

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 2/3, 2018

Finally, be **STRONG** in the Lord
and in the strength

of His **MIGHT**

Put on the **FULL ARMOR** of God
so that you will be able

to **STAND FIRM** against

the schemes of the devil.

Ephesians 6:10-11



Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church Canada

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9:30 am - Holy Communion Service

2:00 pm - Nuer Language Service

Monday, 7:00 pm - Evening Holy Communion Service

Order of Service: Divine Service Setting 4, LSB page 203

Hymns: 671, 660, (637, 662), 680

Readings: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 (Pew Bible, Page 175)
 Ephesians 6:10-20 (Pew Bible, Page 1137)
 St. Mark 7:14-23 (Pew Bible, Page 976)

Anthem: “*Stand*” by Joanne Sonderling, Lorraine Ferro, Tanya Roman
 (Soloist - Claude Massicotte)

Special Music: Claude Massicotte (*saxophone*)

Sermon “**SCHOOL CLOTHES**” Ephesians 6:10-20

Serving in God’s House Today: Pastor Nolan Astley (*Officiant*)
 Pastor William Chuol, Pastor Konny Hahn, Pastor Robert Morley
 (*Communion Assistants*), Jennifer Massicotte (*Organist*)

Prayer Concerns: In our prayers today we remember the **family of Gerry Wentzlaff** who passed away in the Lord this past Thursday morning and whose funeral will be held tomorrow here at Holy Cross at 11:00 am. We also remember **Herman Heise** who suffered a stroke this week and is in GRH as well as **John Schneider** who is in St. Mary’s hospital. We also pray God to bless **our fall ministry and mission programs** as they resume in the coming days.

Coming Events...

Parish Planning Council Meeting is scheduled for this coming **Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 p.m.** for all executive, financial officers and board directors. Two reminders: Your program plans are due in the church office on *Tuesday, September 4* and financial and board reports for the upcoming Voters’ Assembly are due in the office by *Monday, September 10*.

Regular Worship Service times resume on **Sunday, September 9 at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.** With our Lenora Wallden being consecrated as a Deacon in Lutheran Church – Canada and installed as Director of Parish Services here at Holy Cross at the 11:00 am service!

Installation Lunch! Sunday, September 9 after late service we will gather together in the gym to celebrate and welcome Lenora Wallden as our full-time Director of Parish Services! **VOLUNTEERS** are **NEEDED** so if you can help with the set up or clean up please contact Kim Griffin at 519-884-6677, she will appreciate the help!

Knotty Ladies Resumes the knotting of comforters this **Wednesday, September 5 at 9:00 a.m.** They meet each Wednesday morning in the Confirmation Classroom to work on comforters for Canadian Lutheran World Relief and other local charities. We welcome newcomers to join our work and socializing. Little skill is required – simply tying knots – and it is easy to learn. Hope to see you there!

Christmas Cantata: Is vocal talent one of your God given strengths? Would you like a short term choir commitment? If so, consider joining our Cantata Choir in the fall. We will rehearse **every Thursday evening from 7:45 pm.to 9 p.m.** in the green basement beginning on **Thursday, September 6.** Presentation date is Sunday, December 9.

YOUTH! Begins **Friday, September 7 at 7:00.** Anyone in grades 8-12 is invited to join us for this time of fun, faith, and fellowship.

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

Don't miss out on Adult Bible Class this Fall! We will begin a series on "The Prophets." We will look at the sometimes mysterious men and women(!) whom God used to proclaim His word to people long ago and also focus on the enduring message their sermons and writings proclaim to us today. We will get started next **Sunday September 9** at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary.

LINC Registration is coming ... September 9 & 16 in the parlour. Join us for 10 Wednesdays, beginning September 26, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in a casual, friendly atmosphere. LINC means Living In the Nurture of Christ. Our Wednesdays include Family Mealtime (freewill offering), Bible Learning for ages kindergarten through adult and a wide variety of Response Activities.

GriefShare will begin on **Monday, September 17** for 13 weeks. If you, or someone you know, have had a loved one die, please consider being part of this Biblically centered bereavement support group. If you would like more information, please contact Anita Syens at rasyens@hotmail.com

Sign up/Gear up! The Ride for Refuge is on **Saturday, September 29.** Please register to ride or walk, and raise funds, so we can help a family find refuge. Our team name is Holy Cross Lutheran Riders and the website is rideforrefuge.org. Let's get the wheels in motion!

Please Note...

Monday Evening Services continue through September up to and including **Monday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m.** which will be the last Monday evening service.

We Need You! Sunday School is looking for people willing to help one Saturday evening a month for the setup of our Sunday School classroom. If you are willing to donate 30 minutes on Saturday a month, please contact Lenora.

New Church Phone 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 16** of any updates that are needed to your address, phone number, email, 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. You can also go directly to our website and update your information in the member section.

Photo Directory Update... The tentative earliest arrival of the Photo Directories is mid to late November. If you came and had your picture taken but did not purchase any photos, your free portrait will be available with the directories in November.

Last Week at Holy Cross...

August 19 Attendance:	158 & 30		
August 19 Nuer Attendance:	23	Total 211	('17 – 256)
August 19 Communion:	138 & 10	Total 148	('17 – 210)
August 26 Attendance:	163 & 19		
August 26 Nuer Attendance:	26	Total 208	('17 – 263)

Memorial: In memory of **FLORENCE RINGWALD** to the Sunday School from Bob & Jean Schmitt. To the Unified Church Budget from Robert Wagner, Stuart & Ann Snyder, Verica Ketko, Karin Toolsie. In memory of **ADA MAE EICHBAUER** to the Unified Church Budget from Grant & Joanne Schaefer. In memory of **SANDRA STREIT** to the Unified Church Budget from Doug & Joanne Grischow.

Weekly Calendar

Monday September 3 to Sunday September 9, 2018

Monday	Labour Day, <i>Church Office Closed</i>		
	Funeral Service , <i>Church</i>		11:00 a.m.
	Evening Holy Communion Service , <i>Church</i>		7:00 p.m.
	Board of Worship, <i>Conference Room</i>		8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Sunday School Teachers Meeting, <i>Panel Room</i>		7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Knotty Ladies, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>		9:00 a.m.
	Parish Planning Council, <i>Church Library</i>		7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Beginnings, <i>Gym, Basement, Kitchen</i>		9:30 a.m.
	Prayer Group, <i>Church Library</i>		9:30 a.m.
	Board of Evangelism, <i>Parlour</i>		7:00 p.m.
	Praise Singers, <i>Church</i>		7:00 p.m.
	Cantata Choir, <i>Church Basement</i>		7:45 p.m.
	Church Choir, <i>Church</i>		9:00 p.m.
Friday	Youth Activities, <i>Youth Centre</i>		7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Nuer Youth & Bible Study, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>		2:00 p.m.
Sunday	The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost		
	Divine Service , <i>Church</i>		8:30 a.m.
	LINC Registration, <i>Parlour</i>		9:45 a.m.
	Sunday School, <i>Downstairs</i>		9:45 a.m.
	Adult Bible Class, <i>Church</i>		9:45 a.m.
	YABS, <i>Church Library</i>		9:45 a.m.
	Youth Bible Class, <i>Youth Centre</i>		9:45 a.m.
	Divine Service with Installation of Director of Parish Services, <i>Church</i>		11:00 a.m.
	Installation Luncheon, <i>Gym</i>		12:15 p.m.
	Slovak Service , <i>Church</i>		3:30 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*