

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod)

Divine Service One

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 24, 2022

Teach Us to Pray





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8:00 and 10:30 AM

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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 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Holy triune God, through Your Holy Spirit, open our hearts and minds to understand that You, in giving the Church the Bible, were not confronting the Church with riddles for it to solve, but to make men wise unto salvation. Help us to trust that everything that directly pertains to salvation and eternal life is very clearly presented in the Scriptures. Grant that we read Your Word with a childlike faith so that we understand and learn what You are teaching us. May we hold to Your teachings and thus know the truth that will set us free from harmful error, sin, death, and hell. Grace us with the blessed liberty of being Your children and in Your care. We ask all of this in the Son's name. Amen.



Confession and Absolution

504 Father Most Holy

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.
- G** 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.
- G** 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.
- G** 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.

G Amen.



Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 119:145–149; antiphon: Psalm 50:15



Call upon me in the day of | trouble;*
I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.

With my whole heart I cry; answer me, | O LORD!*
I will keep your | statutes.

I call to you; | save me,*
that I may observe your testi- | monies.

I rise before dawn and | cry for help;*
I hope | in your words.

My eyes are awake before the watches | of the night,*
that I may meditate on your | promise.

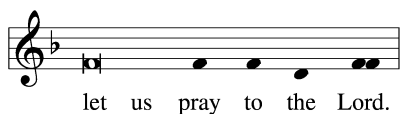
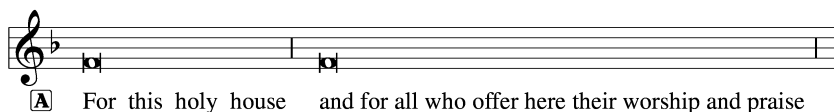
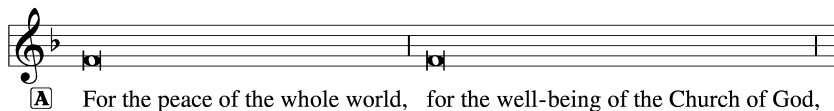
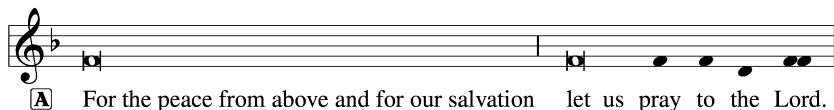
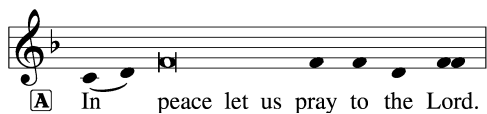
Hear my voice according to your | steadfast love;*
O LORD, according to your justice | give me life.

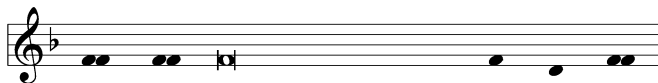
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Call upon me in the day of | trouble;*
I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47





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



C A - men.

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.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 18:20–33

Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for

lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.



**How beautiful are the feet of those
who preach the | good news,*
who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation.
Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,*
and their words to the ends | of the world.**

Epistle: Colossians 2:6–15

Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses

and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

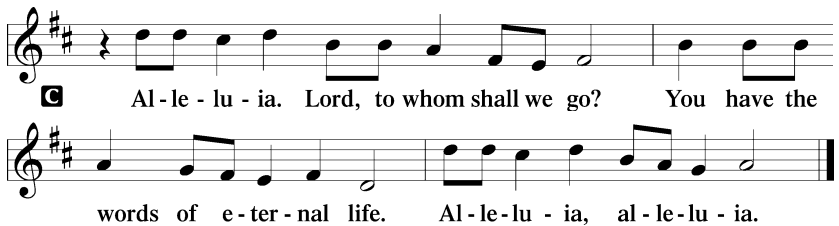
A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

John 6:68



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 11:1–13

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread,

and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set

before him'; and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

766 Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

Sermon

"Teach Us to Pray"

Text: Luke 11:1-13

773 Hear Us, Father, When We Pray

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 worshippers.)*

Stand

Offertory

Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19



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.

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.

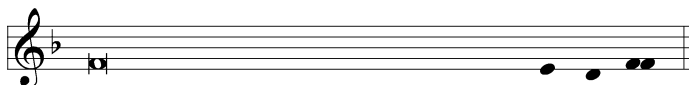
Closing Collect

- P** Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26



647 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head



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

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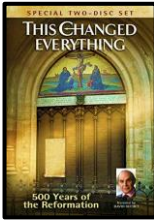
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Announcements



Assisting Elders:
8 a.m. – Andy Olson
10:30 a.m. – Curt Oliver



THIS CHANGED EVERYTHING 500 Years of the Reformation

You're invited to attend a four-week series of short videos continuing on **Wednesdays, Jul 27 and August 3 at 7 pm.** A period of discussion will follow each video and ice cream will be served at the conclusion.

This documentary series covers the history of the Reformation and its aftermath and offers critical analysis about its relation to important issues facing the church today.



Heavenly Father,

*Thank you for the gift of marriage. Bless **Matthew and Michaela Rodefeld** with an ever-increasing love for one another that is rooted in Your love for them. May their lives together bring glory to you, and be a testimony of your love. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.*

Matthew and Michaela were married yesterday, Saturday, July 23, 2022.

Portals of Prayer for July-September 2022 are out!

Pick up your copy from the table in the narthex. We have digest size copies if you need larger print. These are a great resource to use in your daily devotions!

Petitions and Prayers: According to Isaiah, we pray because God has promised to hear us.



Health concerns:

Dear Lord Jesus, Your promises are ever before our eyes. Bring healing to those who are ill if it be Your will for their lives. Stay with them in this time of infirmity, blessing them with Your peace. Thank You that we can pray in Your name. 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)
- Julie Ann Zamora – on-going health issues

Prayer of intercession:

**O Lord our God, grace our time in Your Word and in prayer so that we are cleansed and empowered for service in Your kingdom. We ask Your Spirit to keep us from being disheartened and discouraged by bringing to our remembrance Your promise in 2 Kings 19:30, "and the remnant who have escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward" so that Satan cannot win in his attempts to derail our efforts in Your kingdom. May we be nourished in Your Word as we "take root below" so that we can "bear fruit above" as Your Spirit matures the fruit of faith in us. Thus our Lord Jesus strengthens and protects His saints, His chosen believing brothers and sisters, those who fear Him. Amen.*

"Life Quotes" from Lutherans for Life July 24, 2022

"God has come down and given us His Son. But in times of doubt or struggle we can clearly see—through the eyes of faith—Christ the Savior, shining bright into our world. And so, we go down the mountain to the everyday and even the unknown. Like the disciples then, we go with Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."

*Rev. Cody Copper, guest speaker on The Lutheran Hour
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***Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.***

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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Always

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Prayer

