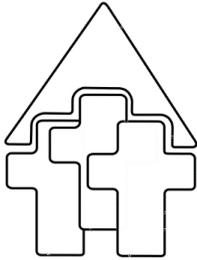


WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS!



We are glad you could be with us today, especially if you are visiting with us for the first time. We look forward to meeting you and getting to know you. It is our hope that as you worship with us today our triune God will come to you through His Word and inspire you upwards in your life. Please stop by our Guest Welcome Center for more information and a free gift. We pray that you will consider becoming a part of our Holy Cross family.

Both members & visitors please complete the attendance cards in the pew pockets. You may place the card in the offering plate as you walk out of the sanctuary.

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED

We are equipped with a personal hearing assistance system. If you would like a receiver for the service, please see an usher.

ELDER ASSISTANCE

If you are in need of someone to pray for you or want someone to pray with you, the Elders will be at the Chancel rail following the worship service.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY PACKETS

Please ask an usher before the service to give your child an activity packet of crayons and activity sheets for use during the worship service. Please return the baggie and crayons following the service. The activity sheets may be kept by your child.

CELL PHONES

Prior to the beginning of the service, we would appreciate your checking your cell phone to make sure it is turned off or in the silent/vibrate mode.

A WORD ABOUT COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Holy Cross on the first and third Sundays, and at all festival Sundays. Lutherans believe that our Lord's body and blood are truly present "in, with and under" the elements of bread and wine in the Supper and is given to us for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. We invite to the Lord's Table those who have been **baptized** in the name of the Triune God and who have been **instructed and believe** in this confession. If you will not be receiving the sacrament, it is acceptable for you to remain in your pew when your row is invited forward. If you wish to come forward for a blessing, we ask that you keep your hands folded and your head bowed as a sign that you will not be receiving the elements. Both common cup and individual cup are offered. For those who prefer, we offer non-alcoholic communion wine. The non-alcoholic white wine is individual

cup only and located in the center of the individual cup tray.

Second Sunday of Easter
April 24, 2022
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Prelude Greek Orthodox Easter Hymn variations from
 "Byzantine Mosaics" by Anna Gallos

Opening Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" LSB 549:1,2,4,7

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Bring forth the royal diadem
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,
 Who from His altar call;
 Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,
 Whom David Lord did call,
 The God incarnate, man divine,
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 The God incarnate, man divine,
 And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
 We at His feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song
 And crown Him Lord of all.

We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

D In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

D If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

D Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

D In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our 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. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
 make known his deeds among the peoples!
 Sing to him, sing praises to him;
 tell of all his wondrous works!
 Glory in his holy name;
 let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
 Seek the LORD and his strength;
 seek his presence continually!
 Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
 his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.
 He remembers his covenant forever,
 the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

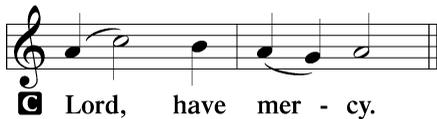
Kyrie

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D In peace let us pray to the Lord.



D For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



D For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
 and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



D For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let

us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

D Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

This Is the Feast

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D This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

☐ And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

First Reading

Acts 5:12–32

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them.

¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." ²¹And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach.

Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²²But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, ²³"We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." ²⁴Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. ²⁵And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." ²⁶Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

²⁷And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as

Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

D This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.”

¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

D This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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

Holy Gospel

John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.” ²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.” ²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is

the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day

“He’s Risen, He’s Risen”

LSB 480:1,4,5

1 He’s risen, He’s risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;
He opened death’s prison, the incarnate, true Word.
Break forth, hosts of heaven, in jubilant song
And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.

4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden’s door.
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.

D5 Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.

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Sermon

John 20:19–31

Apostle’s Creed

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C 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.

Prayer of the Church

Glorious Lord, You have worked the salvation of the world through the death and resurrection of Your Son. Give strength to our praise, and let our hearts and mouths be filled with the joy of Your wondrous works. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God Almighty, You stoke the fires of Your churches as lights in the darkness of this world. As we gather in the Spirit on the Lord's day, comfort and embolden Your holy ones to serve in Your presence and to cherish the words You have written to Your churches. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, sustain all Your disciples in the throes of persecution. Visit them with Your Easter Gospel, and give them their portion in the resurrection unto life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God of hosts, shepherd the nations, and bring all peoples to embrace the Gospel of the resurrected Christ. Curb wicked rulers and break their power, that all would be brought to the feet of Jesus in worship. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Great Physician, as we rest under the shadow of Your wings, heal Your afflicted servants, [especially _____,] that they would rejoice in Your steadfast love. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, we give thanks for Your gifts to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod for the past 175 years. Chiefly do we thank You for the gift of Jesus Christ, who alone is our salvation. By His death, You have atoned for our sins; by His resurrection, You have justified us; and by His Word and Holy Spirit,

You have brought the Gospel of peace to us. We give thanks that for 175 years in the congregations of our Synod, You have richly and daily forgiven the sins of believers. Not unto us, but unto Your name, O Lord, be glory!

We implore You, O Lord, to sanctify and keep the congregations, schools and organizations together with all our people in the truth. Your Word is truth. Preserve us from false teaching; bring us to repentance for every place where love or zeal has faltered; grant us and our children bold and steadfast hearts to remain faithful to this confession and church, suffering all rather than to fall away from it; and unite us with all Christians in a true confession of Jesus Christ, in whom the world has redemption: the forgiveness of sins. To You alone be all glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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C 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

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D 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.



Closing Hymn

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”

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1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
In praise of love that still abounds:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”

Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!

Repeat their song of glory here:

“Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Eternal is the gift He brings,
Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence stills all strife.
Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph;
Grant grace sufficient for life’s day
That by our lives we truly say:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

D4 Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heav’nly blessèd sing:
“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!”
Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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THE SUNDAY HERALD

April 25-May 1, 2022

MONDAY			
AA	7:00pm	FRIDAY	
TUESDAY		Bulletin Assembly	10:00am
Building & Property	7:00pm	SATURDAY	
Bells	6:30pm	Communion Worship	5:30pm
Choir	7:30pm	SUNDAY	
TOPS	8:30am & 6:00pm	Communion Worship	8:30am
WEDNESDAY		Adult Bible Class	9:45am
THURSDAY		Communion Worship	11:00am
Prayer Group	3:00pm		

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE 3RD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

First Reading: Acts 9:1-22

Epistle: Revelation 5:1-14

Holy Gospel: John 21:1-19

"BLESSING OF THE RIDES"

Sunday, April 24, 1:30 to 5 pm, rear church parking lot. Free admission, Bratwurst lunch w/ chips & pop for purchase (\$5) Come and view the classic cars and have lunch."

SAVE THE DATE

Please join us on Sunday, July 24th from 1 pm to 5 pm at the Ukrainian Cultural Center as we celebrate Pastor Eisinger's retirement. Everyone is welcome. More information to follow in the upcoming months.

LENTEN BANKS

You may turn in your Lenten Banks or plain envelopes with your number or name on them with masking tape for Stewardship during Holy Week. Place them in the box marked Stewardship. Thank you for your contribution for this campaign. Stewardship Committee

FOG (FAMILY OF GOD)

Thanks to our April team for handling the lunch bag project: Carol Dehnke, Chris Gold, Shirley McClenahan and Brianna Prewitt and to Ed Danner who made the delivery. Special thanks to Chris Gold who took the time to have items sent to us for use in the lunch bags, and thanks to our Food Pantry for the fruit/applesauce cups which took care of 4 lunch bag projects.

ABOUT THE COVER

Thomas and the other disciples saw, believed, and gave their eyewitness testimony concerning the resurrection of Christ. While we may feel at a disadvantage today in comparison to those first disciples who saw Jesus, nothing could be further from the truth. Jesus says that those who have not seen but believe are blessed. His Word, by the power of the Holy Spirit, has worked faith within us to trust in Christ as our Lord and Savior. As such, we receive all the benefits and promises of Christ!

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS COMING BACK TO HOLY CROSS!

Changes are coming to Holy Cross over the next several months and what better time to kick off a new Sunday School program! Enduring the Faith will be kicking off Sunday September 11th with a Rally Sunday. We need your help! We are looking for teachers (NO need for teaching experience, Pre Planned lessons are waiting for you) and others willing to share their time and talents with this Ministry. If you are interested in helping or finding out what kind of help, we need PLEASE contact Laurel Clemons 248-331-5945. PLEASE keep this Ministry in your prayers. Children are Our future, and we need to make sure we are offering all we can to those who are here and those who will be brought to us. Save the Date: Rally Sunday September 11, 2022, more info to come!

ASH WEDNESDAY NAILS

Still have your Ash Wednesday nail and wondering where to turn it in, the basket on the Welcome Center. We do recycle the nails each year. Ralph Klumpp gets them ready each year for us and he stated that it is getting hard to find the holders. Thank you for returning your nail.