

We are one family of God, inspired by the Holy Spirit to welcome everyone, to serve our neighbors, and to share God's love and saving grace.



Second Sunday after Pentecost June 11, 2023 9:00 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are celebrating Holy Communion in worship today.
- The Kiddos' Corner is located at the North side of the Sanctuary. Activity Bags are located inside the main entrance. Please utilize these resources as needed throughout our worship service.
- Thank you to our Worship Assistant, Grant Taylor, to our AV technicians, Bennett Eriksrud and John Rekow, to Lexi Morrow for her music, and to the Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service!

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table (Beech Spring, Thomas Troeger) **CONFESSIONAL SONG**

- 1. Look who gathers at Christ's table! Hear the stories that they bring. Some are weeping; some are laughing; some have songs they want to sing. Others ask why they're invited, burdened by the wrong they've done. Christ insists they all are welcome. There is room for ev'ryone.
- 2. Clouds of light surround the table; ancient followers appear, Saints confessing how they wrestled with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Peter tells of his denying Christ was every in his sight; Paul relates his fruitless efforts to obliterate the light.
- 3. Their sad stories are repeated in a thousand diff'rent ways, But they share one thing in common: they all end in thanks and praise For the host who has invited north and south and east and west To converge around this table where all life is fed and blest.
- 4. Bring your joy and bring your sadness, and prepare to be surprised By the host whose hands are wounded, who will open wide your eyes When he blessed bread and breaks it—truth and manna from above! -And then passes wine that wakens in your heart the taste of love.

 Text: Thomas H. Troeger, b. 1945

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose word never fails, and whose promise is sure. P:
- C: Amen.
- Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. P:

(Silence is kept for reflection)

- P: Merciful God.
- C: we confess that we have sinned against you and our communities. We have squandered your blessings and hoarded your bounty. We have failed to be honest and have lacked the courage to speak. Forgive us and grant us your mercy.
- P: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst and offers boundless grace when we fail. Receive the gift of God's mercy: all of us are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

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. O God,

C: you are the source of life and the foundation of our being. Bring healing to this world through the power of your Spirit and raise us to new life through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 4:13-25

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104

Send Forth Your Spirit (Marty Haugen)



HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. ¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." ¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE "Story after Story" (Pastor Reggie Klindworth)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Healer of Our Ev'ry Ill (ELW 612)

STATEMENT OF FAITH

P: With the whole church on earth, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed:

C: 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: God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

I Believe (Lexi Morrow) (Lexi Morrow, soloist)

The offering will be received in offering plates during worship. To give by phone with *Text-to-Give*, text 833-497-3991 with the amount that you would like to contribute. To give online, visit our website and

click on the GIVE+Online icon. We give thanks and praise for all gifts!

OFFERTORY

God's Work, Our Hands (sung to Earth and All Stars) (ACS 1000, vs. 1)

God's work, our hands: working together, building the future, repairing the world, raising up homes, planting new gardens, feeding the hungry and shelt'ring the cold. Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name, sharing the good news of your gospel.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. God of field and forest, sea and sky,

C: you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION GREETING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: Our Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. The congregation will be invited, by rows, to come forward and receive a wafer and a cup with either wine or grape-juice. Allergen-free elements are available upon request. Children who are not yet communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing! If you need to be served at your seat, please let an usher know.

DISTRIBUTION

Our God is Here (Chris Muglia) (Lexi Morrow, soloist)

COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

- P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.
- P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed,

bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Will You Come and Follow Me? (ELW 798)

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God. We will!

SENDING MUSIC

Amen, We Praise Your Name, Amen (Siakudumisa, South African)

(arr. J. Wayne Kerr)

Announcements

VBS 2023: "Operation Restoration"

If you know a kiddo aged 3 to 5th grade, invite them to participate in VBS this year! We would love to have them. VBS is July 31—August 4 at Crown of Glory. Please visit our website (crownofglory.org/vbs) for volunteer and participant registration.

Volunteers: We are so close to fulfilling our volunteer needs! Consider supporting our VBS week with your gifts July 31-August 4. Current needs:

Art Activity Center Leader: Need 1-2 adults to teach 9- 11:30 am. T-shirt and lunch included!

Nurse: Adult available anytime during 9 am- 2 pm.

Activity Center Helpers: Youth or Adult available 9- 11:30 am.

IT Helper: 9 am-10 am.

SPARK Donation

Now that we are at the end of the school year for many kiddos, if you have markers that you no longer need that are still usable, SPARK could use them! Please drop off at the church office. Thank you!

Hearing Assist System Installed June 6

The Crown of Glory Sanctuary is now equipped with a Hearing Assist system! Please visit the AV booth prior to worship to pick up a hearing pack, an ear piece, and/or a T-coil coupler to use during worship. Contact Pastor Reggie or Pastor Laura with any questions.

Pizza and Fellowship: June 21

Children's Ministry will be hosting a pizza dinner from Toppers with carrots and a berry fruit salad at 5:00 pm before worship on June 21st! There will be gluten and dairy free pizza options available, along with a vegetarian option. All are welcome!

Thank you, Volunteers!

We are so thankful for those who have volunteered their time and talents to working on the gardens around the church building this spring. Everything looks beautiful! We are also thankful for the volunteers who re-striped the parking lot this past week. Our building and grounds look so welcoming, thank you!

Join the Softball Team!

It's that time of year again to sign-up for softball. The league is co-ed and plays every Monday from June to mid-August. Players should be 14 or older. If you would like to play some or all the games, please contact Grant Taylor at 952-210-7678 or email at grantataylor@hotmail.com.

Church Rummage Sale Team

We are looking to form a team to organize a Church Rummage Sale fundraiser this summer. Please reach out to Sarah Morrow at 952-270-3158 or sissybmorrow@gmail.com if you are interested in helping. A kickoff meeting has been scheduled for June 14 at 5:00 p.m.

Tom Paulson's Music Notes

One of the joys of being your Director of Music and Worship is helping members of our community develop their gifts for music ministry. Sometimes that means helping someone who says they "can't carry a tune in a bucket" to realize that maybe they haven't found the right bucket yet. Sometimes that means encouraging and giving opportunities to an aspiring singer-songwriter.

Lexi Morrow will be in 9th grade this fall at Chaska High School, and will be confirmed on Sunday, October 29. She sings in the Chancel Choir and Servant Song, plays in the Chancel Chimers, sings and plays in the Garage Band, plays violin and guitar, and is now writing and singing her own songs! On Sunday, June 11 and Wednesday, June 14, Lexi will be singing her new song, "I Believe" for worship. It is a beautiful tune with heartfelt, joyful words.

I feel your love and I'll shout from above I believe in you my Lord, you have my word. I give you my heart and soul, you're in control.

I'm so grateful to the Crown community for encouraging and nurturing our young people as they grow in grace and faith. It is amazing how much they have to teach those of us who are young at heart. See you in church.





To give via Venmo, scan the QR code. Include the amount you would like to contribute and the fund you are giving to.

Financial Update



DIFFERENCE: \$(5,118)

As of 5/31/23, our budget projected total contributions YTD to be \$236,373 based on prior year trends. However, our actual contributions YTD are \$231,255. A difference of \$(5,118) from our expected budget. Your gifts make a difference!

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Please Note: No food or drink is allowed in the Sanctuary, with the exception of water and Holy Communion.

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00-5:00 p.m.

Summer Worship Schedule: Wednesday 6:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:00 a.m.