night with the Minnesota Twins

With COVID, the date really snuck up on us this year - the game is **July 26!** If you're interested in purchasing a ticket to attend the game as a Parish, please contact Shannon Rosas shannonrrosas@gmail.com by **Monday, July 12**. Since its short notice, we would like to know if there is enough interest before committing to buying tickets. At that point, Shannon will send a follow-up e-mail if we will pursue going as a group. For your reference, our group tickets have been \$23 in the past, so we anticipate a similar price this year. Please e-mail Shannon with questions. Both congregations and any other guests are welcome! Thank you to Shannon for coordinating this.

Fall Schedule - We are beginning to form fall schedules for worship & fellowship. Please see the sign-up sheets in the narthex of both churches. Thank you for all you do for Atonement and Cross of Glory!

Outdoor VBS 2021: Wild Walk! August 2-5, 9:30-11:30 - Registration DEADLINE is July 19th – please register at AbidingSavior.org. *For 4-year-olds through those entering 5th grade this fall* Get ready—it's going to be WILD! Volunteers welcome - indicate your interest on the registration form.

"God's work. Our hands." is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the ELCA – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. This is a day to create a service opportunity to support our communities. To participate, we need volunteers to coordinate a service project as a parish. Please contact Dawn in either church office with questions.

Jumbo Sale Collection – Bring your gently used donations to Cross of Glory, Thursdays from 5:00 – 7:00pm.