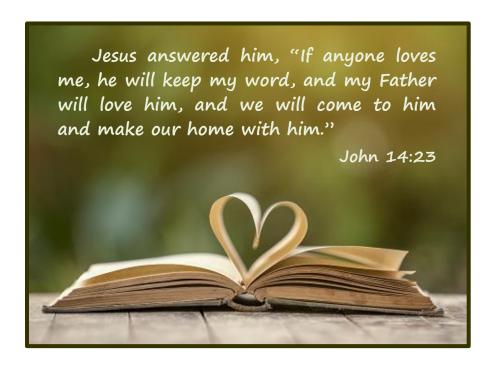
Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Divine Service Four

The Day of Pentecost

June 5, 2022





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8:00 and 10:30 AM

Prayer for the Day of Pentecost

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, You breathe life into Your Church wherever the Gospel is proclaimed and the Sacraments are rightly administered. Without Your grace and power, our eyes are blind to the wonder of God's love. By nature our ears are deaf to the Scripture's pronouncement of salvation. O Holy Spirit, break through the barrier of our sinful nature which clouds our vision with doubt and fear. Enlighten us with Your gifts so that we may clearly see Jesus as our only Savior. Let us savor the sweet message of forgiveness proclaimed in the Word. Keep us faithful to Your divinely inspired Scriptures. Make us bold to publicly and privately confess the Word to others. In the name of Jesus, who kept His promise and poured out the Spirit. 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

Reception of new members

501 Come Down, O Love Divine

Stand

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

Invocation *Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Exhortation

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3-4; Luke 18:13

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen. Absolution [John 20:19–23]

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 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,* and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you | made them all;* the earth is full of your | creatures.

These all | look to you,* to give them their food in due | season.

When you give it to them, they gath- | er it up;* when you open your hand, they are filled with | good things.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,* and you renew the face | of the ground.

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.

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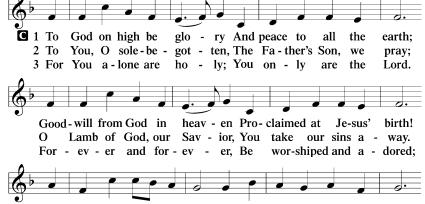
Kyrie Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Acts 2:17b; Romans 10:10



I will pour out my Spirit | on all flesh,*
and your sons and your daughters shall | prophesy.
With the heart one believes and is | justified,*
and with the mouth one confesses | and is saved.

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy

Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

"'And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

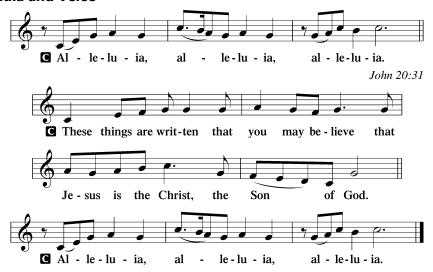
And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel: John 14:23-31

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. I will no

longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here "

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.



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

of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

497 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

Sermon

"Keeping His Word"

Text: John 14:23-31

Stand

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.)



Service of the Sacrament

444

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

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In these last days, You have poured out Your Holy Spirit on Your Church that Your sons and daughters might proclaim the wonders of Your salvation in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon Your gathered people that, faithfully eating and drinking the body and blood of Your Son, we may go forth to proclaim His salvation to the ends of the earth

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13

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 → 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 + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

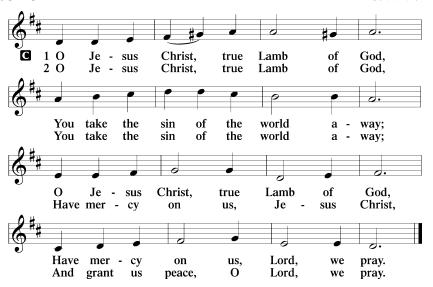
Pax Domini John 20:19

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Agnus Dei

John 1:29



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



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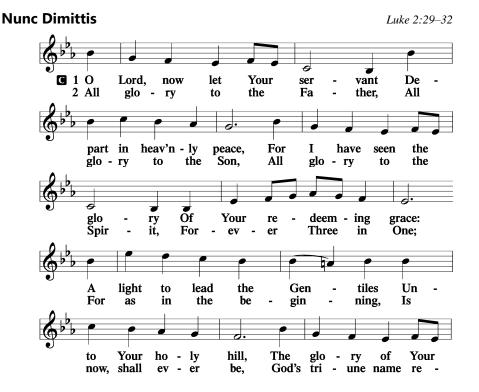
Personal prayer of thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

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.

953 We All Believe in One True God

502 Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven

Stand





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.

Amen.

Benedicamus Psalm 103:1

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

- 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 Amen.

496 Holy Spirit, Light Divine



Soli Deo Gloria!

(To God alone be the glory.)

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Pentecost

Fifty Days after Easter, on the Day of Pentecost, the curse of Babel is undone (Genesis 11:1-9). The Spirit of the Lord gives the apostles the gift of preaching the Good News of Jesus in all languages (Acts 2:1-4). All nations are brought together into the Church through Baptism (Acts 2:40-42).

At Pentecost, we worship the Lord, who gives life to His Church, by decorating the church in red (paraments and banners). Red represents fire and blood. We remember how the Spirit enlivens every Christian and gives strength to those martyrs who shed their blood for the faith.

Also, we focus on the work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has been sent by Jesus from the Father to give life to His church through Word and Sacrament. In the Hymn for Pentecost, we sing praise for what the Holy Spirit does, and pray: "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord" (LSB 497).

Taken from *Ordering Our Days in His Peace: An Introduction to the Christian Church Year* published by Concordia Publishing House, p. 38.

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 2:4



Announcements



Assisting Elders: 8 a.m. – Steve White 10:30 a.m. – Curt Oliver



This morning we welcome into our Holy Cross family the following members:

Ignatius Flora, Roxanne Smith, Kezia Nicolas, and Naja Nicolas Andrea Lowery and her children Renee and Edgar David McCrosky Sarah Phippen Mark and Pam Wiebelhaus

Please join us between services for refreshments in the narthex.



Congregational Voters' Meeting NEXT Sunday, June 12 at 9 a.m.

(between services)

The main item on the agenda is the election of officers and new board members. If you are a

member of Holy Cross, please prayerfully consider serving on a board or as an officer. Contact Chad Otto if you would like to volunteer or if you would like to nominate an individual to serve.

Kids Rock Painting



June 12 between services

On the landing by the downstairs doors

Rocks, stencils, paint and brushes are provided!

You can also bring your own favorite rock.



WE WILL, WE WILL ROCK YOU!



From the Evangelism Committee: Matthew 16: 18, Christ tells Peter that "upon this rock I will build my church..." Peter's solid confession of faith represents the solid foundation of our church.

Since we are the Rocks of Holy Cross, we ask that all - men, women, children, and friends - bring your own personal rock to place in our "Rock Garden." Feel free to decorate/sign your rock, if you want!

Deadline: Sunday, May 29th. Bring your rock to the church and we will keep it safe until we are ready to build the Rock Garden.

Training Pastors to Pastor God's People



Since its founding in 1996, the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Novosibirsk, Siberia, has become recognized as a leading pastoral training school in Russia.

Keeping a great seminary operating can be just as challenging as building it. Besides normal operating expenses, the seminary also pays educational and living expenses

while students pursue their studies. If the seminary closes, it is unlikely to reopen because of the financial burden

The 52nd Rocky Mountain District Convention will be held June 9-10. The Rocky Mountain District Board of Directors has selected the Siberian Lutheran Seminary in Novosibirsk, Russia to be this year's Convention offering recipient, and is asking each congregation to bring a special gift toward this offering.

Holy Cross will take up a special offering through June 5 that will be presented at the Convention and subsequently be given to the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Siberia. There is a basket at the back of the sanctuary to gather these offerings.

The District Board has been learning about the tremendous work being done through The Siberian Lutheran Seminary and is excited to propose to the Convention that our District congregations embrace this international mission throughout the next triennium. Through the Holy Spirit's power, this seminary and the pastors graduating from it, are once again evangelizing Russia, a place where God's light was nearly put out under communism in past decades. People are responding to the Gospel and hungry for God's Word and Sacrament. Our prayer is that Rocky Mountain District will make a difference in this seminary reaching financial self-sufficiency as it continues to educate, serve, and minister to the people of Eurasia. You can learn more about it at savetheseminary.org.

Thank you for remembering the seminary and the people of Russia in your prayers!



Looking for volunteers!

I am looking for one or more volunteers to help out once a week (1 hour) at church to straighten up the sanctuary from Sunday services and prepare it for the next Sunday. This would include cleaning out the pews, gathering

the attendance sheets and refilling them. Please call Karlee at the church office (303-683-1300) for more information.

The Day of Pentecost

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Based on Acts 2:1-21

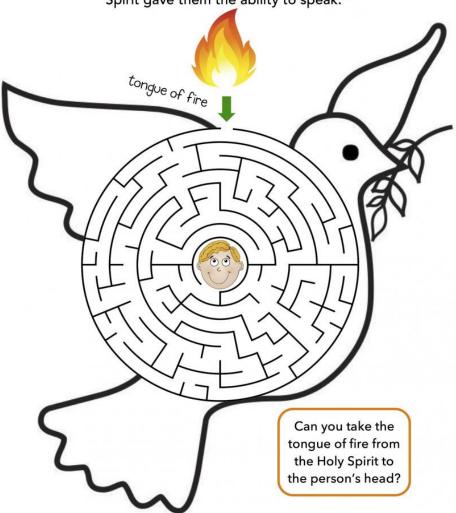


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FILLED	WIND	FIRE	TONGUES	AMAZED

Pentecost Maze

Tongues like fire appeared and were distributed to them, and one sat on each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability to speak.'



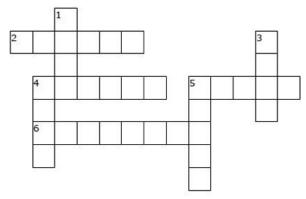
And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord.

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ACROSS

- A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
- 4. The place where God lives
- 5. Something that can be heard
- Means of communication used by the people of a particular country

DOWN

- 1. A destructive burning
- Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
- Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word
- 5. To say words, to use the voice

LANGUAGE	FIRE	HOLY	WIND
SPIRIT	HEAVEN	SOUND	SPEAK



Petitions and Prayers: In its simplest form, prayer is "calling upon the name of the Lord."



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:

- Mary (relative of Tabris') pray for protection and wisdom for her family concerning special needs.
- Angela (single mother in Illinois) friend of Helen Tabris who is waiting to get on the heart transplant list.
- Jamie (is missing and has mental health issues) and young daughter Jade (is being adopted by family in Colorado)
- Sonja Bowles Cancer
- Julie Ann Zamora on-going health issues
- Linda Schedler (Marie McQuarrie's niece) recovery from surgery
- Margo Wiebelhaus (mother of Mark Wiebelhaus) is having surgery
- Frank Koessel Covid

Prayer of intercession:

The Day of Pentecost

O Holy Spirit, You once descended on Your apostles and kept our Savior's promise of Your coming. You enabled Your Word of grace and truth to be proclaimed in the earliest days of Your Church. Descend upon and among Your Church in our day so that the saving name of Jesus may continue to be proclaimed and that many more may come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved. In Jesus' name. Amen.

"Life Quotes" from Lutherans for Life June 5, 2022

"The Lord God loves your neighbors—even the ones that annoy you. He cares so much for them that He sent His Son to die and rise again for them—for all of them. For the thief, the bigot, the liberal, the conservative, the one with the manicured lawn who judges your overgrown lawn, and the one who has let their property become overgrown and run down. He cares for all of them. He cares so much that He called you and He placed you in that neighborhood to seek its welfare."

Rev. Dr. Jason Broge, guest speaker on The Lutheran Hour A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org



And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Acts 2:21

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