



THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 9, 2024

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

MINNEAPOLIS

Welcome to worship at Holy Cross! We are glad that you are here.

We practice open communion, welcoming all to Christ's table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Communion is typically served on the second and last Sundays of each month.

Child care is available in the nursery for young children. Talk to an usher if you would like to make use of the nursery.

Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.

If you are seeking pastoral care, please speak to the pastor today, or call or email

*We invite ordinary people
with everyday struggles,
who need a place to lighten the load.*

*We offer a hug if you need one,
a blessing if you seek one,
and a place to belong if you want one.*

Hymnals: *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW, the red cover hymnal), The Lutheran Hymnal (TLH, blue hardcover hymnal), and With One Voice (WOV, blue paperback cover)*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

+ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 138)

We gather to give thanks to you, O God,
with all our heart!

We will sing your praises before all creation,
and rejoice in your steadfast love!

You have created us, O God, and made us for yourself,
In you we become everything you have made us to be!



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

+ GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of power and compassion, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

HYMN

Morning Has Broken

ELW 556



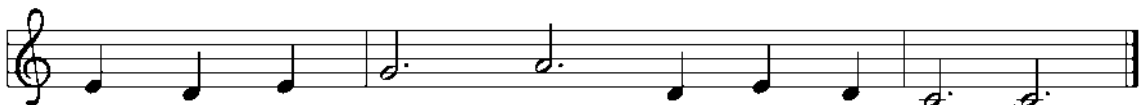
1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing;
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en.
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing,



black - bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
born of the one light E - den saw play!



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den.
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

READING 2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1

L: A reading from Second Corinthians:

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—
“I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know
that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring
us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it
extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner
nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is
preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look
not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is
temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building
from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

+ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

ELW 174

Sung twice through

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

+ GOSPEL Mark 3:31-35

P: The gospel according to Mark, the third chapter:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and
called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother

and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

When Peace Like a River

ELW 785



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

GRADUATE BLESSING

Today we have the privilege to recognize and give thanks for Jackson McConley as he prepares to graduate high school. Jackson has attended Sunday School and confirmation classes at Holy Cross, has worshiped with us in this place, has served this past year on the Faith and Neighboring Practices Team, and now is moving from high school and into a new chapter of life.

Jackson, as we mark this exciting time of transition along your journey of life and faith, we offer you our love and blessing.

Let us pray.

God of our beginnings, we give you thanks for Jackson and the gifts he has offered our community. We ask your blessing upon him as he stands at the threshold of a new adventure. Remind him always of your unconditional love. Give him the wisdom to seek your way of peace and justice. As he follows his unique call to serve in your world, support him with your eternal grace. Amen.

Parents place a blanket on their child's shoulders and lay hands on him in blessing.

Dear Jackson, there was a day when your parents held you in their arms and rocked you to sleep. They cuddled you in a blanket to keep you warm, safe, and comforted. Very soon you will follow God's call to new communities, learnings, and experiences. As you go out into the world, may this blanket be a reminder of their love and the care of this Christian community.

Parents: Child of God, child of mine, we bless you and thank God for the gift you are to us. Through you, we have come to better understand the nature of God's love, joy, and forgiveness. We are grateful for who you are and what you mean to us. Wherever you go, our love goes with you. Whatever you do, you will be in our thoughts and prayers. We bless you in the name of Jesus Christ. May this blanket remind you of our love, the warmth of this faith community, and the presence of the Holy Spirit. And in times when we cannot wrap you in our arms, wrap yourself in this blanket and know that you are never alone.

Graduate rises and places his hands on parents in blessing.

Jackson, I now invite you to bless your parents.

Graduate: You have given of your heart and of your home. You have loved and cared for me, even when it was difficult. I bless you this day for all the ways you have supported me through the years. I honor you for your courage, your patience, your wisdom, and your selfless love. Wherever I go, you will always be a part of me. Wherever I go, your love and example will continue to bless me. Whatever I do, I will always be your child. I thank God for blessing my life with you, and I bless you in Jesus' name.

Jackson, wherever your journey leads, you will not travel alone. However you choose to serve God and the world, may the delight of your loved ones, the grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever. Go with God's blessing.

Amen.

+ PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You are invited to exchange words and signs of peace with those around you.

OFFERING

Dan Ankerfelt and David Hinrichs

+ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

+ LORD'S PRAYER

ELW p. 208

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

+ BENEDICTION

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.

Amen.

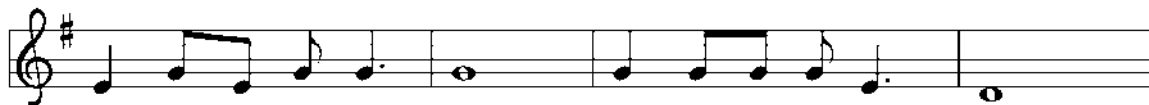
+ SENDING HYMN

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677



1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine.



let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

+ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual meeting

The annual meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday, June 23, after worship. All members are encouraged to attend. We will review the past year and make plans for the coming year of ministry together.

Gardener of the Week

Thanks to Barb Schlueter who volunteered to water last week and to Kim Blomberg who will water this week! Working together, we can keep the gardens looking bright and flourishing! Please help if you can. The signup calendar is in the narthex.

Neighborhood Group Meeting

The Field, Regina, Northrup Neighborhood Group Board Meeting will be held at Holy Cross this Wednesday, June 12, at 6:30 pm. The Office of Community Safety will facilitate a discussion about the Community Safety Center Projects. Participate to voice what you envision for the projects and what services you'd like to see provided in these facilities.

Save the Date

Please join us Saturday, June 22, 3-6pm, to celebrate Jackson's graduation from Washburn High School. Invitations with details are on the table in the Narthex. All are welcome! ~Linda and Steve McConley

Statistics

The attendance on Sunday, June 2, was 51 (15 also attended online). The total offering was \$6,550, including \$25 for the Building Fund, \$25 for the Minneapolis Area Synod, and \$125 for Trinity First School. Additionally, \$2,551.01 was received electronically.

Celebrating This Week

Birthdays: Judy Sorenson (6/10), John Protzner (6/11), Kari Webb (6/14)

Upcoming Dates:

Thursday, June 13 Hands in Ministry, 2:00 pm
Trustees, 7:00 pm

Saturday, June 15 BWCA Trip Planning Meeting, 11 am—1 pm

Sunday, June 23 Annual Meeting

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Today, Sunday, June 9

Presiding Minister: Rev. Jay Carlson

Lector: Andy Tatham

Musicians: Scott Rohr, Dan Ankerfelt, David Hinrichs

Altar Guild: Judy Sorenson

Audio: James Blomberg

Video: Ed Copeland

Usher: Andy Tatham

Counters: Mary Lange and Keith Lange

Treats: *Summer by the Creek*

Next Sunday, June 16

Presiding Minister: Rev. Jay Carlson

Lector: Linda Scanlon

Musician: Scott Rohr

Altar Guild: Judy Sorenson

Audio: James Blomberg

Video: Ed Copeland

Usher: Steve Blomberg

Counters: Lynn Oolman and Adam Horrmann

Treats: Langes

Copyright Acknowledgments

- From sundaysandseasons.com. Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved.
- Reprinted/Podcast/Streamed with permission under One License A-740955.
All rights reserved.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH | 1720 E MINNEHAHA PKWY | MINNEAPOLIS 55407
www.holycrossmpls.org | (612) 722-1083 | Office Hours: T, W, Th 9am-2pm
admin@holycrossmpls.org | pastorjay@holycrossmpls.org