

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Divine Service One
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8:00 and 10:30 AM

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

(Missouri Synod)

9770 Foothills Canyon Blvd.

Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

Sunday Worship Services.....8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Bible Classes and Sunday School.....9:25 a.m.

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***Reaching lost souls with the Gospel:
Nourishing and equipping the saints for life and ministry!***

Prayer for the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

O Holy God, lest we be too quick to shake our heads in disbelief, wonder, and surprise at how the people of Jesus' day could turn away from Him, help us to see the same tendencies in ourselves. Every time our sinful nature gains control of us, every time we want to be the lord of our lives, we are spurning the Savior sent by You and thus jeopardizing our only possible means of salvation. By nature we chafe under Your will, and we resent Your telling us what to do. Every one of our sins is a rebellious act of defiance. Our desire for control conflicts with faith and following Jesus. Yet You call us to repentance and forgive us for Jesus' sake. May His constant love for us move us to hate sin and love Him more. Let Your Word dwell in our hearts, keeping us faithful to Christ so that we never reject Him who is our one and only Savior. In His Name, which is Love, we pray. Amen.



Confession and Absolution

855 For All the Faithful Women vs. 1, 3, 4

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C **Amen.**

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

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

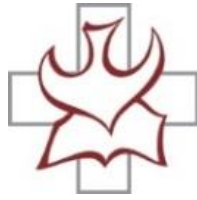
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, 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.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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

Ps. 34:2–4, 17; antiphon: Ps. 48:1a



Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

**My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.**

Oh, magnify the | LORD with me,*
and let us exalt his name to- | gether!

**I sought the LORD, and he | answered me*
and delivered me from | all my fears.**

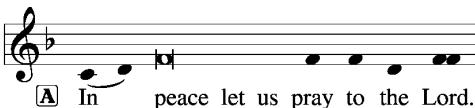
When the righteous cry for help, the | LORD hears*
and delivers them out of all their | troubles.

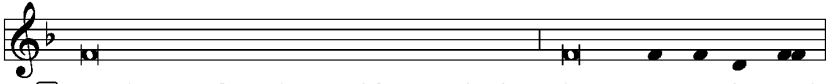
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

Kyrie

Mark 10:47

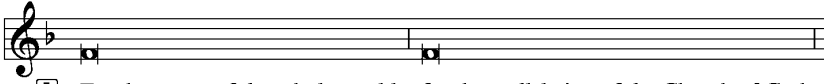




A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



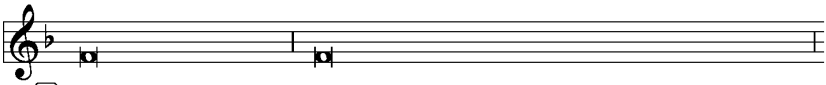
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



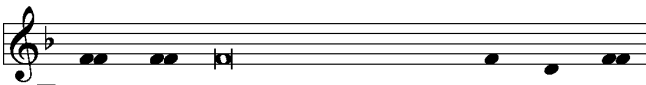
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.



Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:

We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.

For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,

You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Ruth 1:1–19a

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from

And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Gradual

Bless the LORD, | O my soul,*

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! Therefore I endure

everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he also will deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

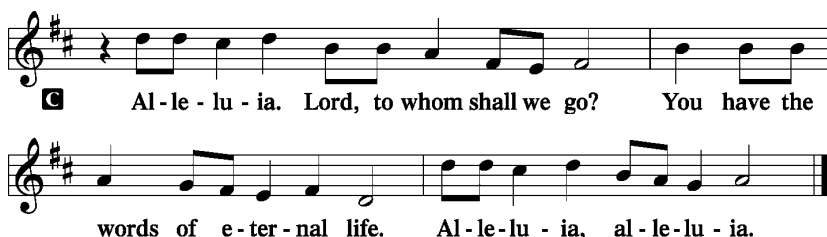
for he cannot deny himself.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

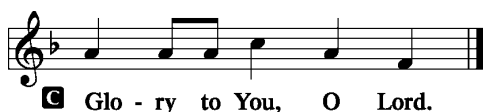
Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one

found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

664 Fight the Good Fight

Sermon

"A Faith Lift"

Text: See the Epistle Reading

Stand



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.**

Prayer of the Church

After each portion of the prayer:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Sit

Offering

(Please add your name to the red fellowship book and pass it to your fellow worshipers.)

Stand

Offertory

"Serve the Lord with Gladness"

Sung to the tune LSB 662 Onward Christian Soldiers

Prof. Ernest Lewerenz

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| 1. "Serve the Lord with gladness!" | 2. "Serve the Lord with gladness!" |
| It is He alone | He gave us command |
| Who redeemed us sinners, | To proclaim His Gospel |
| Guides us as His own | Now in every land |
| To enjoy the blessings | So that fellow sinners |
| Of His love and grace, | May, like us, be blest. |
| Will at last in glory | Leading them to Jesus, |
| Meet us face to face. | We can serve Him best. |
| Onward, then, for Jesus! | Onward, then, for Jesus! |
| Let this be our aim: | Let this be our aim: |
| "Serve the Lord with gladness!" | "Serve the Lord with gladness!" |
| Glorify His name. | Glorify His name! |
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| 3. "Serve the Lord with gladness!" |
| There's no greater joy |
| Than to serve the Master, |
| Work in His employ. |
| As we build His kingdom |
| Angels, too, rejoice |
| Over every sinner |
| Brought to hear His voice. |
| Onward, then, for Jesus! |
| Let this be our aim: |
| "Serve the Lord with gladness!" |
| Glorify His name! |

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

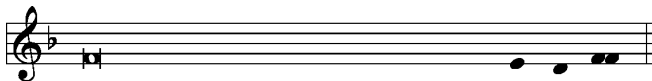
Closing Collect

- P** Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- C** **Amen.**

Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26



- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



- C** A - men.

665 Be Strong in the Lord

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