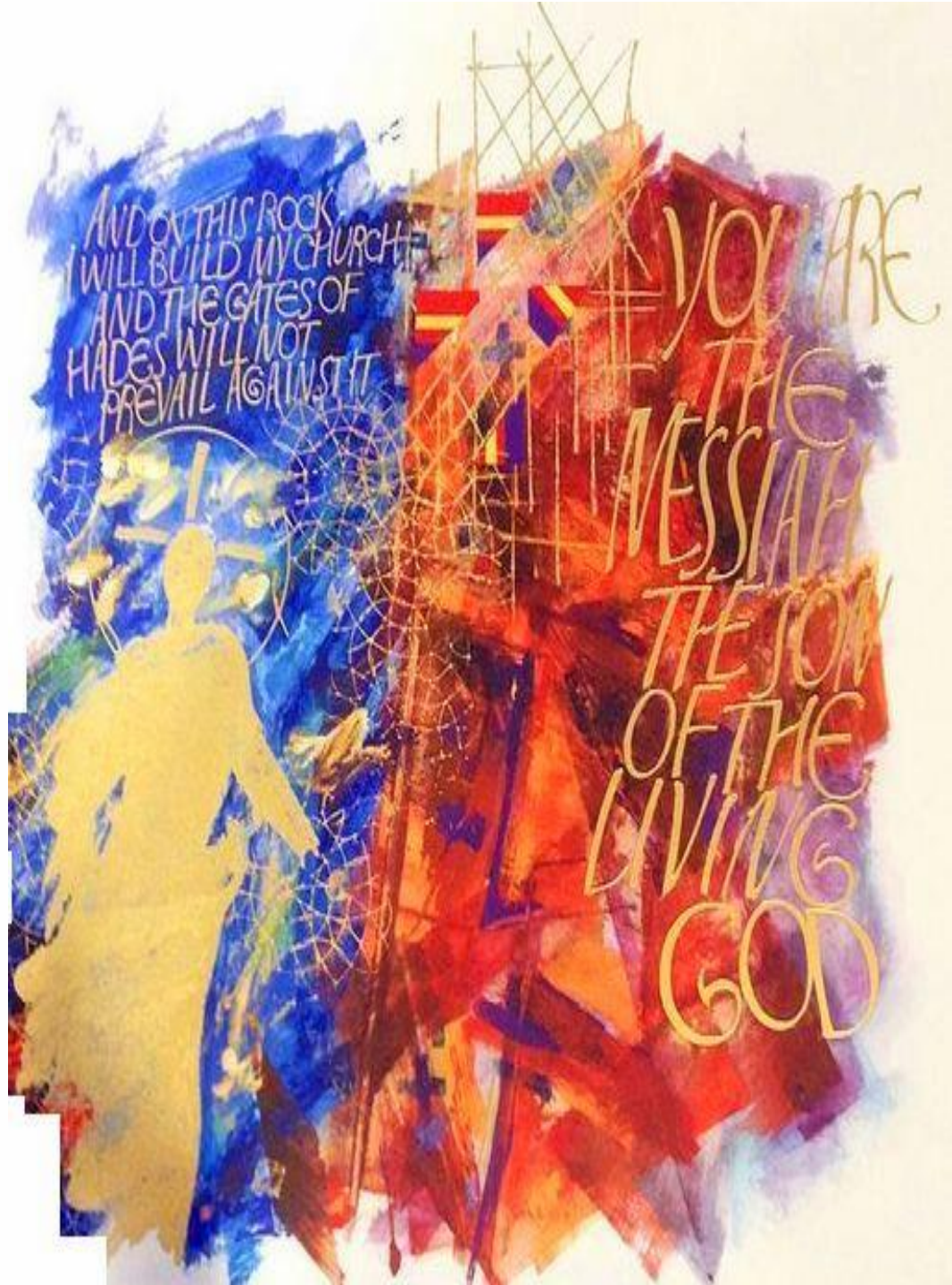


The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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9:30 am - Divine Service with Installation of DPS Intern

2:00 pm - Nuer Language Service with Holy Communion

Monday, 7:00 pm - Evening Divine Service

Order of Service: Service of Prayer and Preaching -- LSB page 260

Hymns: 802, 848, 575, 644

Readings: Isaiah 51:1-6 (Pew Bible, Page 714)
Romans 11:33-12:8 (Pew Bible, Page 1100)
St. Matthew 16:13-20 (Pew Bible, Page 950)

Anthem: "Indescribable" by Jesse Reeves, Laura Story (*Jack Kahl, Eden & Shari Keller ~ trio*)

Sermon St. Matthew 16:13-20

"GOD'S ROCK"

Special Music: Jack Kahl (*trumpet*)

Serving in God's House Today: Pastor Nolan Astley (*Preacher*), Pastor Roland Syens (*Officiant*)
Jennifer Massicotte (*Pianist*), Chris Bohl (*Sound Operator*).

Prayer Concerns: In our prayers today we give thanks to God for the blessings bestowed upon **our Youth Retreat**, held this past week. We ask God to bless **our youth and young people** as they prepare to return to school again. We also remember those of our congregation who are **sick or shut in**; we also ask the Lord of the church to bless **Lenora Wallden** as she is installed today as a Director of Parish Services Intern. We rejoice with **Steven & Jelena (nee Galant) Roth** who were united in Holy Marriage yesterday. Steven is the son of Richard and Camilla Roth.

Some of our Staff away this week on holiday include: Richard Roth and Janet Cumby who will both return to work on Tuesday, September 5. God bless their time away with relaxation and joy.

Coming Events...

Nicaragua Mission Trip Information Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, August 30 at 7 p.m.** Jane Ford will be here to help answer questions as she leads teams to Nicaragua every year. There are two opportunities to consider to serve in Nicaragua. One is the trip for the National Youth Gathering and Reformation Celebrations taking place October 27-29 and the second is the Reformation Big Rally which is Tuesday, October 31.

New Church Directory coming in September! Please take a moment to check your information in the current directory to see if it is correct and let us know by **Sunday, September 3** of any updates that are needed to your address, phone number, etc. There are update forms in your pigeonhole and at the Welcome Centre, just take one, fill it in, and place it in the offering plate or in the office boxes on the church office door.

Parish Planning Council Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 6 at 7:30 p.m.** for all executive, financial officers and board directors. Two reminders: Your program plans are due in the church office Sunday, September 3; financial and board reports for the upcoming Voters' Assembly are due in the office by **Sunday, September 10.**

Regular Worship Service times resume on **Sunday, September 10 at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.** Please mark it on your calendar right now!

Classes begin again on Rally Day, September 10: Mark your calendars and make a renewed commitment to Sunday morning Bible learning for the whole family. We aim for a class for everyone, age 3 through adult, **9:45 to 10:45 a.m.**

GriefShare: A new group will be starting on **Monday September 11 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.** and will continue for 13 weeks. Anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one is welcome to attend. Please contact Anita Syens at: rasyens@hotmail.com or the office (519-742-5812) for more information.

Ride for Refuge ... is Saturday, September 30!! Get your helmets or walking shoes on and join us! We have our team registered as Holy Cross Lutheran Riders and now we need riders/walkers! This year's donations will go to help families of Grace Lutheran Church as they sponsor an Iranian Christian refugee family. You can sign up on the Ride Website: rideforrefuge.org. You can also support us by donating.

If you have any questions contact Anita Syens at: rasyens@hotmail.com

Youth Golf Tournament is on **Saturday, September 16** at Creekside Golf Course, Woodstock with tee off (shot gun start) **at 1:00 p.m.** Registration forms are available at the Welcome Centre. Co-Sponsored by Faith Life Financial Chapter #74097.

Please Note...

Don't miss out on Adult Bible Class this Fall! Most Lutherans know that this year we celebrate 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. On October 31, 2017 Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. But few of us have even read those 95 Theses! In Adult Bible Class this fall we will take a look at these sentences that changed the world! From Rally Sunday until Reformation Sunday we will dig into the Scriptures to better understand Luther's teaching and our own faith. Join us on Sunday, September 10 at 10 a.m. for Adult Bible Class!

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Sunday/Monday Attendance:	226 & 37	Total 263	('16 – 263)
Communion Attendance:	178 & 32	Total 210	('16 – 192)

Memorial: In memory of **RODNEY SWARTZ** to the Unified Church Budget from Cliff & Sherry Swartz-Hill.

Weekly Calendar

Monday August 28 to Sunday September 3, 2017

Monday	Evening Divine Service, Church	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Nicaragua Meeting, <i>Panel Room</i>	7:00 p.m.
	Board of Elders, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>	7:30 p.m.
Friday	Nuer Ladies Music & Fellowship, <i>Gym</i>	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Nuer Bible Study, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>	2:00 p.m.
Sunday	The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
	Holy Communion Service, Church	9:30 a.m.
	Nuer Language Service, Church	2:00 p.m.

“By God’s grace, the members of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church will be a caring, vibrant diverse community of blessed believers, lovingly reaching out with the message of Jesus Christ.” - *Vision Statement 2010*