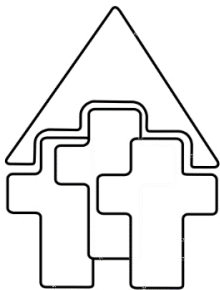


WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS!



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.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
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Opening Hymn “Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray”

LSB 663

- 1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray;
 From your sleep awaken!
Be not by the evil day
 Unawares o’ertaken;
 For the foe,
 Well we know,
 Is a harvest reaping
 While the saints are sleeping.

- 2 Watch against the devil’s snares
 Lest asleep he find you;
For indeed no pains he spares
 To deceive and blind you.
 Satan’s prey
 Oft are they
 Who secure are sleeping
 And no watch are keeping.

- 3 Watch! Let not the wicked world
 With its lies defeat you
Lest with bold deceptions hurled
 It betray and cheat you.
 Watch and see
 Lest there be
 Faithless friends to charm you,
 Who but seek to harm you.

4 Watch against yourself, my soul,
Lest with grace you trifle;
Let not self your thoughts control
Nor God's mercy stifle.
Pride and sin
Lurk within,
All your hopes to shatter;
Heed not when they flatter.

5 But while watching, also pray
To the Lord unceasing.
God protects you day by day,
Strength and faith increasing,
So that still
Mind and will
Shall unite to serve Him
And forever love Him.

Opening Versicles

LSB page 260

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

P Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

P Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C Teach me Your paths.

P Sanctify us in Your truth.

C Your Word is truth.

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**C 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.**

Old Testament Canticle

LSB page 261



☐ The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,



make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done

glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the
earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -
hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the
Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will
be for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Readings From Holy Scripture

First Reading

Acts 16:9–15

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“Canon of Grace”

Holy Cross Bell Choir

Second Reading

Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 16:23–33

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²³[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

²⁹His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” ³¹Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

THE CATECHISM THE CREED

The Third Article

LSB page 323

P 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.
What does this mean?

C I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

**On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.
This is most certainly true.**

Sermon

Hymn “Jesus Lives! The Vict’ry Won”

LSB 490

- 1 Jesus lives! The vict’ry’s won!
 Death no longer can appall me;
Jesus lives! Death’s reign is done!
 From the grave will Christ recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.

- 2 Jesus lives! To Him the throne
 High above all things is given.
I shall go where He is gone,
 Live and reign with Him in heaven.
God is faithful; doubtings, hence!
This shall be my confidence.

- 3 Jesus lives! For me He died,
 Hence will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide,
 Praise to Him and glory giving.
All I need God will dispense;
This shall be my confidence.

4 Jesus lives! I know full well
Nothing me from Him shall sever.
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell
Part me now from Christ forever.
God will be my sure defense;
This shall be my confidence.

5 Jesus lives! And now is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal.
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
Jesus is my confidence!

Prayer

LSB page 265

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]. . . let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

LSB page 265

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.

Collect of the Day

P O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C Amen.

Collect for the Word

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

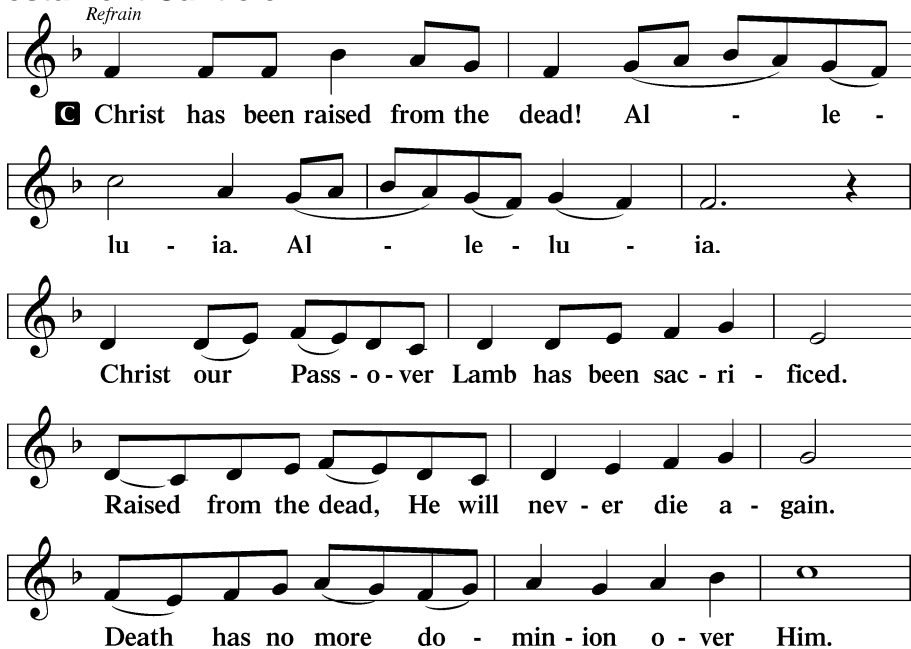
Morning Prayer

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C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen

New Testament Cantic

Refrain



C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.
Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.
Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Blessing

LSB page 267

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit,
bless and preserve us.

C **Amen.**

- 1 Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease,
Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.

- 2 Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;
With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day.
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon Thy name.

- 3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light.
From harm and danger keep Thy children free;
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

- 4 Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life,
Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife;
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

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THE SUNDAY HERALD

May 23-29, 2022

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

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE 7TH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

First Reading: Acts 1:12-26

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-20

Holy Gospel: John 17:20-26

ABOUT THE COVER No matter the situation, believers can always offer prayer confidently. Christ invites us to boldly pray in His name in the sure and certain hope that all prayer in Him is granted according to our Father's good and gracious will. Our joy, even amid trial, is bound up in Christ's love shown on the cross, which has opened access to God through prayer.

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.

THANK YOU!! I would like to thank you for the phone calls, cards and prayers during my recent illness. They were much appreciated. I am in recovery, and it is going well. Sharon Adler

WE WELCOME! This morning at 11:00 am we welcome into the kingdom of God through the blessed water of Baptism, **Luca James Cristodero** son of Lawrence Cristodero and Erica Grable. If you wish to witness Luca's baptism, you may gather around the font in the narthex before the service begins.

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) Thanks to our May Lunch Bag team which consists of the following: Larry and Michelle Hoeft handled the water and items for the lunch bags, Jean Dennis and Mary Kerr made the sandwiches to complete the project, Maurya Withrow donated the chips, while Food Pantry donated the applesauce cups and Gerrie Bufford's daughter, Lisa, made the delivery to FOG. We need a delivery person for June 12th - can you help us out? Call Roberta Hanka.

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY Thank you for your participation to our Lenten Banks. We have approximately \$1000.00 at this time. If you have a bank and not returned, PLEASE turn the bank in now. We will add to our total for the outside manager.

OFFICE HOURS FOR THE SUMMER From Memorial Day to Labor Day the office will be open Monday—Thursday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and closed on Friday. Thank you.

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. There will be an informational meeting between services Sunday June 5th for all interested in helping.