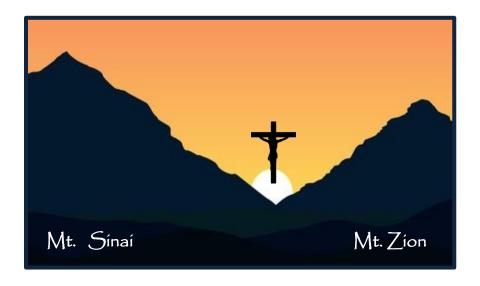
## **Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod)

## **Divine Service One**

## Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 21, 2022





## **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

August 21, 2022

8:00 and 10:30 AM

## **Prayer for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Holy God, keep us from emptying Your Word of its power by twisting its meaning and thus thwarting Your intended purpose for it in our lives. Grant that we never, by outwardly trying to obey Your law, think that we can earn Your favor and a place in heaven. May we always, when reading Your law, see there our sin and our need for a Savior. May we heed Jesus when He points out our sins of rebelliousness and what we deserve for those sins. Help us continue to look to Jesus, who also points to Himself as our only hope and only Savior, who has rescued us from our sins and made us pleasing to You by His own righteous life and sacrificial death on our behalf. Make Your Word a living force in our lives, O God, to Your glory. In our Savior's name. 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**

8 a.m. - Baptism of Joy Jacobs

592 Dearest Jesus, We Are Here vs. 1-3



## Rite of Holy Baptism

LSB p. 268

Joy Isabel Jacobs

592 Dearest Jesus, We Are Here vs. 4-5

10:30 a.m.

505 Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay

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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Amen.



## Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 117; antiphon: Psalm 96:6a; 115:18



Splendor and majesty are be- | fore him;\* we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. | Praise the LORD!

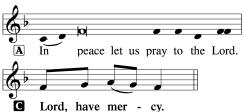
Praise the LORD, all | nations!\*
Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,\* and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. | Praise the LORD!

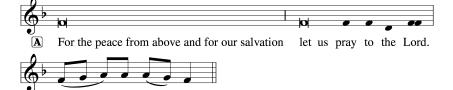
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

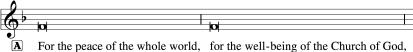
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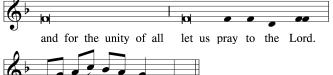


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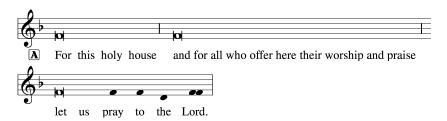


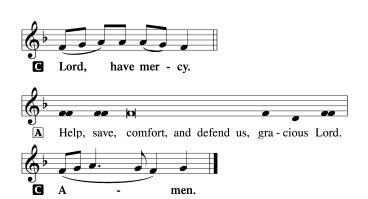
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God



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

Lord,



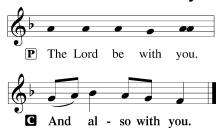




Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9



#### Salutation and Collect of the Day



#### P Let us pray.

O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

### Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 66:18-23

"For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD.

"For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain. From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD."

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

Gradual Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.



Fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

#### Epistle: Hebrews 12:4-29

In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

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

Stand





#### Holy Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

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



[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, "Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.' Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

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



#### 510 A Multitude Comes from the East and the West

#### Sermon

"Two Mountains

Text: Hebrews 12:4-29

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 + of the world to come. Amen.

#### **Prayer of the Church**

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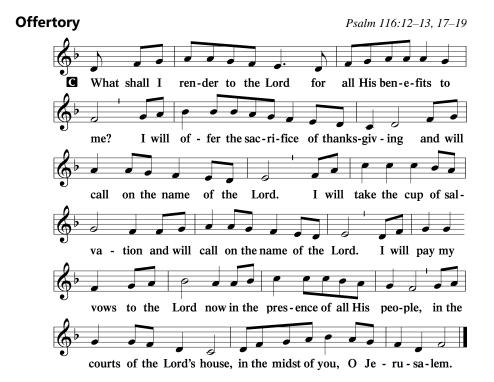
- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

Sit

#### Offering

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

Stand





## Service of the Sacrament

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

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#### **Preface**

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

and praise.



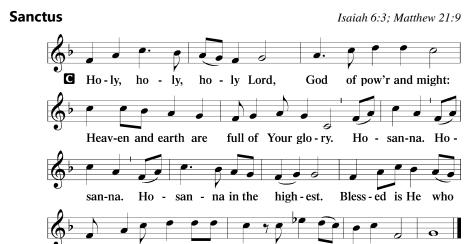
is right to give Him

#### **Proper Preface**

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

thanks

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 saying:



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na

### **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.

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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:

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

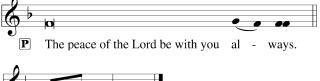
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Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20: 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

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 ⅓ 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."

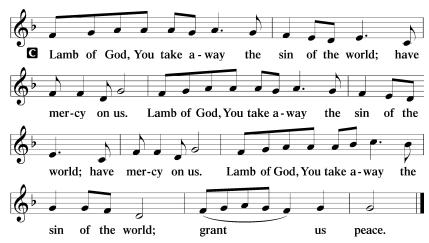
Pax Domini John 20:19







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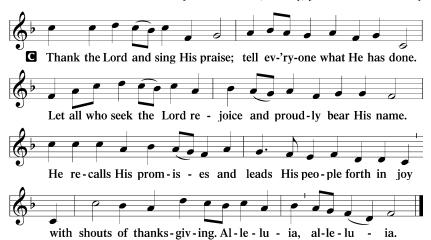
#### Personal prayer of thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

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.

#### 629 What Is This Bread

### **509 Christ Is Surely Coming**

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.



#### **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.



## 514 The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us



## Soli Deo Gloria!

(To God alone be the glory.)

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#### **Announcements**



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



This morning we welcome into our Holy Cross family through the sacrament of Holy Baptism **Joy Isabel Jacobs** daughter of Justin and Jenny Jacobs. We pray that God will keep Joy forever in her baptismal grace.

## **Baptism Connects us to Christ!**

Baptism is more than a ritual or a ceremony. Baptism is not a mere tradition of men. Baptism is a clear teaching of God in His Word. In baptism God is at work, bringing us into the family of God. Through baptism God miraculously unites us with Christ. Baptism is part of God's ongoing creating and re-creating power that He used to create the whole world. In baptism we become "in Christ," and "if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV).

Excerpted from the editorial of the third issue of **Good News**, which is published by Concordia Mission Society. The third issue studied the topic of Christian Baptism.



The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Steve and Becky White in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.



Confirmation Class will begin Wednesday, September 7, 2022. The Confirmation Class is for students in grade 6 and will be held from 4-4:45 p.m. Call the church office at 303-683-1300 if you have any questions.



Ladies, join us this Saturday, August 27 at 9 a.m. at the church to help complete a Mission Project we are working on that we will be sending to the Women's Correctional Facility. Bring your paper-cutting scissors.

## **Choir at Arapahoe Community College**



Enjoy making music in an ensemble? Want to join a fun choir and sing diverse music? Need something to do with your Tuesday nights? Like performing on stage?

Choir at Arapahoe Community College might just be for you! The choir is a combination of college students

and community members. The music is diverse. The atmosphere is professional but also laid back. We strive to create high quality music, but we also try to make the process fun. The choir has everyone from high school students to retired seniors. Some members have years of choral experience and others are novice choristers. Everyone is welcome! There is a fee to join that covers expenses and materials. Rehearsals are on Tuesday nights from 7-9 pm and culminate with a concert in ACC's Waring Theatre at the end of the semester. Please email or call: Misty Dupuis 720-732-0207 <a href="mailto:misty.dupuis@stbdenver.org">misty.dupuis@stbdenver.org</a>.



Don't forget to pray today, because God didn't forget to wake you up this morning.

## HOLY CROSS CHURCH PICNIC SEPTEMBER 11, 2022 - 11:00 AM

## FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, AND FUN GAMES!

ONLY COST: Canned good(s) for the local food bank!



## MENU

"Walking Taco Bar" Drinks Desserts

## What's a "Walking Taco?"

- Grab you individual bag of Doritos, Nacho chips, or Corn chips.
- 2. Crush your chips in the bag.
- Slice open the bag along the side to use it as the bowl.
   (We will also provide plates for those who prefer their taco salad that way!)
- 4. Add your favorite meat and toppings: taco hamburger/shredded chicken and extras beans, cheese, salsa, lettuce, tomatoes, sour cream, etc.
- 5. Grab your drink, a fork and napkin and join your friends and family.

## GAMES

Corn Hole, Giant Jenga, Golf Pitching/Putting contests, and more!

REMINDER: On this day, there will be only one service at 10 AM.

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study will be held at 9:00 AM.



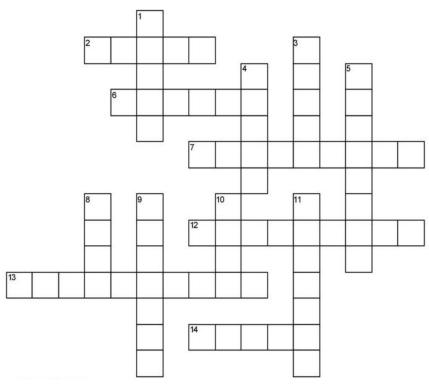
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Father
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Jesus
Holy Spirit

## Letter to the Hebrews; Chapter 12

## God Disciplines His Sons



#### ACROSS DOWN

2	For the joy that was set before Him, Jesus encured the what?	
6	Do not Him who speaks.	
7	We have drawn near to and	
	the city of the living God. (Two words, 5 4; no space)	
12	We are surrounded by a great cloud of	
13	So the hands that hang down and your weak knees (spiritually speaking).	
14	Strive for and pursue with all men.	

- 1 For whom the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ He disciplines or Chastens.3 Jesus has taken His seat at the
- 3 Jesus has taken His seat at the \_\_\_\_\_ hand of the throne of God.
- 4 This person inspires, authors and perfects our faith.
- 5 Without this no one will see the Lord.
- 8 We are encouraged to run the \_\_\_\_\_ which lies ahead.
- 9 We are receiving a \_\_\_\_\_ that cannot be shaken.
- 10 Our God is a consuming what?
- 11 See to it that no bitter root springs up through which many have become

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**Petitions and Prayers:** When we come to God in prayer through Jesus' intercessory name, we have assurance that, in confidence, "we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in (our) time of need."



#### **Health concerns:**

Lord Jesus, lift the spirits and strengthen the faith of those people who are ill, helping them to look beyond this present affliction. Remind them that You are near, even in this time of pain and suffering. Heal them if it be Your will; if not, give them the strength to endure in faith. We pray in Your name, our only Lord and Savior. 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)

### Prayer of intercession:

### A Prayer for the Sanctity of Life

\*O Lord of Life who formed us from the womb, keep us from the sin of becoming comfortable with the idea that people, from the womb, are not created instantly at conception but gradually evolve. Help us to see that if we permit the evil of evolution to enter the back door of our minds, we become more susceptible to lowering our views on the sanctity of life, and then the evil of abortion will quickly follow. In the name of Jesus, whose life gave us life. Amen.

## "Life Quotes" from Lutherans for Life August 21, 2022

"Fostering may result from brokenness, but it also provides opportunity for Gospel-motivated courage and compassion."

Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

# I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

Luke 5:32



### For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23

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