

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

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Welcome to worship at Cross of Christ!

In the Cross of Christ I glory †

*Transfiguration Of Our Lord
February 27, 2022*

OUR ACCOMPANIST

MRS. YVONNE YOST

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

* OPENING HYMN

“Beautiful Savior”

LBW 518

*APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*KYRIE

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy:

Chri - ste e - le - i - son: Christ, have mer - cy.
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy:

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy:

*HYMN OF PRAISE: "Glory Be To The Father"

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it

was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

*SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Holy God,
in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us with the king heirs of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 34: 1-12 (ESV)

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. ⁴And the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there." ⁵So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, ⁶and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. ⁷Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. ⁸And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended. ⁹And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. ¹⁰And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, ¹¹none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, ¹²and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

The Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 99

READ RESPONSIVELY BY VERSE

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

² **The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.**

³ Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

⁴ **The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

⁵ Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

⁶ **Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called upon his name. They called to the LORD, and he answered them.**

⁷ In the pillar of the cloud he spoke to them; they kept his testimonies and the statute that he gave them.

⁸ **O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

⁹ Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy!

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 3: 1-6 (ESV)

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, ² who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. ³ For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. ⁴ (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) ⁵ Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, ⁶ but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house, if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

The Word of God for the people of God!
Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 9th chapter
Glory to you, O Lord.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL: St. Luke 9: 28-36 (ESV)**

²⁸ Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹ And as he was praying, the

appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. ³⁰ And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, ³¹ who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, ^[a] which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³² Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³ And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. ³⁴ As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen One; ^[b] listen to him!” ³⁶ And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

PASTOR RAFAE ALLISON

*SERMON HYMN *“Immortal, Invisible”* **LBW 526**

***NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE OFFERTORY



Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

*BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor, and give you peace.

Amen

*SENDING HYMN ***"Blessing And Honor"*** **LBW 525**

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*POSTLUDE

(Please stand as you are able)*

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The **Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of all our Firefighters and EMS by Rusty and Rhonda Drye.

Join us **March 1** for a Fat Tuesday Pancake meal at **6 PM** in the Parish Hall.

Ash Wednesday Communion service is this **Wednesday, March 2 at 7 PM.**

BLOOD DRIVE: **March 13, 2022 11AM till 3:30 PM with One Blood.** All donations will be on the Big Red Bus. Covid protocols will be observed. Masks are required. Please eat lots of iron enriched foods. See Jodie Strube to schedule your appointment.

Amanda Faggart is raising money for **Special Olympics of NC.** Please consider supporting her, here is how: **"Plunge in Place"** – Please sign up to donate to team Cabarrus. We still need about \$5000 to meet our goal. Go to [2022 Polar Plunge NC](#) to join Team Cabarrus or see Amanda to donate to her!

TVR Camp is **June 13-18, 2022.** Any 3rd through 12th grader interested in attending please see Kristi for a form. **\$75** deposit for active church members and **\$400** for non church members due by March 27th.



February 27, 2022

We ask that you always have an individual's permission before requesting their name be added to our Prayer List.

Contact Pastor Allison or Prayer List Coordinator Belinda Campbell to request additions or changes.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people... 1Timothy 2:1

In the Fellowship of Cross of Christ

Kay Barbee; Marilyn Barringer; Kevin Blackburn; John Faggart;
Candice Horton; Doris & Frank Kluttz;
Heather & Jerry Reynolds and newborn son Jack;
John & Linda Trull; Dot Weast

Serving in the Military

Eaven Allison (Okinawa, Japan)

Friends of Cross of Christ

Bonnie Albright (Friend of Robin Drye) - She is suffering in the ICU on a ventilator from double pneumonia caused by COVID;
Steve & Angie Dixon; Jane Faggart; Wanda Floyd; Joyce Furr;
Ralph Furr; Dave Goff; Tommy and Eva Harrel; Brady Krimminger;
Doris McCarn; Ensley Morgan; Dianne and Steve Parker;
Lettie Reid (Mother of Joyce Pless – Mild stroke recovery);
Susan Starling; Connie Walters; Ben Weast

General Prayer Concerns

Those impacted by COVID

Cross of Christ Shut-In

Sylvia Loggans (Five Oaks, Room # 301)

Praise List

- Doug Bell – The Bell family would like to thank the church for all of the well wishes and prayers while Doug was in China. The prayers were greatly appreciated, and he has safely returned to the US.
- Susan Caudle – Prayers were appreciated during the recent battle with a kidney stone.
- Katelyn Strube and newborn Greta – The family appreciates the prayers during the pregnancy and birth.

**** Please remember our shut-ins with a visit, phone call, cards, or email along with your prayers.**

LENT AND HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE – 2022

Sunday	Feb. 27	Sunday of the Transfiguration	10:00AM Worship
Tues.	Mar. 1	Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper	6:00PM Meal
Wed.	Mar. 2	Ash Wednesday Worship	7:00PM Worship
Sunday	Mar. 6	First Sunday in Lent	10:00AM Worship
Wed.	Mar. 9	Week 1 Wed. Lenten Service	7:00PM Worship
Sunday	Mar. 13	Second Sunday in Lent	10:00AM Worship
Wed.	Mar. 16	Week 2 Wed. Lenten Service	7:00PM Worship
Sunday	Mar. 20	Third Sunday in Lent	10:00AM Worship
Wed.	Mar. 23	Week 3 Wed. Lenten Service	7:00PM Worship
Sunday	Mar. 27	Fourth Sunday in Lent	10:00AM Worship
Wed.	Mar. 30	Week 4 Wed. Lenten Service	7:00PM Worship
Sunday	Apr. 3	Fifth Sunday in Lent	10:00AM Worship
Wed.	Apr. 6	Week 5 Wed. Lenten Service	7:00PM Worship
Sunday	Apr. 10	Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion	10:00AM Worship
Thurs.	Apr. 14	Maundy Thursday	7:00PM Worship
Friday	Apr. 15	Good Friday	7:00PM Worship
Sunday	Apr. 17	Easter Sunrise Service	7:00AM Worship
Sunday	Apr. 17	Easter Morning Breakfast	7:30AM Meal
Sunday	Apr. 17	Easter Holy Communion	10:00AM Worship

Wednesday Worship during Lent – 2022

Worship will begin at **7:00PM in the Sanctuary** with prayer, hymns, and informal teaching.

Week 1 (Wed. 3/9) James Chapter 1 “Learning Perfection”

Faithful Response to Trials
Doers of the Word (receive, listen, do)

Week 2 (Wed. 3/16) James Chapter 2 “Faith AND Works” (not an either/or)

No Partiality to the Wealthy/Powerful
The Royal Law: “Love of Neighbor”
Faith w/o Works is Empty

Week 3 (Wed. 3/23) James 3: 1-12 “Disciplined Speech vs. Evil Talk”

Not All Should Teach
“Loose Lips Sink”... Souls!

Week 4 (Wed. 3/30) James 3:13 – 4:12 “Seeking Heavenly Wisdom”

Heavenly Not Earthly Wisdom
Passions/Desires/Pleasures = Sin & Strife
Learn Humility – Practice Humility
Do Not Judge Others

Week 5 (Wed. 4/6) James 4:13 - 5:12 “The Lord Governs All Human Life”

Do Not Place Your Trust in Future Plans
God Condemns the Rich/Powerful for Injustice
Await the Lord’s Judgment with Patience
Do Not Swear Oaths

Today – February 27, 2022

Sunday Church School 9:00 AM
Family Worship Service 10:00 AM

This Week

TUES: 6:00 PM Fat Tues. Pancake Meal
WED: 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 AM Executive Council
9:00 AM Sunday Church School Classes
10:00 AM Holy Communion Service
11:00 AM Council Meeting

Next Sunday's Readings

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm 19: 7-14
1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a
St. Luke 4: 16-30