

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.



Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 16, 2025 9:00 a.m.

#### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 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.
- New to Crown of Glory? Welcome! Join us after worship in the Sun Hall for fellowship, coffee, tea, and treats. See a Hospitality volunteer or one of the Pastors with questions.
- Thank you to our Worship Assistant, David Delforge, to our AV Technicians, Bennett Eriksrud and John Rekow, to Tabitha Hanson and the Chancel Chimers for their music, and to our Hospitality volunteers for their help with today's service.

## **CONFESSIONAL SONG**

Jesus Shall Reign (ELW 434, vs. 1, 4, 5)

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.
- C: Amen.
- P: Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin, taking a moment for our personal reflections.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Merciful God,
- C: forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults and show us your lovingkindness.

Restore our hearts so that our lives reflect Christ's love. Amen.

- P: Hear these words of assurance:
  - In + Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

C: Amen.

#### **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: Living God,

C: in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# **SCRIPTURE READING** Jeremiah 17:5-10

<sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

<sup>6</sup>They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

<sup>7</sup> Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

<sup>8</sup> They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

<sup>9</sup> The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it?

<sup>10</sup>I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

P: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia (WOV 610)

#### **HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 6:17-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>17</sup> [Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>18</sup> They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup> And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. <sup>20</sup> Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup> "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. <sup>24</sup> "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. <sup>25</sup> "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup> "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

# HYMN OF THE DAY

Light Dawns on a Weary World (ELW 726)

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

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: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

#### **PEACE**

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

C: And also with you.

#### **OFFERING**

Change My Heart, O God (Eddie Espinosa, arr. Patricia Sanders Cota)

(Chancel Chimers)

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

*That We May Be Filled* (W&P 134)

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

P: God of grace,

C: your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. 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

A Time For Joy (Cynthia Dobrinski) (Chancel Chimers)

## 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: Nourishing God,
- C: at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

## **BLESSING & SPARK DISMISSAL**

P: The Spirit of the triune God

+ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion,

and send you in love.

C: Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN

Canticle of the Turning (ELW 723, vs. 1, 2, 4)

### DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Live in hope.

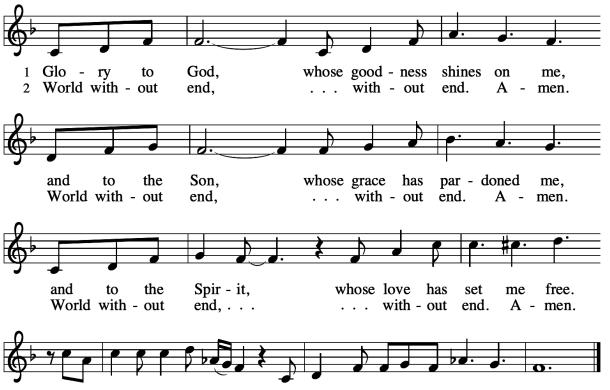
C: Thanks be to God. We will!

### SENDING MUSIC

Now We Join in Celebration (arr. Karl Osterland) (Tabitha Hanson)

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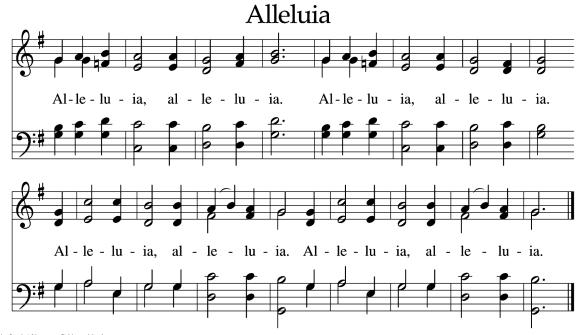
# Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be. A - men.

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# 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 4:55 p.m. on Saturday or 8:55 a.m. on Sunday to get signed up.

Canceled- Sunday Conversations: February 16 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

## Next Session March 16, same topic

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: *Whither the Women*?

# Men's Pub Ministry: February 20

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

# Fare for All: February 27 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the CoG Sanctuary

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.

February will be the debut of Fare For All's Hot Buy Extravaganza! In addition to our Mega Meat and Produce Pack, there will be 4-5 hot buys. Based on customer feedback for more choice at sales, there will be a pilot for a variety of Hot Buys for individual purchase instead of the Mini Meat pack. February's Hot Buys: Yellowfin Tuna (10 oz) - \$2.25, Gouda Cheese (8 oz) - \$5.75, Tailgate Brats (16 oz) - \$3.75, Bison Stew Meat (16 oz) - \$11. One more Hot Buy to be determined on the date of the sale.

# Wednesday Night Dinners: Please note the suggested donation amount has changed.

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.

Upcoming Menu:Confirmation Kitchen Helpers:February 19 - Taco Bar7th Grade Girls

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

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

During February we will be collecting donations of baking mixes, peas, and mixed vegetables. These items should be placed in the bin located in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your contributions!

# Announcements

# **VBS** Registration is Open!



Cost:

Early Bird Rate (until June 1, 2025)

\$55/camper (includes lunch & snacks)

Register online

https://form.123formbuilder.com/2533123/vbs-registration

# 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:



Direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31, 2025.



# **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



Back row, from left to right:

Pastor Laura Laughlin, Sherri Eriksrud, Kristi Kirsch, Mikel Jones (Secretary), Eric Larson, Pastor Reggie Klindworth, Bob Chinnock

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