



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.*



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

9:00 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

My Lighthouse (Gareth Gilkeson and Chris Llewellyn)
(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 Allison Ann Garner, daughter of Cristi and Joe Garner, with her sponsors, Zach Schelhaas and Brittany Schelhaas.
- 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, Sherri Taylor, AV technicians, John Rekow and Scott Saulsbury, to Servant Song for their music, and to the Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service.

CONFSSIONAL SONG

You Rolled Away the Stone (Larry Olson)

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

P: Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

C: **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P: Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

C: **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P: Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

C: **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P: Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing (ELW 531, vs. 1 & 3)

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,

C: **your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹ In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.

² **Incline your ear to me;
make haste to deliver me.**

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold;
for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

⁴ **Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,
for you are my tower of strength.**

⁵ Into your hands I commend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

¹⁵ **My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

¹⁶ Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.”

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (ELW 172)

HOLY GOSPEL John 14:1-14

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” ⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

“Abiding Love” (Deacon Krysta Stepanek)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Holy Spirit (Francesca Battistelli)

HOLY BAPTISM

Allison Ann Garner

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Merciful God,

C: **receive our prayer.**

PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Wonder (Grace Becker, Camp Wapo 2026 theme 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

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia (ELW 364, vs. 1)

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Merciful God,

C: **You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, 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

Light the Way (Matt Maher, Jess Cates and Sean Curran)
(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: Holy One,

C: **through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

BLESSING & SPARK DISMISSAL

P: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,
✠ bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Shine, Jesus Shine (Graham Kendrick)

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

SENDING MUSIC

Shine, Jesus Shine (Graham Kendrick) (Servant Song)

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Interim Associate Pastor Updates

- During this Interim time, we have welcomed Pastor Peter Samuelson as the Interim Bridge Pastor. His final day at Crown of Glory was Sunday, April 26. We give thanks for Pastor Peter's leadership and offer our gratitude for his service during our transition time.
- Since mid-February Pastor Reggie and the Executive Council Team had been in contract negotiations with a prospective Interim Associate Pastor. We did not achieve the contract agreement we were hoping for and made the difficult decision to restart the Interim Associate Pastor call process.
- In preparation for our next steps in the Interim Associate Pastor call process Pastor Reggie and the Crown of Glory Executive Council Team recently met with Synod Minister, Pastor Jen Collins, to assist us in identifying potential Interim candidates. In the coming days Crown of Glory will receive resume's from at least three Interim Associate Pastor candidates, and the Executive Team will begin interviews. We are excited to take these next steps together as we prepare to receive an Interim Associate Pastor.
- During this Interim period Crown of Glory is seeking congregation members to participate in an important committee or team, The Transition Team, in the coming months. The Transition Team has the vital role of helping shape and cast a vision for the new Associate Pastor. If you have interest in serving on the Transition Team, please contact Pastor Reggie, pastorreggie@crownofglory.org.

Pastor Reggie Kfindworth

Senior Pastor

You Rolled Away The Stone

Larry Olson



1. How can we look in an - y-one's eyes. and not see the beau-ty there?
2. How can we take more than we need when so man-y bel-lies growl?
3. How can we hurt our fam - ly and friends, the ones that we love the most.



How can we know some-one's pain and just leave it there?
How can we not share our roof when a home-less ba-by howls?
How can we not live your love when you saved our souls?



You rolled a-way the stone from the tomb! Can you roll a-way the hard-ness from our hearts? You



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3. How can we hurt our fam - ly and friends. the ones that we love the most? 3. How can we not live



your love when you saved our souls? —

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.



Chorus

Your pres - ence,—Lord.

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.



Bridge

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



- ry of Your good - ness—

Shine Jesus Shine

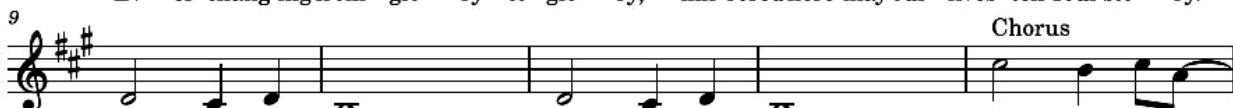
Verses



Lord, the light of Your love is shin - ing in the midst of the dark - ness shin - ing
As we gaze on Your king - ly bright - ness, so our fa - ces dis - play Your like - ness



Je - sus Light of the world, shine up - on us, set us free by the truth You now bring us.
Ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell Your sto - ry.



Chorus

Shine on me. Shine on me. Shine, Je - sus shine



— fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry; Blaze Spir - it, blaze, — set our



hearts on fire. Flow, riv - er, flow, — flood the na - tions will



grace and mer - cy; Send forth your word, — Lord, and let there be light.

Announcements

Pray for Peace

Following each 9:00 a.m. Sunday service, we invite you to gather at the Peace Pole for five minutes of prayer for peace. You are welcome to participate in whatever way feels meaningful to you—read a prayer, offer your own words, pray silently or aloud, or sing a song of peace.

Sponsored by the Justice & Inclusion Team

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.

Sunday Fellowship Clean up

We are seeking volunteers for help cleaning up the coffee and treats at the end of Sunday morning fellowship. Thank you in advance.

Wednesday Night Programming

Wednesday Night Dinner: Last Dinner of the Program Year– May 6

Do you want a night off from making dinner? Join us for a wonderful meal and fellowship on Wednesday nights. Dinner is served almost every Wednesday from 5:15-6:15 p.m. The cost is \$6 per youth or \$16 per family. Meals are prepared by the Wednesday Night Dinner Team and served by Confirmation small groups.

Menu

May 6– Grill Out Hotdogs & Burgers Kitchen Helpers Connect

All dinners include a salad and yogurt bar.

Connect and Confirmation Last Session of the Program Year: May 6

Children and Youth

VBS at Crown of Glory: Registration is Open at www.crownofglory.org/vbs-registration

Monday, July 27– Thursday, July 30 from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Kids who have completed Kindergarten - 5th Grade are welcome to attend. (members and non-members).

UPDATE: Crown of Glory has received a generous donation from a member which allows us to offer VBS for free! Campers still need to register (for planning purposes), but there will be no fee for attending. Please register by Monday, June 1. Contact Gretchen with any questions.

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/>.

Adult Ministry and Education

J & I Team Meeting: May 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Lutheran Women Gone Wild: May 7

Join this group of women for good food and fellowship at Dangerfield's, Shakopee, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Contact Sandi Rue.

Women's Bible Study: May 16 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.

Men's Pub Ministry: May 21

Join this group from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Schram Vineyards Winery, Brewery & Restaurant, Waconia, for good brew and fellowship.

Donations, Fundraisers, and Volunteering

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.

Bountiful Basket Donations:

During May we will be collecting donations of healthy kid snacks and ready-to-eat meals. They could also use brown and plastic bags. These items should be placed in the Bountiful Basket box located in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your generosity!

Rummage Sale: June 11, 12, & 13

Donations can be dropped off at Crown of Glory following worship services during the month of May. Volunteers are needed to help set up, work, and clean up the sale. Please contact Sarah Morrow at 952-270-3158 or sissybmorrow@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

A few supplies needed are portable clothing racks, hangers and tables. If you have any of those items that can be used, please bring them in during the month of May.

Sign up to volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044FA8AD2FA2FC1-63655588-2026>

*Donation items and Rummage Sale Flyers available in the Gathering Space.

Rummage Sale Item Donations List

Items we cannot accept:



- ◊ Computers
- ◊ Printers
- ◊ Televisions
- ◊ Exercise Equipment
- ◊ Car Seats
- ◊ Cribs
- ◊ Items with rips, tears, stains, soils, scratches, pet hair, mildew or other damages
- ◊ Broken Items
- ◊ Building Supplies
- ◊ Mattresses
- ◊ Lawn Mowers
- ◊ Gas Trimmers
- ◊ Pianos
- ◊ Pool Tables

Items we will accept:



Please do not mark items

- Clothing (preferably separated by gender and size)
- Kitchen Goods
- Home Décor
- Furniture (Please bring the week of sale. Contact info will be collected in the event the item is not sold, it will need to be picked back up.)
- Sports Equipment
- Bikes
- Plants
- Clean Bedding and Towels
- Jewelry
- Lawn and Garden Tools

Rummage Sale



THURSDAY, JUNE 11
2:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.



SATURDAY, JUNE 13
8:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

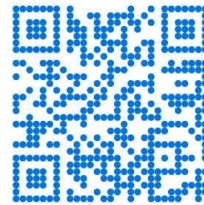
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Ways to Give at Crown of Glory



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Online: thrivent.com/thriventchoice

Phone: 1-800-847-4836

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

pastorreggie@crownofglory.org

Scan the Code:



Church Council



Pictured from left to right:

*Back Row: Deb Kielty, Krista Hammann, Bill Tyler, Kristi Kirsch (Secretary),
Pastor Reggie Klindworth (Senior Pastor), and Eric Larson (Vice President).*

Middle Row: Leah Skille, Sherri Eriksrud (President), and Rich Latterner.

Front Row: Deb Mangen.

Staff

Senior Pastor	Reggie Klindworth	pastorreggie@crownofglory.org 952-448-3230 ext. 3
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Administrative Office Assistant	Sara Keim	sara@crownofglory.org 952-448-3230 ext. 8
Piano Accompanist Ginger Larson	Organist Tabitha Hanson	Chancel Chimers Director Sarah Morrow
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.

Financial Update:

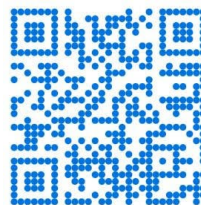
Financial Reports

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.

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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>