

CROWN OF GLORY

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation



ELCA



*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.*



Spirit of Truth, Spirit of Life

Fifth Sunday of Lent
“Seeing What Jesus Did”

March 22, 2026

9:00 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

Rise Up (Lazarus)
(Logan Cain, Taylor Cain, Madison Cain Nick Schwarz and Ethan Hulse)
(Servant Song)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Crown of Glory is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.
- We will be celebrating Holy Communion in worship today.
- We are celebrating the baptism of Hayden Eileen Heitz, daughter of Karli and Corey Heitz, with her sponsors, Josephine Morrison and Danielle Heitz.
- Members, guests, and visitors are invited to fill out a yellow Welcome Card located in a Hymnal, at the North entrance, Hospitality Station, and Church Office table. If you need a pencil/pen, they can be found at the North entrance of the building, Hospitality Station, and church office. Filled out Welcome Cards can be placed in the offering plate during offering, put in the designated box at the church office desk, or handed to an usher as you leave worship today.
- The Kiddos' Corner is located at the North side of the Sanctuary along with Activity Bags. Please utilize these resources as needed throughout our worship service.
- Thank you to our Worship Assistant, Sarah Morrow, AV Technicians, Robin Bielefeldt and Tony Sie, to Servant Song for their music, and to the Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service.

CONFSSIONAL SONG

Holy Spirit (Francesca Battistelli)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses, taking a moment for our own personal reflections.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

P: For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

P: For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

P: For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

P: For disregarding voices from the margin, and for focusing on furthering division instead of finding common ground in love: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.**

P: God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, nourishes your hearts with God's love, and gives you life and peace.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior (WOV 614, vs. 1 & 4)

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: Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death.

C: **Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 130

¹ Out of the depths

I cry to you, O Lord;

² **O Lord, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

³ If you were to keep watch over sins,

O Lord, who could stand?

⁴ **Yet with you is forgiveness,**

in order that you may be feared.

⁵ I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits;

in your word is my hope.

⁶ **My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,**

more than those who keep watch for the morning.

⁷ O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love;

with the Lord there is plenteous redemption.

⁸ **For the Lord shall redeem Israel**

from all their sins.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Word of God, Come Down on Earth (ELW 510, vs. 1)

HOLY GOSPEL John 11:1-45

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

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

¹ Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill.

³ So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." ⁴ But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather, it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵ Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶ after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. ⁷ Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸ The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now

trying to stone you, and are you going there again?”⁹ Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble because they see the light of this world.¹⁰ But those who walk at night stumble because the light is not in them.”¹¹ After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.”¹² The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.”¹³ Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep.¹⁴ Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead.¹⁵ For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.”¹⁶ Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”¹⁷ When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.¹⁸ Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away,¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother.²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.²¹ Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.²² But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.”²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”²⁷ She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”²⁸ When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.”²⁹ And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet come to the village but was still at the place where Martha had met him.³¹ The Jews who were with her in the house consoling her saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there.³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”³³ When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.³⁴ He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.”³⁵ Jesus began to weep.³⁶ So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.³⁹ Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.”⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?”⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me.⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.”⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”⁴⁵ Many of the Jews, therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did believed in him.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

“Seeing What Jesus Did” (Pastor Reggie Klindworth)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Lead On (Brent Helming)

HOLY BAPTISM

Hayden Eileen Heitz

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

No Doubt About It (We the Kingdom)
(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 given toward our on-going mission.

OFFERTORY

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (ELW 803, vs. 4)

OFFERING PRAYER

P: O God, maker of heaven and earth,

C: **your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name. 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 portion of bread and a cup with either wine or grape-juice (please indicate your preference to your server). All bread is allergen-free. 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

Beautiful Things (Michael Gungor and Lisa Gungor)
(Servant Song)

COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
Amen.

P: God of our salvation,

C: we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING & SPARK DISMISSAL

P: Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, ✠ bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Blessed Be Your Name (Beth and Matt Redman)

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Believe the good news.

C: Thanks be to God. We will!

SENDING MUSIC

Blessed Be Your Name (reprise)
(Servant Song)

Holy Spirit

Verse



There's no-thing worth more that could e-ver come close, no thing can com-pare,



You're our liv-ing hope. Your pres-ence. I've tast-ed and seen



of the sweet-est of loves where my heart be-comes free and my shame is un - done.



Your pres - ence, Lord.

Chorus

Ho - ly Spi-rit You are wel-come here. Come



flood this place and fill the at - mos-phere. Your glo - ry God is what our hearts long for, to be



o - ver - come by Your pres-ence, Lord.

Your pres - ence, Lord.



Let us be - come more a - ware of Your pres - ence. Let us ex - per - i - ence the glo



- ry of Your good - ness.

614 - Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior

1. Praise to you, O Christ, our sav - ior, Word of the Fa - ther, call - ing us to life:

5
Son of God who leads us to free - dom; glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!

9
1. You are the Word who calls us out of dark - ness; you are the Word who leads us in - to light;
2. You are the one whom proph - ets hoped and longed for; you are the one who speaks to us to - day;
3. You are the Word who calls us to be ser - vants; you are the Word whose on - ly law is love;
4. You are the Word who binds us and u - nites us; you are the Word who calls us to be one;

13
you are the Word who brings us through the des - ert; glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!
you are the one who leads us to our fu - ture;
you are the Word made flesh who lives a - mong us;
you are the Word who teach - es us for - give - ness;

Jesus Lead On

Verses



This is my cry,
Hear now this cry,

this is my song.
hear now this song.

You are my
You are my



guid-ing light
guid-ing light

when the way is un-known.
for this jour-ney I'm on.

And when these
And when my



sun-ny skies
vi-sion is clouded

turn shades of gray,
by the wind and the rain,

I'll stay close by Your side
I'll stay close by Your side



Chorus

as You lead the way.
as You lead the way.

Je-sus lead on I will fol - low, Je-sus lead on,



let Your will light the way.

Je-sus lead on I will fol - low, Je-sus lead on.

Repeat to verse 2



Bridge

Lead me on.

Lead me on.

Lead me on.

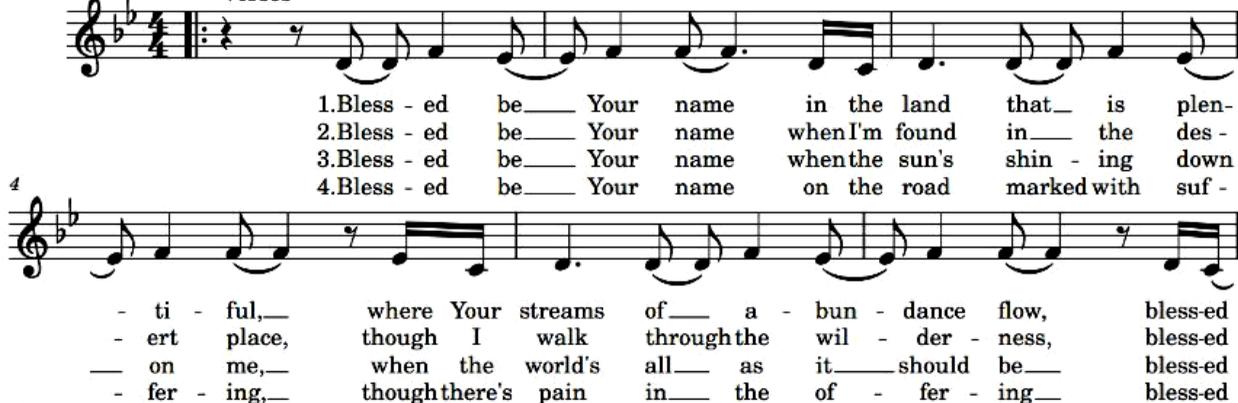


Repeat back to chorus

Blessed Be Your Name

Words and Music by Beth and Matt Redman

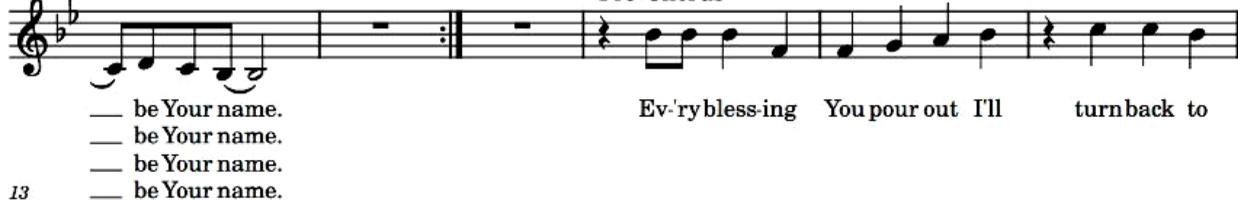
Verses



1. Bless - ed be ___ Your name in the land that ___ is plen -
2. Bless - ed be ___ Your name when I'm found in ___ the des -
3. Bless - ed be ___ Your name when the sun's shin - ing down
4. Bless - ed be ___ Your name on the road marked with suf -

- ti - ful, ___ where Your streams of ___ a - bun - dance flow, bless-ed
- ert place, though I walk through the wil - der - ness, bless-ed
- on me, ___ when the world's all ___ as it ___ should be ___ bless-ed
- fer - ing, ___ though there's pain in ___ the of - fer - ing ___ bless-ed

Pre-Chorus



___ be Your name. Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to
___ be Your name.
___ be Your name.
___ be Your name.



praise. When the dark-ness clos - es in, Lord, still I will say, "Bless-ed be the

Chorus



name of ___ the Lord, ___ bless-ed be Your name." Bless-ed be the name of ___ the Lord,

to Verse 3



___ bless-ed be You glo - ri - ous name." ___ You give and take a -



-way, You give and take a - way. My heart will choose to say, "Lord, Bless-ed be Your

Back to Chorus after repeat



name." You

Announcements

Welcome Pastor Peter Samuelson, Interim Bridge Pastor

We are excited to welcome Pastor Peter Samuelson, Interim Bridge Pastor, to Crown of Glory. Pastor Peter Samuelson will serve for several weeks as we await the arrival of an Interim Pastor for an expected 6-8 months. During this time of Interim we welcome your feedback as we begin to search for a brand new Associate Pastor.

Prayer Vigil for Peace: April 9 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Crown of Glory Sanctuary

The Justice & Inclusion Team invites you to join us for a prayer vigil for peace as we gather in faith and unity to pray for peace in our communities, our nation, and around the world. In times of uncertainty and conflict, we turn our hearts to prayer, asking for compassion and healing for all people. The vigil will include quiet reflection, candle lighting, and music. Whether you stay for a few minutes or the entire time, your presence and prayers are welcome. Let us come together as a community to be a light of hope and peace.

Sign Up on the Worship Whiteboard

All kids are encouraged to arrive by 8:55 a.m. on Sunday to get signed up to help in worship.

Wednesday Night Programming

Soup Suppers Served During Lent: Wednesdays - March 25

We are seeking up to three volunteers per week to bring a favorite soup to share. A signup sheet is located in the Gathering Space or email Pastor Reggie your choice of soup and the Wednesday you are able to donate. Please bring enough soup to feed at least 20-30 people. Soups should be dropped off on Wednesdays by 4:00 p.m. in the church kitchen. Thank you!

Wednesday Night Soup Supper:

Main Soup

March 25– Chicken Tortilla Soup

April 1– No Supper– Holy Week

Kitchen Helpers

All 6th grade

Confirmation Usher/Greeter

All 8th grade

All dinners include a salad and yogurt bar.

Connect and Confirmation Ministry in Recess During Lent

Connect and Confirmation students and their parents are invited to join worship on Wednesdays during lent. There is no Connect or Confirmation Large Group or Small Group during Lent.

Confirmation students are expected to attend worship at least 4 out of 6 weeks during Lent.

Confirmation students are also scheduled to serve at the Soup Suppers and during worship as ushers & greeters.

Confirmation Worship Notes During Lent

All Confirmation students are expected to complete at least twenty worship notes throughout the program year. Lent Worship notes are located at the entrance to the Sanctuary. Completed worship notes can be placed in the basket at the Worship Note table! Completed Lent worship notes are worth “double credit” for the most complete worship notes! Confirmation students can take advantage of this and catch-up during Lent! Confirmation worship notes are also available on your smart phone or mobile device during worship and for those livestreaming the weekend Lent worship services.

Complete your worship note and submit it electronically when you are finished! Visit our website for more details at <http://www.crownofglory.org/worship-notes/>

Adult Ministry and Education

Lutheran Women Gone Wild: April 9

Join this group of women for good food and fellowship at Winchester and Rye, Victoria, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Contact Sandi Rue.

Women's Bible Study: April 11 at 9:00 a.m. in the Sun Hall

Led by CoG member, Sherri Taylor, this group of curious and delightful women meet once a month on Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. throughout the program year to study a book of the Bible together. This year, they will be journeying through First and Second Corinthians.

Donations, Fundraisers, and Volunteering

Rummage Sale

As you may start to do Spring Cleaning, keep in mind we will be seeking donations for the Rummage Sale later this Spring. More information to come.

Fundraising at Target Field

Volunteers from Crown of Glory will be doing concessions again this year at Target Field during the upcoming Minnesota Twins season. We are looking for additional volunteers to join us in this fundraising venture that will help support Crown of Glory. Youth (16 or 17 yrs old) are eligible to volunteer along with their parent/guardian. For more information contact Pastor Reggie, Mikel Jones, Deb Peterson, Kate Peterson, or Grant Taylor.

Mission Trip 2026 Senior High Ministry Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser During Lent!

Crown of Glory senior high youth will be heading to a mission trip in the summer of 2026 for an amazing opportunity to serve on a mission trip! Starting on Sunday, February 22, and each weekend during Lent our senior high youth will be serving fresh Cinnamon rolls and OJ following Sunday morning worship service. Cinnamon rolls are a suggested \$2 donation. All proceeds will support the Senior High Mission Trip.

Bountiful Basket Donations:

During March we will be collecting donations of coffee, spices, flour, sugar, and baking mixes. These items should be placed in the Bountiful Basket box located in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your generosity!

Latino Voices Donation Drive: Ends March 22

The Justice & Inclusion Team would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Latino Voices Donation Drive. The families greatly appreciated your generosity. This Sunday, March 22, will be the final day we accept donations for this drive, as the families are becoming more comfortable shopping on their own. However, donations are still needed for Bountiful Basket. We encourage you to continue your support by placing items for Bountiful Basket in the designated box in the Gathering Space.

Children and Youth

Spring First Communion Class: Today at 11:00 a.m.

Contact Pastor Reggie for more information or sign up for the class on our website.

Easter Egg Hunt: April 5

Calling all kiddos to join us for an Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday. The hunt will take place at 9:45 a.m., between the services. You may bring your own Easter basket, or bags will be provided. We strongly prefer to hold the event outside, but if the weather makes that impossible, it will take place inside.

Summer Camp Wapo Opportunities

Are you thinking about sending your child to Bible Camp this summer? Lake Wapogasset (aka Wapo) has options for just about every age. Camp Offerings: 1-day option for kids in K-2, "Seeds" weekends for kids in grades 1-3, "Youth Camps" for kids in grades 4-9, "Roots" camps for grades 8-12. Feel free to reach out to Gretchen if you have any questions, or check out more information on their website, <https://lakewapo.org/>.



July 27 - July 30, 2026

VBS welcomes kids who have completed kindergarten through 5th grade.

VBS at Crown of Glory: July 27-30

Vacation Bible School registration opens on Monday! Look for an email with the link. Contact Gretchen with any questions.

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First Call to Specialized
Ministry



You are invited!
Join us as Krysta is ordained as
a Deacon in the ELCA.

**Crown of Glory
Lutheran Church**

March 22, 2026

1:30 p.m. Ordination Service
in the Sanctuary
Presided by Bishop Jen Nagel of the
Minneapolis Area Synod

Fellowship Following Service
in the Sun Hall

Join us for worship

Holy Week



March 29

Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m.*

April 2

**Maundy Thursday
&
First Communion
Celebration**

6:30 p.m.*

April 3

**Good Friday
Cantata**

6:30 p.m.*
(No Sermon or
Holy Communion)

April 4

**Holy Saturday
Taize**

5:00 p.m.
(Held Indoors)

April 5

Easter

8:30 a.m.*
&
10:30 a.m.



* Indicates Livestream Available

Financial Update:

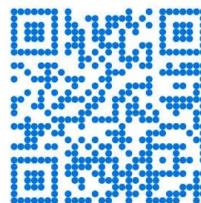
Financial Reports

Copies of Financial Reports can be found on the display board next to the main Church Office or by contacting our Finance Manager, Ashley Pederson.

Ways to Give at Crown of Glory



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



Directing Thrivent Choice Dollars:

Online: thrivent.com/thriventchoice

Phone: 1-800-847-4836

Contact: Pastor Reggie (952)-448-3230 ext. 3

pastorreggie@crownofglory.org

Scan the Code:



Charitable Giving Information

Investment groups have great information on tax savings that help you give more to charitable causes and could save you money overall. Win/win! Check out this link for ideas (disclaimer, we do not give tax advice, simply serving up ideas for your review with your tax advisor).

<https://www.fidelitycharitable.org/guidance/charitable-tax-strategies.html>

Church Council



An updated Church Council photo will be published soon!

Pastor Reggie Klindworth (Senior Pastor), Sherri Eriksrud (President),
Eric Larson (Vice President), Kristi Kirsch (Secretary),
Krista Hammann, Deb Kielty, Rich Latterner, Deb Mangen, Leah Skille, and Bill Tyler.

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Servant Song Leader Interim Chancel Choir Director (March-May) Grace Becker		

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Worship Schedule (All Year): Sunday 9:00 a.m.
SPARK Sunday School (Program Year): Sunday 9:55-10:35 a.m.