Welcome to Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran!

To Our Visitors

We offer you a very warm welcome to Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran! We are happy to have you worshipping with us and hope that your worship here today and the Word of God that is shared will assist you in the week ahead. If you are looking for a church home, we hope that you would prayerfully consider making Chapel of the Cross that home. May God bless your week!

Nursery

If you need to take your infant or toddler out of the worship service, the nursery is available for your use. The worship service is broadcast to the nursery. An usher will be happy to show you where it is located.

Sunday School and Bible Study

We have an exciting Sunday School program for children age 2 and up. We also offer Bible studies for youth and adults at 9:45 a.m. Sunday School rooms are in the Lower Level. Check the Chapel Weekly handout for Bible study locations. An usher will be happy to take you to the appropriate place.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated regularly and often here at Chapel of the Cross. If you have questions about Holy Communion and what we as a church believe about it, please speak with the Pastor before the service. Children are invited to come forward with their parents for a blessing.

Sound Enhancement Devices

If you are hearing impaired there are sound enhancement devices available. Please ask an usher for a personal receiver.

The Mission of Chapel of the Cross

Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran exists to show the love of Jesus to the people of North County and beyond so that all may have a living relationship with Christ.

July 9 & 10, 2022 5 p.m., 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Please note: The 11:00 a.m. worship service is live streamed and recorded.

AS WE GATHER

The Tree of Life sermon series today brings us to look at the familiar story of the shepherd boy David fighting against the Philistine giant, Goliath. David's seemingly impossible victory shines a new light on Good Friday and the seeming impossibility of Jesus defeating our greatest enemies, armed with nothing but a cross made of wood.

PRELUDE

"Aria"

Charles Callahan

WELCOME

The congregation turns and faces the cross as the procession approaches the altar reminding us that Christ leads us into the presence of God.

№ PREPARATION **№**

ENTRANCE HYMN

869 With the Lord Begin Your Task

- 1 With the Lord begin your task; Jesus will direct it.
 For His aid and counsel ask; Jesus will perfect it.
 Ev'ry morn with Jesus rise, And when day is ended,
 In His name then close your eyes;
 Be to Him commended.
- Let each day begin with prayer,
 Praise, and adoration.
 On the Lord cast ev'ry care;
 He is your salvation.
 Morning, evening, and at night
 Jesus will be near you,
 Save you from the tempter's might,
 With His presence cheer you.
- 3 With your Savior at your side,
 Foes need not alarm you;
 In His promises confide,
 And no ill can harm you.
 All your trust and hope repose
 In the mighty Master,
 Who in wisdom truly knows
 How to stem disaster.

- 4 If your task be thus begun
 With the Savior's blessing,
 Safely then your course will run,
 Toward the promise pressing.
 Good will follow ev'rywhere
 While you here must wander;
 You at last the joy will share
 In the mansions yonder.
- 5 Thus, Lord Jesus, ev'ry task
 Be to You commended;
 May Your will be done, I ask,
 Until life is ended.
 Jesus, in Your name begun
 Be the day's endeavor;
 Grant that it may well be done
 To Your praise forever.

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Leader: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our

sins to God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

People: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Leader: Almighty God, merciful Father:

People: I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and

iniquities with which I have offended You and for which I justly deserve Your punishment. But I am sorry for them, and repent of them,

and pray for Your boundless mercy.

For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me Your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and

for His sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on

them the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

803 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

- Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love!
 Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
 Praising Thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
 Drive the gloom of doubt away.
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 Fill us with the light of day.
- 3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
 Ever blessing, ever blest,
 Wellspring of the joy of living,
 Ocean-depth of happy rest!
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 Fountainhead of love divine:
 Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!
 Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

People: Lord Jesus Christ, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from

whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

₩ WORD ₩

(David and Goliath)

- ¹ Now the Philistines gathered their forces for war and assembled at Socoh in Judah. They pitched camp at Ephes Dammim, between Socoh and Azekah. ² Saul and the Israelites assembled and camped in the Valley of Elah and drew up their battle line to meet the Philistines. ³ The Philistines occupied one hill and the Israelites another, with the valley between them.
- ⁴ A champion named Goliath, who was from Gath, came out of the Philistine camp. He was over nine feet tall. ⁵ He had a bronze helmet on his head and wore a coat of scale armor of bronze weighing five thousand shekels; ⁶ on his legs he wore bronze greaves, and a bronze javelin was slung on his back. ⁷ His spear shaft was like a weaver's rod, and its iron point weighed six hundred shekels. His shield bearer went ahead of him.
- ⁸ Goliath stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why do you come out and line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not the servants of Saul? Choose a man and have him come down to me. ⁹ If he is able to fight and kill me, we will become your subjects; but if I overcome him and kill him, you will become our subjects and serve us." ¹⁰ Then the Philistine said, "This day I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man and let us fight each other." ¹¹ On hearing the Philistine's words, Saul and all the Israelites were dismayed and terrified.
- ³² David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him."
- ³³ Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a boy, and he has been a fighting man from his youth."
- ³⁴ But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, ³⁵ I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. ³⁶ Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God.

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³⁷ The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine."

Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you."

- ⁴⁵ David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.
- ⁴⁷ All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the LORD saves; for the battle is the LORD's, and he will give all of you into our hands."
- ⁴⁸ As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him. ⁴⁹ Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown on the ground.

⁵⁰ So David triumphed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone; without a sword in his hand he struck down the Philistine and killed him.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM (8:30/11:00 a.m.)

"Every Giant Will Fall"

C. Llewellyn & G. Gilkeson

I can see the promised land.
Though there's pain within the plan,
There is victory in the end.
Your love is my battle cry.

When my fears, like Jericho, Build their walls around my soul; When my heart is overthrown, Your love is my battle cry, The anthem for all my life.

Chorus:

Every giant will fall, the mountains will move, Every chain of the past You've broken in two; Over fear, over lies, we're singing the truth That nothing is impossible with You!

There is hope within the fight, In the wars that wage inside, Though the shadows steal the light, Your love is my battle cry, The anthem for all my life.

No greater name, no higher name, No stronger name than Jesus. You overcame, broke every chain Forever reign, King Jesus.

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PSALM Psalm 41

Leader: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. People: Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

Leader: Blessèd is the man who makes the LORD his trust,

People: who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!

Leader: Then I said, "Behold, I have come; in the scroll of the book, it is written of

me:

I desire to do your will, O my God; our law is within my heart." People:

Leader: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; People: behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

Leader: have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your

faithfulness and your salvation;

People: I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from

the great congregation.

Leader: As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain your mercy from me; People:

your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!

Leader: But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;

People: may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the

LORD!"

EPISTLE Colossians 1:1–14

(We live by faith in Christ Jesus; love for all the saints.)

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ² To the holy and faithful brothers in Christ at Colosse: Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

³ We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴ because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints-- ⁵ the faith and love that spring from the hope that is stored up for you in heaven and that you have already heard about in the word of truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you. All over the world this gospel is bearing fruit and growing, just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and understood God's grace in all its truth. ⁷ You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, ⁸ and who also told us of your love in the Spirit.

⁹ For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. ¹⁰ And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, ¹¹ being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. ¹³ For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 10:25–37

(The good Samaritan shows love for his neighbor.)

- ²⁵ On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"
- ²⁶ "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?"
- ²⁷ He answered: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself."
- ²⁸ "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."
- ²⁹ But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"
- ³⁰ In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

³⁶ "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?"

³⁷ The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN

656 A Mighty Fortress is Our God

- A mighty fortress is our God,
 A trusty shield and weapon;
 He helps us free from ev'ry need
 That hath us now o'ertaken.
 The old evil foe
 Now means deadly woe;
 Deep guile and great might
 Are his dread arms in fight;
 On earth is not his equal.
- With might of ours can naught be done, 4
 Soon were our loss effected;
 But for us fights the valiant One,
 Whom God Himself elected.
 Ask ye, Who is this?
 Jesus Christ it is,
 Of Sabaoth Lord,
 And there's none other God;
 He holds the field forever.
- 3 Though devils all the world should fill,
 All eager to devour us,
 We tremble not, we fear no ill;
 They shall not overpow'r us.
 This world's prince may still
 Scowl fierce as he will,
 He can harm us none.
 He's judged; the deed is done;
 One little word can fell him.
- The Word they still shall let remain
 Nor any thanks have for it;
 He's by our side upon the plain
 With His good gifts and Spirit.
 And take they our life,
 Goods, fame, child, and wife,
 Though these all be gone,
 Our vict'ry has been won;
 The Kingdom ours remaineth.

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Sermon Notes:		

Please stand

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

"Jesus, Lead Thou On"

setting by Paul Manz

Please stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all

people according to their needs.

+++ Special Intercessions +++

Each concluding: Leader: Lord, in Your mercy, People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we

pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

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

Leader: 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.

People: Amen.

Please turn towards the cross as it is carried out of the church, and remain facing it until the hymn is completed. This symbolizes our following Christ into the world as we leave.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

662 Onward, Christian Soldiers

- Onward, Christian soldiers,
 Marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus
 Going on before.
 Christ, the royal master,
 Leads against the foe;
 Forward into battle
 See His banners go! (Refrain)
- Refrain Onward, Christian soldiers,
 Marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus
 Going on before.
- 2 Like a mighty army
 Moves the Church of God;
 Brothers, we are treading
 Where the saints have trod.
 We are not divided,
 All one body we,
 One in hope and doctrine,
 One in charity. (Refrain)

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- 3 Crowns and thrones may perish,
 Kingdoms rise and wane,
 But the Church of Jesus
 Constant will remain.
 Gates of hell can never
 'Gainst that Church prevail;
 We have Christ's own promise,
 And that cannot fail. (Refrain)
- 4 Onward, then, ye faithful,
 Join our happy throng,
 Blend with ours your voices
 In the triumph song:
 Glory, laud, and honor
 Unto Christ, the king;
 This through countless ages
 Men and angels sing. (Refrain)

POSTLUDE

"Hymn to Joy"

setting by Michael Burkhardt

Prepare for next weekend's worship by reading: Daniel 6:1-23; Colossians 1:21-29; Luke 10:38-42

Find a devotional guide on the readings at www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether

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Serving at Chapel

Preacher & Liturgist: Bill Rusnak

Lectors: 8:30 a.m. Connie Scott

11:00 a.m. Keith Wetzel

Acolytes: 8:30 a.m. Jayden Hill

11:00 a.m. Audrey Runser

Singer: Denise Koch

Organist & Accompanist: Milo Lombard

Elder of the Week: Jay Zvirgzdins

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Worship and Christian Education

Saturday - 5:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Worship Service broadcast on KFUO 850 AM Sundays at 4:00 p.m. Live internet streaming at www.chapelofthecross.org Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

Holy Communion is celebrated the 1st and 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month at 8:30 a.m., the 2nd and 4th and 5th Sundays of the month at 11:00 a.m., and the 1st and 3rd and 5th Saturdays of the month at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday school for children, Sunday Bible classes for adults and youth – 9:45 a.m.

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Missions

Chapel of the Cross supports the ministry of the English District and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod as well as the Lutheran High School Association. We also assist the following ministries and organizations:

*Day 3 Seeds	*Christian Friends of New Americans	*Food for the Poor
Helping Hands Food Pantry	Concordia Seminary	Friend of Moms
Sidewalk Sunday School	Lutherans for Life	KFUO Radio
Chapel Summer Camp	Apple of His Eye	Hope Center for Families

^{*} indicates special emphasis in 2021-2022

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