

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.



Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025 9:00 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Crown of Glory is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.
- We will be celebrating Holy Communion in 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, to our AV Technicians, Brian Johnson and John Rekow, to Servant Song for their music, and to our Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service.

CONFESSIONAL SONG

You Rolled Away the Stone (Larry Olson)

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!
- P: In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.
- C: Amen.
- P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C: make us one as you are one.
- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C: make us one as you are one.
- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C: make us one as you are one.
- P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
- 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: O God of peace,

C: you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴ I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷ for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (ELW 172)

HOLY GOSPEL John 10:22-30

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one."

P: The Gospel of our Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

"Never-Ending, Ongoing, and Forever" (Pastor Reggie Klindworth)

HYMN OF THE DAY

How Great is Our God (Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeve, and Ed Cash)

STATEMENT OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

P: With the whole church on earth, let us confess our faith:

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: 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

Springtime (Chris Renzema) (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

Praise to You, O God of Mercy (WOV 790, vs. 1, 3)

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Risen One.

C: you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. 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

Come to the Table (Sidewalk Prophets) (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: Living One,
- C: in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

BLESSING

- P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.
- C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Blessed Be Your Name (Beth and Matt Redman)

DISMISSAL

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia!
- C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

SENDING MUSIC

Blessed Be Your Name (Beth and Matt Redman) (Servant Song)

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How Great Is Our God

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Blessed Be Your Name

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Where in the World is Pastor Laura?

Pastor Laura and her friend made it safely to Dublin, IRE.
Hopefully they are enjoying their adventures exploring and hiking.
This is one of several experiences where Pastor Laura will have an opportunity to mindfully take some time to focus on the intersection between music and creation.
We are looking forward to hearing all about it when she returns from sabbatical in August.

Pastor Laura and her friend's flight back from IRE to MN is set for May 15.

Welcome back to the states!

Stay tuned for more as she continues on her journey.

Announcements

Summer Worship Schedule

Beginning Saturday, May 24 there will be no Saturday worship throughout the summer until September 6. Sunday worship will continue as scheduled, Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

Crown of Glory Online Swag Store

We are excited to reopen the Crown of Glory online Swag store. We have listened to your feedback and some new items are available along with new colors in the popular sellers from the last store. The store can be accessed using the following link: https://crownofglory2.itemorder.com/. This is a great opportunity to show our pride and enthusiasm for Crown of Glory and our mission as we are out in the community. Orders can be placed through May 19 and will be available for pick up at the church in mid-June. Fifteen percent of the sales will go to support the Youth Mission Trip in June. Please see Sherri Eriksrud with any questions.

New Building Partner

Crown of Glory Welcomes Nueva Vida, "New Life Congregation." We are looking forward to this new partnership. The following is their schedule:

Mondays Musician Rehearsal - 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Tuesdays Prayer Service - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Saturdays Worship - 6:15-8:30 p.m.

Artwork from 2025 Lent Series

Did one of the art pieces displayed during Lenten worship resonate with you? The Worship Arts Team would like to offer these prints on a first come, first served basis to anyone who would like to take one home. They include a foam backing but not a frame. We encourage anyone wishing to take a print to make a donation to the ongoing creative ministry of the Worship Arts Team! The donation amount is discretionary and can be given via Venmo or check with "Worship Arts Lent Poster" in the memo line. If you have any questions please contact Julie Youngman (jyoungman31@gmail.com or 952-484-4728). Prints are out in front of the office and will be available through May 22.

Announcements

Sign Up on the Worship Whiteboard

Located to the left of the Hospitality Station outside the main Sanctuary entrance, this board is available to kids of all ages to volunteer to help in worship with things like passing the Offering plates, serving Communion to the Pastors, lighting candles, etc. All kids are encouraged to arrive by 8:55 a.m. on Sunday to get signed up.

Crown of Glory Rummage Sale: May 29, 30, and 31

Rummage Sale Donations Drop Off

Donations can be dropped off in the Youth Room at CoG following Sunday worship services until 11:30 a.m. during the month of May. More drop off times to be announced soon.

Rumage Sale Volunteers

We are seeking volunteers 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 or sign-up to volunteer at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044FA8AD2FA2FC1-56210266-rummage.

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.

Program Year End Dates:

Connect, Confirmation, Wednesday Night Dinner, and Chancel Choir- May 14 Women's Bible Study - May 17 SPARK Sunday School and Sunday Conversations - May 18

Wednesday Night Dinners:

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. All meals are served with a salad bar, yogurt and granola bar, and fruit. Upcoming Menu:

Confirmation Kitchen Helpers:

May 14 - End of Year Grill Out Connect

Men's Pub Ministry: May 15

Join this group at LTD Brewing, Hopkins, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for good brew and fellowship.

Graduate Recognition Weekend: May 17 & 18

Women's Bible Study: May 17 from 9:00-10:15 a.m. - Final Meeting of the Program Year Led by CoG member, Sherri Taylor (sherriktaylor@hotmail.com), this group of curious and delightful women meet once a month on Saturdays throughout the program year to study a book of the Bible together. This year, they will be journeying through the Gospel of Luke.

Sunday Conversations: May18 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. - Final Meeting of the Program Year Dive into thought-provoking discussion in our adult study group, where we explore a range of biblical themes, social justice issues, and relevant topics. This year, we'll focus on the book *Dialogues: On Race*. Topic of conversation this month: *A New Heaven and a New Earth*.

Announcements

Last Service Date - Fare for All: May 22 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the CoG Sancturay

Fare for All is a pop-up grocery store and a great way to save money on quality, nutritious food. Fare For All buys fresh fruits, fresh vegetables, and frozen meat in bulk to save you up to 40% off grocery store prices. Fare For All is community supported and open to everyone. Fare For All accepts cash, credit, debit, and EBT cards.

May's Hot Buys

Chicken Thighs - 3 lbs - \$4 single or \$40 for a whole case

Local Beef Patties - 2 lbs - \$11

Ham and Cheddar Quiche - 24 oz - \$8

Bacon Wrapped Steak - 10 oz - \$6

Building and Office Closed: May 26 in observance of Memorial Day

Vending Machine

The Vending Machine is open for business! At this time we are selling beverages and snacks - several varieties of chips, cookies, bars, pop, sparkling water, and water. Each costs $75 \, \phi$ or \$1.00 - bring your quarters! There is a dollar changer attached to the machine. It will take a little patience to get your dol-

lar to go in. If you have questions, comments, or requests

regarding the vending machine, please direct them to <u>gretchen@crownofglory.org</u>. Proceeds from the machine will benefit our youth programs.

VBS Registration is Open!

Register online on Crown of Glory's website, <u>crownofglory.org</u>, hover over the word Ministry, and click on VBS Registration. Contact Gretchen Mitcham, <u>gretchen@crownofglory.org</u>, with any questions.

Camp Wapo Summer Camp Opportunities

You can learn more about the camp and the options on this website: https://lakewapo.org/sites/camp-wapo/.

Crown of Glory's Monthly Pledge to the Bountiful Basket Food Shelf

During May we will be collecting donations of canned pineapple, mandarin oranges, mixed vegetables, black and pinto beans. These items should be placed in the bin located in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your generosity!

Financial Update: New Location!

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



Pictured from left to right:

Pastor Reggie Klindworth, Kate Peterson, Chad LaGow, Kristi Kirsch, Deb Mangen, Sherri Eriksrud (Secretary), Bill Tyler, Mikel Jones (President), Bob Chinnock, Pastor Laura Laughlin

Not pictured:

Eric Larson (Vice President)

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Servant Song Leader Grace Becker		

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Worship Schedule (Program Year): Saturday 5:00 p.m. & Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Summer Worship Schedule: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

