

WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH!

God brought you here for a reason today! Trust the Lord, he cares for you. You can greet pastor after the service outside the main doors. **VISITORS & MEMBERS please at least put your name on the connection card and turn it in** with any other info and place in the offering plate in back. You can also do this online on your phone with this QR Code:



TAKING COMMUNION: We celebrate the Lord's Supper at most of our worship services. We believe that when Jesus said this "is" my body...and blood, "is" means "is". We receive the Body and Blood of Christ. He is truly present and gives himself for the forgiveness of our sins. If you have faith in these words of Jesus and have been baptized, you are welcome to receive. Questions, instruction, or examination in these beliefs occurs with first communion, confirmation, new member classes or meeting with pastor. You may come to the altar and receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. *Non-alcoholic wine is in the center of tray and gluten-free wafers are available.

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP: You may light a candle and enter the sanctuary in reverence, find a seat and take a moment to pray and be still. Please keep all social dialogue in the Narthex.

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.

WE CAN PRAY WITH YOU: If you would like someone to pray for you or with you, the pastor, deacons or one of the Elders will join you at the Chancel rail following the worship service.

GIVING: Your tithes and offerings can be placed in the offering plates in back of church with your connection card. You can also give online with your phone using this QR Code:



Seventh Saturday after Trinity

July 13, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand and share the peace with someone.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

CONFESSION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. Most merciful God,

All: **we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Pastor: ...In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

OPENING SONG #1 “Speak, O Lord”

Verse 1

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
to receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your, truth plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
that the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
all Your purposes for Your glory.

Verse 2

Teach us Lord full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Verse 3

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built

and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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PASTOR'S PRAYER

OPENING SONG #2 "Kyrie Eleison"

Verse 1

Kyrie Eleison on our world, and on our way.
Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day. For peace in the world,
For the health of the church, for the unity of all.
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise.
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

Verse 2

Kyrie Eleison on our world, and on our way.
Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day. That we may live out,
Your impassioned response, to the hungry and the poor.
That we may live out, Truth and justice and grace.
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

Verse 3

Kyrie Eleison on our world, and on our way.
Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day. For peace in our hearts,
For peace in our homes, for friends and family.
For life and for love, for our work and our play.
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

Verse 4

Kyrie Eleison on our world, and on our way.
Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day. For Your Spirit to guide.
That You center our lives, in the water and the Word.
That You nourish our souls, with Your body and blood.
Let us pray to the Lord! Let us pray to the Lord!

Kyrie Eleison on our world.
And on our way, Kyrie Eleison ev'ry day.

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Please be seated.

VIDEO

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 2:7-17

⁷Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature.

⁸And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹And out of the ground the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

¹⁰A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. ¹¹The name of the first is the Pishon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold. ¹²And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. ¹³The name of the second river is the Gihon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Cush. ¹⁴And the name of the third river is the Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Romans 6:19-23

¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand if you are able.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 8:1-9

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

All: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, [Jesus] called his disciples to him and said to them, ²“I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. ³And if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way. And some of them have come from far away.” ⁴And his disciples answered him, “How can one feed these people with bread here in this desolate place?” ⁵And he asked them, “How many loaves do you have?” They said, “Seven.” ⁶And he directed the crowd to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks, he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd. ⁷And they had a few small fish. And having blessed them, he said that these also should be set before them. ⁸And they ate and were satisfied. And they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. ⁹And there were about four thousand people. And he sent them away.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

All: **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.**

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please stand if you are able.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PASTOR'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Let us now pray the prayer our Lord taught us.

All: **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.**

JESUS' WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Please be seated until the usher releases your pew for communion.

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THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Pastor: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

CLOSING SONG #1

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

Refrain Lead me, guide me, along the way;
 For if You lead me, I cannot stray.
 Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow’r
 To help me over my weakest hour.
 Help me through the darkness Thy face to see.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **Refrain**

2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,
 Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
 I am putting all my trust in Thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **Refrain**

3 I am lost if You take Your hand from me,
 I am blind without Thy light to see.
 Lord, always let me Thy servant be.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **Refrain**

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FINAL BLESSING

All: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING SONG #2 “Yes and Amen”

Verse 1

Father of kindness, You have poured out grace.
You brought me out of darkness;
You have filled me with peace.
Giver of mercy, You're my help in time of need.
Lord, I can't help but sing.

Chorus

Faithful, You are!
Faithful, forever You will be.
Faithful, You are.
All Your promises are Yes and Amen.
All Your promises are Yes and Amen.

Verse 2

Beautiful Savior, You have brought me near.
You pulled me from the ashes;
You have broken ev'ry curse.
Blessed Redeemer, You have set this captive free.
Lord I can't help but sing.

Chorus 2x

Ending

All Your promises are Yes and Amen!
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