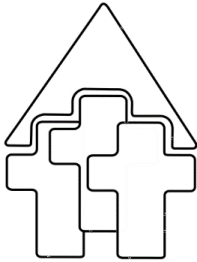


WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS!



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.

- D 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.
 D Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
C Teach me Your paths.
- D Sanctify us in Your truth.
C Your Word is truth.
 D 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

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Refrain

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."

Refrain

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

Old Testament Reading

Amos 6:1–7

¹“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! ²Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, ³O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? ⁴“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but

are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Timothy 3:1–13

¹The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. ²Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. ⁴He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, ⁵for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church? ⁶He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. ⁷Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. ⁸Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. ⁹They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. ¹⁰And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. ¹¹Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. ¹²Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. ¹³For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. ²⁶And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ ²⁷And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— ²⁸for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

D This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

CATECHISM REVIEW

Ten Commandments

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C You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

**You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or
maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to
your neighbor.**

Apostles' Creed

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.**

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.**

Sermon

Luke 16:19-31

- 1 Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;
I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,
With tender mercy cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would share.
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare
If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break,
My trust in Thee can nothing shake.
Thou art the portion I have sought;
Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.
- 2 Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave
My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor.
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place
May glorify Thy lavish grace
And help and serve my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile;
Let Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me
To bear my cross and follow Thee.
Lord Jesus Christ, my God and Lord, my God and Lord,
In death Thy comfort still afford.
- 3 Lord, let at last Thine angels come,
To Abr'ham's bosom bear me home,
That I may die unfearing;
And in its narrow chamber keep
My body safe in peaceful sleep
Until Thy reappearing.
And then from death awaken me,
That these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, Thy glorious face,
My Savior and my fount of grace.

Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,
And I will praise Thee without end.

Prayer

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D In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

D 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.

D 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.

D 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.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

D 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.

D 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.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

D 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.

Collect of the Day

- D** O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.
- C** Amen.

Collect for the Word

- D** 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 Canticle

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

D Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

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- 1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son
And bring to naught all He has done.
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow’r make known,
For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church that we
May sing Your praise eternally.
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.

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THE SUNDAY HERALD

September 26 – October 2, 2022

MONDAY	
<i>OFFICE HOURS 9AM-3PM</i>	
AA	7:00pm
TUESDAY	
Building & Property	7:00pm
TOPS	8:30am & 6:00pm
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
Bulletin Assembly	10:00am
Prayer Group	3:00pm
Handbells	6:30pm
Choir	7:30pm

FRIDAY	
SATURDAY	
Food Pantry meeting	10:00am
Car Club	1:30pm
Communion Worship	5:30pm
SUNDAY	
Communion Worship	8:30am
Adult Bible Class	9:45am
Sunday School	9:45am
Communion Worship	11:00am

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE 17TH WEEKEND AFTER PENTECOST

Old Testament Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4
 Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 6:6-19
 Holy Gospel: Luke 17:1-10

CHANGE IN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The Elders have voted to go to one worship service on Sunday and NO change to Saturday's worship service. The Sunday worship service change will start on October 2. Please make note of this change: Adult Bible Class & Sunday School will be from 9:00-9:45 am the Worship Service will be from 10:00-11:00am

NOTICE!

There will be a **Voters' Assembly on Sunday, October 9, 2022, at 11:00 am** to provide details about the Call candidates as a replacement Pastor. After the presentation of the details there will be a question and answer period. The congregation will then vote to approve or deny a call.

FOG (FAMILY OF GOD)

Our thanks to Denise Oughton and her family along with Maurya Withrow for handling the Lunch Bag Project this weekend. Denise also made the delivery to FOG. If you would like to help in any manner, please contact Roberta Hanka (586-457-8135).

2023 CHURCH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Open nominations to select the officers of the 2023 church council begins in September. Every communicant member will have an opportunity to nominate themselves or another individual to serve as an officer. All offices are open for nominations (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Financial Secretary, and Treasurer). In accordance with the Bylaws, women cannot be nominated for the offices of President and Vice President. Nomination forms can be found in the church office or next to the ballot box in the narthex. Please use one Nomination Form per office. The forms will be collected, and a final decision made by the nominating committee in early October. You will have until **Sunday, September 25, 2022**, to submit your nominations.

HOLY CROSS BOWLING LEAGUE

The bowling league started this past Sunday (Sept. 11). We are always looking for people interested in joining the league. If you don't have a full team that is fine, we can put you on a team who may need a bowler and you can see church friends or make new ones. This is NOT a super competitive league. We are here to have fun! If you are curious and want more information give Mark Coon a call and we can chat about it. My number is 248-219-7538. Hope to see you soon!!!

NEW HOPE OUTREACH MINISTRIES

The food pantry needs this month are canned vegetables and soup. Join us on October 1st at 10:00 am for our monthly meeting. Thank you!

LWML ZONE FALL RALLY EVENT will be held Saturday, October 1, 2022 at St. Augustine Lutheran Church in Troy (SALT) from 9:30am-12:30pm. Theme verse is from Phil 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me". Registration begins at 9am. Cost is \$8.00. Our own Ana Conrad, our Zone LWML Young Woman representative at the MI convention this year is our speaker. We invite everyone (women and men) to join us. Sign-up sheet is on the UWM Board located near the back parking lot.

ABOUT THE COVER

Your pastor has been called to the noble task of preaching God's Word to you and administering His Sacraments. It is by far the most important thing that he is called to do. Therefore, it is right that we should always seek to support and pray for our pastors in this crucial work so that each of the Lord's congregation is continually edified by the Gospel proclamation of Jesus Christ and Him crucified for the forgiveness of sin.

BALANCE CLASS will be offered at the Warren Community Center (586-268-8400) on Thursdays (October 13 - December 8th) 10-12 am. Be sure to call and reserve your spot.