



Celebrate

Planting Faith – Nurturing Hope – Sharing God's Love

Holy Cross Day Contemporary Worship Service
Sunday, September 14 ~ 8:45am



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GATHERING

Gathering Song – “Today is the Day,” Lincoln Brewster and Paul Baloche

**1. I'm casting my cares aside
I'm leaving my past behind
I'm setting my heart and mind on You Jesus
I'm reaching my hands to Yours
Believing there's so much more
Knowing that all You have in store for me is good It's good**

(Chorus 1) **Today is the day You have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
Today is the day You have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
And I won't worry about tomorrow
I'm trusting in what You say
Today is the day Today is the day**

**2. I'm putting my fears aside
I'm leaving my doubts behind
I'm giving my hopes and dreams to You Jesus
I'm reaching my hands to Yours
Believing there's so much more
Knowing that all You have
In store for me is good it's good *(chorus)***

(Ending) **Today is the day Today is the day**

Welcome

This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

+Gathering Song – “Christus Victor (Amen),” Brian Fowler, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Matt Boswell, and Matt Papa

**1. O Most High King of the ages
Great I AM God of wonders
By the blood You have redeemed us
Led us through mighty waters
Our strength our song our sure salvation**

(Chorus 1) **Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory power
For the battle You have won
Hallelujah Amen**

**2. O Most High dwelling among us
Son of man sent for sinners
By Your blood You have redeemed us
Spotless Lamb mighty Savior
Who lived who died who rose victorious**

(Chorus 2) **Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory power
For the battle You have won
Hallelujah
With every tribe and every tongue
We join the anthem of the angels
In the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah Amen**

(Bridge) **Amen amen amen
Amen amen amen (*chorus 2*)**

(Ending) **Sing the victory of the Lamb
Hallelujah Amen Amen**

+Call to Worship

During the month of September our theme for worship is The Care for God’s creation... Remember these words from Holy Scripture.

From Genesis 1

God made the heavens and the earth and it was good.

From Genesis 2

Humans are commanded to care for God's creation.

From Leviticus 25

The land itself must be given a rest and not abused.

From Deuteronomy 10

All of heaven and earth belong to the Lord.

From Daniel 3

Creation proclaims the glory of God.

From Matthew 6

God loves and cares for all of creation.

From 1 Corinthians 10

Creation and all created things are inherently good because they are of the Lord.

+Prayer of the Day

+Song of Praise – “What An Awesome God,” Jonathan Smith, Phil Wickham, Richard Mullins

**1. God is great give Him all the praise
Hallelujah Name above all Names
Fire in His eyes healing in His veins
Everywhere His glory on display**

**Take a look at those stars He can name them all
Before His throne every knee falls
The demons have to run the angels have to praise
Even the wind and waves obey**

(Chorus 1) **Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom power and love
Our God is an awesome God**

**2. And even when I ran He didn't run away
He came and put death back in its place
Friday on a cross broken for my shame
Sunday morning rose up from that grave**

**Take a look at those scars on His hands and feet
He saved our souls for eternity
Worthy is the Lamb glory to the King
Oh let all the saints and the angels sing (*chorus 1*)**

**3. Eyes on the sky there will be a day
He will come and wipe our tears away
No more fear no more pain
No more sorrow sin or shame**

**The King is coming back again
A reign of love that will never end
For everything You've done and everything You do
And everything You are I'll sing to You**

**(Chorus 2) My God You're an awesome God
You're great in all You do
I'm made to worship You
My God You're an awesome God (*chorus 1 twice*)**

**(Ending) Our God is an awesome God
Our God what an awesome God**

WORD

Youth Bible Milestone

Reading: Numbers 21: 4b-9

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

Reading: Psalm 139:13-18 *read responsively*

For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you,
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book;
my days were fashioned before they came to be.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
How great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Gospel – John 3:13-17

This is the Good News.
We praise you Lord Jesus.

Sermon

Song of the Day – “How Great Medley,” arr. Dennis Gale

**1. The splendor of the King robed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice all the earth rejoice
He wraps himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at his voice and trembles at his voice**

(Chorus 1) **How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see
How great how great is our God**

**2. O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hands have made
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed**

(Chorus 2) **Then sings my soul my savior God to Thee
How great Thou art how great Thou art
Then sings my soul my savior God to Thee
How great Thou art how great Thou art**

(Bridge) **Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God *(repeat, chorus 2)***

+Apostles' Creed

**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

+Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

Invitation to Offering

Offering Song – “We Believe,” Matthew Hooper, Richie Fike, Travis Ryan

**1. In this time of desperation
When all we know is doubt and fear
There is only one foundation
We believe we believe**

(Chorus) **We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back again
We believe**

**2. In this broken generation
When all is dark You help us see
There is only one salvation
We believe we believe *(chorus)***

(Bridge) **Let the lost be found
And the dead be raised
In the here and now let love invade
Let the church live loud our God will save
We believe we believe
And the gates of hell will not prevail
For the pow'r of God has torn the veil
Now we know Your love will never fail
We believe we believe *(chorus)***

+Offering Prayer

+Holy Communion

+Setting the Table

+Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
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 to the Meal

Communion Song – “Love Like This,” Lauren Daigle, Paul Mabury, Jason Ingram

**1. When I am a wasteland
You are the water
When I am the winter
You are the fire
That burns**

**2. When I am a long night
You are the sunrise
When I am a desert
You are the river
That turns to find me**

(Chorus 1) What have I done to deserve love like this
What have I done to deserve love like this

3. Your voice like a whisper
Breaking the silence
You say there's a treasure
You look 'til You find it
You search to find me

(Chorus 2) What have I done to deserve love like this
What have I done to deserve love like this
I cannot earn what You so freely give
What have I done to deserve love like this

(Bridge) Hallelujah Hallelujah
Hallelujah Hallelujah *(chorus)*

Prayer after the Meal

SENDING

Announcements

+ Blessing

The God who made the Heavens and the Earth,
Who loves and cares for all creation,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

+Sending Song – “Your Grace Is Enough,” Matt Maher

1. Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

(Pre-Chorus) Remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

(Chorus 1) **Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me**

**2.Great is Your love and justice God
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along (*pre-chorus, chorus 1*)**

(Chorus 2) **Your grace is enough
Heaven reaches out to us
Your grace is enough for me
God I sing Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me for me**

+Sending

Go in peace. Know that God will help us
Care for creation.

Worship Team

Preaching Minister: Pastor Tim Lemme

Presiding Minister: Pastor Greg Johnson

Celebrate Band: Beth Boyens, Owen Anderson, Gene LeVasseur, Nate Anderson,
Jake Lemme, Toni LeVasseur, John Isaacson

Reader: Janiece Peterson

Media: O'Zareus Davis

Sound: Matt Steinhouse

9/14/2025 Announcements

Sunday, September 14th at 10am we will be having a special congregational meeting to vote on the candidate for lead pastor, please plan to attend this important meeting.

Sunday, September 14th you can get your blood pressure checked in-between services!

Help us furnish our nursery! We're looking for gently used or new items (pack-and-plays, toys, rocking chairs, rugs, etc.). Please email Madeline a description or photo of the item before bringing it to the church.

Make plans to be a part of our congregation's "Creation Cleanup" of the Big Sioux River on Sunday afternoon, September 28th, from 1:15-3:30 p.m. Go to oslchurch.com to sign up and find all the information! You can also sign-up at the welcome center.

We are looking for Food To You volunteers! Thursday, September 25th from 5:15-7:30pm we are looking for volunteers to help with Food to You! Please sign-up at the Welcome Center if you are interested!

OSL needs additional ushers for the 11:00 Festive Worship. Please contact the church office if you would like to volunteer for this service. Training will be provided! Call the office to sign up.

Two, informational meetings are being offered for members to discuss OSL's new Constitution and By-laws. On Sunday, October 5th at 12:15 p.m. and on Wednesday evening, October 8th, at 7:00 p.m. members of the Constitution review task force will lead discussions. Copies of the proposed Constitution and bylaws are available in the church office.

Bells of Our Savior's is looking for members! We need THREE more ringers to sustain Bells of Our Savior's. We meet on Tuesdays 5:00-5:45pm and ring in worship when everyone in bell choir can attend worship. You must be able to read music, and we will train new folks up as we prepare to RING God's praises. Contact Gene LeVasseur if you are interested in giving Bells of Our Savior's a try.

Share the gift of goodies! Starting Sunday, October 5th (and the first Sunday of each month after that) we are inviting congregation members to bring goodies in for Coffee & Fellowship time. You can bring a dozen (or more!) of your homemade cookies, bars, and desserts to share. Treats can be brought in at anytime during the month, just drop them off at the Church Office.

The Faith Temple Food Giveaway has not received enough income to purchase the food, and pay the other expenses needed to operate. If you would like to donate to keep this important program functioning, please make a donation payable to Faith Temple Food Giveaway. (Payments can be left with the Church office.)

Real Men Ask for Help. We are brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it is a sign of weakness. So, we try to keep our struggles hidden, stuffed deep inside. That is not God's plan. We are stronger when we are in community. If you are sad or struggling inside, don't suffer alone. Ask for help. A Stephen Minister will be there ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time. (It's confidential too!) Just contact Pr. Tim.

There are many opportunities to serve in the worship ministry. Your generous and joyful gifts of service are an amazing blessing to Our Savior's and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please, PRAYERFULLY consider joining one of these teams as we start in September: Bells of Our Savior's, Joyful Noize, Our Savior's Choir, Celebrate Band, Cantors, Communion Leaders, Greeters, Readers, Sound Operator, Media Operator, TV Production, Ushers. **A full list of opportunities and descriptions are available at the welcome center.** If you are interested in joining any of our worship ministry teams, please feel free to contact the church office or Gene.