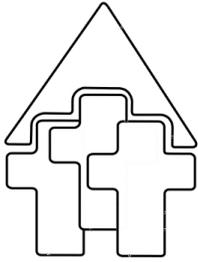


WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS!



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

"Christ Be My Leader"

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- 1 Christ be my Leader by night as by day;
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future His care,
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- 2 Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C **Amen.**

D Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

D Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

D I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

D O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

D Upon this your confession, as a servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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

Hear this, all peoples!

Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,
both low and high,
rich and poor together!

Truly no man can ransom another,
or give to God the price of his life,
for the ransom of their life is costly
and can never suffice.

This is the path of those who have foolish confidence;
yet after them people approve of their boasts.

Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol;
death shall be their shepherd.

But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol,
for he will receive me.



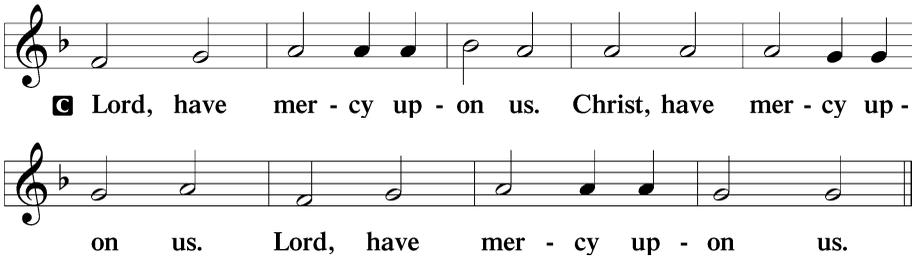
☐ Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie

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Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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D Glory be to God on high:



and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

D The Lord be with you.

☐ And with thy spir - it.

D Let us pray.

O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☐ A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26

²Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. . . .

¹²I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. . . .

¹⁸I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

²⁴There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

D This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Colossians 3:1–11

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity,

passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

D This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia

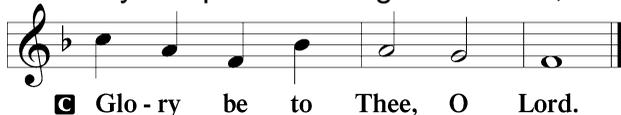
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Holy Gospel

Luke 12:13–21

D The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” ¹⁴But he said to him, “Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?” ¹⁵And he said to them, “Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, “The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ ¹⁸And he said, ‘I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ ²⁰But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ ²¹So is

the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.”

D This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' 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.

Hymn of the Day

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

LSB 761

- 1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure:
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
- 2 Not the labors of my hands
Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone;

Thou must save, and Thou alone.

3 Nothing in my hand I bring;
Simply to Thy cross I cling.
Naked, come to Thee for dress;
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly;
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

Sermon

Colossians 3:1–11

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

All is vanity, O Lord, without the grace and succor of Your Word and Spirit. Guard our hearts against pride and arrogance and a life rich in things but poor in spirit. Grant to us wise hearts, that we may love rightly all that You have made and use them all for Your purpose and glory. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Guard Your Church, O Lord, the people of Your own possession, and give to her honorable and noble men for the Office of the Holy Ministry and gracious and devoted men and women commissioned for the teaching arts and works of charity within Your Church. Make us rich in the treasure of Your grace that will never disappoint us, that we may give generously toward those in need. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant that in our lives together we might show the love of Christ to one another. Give all husbands and wives fidelity to their vows and promises. Help all parents teach their children to know and love the Lord. Guide all single adults, that they might find fulfillment in their service to others. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, kingdoms rise and fall, and leaders are raised up and brought low by Your will. Grant our nation and its leaders humility before You, that we might recognize the vanity of all our plans and so be ready to rejoice and give thanks for Your every good gift in the days that You give us under the sun. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Be near to the suffering, the dying and the grieving [especially Your servants _____]. Sustain them in the truth that their lives are even now hidden with Christ in God, and that when He appears, they will also appear with Him in glory. Give them compassionate and skillful doctors and nurses, that their suffering may be alleviated and their minds and bodies returned to health. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, You have seated Your Christ at Your right hand and surrounded Him with all those that He has led out of the great tribulation. We thank You for the peace and rest You have given them in Him, and we pray that You would one day deliver us by His hand into the paradise He has won for us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Answer all doubt and fear, O Lord, with confidence in Your Word and Sacraments, that by these Means of Grace we may be kept in holiness and guarded from temptation and despair until the day when You bring all things to their perfect fulfillment and we are delivered to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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D 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



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Benedicamus

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D Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Benediction

D The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

LSB 781

- 1 We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
- 2 May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our firstfruits give!
- 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead,
And homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled
Are straying from the fold.
- 4 To comfort and to bless,

To find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and fatherless
Is angels' work below.

5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.

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THE SUNDAY HERALD

August 1 - 7, 2022

MONDAY OFFICE IS CLOSED AA 7:00pm	FRIDAY OFFICE IS CLOSED
TUESDAY TOPS 8:30am & 6:00pm	SATURDAY Communion Worship 5:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	SUNDAY ONE WORSHIP SERVICE
THURSDAY Bulletin Assembly 10:00am Altar Guild Meeting 7:00pm	Communion Worship 8:30am Adult Bible Class 9:45am Communion Worship 11:00am

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE 9TH WEEKEND AFTER PENTECOST

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 15:1-6

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 11:1-16

Holy Gospel: Luke 12:22-40

ABOUT THE COVER

Taking stock of possessions, whether in plenty or in want, easily becomes its own worrisome burden that is soon brought to futility at the end of this life. Jesus reminds us that being rich toward God is eternally important. In Christ, we see that it is not about what we have but who has us. God has made us His own through Christ, who emptied Himself for us on the cross, baptized us into Himself, and has thus made us rich beyond compare.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our monthly Bible Study will be Saturday, August 13th at 9:15am. Margaret Yusko will be leading us. Please join us and bring a friend!

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 a Holy Cross family, who wants to remain anonymous, for handling the Lunch Bag Project today and also making the delivery to FOG. We are covered for the months of August and September - interested in helping in October? Call Roberta at 586-486-5645. If you are interested in contributing directly to FOG their mailing address is: P.O. Box 801, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043. Or if you would like to contribute towards the Lunch Bag Project (to purchase sandwich bags, mustard seed devotions etc.) make the check out to Roberta Hanka. All donations and expenses are reported at the Ladies Guild meetings.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

THANK YOU to all who donated supplies for Sunday School. We were able to collect the supplies we needed to start Sunday School in the fall! We are all set on school supplies for now. Items we could use now: Small dixie cups, Graham crackers, Teddy Grahams, pretzels, and other snack items. There will be a basket outside the Sunday School office where you can place your donations. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated and can be added to your offering envelope and marked on the special line "Sunday School"

Do you have a friend, neighbor or Grandchild Sunday School age? Invite them to come join us for Sunday School! Registration sheets (one per child) can be found at the welcome center."

Psalm 100

¹Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

²Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

³Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his[a];
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

⁵For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.