

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church
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Minneapolis, MN 55407**



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 15, 2022**

Silent Prayer Before Worship: O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Welcome

GATHERING HYMN, ELW 521, verses 1-3 (red hymnal)

"O Day of Rest and Gladness"

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our LORD.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

C: Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

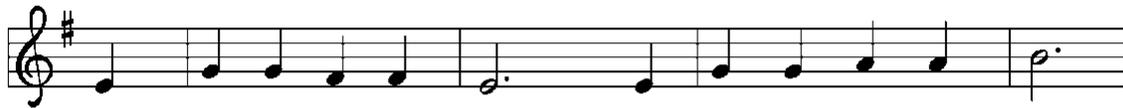
P: God, Who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been

saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

KYRIE (ELW p. 203)

(Tune is Southwell, "Lord Jesus, Think on Me")



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 204)

(Tune is Hymn to Joy, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee")



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: O LORD, guide us always, so that we will always speak the truth. And may we do so to Your ever-greater glory. Amen!

CHOIR, "This Little Light of Mine" arr. John Helgen

FIRST READING, ACTS 11:1-18 (NIV)

Peter explains the incident at Cornelius' home in Caesarea.

The apostles and the believers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."

Starting from the beginning, Peter told them the whole story: "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles and birds. Then I heard a Voice telling me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.' "I replied, 'Surely not, LORD! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

"The Voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.' This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.

"Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.'

"As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. Then I remembered what the LORD had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' So if God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the LORD Jesus Christ, Who was I to think that I could stand in God's way?"

When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life."

L: The word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING, PSALM 148 (NIV)

A psalm of universal praise to the LORD.

L: Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights above.

C: Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His heavenly hosts.

L: Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you shining stars.

C: Praise Him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies.

L: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for at His command they were created, and He established them for ever and ever – He issued a decree that will never pass away.

C: Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and

**all ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and clouds,
stormy winds that do His bidding,**

L: you mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, wild
animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds,

**C: kings of the earth and all nations, you princes and all rulers
on earth, young men and women, old men and children.**

L: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is
exalted; His splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

**C: And He has raised up for His people a horn, the praise of all
His faithful servants, of Israel, the people close to His heart.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(Tune is Unser Herrscher, "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty")



GOSPEL READING, JOHN 16:12-22 (NIV)

Jesus tells of His departure and the Holy Spirit's coming.

[Jesus said,] "I have much more to say to you, more than you can
now bear. But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you

into all the truth. He will not speak on His own; He will speak only what He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify Me because it is from Me that He will receive what He will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is Mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from Me what He will make known to you."

Jesus went on to say, "In a little while you will see Me no more, and then after a little while you will see Me." At this, some of His disciples said to one another, "What does He mean by saying, 'In a little while you will see Me no more, and then after a little while you will see Me,' and 'Because I am going to the Father'?" They kept asking, "What does He mean by 'a little while'? We don't understand what He is saying."

Jesus saw that they wanted to ask Him about this, so He said to them, "Are you asking one another what I meant when I said, 'In a little while you will see Me no more, and then after a little while you will see Me'? Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy."

P: Glory to you, O LORD.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CREED (ELW p. 206)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day He rose again; He

ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

** catholic means universal

HYMN OF THE DAY, ELW 772

"Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

SERMON, "...Into All The Truth" John 16:13b

OFFERING CANTICLE (ELW 188)

(Tune is the same as TLH, p. 22)

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

PRAYERS FOR THE DAY

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 208)

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.

BLESSING (ELW p. 209)

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The LORD look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG, ELW 779

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Spoken Announcements

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Statistics

Attendance on Sunday (5/8) was 40. The total offering was \$1,595 including \$5 to the Building Fund, \$1 to the Minneapolis Synod, \$30 to Trinity First School.

Worship Notes

As we continue to introduce the new red hymnal (ELW), today's service is Setting Ten, page 203. The sung portions of the liturgy are tunes that should be familiar and easier to sing.,

Now Available

- Lutheran Disaster Response info for Ukraine on the back table.
- May Newsletter

Celebrations This Week

Happy Birthday to Steve McConley (5/16), Roger Holland (5/17), and Harold Sand (5/20). Happy Anniversary to Steve and Linda McConley (5/18) and Keith and Mary Lange (5/19).

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross Bus will be at Holy Cross on Friday, May 20, from 1:00 to 7:00 PM. Please call (800) 733-2767 or RedCrossBlood.org and enter HCLC to schedule an appointment.

Treats Sign UP

The signup sheet to bring treats for Sunday morning is in the narthex.

Easter Pictures Link

Visit the Holy Cross website to see Easter worship and brunch pictures.

New Website

If you haven't been to www.holycrossmpls.org lately, check it out. We now have a spiffy new website thanks to Linda McConley.

Janitorial Service

Minnesota Services is our new janitorial service. We have been working together to make sure all things get done. If you spot something that needs cleaning, leave a note for Kevin or call the office.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The Church Basement Ladies

The Church Basement Ladies will present a new musical comedy called "Plowin' Thru." Information is on the poster in the narthex.

There is a tear off sheet to take with you.

Neighborhood Walkathon

This summer Mothers Against Community Gun Violence (MACGV) is hosting our fifth peace walk in Minnesota as a walkathon fundraiser--NOT ON MY BLOCK Walkathon, our public safety initiative. The walkathon is dedicated to Nia Black who was murdered by the horrific act of gun violence.

The walkathon is on June 11, 2022 at Lake Nokomis, Minneapolis starting at the Community Center. We will honor the lives of gun violence victims, and celebrate the life of survivors. As with all our peace walks, we are focusing on gun violence prevention, public safety and bringing awareness.

Registration is open on our website at macgvnb.com. Volunteering or sponsoring the walkathon with financial or in-kind donations are other ways you might consider participating in this event. See the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

SERVING THE LORD

Serving Today, May 15

May Altar Guild: Mary Lange
May Elder: Lyle Horrmann
Choir Director: David Hinrichs
Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot
Counters: Keith and Mary Lange
Lector: Tim Phelon
Organist: Julie Wright
Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger
Recorder: James Blomberg
Treats: Mary & Keith Lange
Ushers: Steve Blomberg & Ed Copeland

Serving Next Sunday, May 22

May Altar Guild: Mary Lange
May Elder: Lyle Horrmann
Choir Director: David Hinrichs
Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot
Counters: Lynn Oolman & Sandi Likely
Lector: Kimberly Blomberg
Organist: Julie Wright
Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger
Recorder: James Blomberg
Treats: Sue Protzner
Ushers: Lyle Horrmann & Adam Horrmann