

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**  
**The Second Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Divine Service Two**  
**June 6, 2021**





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8:00 and 10:30 AM

### Prayer for the Second Sunday after Pentecost

Heavenly Father, we give You praise and thanks that You have created the world for our use and as a setting for mankind, the jewel of Your creation. You who brought forth the light of the sun, moon, and stars, keep us in the light of Your Son, Jesus. O precious Savior, we give You praise and thanks that You awaken in our souls the desire to live lives freed from the burden of sin. Help us to trust that though Satan has desired to have us that he may sift us as wheat, You have prayed for us that our faith fail not. O blessed Spirit, we give You praise and thanks that You are the Comforter sent to us from Christ on high. You confer Your gifts of love, joy, and peace on us. By You we are enlightened, sanctified, and kept in the one true faith. We come before You, the triune God, not because of our righteousness, but because of Your mercy. Amen.



**The Lord's Supper** is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Cor. 11:17-34), and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to speak with the Pastor prior to communing with us for the first time. We thank you for respecting our belief and practice regarding the Lord's Supper.



## Confession and Absolution

### 645 Built on the Rock

1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when  
2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most  
3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His  
4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how  
5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the

stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in  
High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His  
own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal  
God has re - ceived us. The al - tar re - calls Christ's  
church bells are ring - ing, Man - y in sav - ing

ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -  
tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -  
grace us owns Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -  
sac - ri - fice And what His Sup - per here gives  
faith may come Where Christ His mes - sage is bring -

ing. Call - ing the young and old to rest,  
ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove  
tion. Were we but two His name to tell,  
us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim  
ing: "I know My own; My own know Me.

But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,  
Choos - es to live with us in love,  
Yet He would deign with us to dwell  
Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,  
You, not the world, My face shall see.

Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.  
Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.  
With all His grace and His fa - vor.  
And ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.  
My peace I leave with you. A - men."

*Stand*

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

## Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## Exhortation

*1 John 1:8–9*

- 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.*

## Confession of Sins

- 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.**

## Absolution

*[John 20:19–23]*

- 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

*Psalm 28:7–9; antiphon: v. 6*



Blessèd | be the LORD!\*

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.

**The LORD is my strength and my shield;  
in him my heart trusts, and | I am helped;\***  
**my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to him.**

The LORD is the strength of his | people;\*  
he is the saving refuge of his a- | nointed.

**Oh, save your people and bless your | heritage!\***  
**Be their shepherd and carry them for- | ever.**

**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.**

Blessèd | be the LORD!\*

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.

Kyrie

*Mark 10:47*

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** 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.



- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

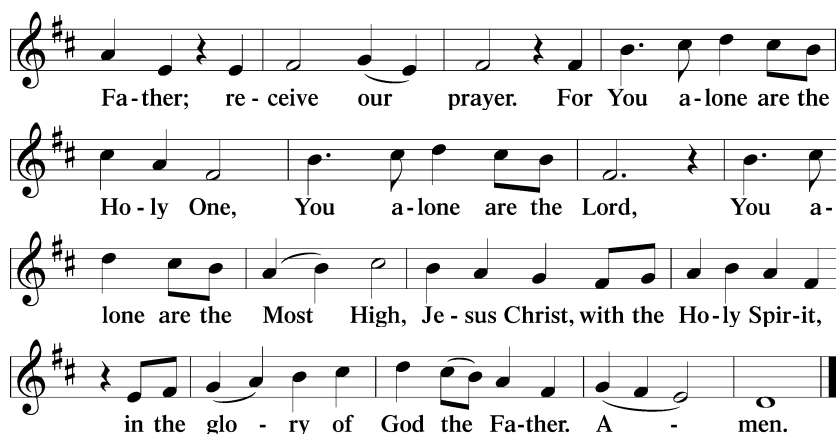


## Gloria in Excelsis

*Luke 2:14; John 1:29*

- P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.





## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading: Genesis 3:8–15

They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I

commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,  
cursed are you above all livestock  
and above all beasts of the field;  
on your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head,  
and you shall bruise his heel.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual



**Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,\*  
and his greatness is un- | searchable.**

**On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,\*  
and I will declare your | greatness.**

## Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen



but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

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

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for 'Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?' and the second staff contains the melody for 'You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.' Both staves end with a double bar line.

## Holy Gospel: Mark 3:20–35

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

The image shows a single staff of music in G major (one sharp). It contains the melody for 'Glo - ry to You, O Lord.' and ends with a double bar line.

Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## 668 Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You



1 Rise! To arms! With prayer em-ploy you, O Chris-tians, lest the  
2 Cast a - far this world's vain plea - sure And bold - ly strive for  
3 Wise - ly fight, for time is fleet - ing; The hours of grace are



foe de-destroy you; For Sa - tan has de-signed your fall.  
heav'n-ly trea - sure. Be stead-fast in the Sav - ior's might.  
fast re - treat - ing; Short, short is this our earth - ly way.



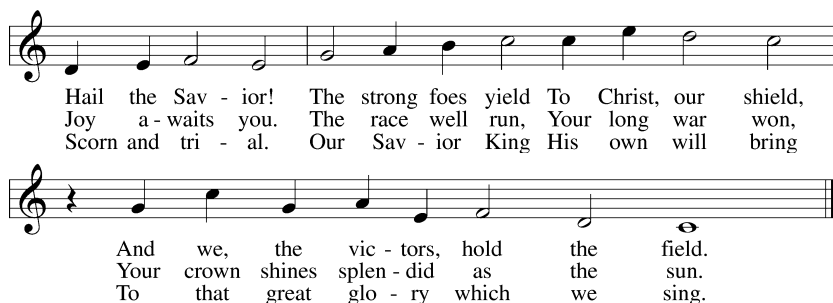
Wield God's Word, the weap - on glo - rious; A - gainst all foes be  
Trust the Lord, who stands be - side you, For Je - sus from all  
When the Lord the dead will wak - en And sin - ners all by



thus vic - to - rious, For God pro-protects you from them all.  
harm will hide you. By faith you con-quer in the fight.  
fear are shak - en, The saints with joy will greet that day.



Fear not the hordes of hell, Here is Em - man - u - el.  
Take cour - age, wea - ry soul! Look for - ward to the goal!  
Praise God, our tri - umph's sure. We need not long en-dure



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## Sermon

### "Where Are You?"

Text: Genesis 3:8-15

*Stand*



## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from  
heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.**

And the third day He rose again according to the  
Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the  
living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic  
Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

*After each portion of the prayer:*

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.



## Offering

*There is an offering plate in the back of the  
sanctuary where you can deposit your offerings.*

## Offertory

*Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19*

Musical notation for the Offertory, consisting of two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru - sa - lem.



## Service of the Sacrament



*Please read our Statement on Holy Communion on the  
inside cover of the bulletin before communing with us.*



### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

**P** The Lord be with you.



**G** And al-so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**G** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate

with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## 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.**

## The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24;  
Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**P** 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  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

John 1:29

Musical notation for the Agnus Dei, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a five-line staff. The lyrics are: Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Sit

### **Personal prayer before Communing**

*Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*



### **Distribution**

#### **Personal prayer of thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament**

*Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*



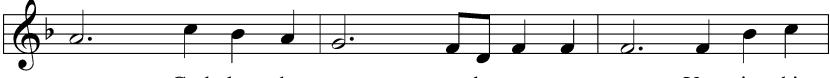
# 561 The Tree of Life



1 The tree of life with ev - 'ry good In E - den's  
2 The still - ness of that sa - cred grove Was bro - ken,  
3 What mer - cy God showed to our race, A plan of  
4 Now from that tree of Je - sus' shame Flows life e -



ho - ly or - chard stood, And of its fruit so pure and  
as the ser - pent strove With tempt - ing voice Eve to be -  
res - cue by His grace: In send - ing One from wom - an's  
ter - nal in His name; For all who trust and will be -



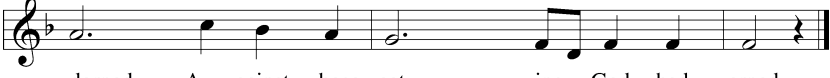
sweet God let the man and wom - an eat. Yet in this  
guile And Ad - am too by sin de - file. O day of  
seed, The One to fill our great - est need— For on a  
lieve, Sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re - ceive. And of this



gar - den al - so grew An - oth - er tree, of which they  
sad - ness when the breath Of fear and dark - ness, doubt and  
tree up - lift - ed high His on - ly Son for sin would  
fruit so pure and sweet The Lord in - vites the world to



knew; Its love - ly limbs with fruit a -  
death, Its aw - ful poi - son first dis -  
die, Would drink the cup of scorn and  
eat, To find with - in this cross of



dorned A - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.  
played With - in the world so new - ly made.  
dread To crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!  
wood The tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

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## 735 Have No Fear, Little Flock



1 Have no fear, lit-tle flock; Have no fear, lit-tle  
 2 Have good cheer, lit-tle flock; Have good cheer, lit-tle  
 3 Praise the Lord high a-bove; Praise the Lord high a-  
 4 Thank-ful hearts raise to God; Thank-ful hearts raise to

flock, For the Fa-ther has cho-sen To  
 flock, For the Fa-ther will keep you In  
 bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -  
 God, For He stays close be-side you, In

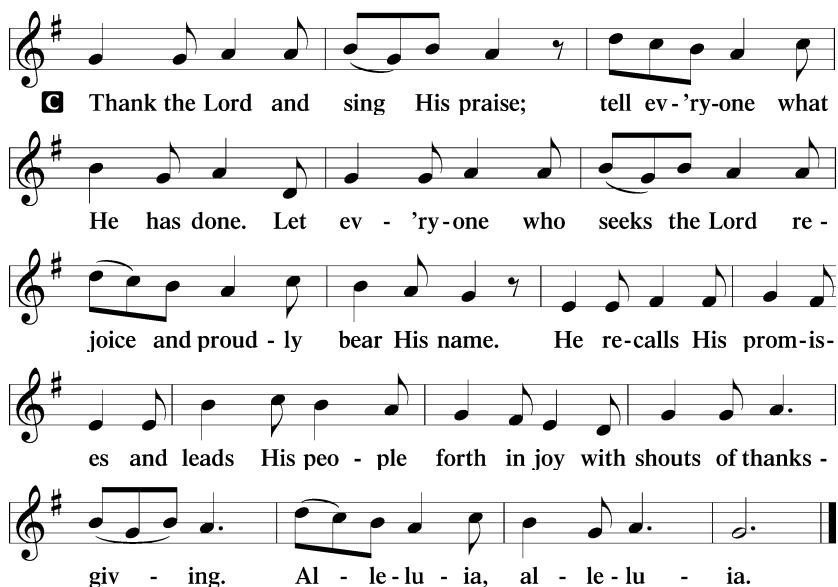
give you the King-dom; Have no fear, lit-tle flock!  
 His love for-ev-er; Have good cheer, lit-tle flock!  
 lift and re-store you; Praise the Lord high a-bove!  
 all things works with you; Thank-ful hearts raise to God!

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*Stand*

## Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
 He has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-  
 joyce and proud-ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
 es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks-  
 giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.



# Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## 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.



***Soli Deo Gloria!***  
***(To God alone be the glory.)***

## 657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, A sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might. We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who

to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod And wins sal -  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom God Him -  
 vour us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not  
 fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons

va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe Has sworn to  
 self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be? The Lord of  
 o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle  
 of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,

work us woe. With craft and dread - ful might He  
 hosts is He, Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's  
 we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's  
 child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They

arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - duces him.  
 can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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## Announcements



Assisting Elders:

8 a.m. – Scott Schlapkohl

10:30 a.m. – Curt Oliver



We are once again fellowshipping with snacks in between services on Sunday mornings. There is a sign-up sheet on the table by the mailboxes if you would like to provide goodies to share.



*Relief for Human Need Worldwide*

Choo Choo! Join us for a trip to the Orphan Grain Train in Castle Rock to sort clothing on Thursday, June 10 from 9 a.m.-12 noon. Please contact Marie McQuarrie (720-525-8713) for more details.



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## **USHERS (aka Traffic Engineers) NEEDED!**



If you've ever considered a career in directing traffic, here is a great opportunity for you! We are looking to reconstitute the Usher committee and are seeking those who would like to join. Teams might include mom and child; dad and child; husband and wife; brothers and sisters; singles; friends; the young; the old! The usher sign-up sheet is on the table by the office. Or, contact the office to sign up.

## **WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!**



*"Imagine, if you will, visiting a new place, with people you don't know and a format you don't understand."* It can be kind of like The Twilight Zone. That is how most of our visitors feel when they come into Holy Cross for the first time. Being welcomed leaves such a positive impact.

Being ignored can leave an impact, too. Please consider one of both of the following opportunities to help create a more welcoming environment.

## **GREETERS**



A smile and "hello and welcome" can go a long way as a visitor enters the doors. If no one is there to greet them, they may not feel very wanted. Signing up as a greeter requires two things – coming 15 minutes earlier to church and a smile on your face. A sign-up sheet is located on the table in the narthex or call to church office to sign up. This is not a weekly requirement.

## **NEWBIE SITTERS**



We would like to offer visitors the opportunity to sit with one or more of our members in an effort to help them feel more included. If you would be willing to "Newbie Sit," please contact Becky White ([stebecwhite@comcast.net](mailto:stebecwhite@comcast.net)) and she will create a list of those who can be called upon at our services.

**Petitions and Prayers:** We are confident that God hears and answers our prayers because of Christ, “our righteousness.”



### **Health concerns:**

*Heavenly Father, as You sent Your Son to be with us in times of illness and pain, we beseech You to bring healing to those who are ill as best suits Your will. Bless the efforts of their doctors, surgeons, and health care workers to facilitate their return to health. Keep Your holy angels around them in their times of worry and pain. Amen.*

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Sonja Bowles – Cancer
- Steve Hollis – healing from a bad case of Covid
- Kevin Koessel (Karlee Shavlik's brother) – cancer
- Harlan Kurtz (Lisa Oliver's father) – finding right medications and healing from infections

### **Prayer of intercession:**

*\*O heavenly Father, thank You for the missionary men and women who stand in Your stead all around the world and proclaim Your Son as the Savior of the world. Protect them from physical dangers. Bless their time in Your Word and in prayer so that they are able to stand firm against temptations. Assure them of their part in the communion of saints in their moments of loneliness. We ask Your Spirit to bless their efforts of taking Your Gospel message into all the world so that those who have not yet heard of Your Son may hear and believe and rejoice in Him as their Savior. We pray in His name. Amen.*

### **“Life Quotes” from Lutherans for Life June 6, 2021**

“The boundaries He establishes serve not to forbid any of sexuality’s blessings but to gather its goodness into a single setting so that nothing deprives the marriage bed of its rightful delight.”

*Pastor Michael Salemink, Executive Director  
of Mission and Ministry, Lutherans For Life  
A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*



Find Pastor Skelton's Bible Study based on First Samuel posted on [facebook.com/holycrosshighlandsranch](https://facebook.com/holycrosshighlandsranch) and click on videos to see the Bible Study and worship services.



**For the things that are seen are transient,  
but the things that are unseen are eternal.**

**2 Corinthians 4:18**

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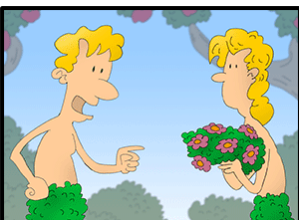


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**What did Adam say to Eve?**

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**I'll wear the plants  
in the family.**