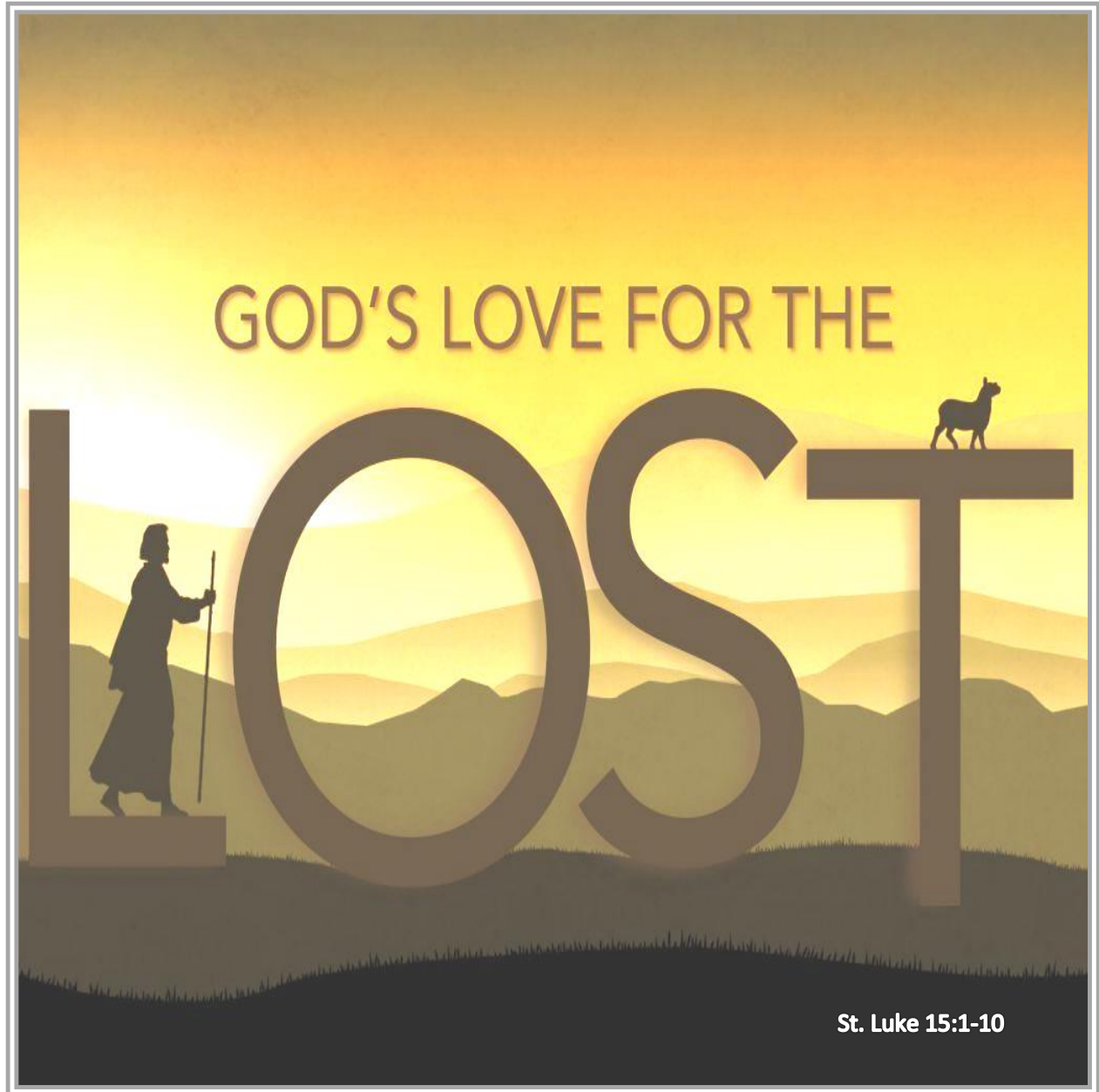


The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 15/16, 2019



Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church Canada

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8:30 & 11:00 am - Holy Communion Services

9:45 am - Sunday School and Bible Classes for All Ages

9:45 am - Junior & Senior Confirmation Classes

2:00 pm - Nuer Language Service

Monday, 7:00 pm - Evening Holy Communion Service

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

Hymns: 829, 550, (549, 802), 806

Readings: 1 Timothy 1:12-17 (Pew Bible, Page 1151)
St. Luke 15:1-10 (Pew Bible, Page 1013)

Sermon "RELENTLESS" St. Luke 15:1-10

Special Music: Lauren Gray & Jennifer Massicotte (*piano duet*)

Anthem: "His Love Rolls Over Me" by Charles McCartha, Patricia Mock (*Lauren Gray, soloist*)

Serving in God's House Today: Pastor Nolan Astley (*Sunday Officiant*), Pastor Roland Syens (*Preacher*), Pastor Konny Hahn (*8:30 Sunday Communion Assistant*), Pastor William Chuol, Rick Hutfloetz (*11:00 Sunday Communion Assistants*), Jennifer Massicotte (*Sunday Organist*), Anne Forler (*Monday Organist*), Finnley Gallacher (*8:30 Acolyte*), Amy Khazaei (*11:00 Acolyte*), Carl Kuhl (*8:30 Sound Operator*), Claude Massicotte, Jonathan Das (*11:00 Sound Operator*)

Prayer Concerns: In our prayers today we rejoice with Tom and Amy Nasiopoulos on the **safe arrival of Evalene Elizabeth** who was born on September 7. May God keep this family in His care as they celebrate the gift of new life! We also remember **Marie Gabel and Bruno Fergin** who continue in hospital and ask God to grant them healing. We also **give thanks** for the freedoms we enjoy in our land and ask God to guide and bless our country as we anticipate the coming federal election.

Pastor Astley will be out of town from Monday to Thursday this week attending a continuing education event at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. Pastor Chuol will be away attending the Sudanese Lutheran Mission Society Conference in Omaha, Nebraska from Friday thru Monday.

Today's Education Hour...

Sunday School - This week we are looking at the Fall and the Promise. When Adam and Eve sinned, God did not leave them without hope. He promised them One who would come and rescue people from their sin.

Confirmation Classes gather from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. The Junior Confirmation Class meets in the Panel Room and the Senior Confirmation Class meets in the Church Library.

Bible Classes meet at 9:45 a.m. The Youth Bible Class will meet in the Youth Centre. YABS, Young Adult Bible Study will meet in the Conference Room.

Adult Bible Class – Join us as we continue our study of the Gospel According to Abraham. Last week we began to look at the security that comes from the call of God and today we will continue that focus and then look at the riches God gives to Abraham in Genesis 13:2-17. Grab a coffee and join the discussion at 10 in the sanctuary right after Sunday School opening.

Coming Events...

GriefShare begins tomorrow, **Monday, September 16** from 6:30-8:30 and runs 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.

PIES!!! - We're getting an early start on the Youth pie fundraiser this year to make sure we have enough pies for everyone! These pies freeze great, so you won't have to worry about what to have for dessert at Thanksgiving, Christmas, or any night of the week! Pies will be \$8.00. Order forms are available in the welcome center. **Please have orders to Lenora by September 17.** Pies will be available for pick up Sunday, September 22.

Prime Time! - This month's Prime Time event will be **Thursday, September 26**, from **12:30-2:30**. There is a signup sheet in the Parlour.

The Confirmation Candidates Class will begin **Thursday, September 26** from **6 to 7 pm**. This class is for all confirmands who will be confirmed this October and will run for 5 weeks. Contact Pastor Astley for more information. The Confirmand parents will also meet this same night at 6:00 p.m.

Save the date! Sign up! **Saturday October 5** is the Ride for Refuge. Ride/walk, a little or a long way, all to raise money for the refugee families we have committed to bring here. Please help us by signing up, sponsoring, and praying. Our team is 'Holy Cross Lutheran Riders', and the website is rideforrefuge.org. If you have any questions, contact Anita Syens at 519-896-7574 or rasyens@hotmail.com.

Monday Evening Services continue thru until **Monday, October 7** at **7:00 p.m.**

Thanksgiving Display - Bring Groceries! Thanksgiving is on **Sunday, October 13** and we are asking if you would start bringing grocery items in for the harvest display. Please begin with non-perishable food items. Fresh fall vegetables can be brought the week of October 7.

Family Fun Night is scheduled for **Saturday, October 19 from 4:30 -7:00 p.m.** here at Holy Cross. This is an event for the whole family, for singles, for everyone. We will have a parent study time after dinner where we can enrich our faith together, while the kids are playing in the gym. In order to make this happen we are looking for **2 VOLUNTEERS** to help supervise the kids in the gym/nursery while the adults spend some time in study. Please RSVP if you plan to attend or volunteer with the kids by contacting Michelle Palmer at mapalmer1208@gmail.com . You need to have your APP training in order to volunteer, thanks again!

Please Note...

Building Renovations: Please prayerfully consider a gift to the facility improvement fund as we strive to raise \$100,000 to upgrade the church building. To date we have raised \$93,662. Only \$6,338 to go!!

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Sunday/Monday Attendance:	66 & 237 & 20	Total 323	('18 – 353)
Sunday School:	Pupils: 37 Staff: 15	Total 52	('18 – 54)
Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 69 Staff: 1	Total 70	('18 – 51)
Youth Bible Class:	Pupils: 9 Staff: 1	Total 10	('18 – 12)

Memorials: In memory of **EILEEN DOLSON** to the Facility Improvement Fund from Bernie & Helga Drung, John & Wilma Rickert. In memory of **MARTHA KAYS** to the Unified Church Budget from Myrtle A. Fielding, Ilse Smith. In memory of **FERN REISER** to Missions from Doug & Joanne Grischow, Don & Carol Fleming, Godfried & Donna Lynn Lindeyer, Wayne & Shirley Maier, Shirley Schaeffer, Mr & Mrs Art Schmidt, Connie Musselman Gerlach, Larry & Barb Neeb, Dave & Sue Tomesch + Jason, Cliff & Rosalynn Tubbe, Barbara Pryor, Darlene Livingston, Richard & Christine Orlowski, Pastor Lloyd & Shirley Wentzlaff. To the Unified Church Budget from Dan & Ede Marshall. To the Refugee Family Sponsorship from Bruce & Norene Brubacher. A thank offering in honour of **GORD COLLINS'** birthday to the Refugee Family Sponsorship from Roy & Jane Sullivan.

Weekly Calendar

Monday September 16 to Sunday September 22, 2019

Monday	Griefshare, <i>Panel Room</i>	6:30 p.m.
	Holy Communion Service , <i>Church</i>	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Stewardship Meeting, <i>Church Library</i>	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Knotty Ladies, <i>Confirmation Classroom, Kitchen</i>	9:00 a.m.
	Outreach Ministries Meeting, <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.
	Praise Singers, <i>Church</i>	7:00 p.m.
	Church Choir, <i>Confirmation Classroom</i>	7:45 p.m.
Friday	Youth Pie Baking, <i>Kitchen, Downstairs</i>	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
	Divine Service , <i>Church</i>	8:30 a.m.
	Sunday School, <i>Sanctuary, Downstairs</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Adult Bible Class, <i>Church</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Confirmation Classes, <i>Church Library (Senior), Panel Room (Junior)</i>	9:45 a.m.
	YABS, <i>Conference Room</i> Youth Bible Class, <i>Youth Centre</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Divine Service , <i>Church</i>	11:00 a.m.