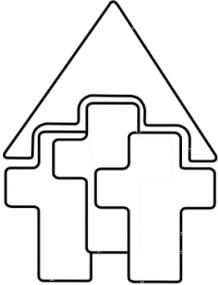


## WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS!



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.

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**Opening Hymn**

"Oh, What Their Joy"

LSB 675:1,2,4

- 1 Oh, what their joy and their glory must be,  
Those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see!  
Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest;  
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
- 2 In new Jerusalem joy shall be found,  
Blessings of peace shall forever abound;  
Wish and fulfillment are not severed there,  
Nor the things prayed for come short of the prayer.
- D4 Now let us worship our Lord and our King,  
Joyfully raising our voices to sing:  
Praise to the Father, and praise to the Son,  
Praise to the Spirit, to God, Three in One.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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

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

C **Amen.**

P 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.**

P 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.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

### **Introit**

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!  
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.  
The LORD has made known his salvation;  
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.  
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.  
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.  
Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!  
Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the sound of melody!  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

**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**

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

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**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

P 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.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

P 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.

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



**C** A - men.

## This Is the Feast

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P 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.



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



☐ And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



☐ A - men.

## First Reading

Acts 11:1–18

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, <sup>3</sup>“You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.” <sup>4</sup>But Peter began and explained it to them in order: <sup>5</sup>“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. <sup>6</sup>Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’ <sup>8</sup>But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ <sup>9</sup>But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’ <sup>10</sup>This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. <sup>11</sup>And

behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. <sup>12</sup>And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' <sup>15</sup>As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>17</sup>If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" <sup>18</sup>When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

Revelation 21:1–7

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."  
<sup>5</sup>And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."  
<sup>6</sup>And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup>The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia and Verse

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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 16:12–22

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



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>[Jesus said:] “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

<sup>16</sup>“A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me.” <sup>17</sup>So some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father?’” <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he is talking about.” <sup>19</sup>Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me’? <sup>20</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. <sup>21</sup>When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. <sup>22</sup>So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”



### **Prayer of the Church**

Lord of heaven and earth, in the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus, You have given the promise of our own resurrection. As we await the Last Day, calm our hearts and strengthen our faith through our sorrows. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, lead Your people in Your steadfast love, and guide them in strength to Your holy abode. Sanctify our homes, be the companion of those who live alone, and make all our households places in which Your wisdom and grace are found. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Alpha and Omega, You pledge to bring all things to their perfect consummation. You will bring heaven to earth and banish sorrow, sin and death. Sustain [                     *and all*] those now in tribulation. By the comfort of Your Holy Word, increase their faith and see them through their trials. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, we wait for the second coming of Your resurrected Son. Grant us patience as we long to see Him, and even now give us joy at His presence with us through the Word and Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**

## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**Preface**

P The Lord be with you.



**C** And al-so 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 Him thanks and praise.

**The Words of Our Lord**

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**Lord's Prayer**

**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.



## Post-Communion Collect

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P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## Benediction

P 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

“Jerusalem, My Happy Home”

LSB 673:1,2,5,6

- 1 Jerusalem, my happy home,  
When shall I come to thee?  
When shall my sorrows have an end?  
Thy joys when shall I see?
- 2 O happy harbor of the saints,  
O sweet and pleasant soil!  
In thee no sorrow may be found,  
No grief, no care, no toil.

- 5     Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there  
       Around my Savior stand;  
       And soon my friends in Christ below  
       Will join the glorious band.
- 6     O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare  
       For that bright home of love  
       That I may see Thee and adore  
       With all Thy saints above.

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# ***THE SUNDAY HERALD***

## ***May 16-22, 2022***

<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>FRIDAY</b>	
Stewardship Ministry	7:00pm	Bulletin Assembly	10:00am
AA	7:00pm	<b>SATURDAY</b>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>		Scrapbook Workshop	9:00am
TOPS	8:30am & 6:00pm	FOG lunch making	10:00am
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b>Worship</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<b>SUNDAY</b>	
Prayer Group	3:00pm	<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:30am</b>
Bells	6:30pm	Adult Bible Class	9:45am
Choir	7:30pm	<b>Worship</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
M.O.M. Group	7:00pm		

### **BIBLE READINGS FOR THE 6TH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15  
 Second Reading: Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27  
 Holy Gospel: John 16:23-33

### **ABOUT THE COVER**

After Christ's resurrection, the Holy Spirit took the Lord's words to the disciples and opened their minds to understand all that He had taught. The Spirit is always working in and through the Word to bring about faith among us and all believers. Whenever we gather around Word and Sacrament, the Spirit is at work, drawing us close to the redeeming words of Jesus.

### **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.

### **NEW HOPE MINISTRY NEEDS**

For the summer months New Hope Food Pantry needs are the following: Potatoes, Spaghetti noodles, Hand Soap, Toothpaste, Shampoo, Deodorant. Thank you, for your support.

### **FOG (FAMILY OF GOD)**

Would you like to help the Lunch Bag Project by picking up 50 bags of chips/Doritos or 50 individual wrapped cookies? Or perhaps you would like to form a team. Call Roberta Hanka (586-486-5645) for more details.

### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Cathy Zeckzer has moved here is her new address: 38338 Lincoln Dale Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48310, phone number 586-693-5067. Please make note of this change.

### **THANK YOU!!**

A big thank you for all the prayers, cards, phone calls, emails, and text that I received. I am recovering nicely from my fall and should be back to normal soon. I am so thankful for my HCLC family. Thank you again for all your thoughts and prayers.  
Becky

### **RALLY SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH 2022!**

The launch of our new Sunday School program Enduring the Faith kicks off with Rally Sunday. We are very excited about getting Sunday School up and running again at Holy Cross.

*To make this happen we NEED your help!*

*We are looking for...*

*Teachers: P-K, 1-3 and 4-6*

*NO teaching experience is necessary.*

*Lessons come pre planned with a teacher guide.*

*Music Leader: Weekly for 10 minutes at the beginning of Sunday School teaching us new songs.*

PLEASE prayerfully consider sharing your time and talents with us! If there is anything you are interested in helping with or have any questions PLEASE contact Laurel Clemons. 248-331-5945. There will be an informational meeting between services Sunday June 5th for all interested in helping.