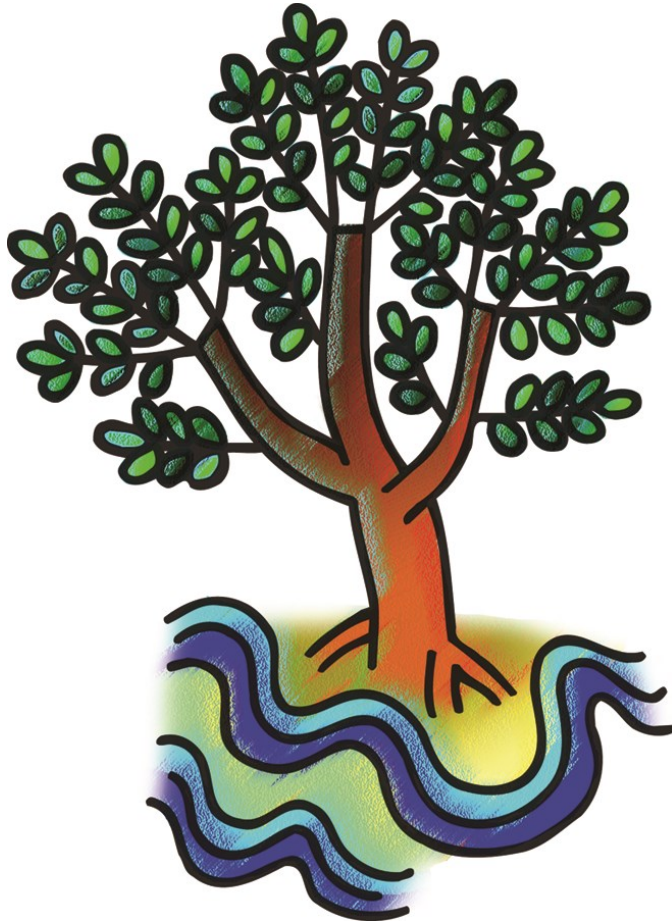




**CROWN  
OF GLORY**  
ELCA LUTHERAN CHURCH

*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.*



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022

9:00 a.m.

## GATHERING MUSIC

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (Hymn to Joy, arr. Jeanne Cotter)*

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are celebrating the Holy Baptism of Zella Joan Larson and Archer Boyd Larson. Zella and Archer are the children of Susan and Eric Larson, with Rachel & Matt Scherer and Kate & Ross Peterson as sponsors.
- 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, Sarah Morrow, to our AV technicians, Brian Boche and Matt Scherer, to the Servant Song for their music, and to the Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service!

## CONFESSIONAL SONG

*One Family* (Pastor Laura Laughlin and Tom Paulson)

### Refrain

God, hear our cry! We hear your call,  
to love and welcome one and all.  
Move our hearts to beat as one  
family of your Son.

### Verse 2

This world groans with pain and grief,  
anger, sadness, spite, and strife.  
God, who are we to share your love,  
with peace and grace from above? (Refrain)

### Verse 1

We've turned the page and it's not clear  
what future lies before us here.  
But we believe that through it all,  
Your presence is unwavering still. (Refrain)

### Verse 3

Step by step we look to You,  
hearts wide open, faith renewed.  
Your presence moves and guides us through,  
Creator, Son, and Spirit, too! (Refrain)

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, who is eager to forgive and loves us beyond our days.

C: **Amen.**

P: Dear friends, let us confess our sins, acknowledging our failure to love this world as Jesus does, as we take a moment for our own personal reflections.

*Silence kept for reflection.*

P: God of mercy and forgiveness,

C: **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction and show us the path that leads to life through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

P: Beloved of God: our sins are forgiven and we are made whole. God leads us to a new life in Christ, who journeys with us in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Glory To God Forever* (Steve Fee and Vicki Beeching)

## 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. Benevolent, merciful God:

C: **When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. Warm our hearts, that we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup>**O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?  
Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save?**

<sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup>**So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.**

**The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.**

<sup>2:1</sup>I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup>**Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.**

<sup>3</sup>For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup>**Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faith.**

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil (ELW 512)*

## GOSPEL LESSON Luke 17:5-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

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

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. <sup>7</sup>“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table?’ <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink?’ <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MESSAGE "I'd Like More Please" (Pastor Reggie Klindworth)

## SONG OF THE DAY

*By Faith* (Keith & Kristen Getty)

**HOLY BAPTISM** Zella Joan Larson and Archer Boyd Larson

## 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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: God of grace,

C: **hear our prayer.**

## PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

## OFFERING

*Build My Life* (Matt Redman and Pat Barrett) (Servant Song)

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** *Take My Life and Let It Be (Glory To God Forever)* (Steve Fee and Vicky Beeching)

## OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Gracious God,

C: **in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Transform these gifts into a banquet of blessing, and inspire us to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. 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

*Oh Blessed* (Stuart Garard and Anthony Skinner) (Servant Song)

### 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. God of abundance, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace for the journey, that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### BLESSING

P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the Holy Trinity, one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

### SENDING HYMN

*Send Me Out* (Steve Fee)

### DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

C: **Thanks be to God. We will!**

### SENDING MUSIC

*Send Me Out* (reprise)

## Tom Paulson's Music Notes

In planning Lutheran worship, the lectionary prescribes four readings for each Sunday – an Old Testament (or Hebrew scripture), a Psalm (usually chanted or sung), a New Testament reading, and a Gospel. Each reading has a response for the congregation. In our worship, it is, “Word of God, Word of life. Thanks be to God.” The Gospel is held in especially high esteem because it is the words and deeds of Jesus, and so tradition asks that we sing an acclamation, and stand in respect. I want to focus on that acclamation for a minute.

Often that acclamation is “Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.” These are the words Peter asks Jesus in John 6:68. Notice that the question is about scripture, is rhetorical, and is asked by a faithful follower of Jesus.

This fall, we are singing two songs from the ELW as our acclamations, alternating Sundays: *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* (ELW 512) and *Open Your Ears, O Faithful People* (ELW 519). The words of each song, like Peter's, are about scripture, are spoken by a faithful follower, and seem rhetorical, as if we already know the answer. 512 is a personal prayer sung in a contemporary, ballad style – “Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.” 519 is a prophetic (Amos? Micah?) admonition sung to a traditional Hasidic tune – “Open your ears, O faithful people...Open your hearts, O royal priesthood...” As worship is both a personal and a community event, I appreciate that we sing both. As worship is an event that should be built on tradition and help us envision the future, I appreciate us singing both an old Jewish song and a new pop song. Both put scripture into context for us, which is the job of a good acclamation.

## Announcements

### **Adult Forum: “Healthy Relationships”**

Join us this Sunday, October 2, at 10:05 a.m. in the Sun Hall for a presentation by Carolina Gentry and Maria Navas, speakers through the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. They will present on the *Safe Havens Interfaith Partnership Against Domestic Violence and Elder Abuse*, in addition to sharing their own stories. Come and hear about this important issue and how we, as the church, can play an important role in the lives of families. All are welcome!

### **SPARK Registration is Open**

SPARK registration is now open! If you have a kiddo between age 3 and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, be sure to visit our website ([crownofglory.org/sunday-school-registration](http://crownofglory.org/sunday-school-registration)) to sign them up.

### **Lutheran Women Gone Wild: October 6**

Join us on Thursday, October 6 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. as we head to Willy McCoys in Chaska. Please RSVP to Sandi Rue ([srue@rues.org](mailto:srue@rues.org)). All women are welcome!

### **Kitchen Essentials Ministry**

We have served 40 area families this year! There continues to be a high need for essential kitchen items in our community. We are accepting donations of used or new toasters, silverware sets, coffee pots, baking pans/sheets, and other kitchen necessities. Items can be placed on the Kitchen Essentials Ministry table behind the kitchen. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Cunningham at 952-239-9344 or Jodi Potter at 952-567-4397.

## **Crown of Glory Fall Social: October 14**

Adults, join us for an evening of fun and fellowship, Oktoberfest style! The Fall Social will be held at Crown of Glory in the Sun Hall on Friday, October 14 from 6:00–10:00 p.m.

The evening will include live music, a social hour, a German-themed meal, silent and live auctions, and a dessert auction! Beer, wine, and keg root beer will be available for purchase. Proceeds from this event will be used to help fulfill Crown of Glory's mission to "Welcome All" by adding power-assist doors to building entrances and a hearing-assist system in the Sanctuary.

The price per ticket is \$40 if purchased by October 7 or \$50 if purchased between October 8-14. Tickets will be on sale after services at the Fall Social table near the monitor in the Gathering Space (cash, check, Venmo, or PayPal accepted). Complimentary onsite childcare and a pizza dinner will be provided.

We are also looking for silent auction items. For ideas, see the list on the Fall Social table. If you have an item you would like to donate, please contact Grant Taylor ([grantataylor@hotmail.com](mailto:grantataylor@hotmail.com)).

There will be a dessert auction and wine pull as well. Please consider donating a dessert or bottle of wine. To sign up, scan the QR code to the right. Desserts can be homemade or purchased and should be brought to the church on the evening of the event. Wine can be dropped off at the church office or at the Fall Social table in the Gathering Space before or after services.



## **Opportunities to Serve**

### **Seeking New Wednesday Dinner Coordinator**

Crown of Glory is seeking a volunteer to serve as the Wednesday Dinner Coordinator for this coming program year. If you love to cook and serve your community, this is a great opportunity to share your gifts! For more information, please contact Pastor Reggie!

### **Seeking Wednesday Dinner Team Members**

The Wednesday Dinner Team is seeking new members to join and support the team. Preparing and serving meals takes many hands! Tasks may include menu planning, grocery gathering, setting up the kitchen, and serving meals! Interested in putting your heart and hands to work, contact Pastor Reggie.

### **SPARK and Kiddos' Corner Volunteers Needed**

We are looking for volunteers to sign up for both the Kiddos' Corner and SPARK on Sundays!

Volunteer opportunities include leading a game, reading a story, helping with a craft, and distributing supplies. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please fill out a SPARK registration form on our website ([crownofglory.org/sunday-school-registration](http://crownofglory.org/sunday-school-registration)) and fill in your availability on Signup Genius via our website ([crownofglory.org/children](http://crownofglory.org/children)).

### **Hospitality Volunteers Needed**

Hospitality teams are looking for volunteers. If you can help out with greeting, ushering, communion, and fellowship for the 9:00 a.m. service on Sunday, please contact Grant Taylor at 952-210-7678. For the 5:00 p.m. service on Saturdays, please contact Mary Leopold at 952-500-3341.

Individuals and families are welcome, and training can be provided.

## Worship Attendance

**Saturday, September 24**

5:00 p.m.: 36

**Sunday, September 25**

9:00 a.m.: 114

9:00 a.m.: 21 Livestream Views

Next Day: 69 Total Views

## Financial Update

August Giving Update

Monthly Expenses	\$60,162
Monthly Rental Income	\$7,703
Giving Through 8/31/22	\$41,879
Total Revenue	\$49,582

Sustaining Fund Summary: August 31, 2022

YTD Mortgage & Cash Payments	\$496,292
YTD Revenue	\$469,917
Balance	<b>(-\$26,375)</b>

## Staff and Leadership

### **Senior Pastor**

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### **Church Council**

President: Grant Taylor

Vice President: Rachel Berg Scherer

Secretary: Jodi Sie

Members: Roger Lee, Mary Leopold,

Sarah Morrow, Sandi Rue,

Rebecca Varone, Andy Wright,

Pastor Reggie Klindworth, and

Pastor Laura Laughlin

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**Phone:** 952-448-3230

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

**Worship Schedule:** Saturday 5:00 p.m. & Sunday 9:00 a.m.