

# 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*

Second Sunday of Lent

“Let Not the Truth be Hidden”

March 1, 2026

9:00 a.m.

## GATHERING MUSIC

*Do Whatcha Wanna* (arr. Mark Braud) (Crown Brass)

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Crown of Glory is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.
- We will be celebrating Holy Communion in worship today.
- 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, Rachel Berg Scherer, AV Technicians, John Rekow and Tony Sie, to Crown Brass, the Chancel Choir, and Ginger Larson for their music, and to the Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service.

## CONFSSIONAL SONG

*What Wondrous Love is This* (ELW 666, vs. 1, 3, 4)

## 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, 2, 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: O God, our leader and guide,

C: **in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 121

<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills;

from where is my help to come?

<sup>2</sup> **My help comes from the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.**

<sup>3</sup> The Lord will not let your foot be moved  
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

<sup>4</sup> **Behold, the keeper of Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep;**

<sup>5</sup> the Lord watches over you;

the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

<sup>6</sup> **the sun will not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.**

<sup>7</sup> The Lord will preserve you from all evil  
and will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup> **The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.**

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ANTHEM

*By and By* (arr. Mark Braud) (Crown Brass)

### HOLY GOSPEL John 3:1-17

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

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

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup> What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' <sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." <sup>9</sup> Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup> "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup> If I have told you

about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?  
<sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

### MESSAGE

“Let Not the Truth be Hidden” (Pastor Reggie Klindworth)

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*God Loved the World* (ELW 323, vs. 1, 2, 4, 5)

### 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

*A Lenten Psalm* (Tom Paulson, arr. Ginger Larson) (Chancel Choir)

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

*Tin Roof Blues* (New Orleans Rhythm Kings, arr. Jack Gale) (Crown Brass)

*Summertime* (George Gershwin, arr. John Glenesk Mortimer) (Crown Brass)

### 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

*Lift High the Cross* (ELW 660, vs. 1, 3, 4)

### DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Believe the good news.

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

### SENDING MUSIC

*That's A'Plenty* (Lew Pollack, arr. W. Rowland, BMI) (Crown Brass)

# 614 - Praise to You, O Christ, Our Savior

1. Praise to you, O Christ, our savior, Word of the Father, calling us to life:

5  
Son of God who leads us to freedom; glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

9  
1. You are the Word who calls us out of darkness; you are the Word who leads us in to light;  
2. You are the one whom prophets hoped and longed for; you are the one who speaks to us today;  
3. You are the Word who calls us to be servants; you are the Word whose only law is love;  
4. You are the Word who binds us and unites us; you are the Word who calls us to be one;

13  
you are the Word who brings us through the desert; glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
you are the one who leads us to our future;  
you are the Word made flesh who lives among us;  
you are the Word who teaches us forgiveness;

## Announcements

### **Coming Soon: Interim Associate Pastor**

We are excited to welcome a Bridge Interim Associate Pastor at Crown of Glory in the coming weeks. Our Bridge Interim Associate Pastor 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.

### **Crown of Glory Directory**

Directories are available for purchase of \$10.00. You can purchase a copy after Sunday worship from a Directory Team member or Monday -Thursday at the main church office desk.

### **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**

Soup Suppers are served on Wednesdays during Lent. 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 Dinner Team: Seeking New Members**

Contact [pastorreggie@crownofglory.org](mailto:pastorreggie@crownofglory.org) for more details and information.

### **Wednesday Night Soup Supper:**

#### Main Soup

March 4– Tortellini Soup

March 11– Creamy Tomato Basil Soup

March 18– Potato Soup

#### Kitchen Helpers

All 7<sup>th</sup> grade

All 7<sup>th</sup> grade

All 6<sup>th</sup> grade

#### Confirmation Usher/Greeter

All 8<sup>th</sup> grade

All 6<sup>th</sup> grade

All 7<sup>th</sup> 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

**J & I Team Meeting:** March 3 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Lutheran Women Gone Wild:** March 5

Join this group of women for good food and fellowship at Don Ramon Restaurante Mexicano, Shakopee, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Contact Sandi Rue at [sandirue@gmail.com](mailto:sandirue@gmail.com) with any questions and to RSVP.

**Women's Bible Study:** March 14 at 9:00 a.m. in the Sun Hall.

**Men's Pub Ministry:** March 19

Join this group from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at BaldMan Brewing, Eagan, for good brew and fellowship.

### Donations, Fundraisers, and Volunteering

**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!

**Collection for Latino Voices**

Some of you have asked what we can do to help our immigrant friends and neighbors during this difficult time in their lives. Many of them are afraid to leave their homes. Children are not going to school and parents are not going to work.

Latino Voices of Minnesota is a grassroots nonprofit dedicated to uplifting our Latino community in Chaska and beyond. They are collecting and delivering hygiene products and cleaning products to immigrant families. Bountiful Baskets Food Shelf has volunteers who also deliver food. Additionally, here is a link to donate to a fund that helps pay rent for local families:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-carver-county-neighbors>

The Justice & Inclusion Team will be collecting the following items for Latino Voices and will be delivering them weekly. Look for the box in the Gathering Space if you would like to donate.

Children's Advil/ Motrin  
Vitamin D gummies  
Adult Tylenol  
Infant meds  
Adult diapers and liners  
Adult wipes  
NB and size 5 diapers  
Toilet bowl cleaner  
Regular sanitary pads

Diaper cream  
Kleenex  
Toilet paper  
Body lotion  
Conditioner  
Chap stick  
Dish soap  
Laundry soap  
Fabuloso

## Donations, Fundraisers, and Volunteering Continued

# Easter Flowers Order Forms: Now through March 18

### Flower Choices:

**Easter Lily: \$12**

**Yellow or Purple Mums: \$13**

**Pink or Orange Tulips: \$11**

**Blue Hydrangea: \$27**

Payment can be made by cash, check (made payable to **Crown of Glory**), or Venmo (Crown of Glory: Easter Flowers).

Flowers may be picked up after Easter worship services.

### **Easter Flower Sale:**

Easter flowers are available for purchase until Wednesday, March 18. They are a symbol in memory or honor of loved ones and will be used to decorate the Sanctuary for Easter worship services. Your dedication will be included in the worship bulletin.

Fill out a form and submit payment online at <https://forms.gleVRire7rDRJu7gtr6> or fill out a paper copy, located in the Gathering Space or Church Main Office and submit in the drop box.

## Children and Youth

### **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/>.



### **VBS at Crown of Glory**

More information to come at the end March.  
Contact Gretchen with any questions.

**July 27 - July 30, 2026**

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

## Financial Update:

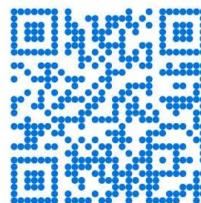
### **Financial Reports**

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](https://thrivent.com/thriventchoice)

**Phone:** 1-800-847-4836

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

[pastorreggie@crownofglory.org](mailto: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 (Senior Pastor), Kate Peterson, Kristi Kirsch, Deb Mangen, Sherri Eriksrud (Secretary), Eric Larson (Vice President), Bill Tyler, Mikel Jones (President), and Bob Chinnock

### Staff

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<b>Servant Song Leader</b> <b>Interim Chancel Choir Director</b> (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.

**Holden Evening Prayer Service**  
**Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**  
**February 18 - March 25**

**Psalm 40:**  
*Do Not Withhold Your Compassion from Me.*

**February 18:** Lent 1, Ash Wednesday

**February 25:** Lent 2, Waiting Patiently

**March 4:** Lent 3, Trust in the Lord

**March 11:** Lent 4, God has Plans for You

**March 18:** Lent 5, I Love to do Your will

**March 25:** Lent 6, Your Steadfast Love

**Sunday Worship During Lent**  
**Sundays at 9:00 a.m.**  
**February 22 - March 29**

*Spirit of Truth, Spirit of Life*

**February 22:** 1st Sunday of Lent, Hungry and Thirsty

**March 1:** 2nd Sunday of Lent, Let Not the Truth be Hidden

**March 8:** 3rd Sunday of Lent, Abundant Grace

**March 15:** 4th Sunday of Lent, May Our Truth be Revealed

**March 22:** 5th Sunday of Lent, Seeing What Jesus Did

**March 29:** Palm Sunday, A King's Welcome

Join us for worship

# Holy Week



\* Indicates Livestream Available