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Cross Lutheran Church

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

Our Mission Statement

Cross Lutheran Church is a community of believers united by our baptism into Christ Jesus. We are committed to proclaiming and teaching the Good News of God's love and sharing His love by serving our neighbors in all we do. We invite all to be a part of our fellowship as we grow in grace and follow Christ.

***Bold Print** – indicates congregation responds as a whole*

** – indicates congregation should stand as able*

GATHERING SONGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

***OPENING HYMN**

Borning Cry

RB # 22

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55:10-13

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PSALM 65:9-13

*Cantor sings refrain (R). The congregation then repeats the refrain.
Congregation responds with the bold verses.*

Your paths o - ver - flow with plen - ty, O God, your
paths o - ver - flow with plen - ty.

- ⁹You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; the river of God is ¹ full of water.
You prepare the grain, for so you provide ¹ for the earth.
- ¹⁰**You drench the furrows and smooth ¹ out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and ¹ bless its increase.**
- ¹¹You crown the year ¹ with your goodness,
and your paths over- ¹ flow with plenty. **R**
- ¹²**May the fields of the wilderness be ¹ rich for grazing,
and the hills be ¹ clothed with joy.**
- ¹³May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak them- ¹ selves with grain;
let them shout for ¹ joy and sing. **R**

SECOND LESSON Romans 8:1-11

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*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The God of Heaven Thunders

The entire assembly will read the Gospel together; pew Bibles can be found in front of you.

*(P) The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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*(C) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*(P) The Gospel of our Lord.

*(C) **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

RB #

***SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I Believe in God the Father

***WORD OF WELCOME**

Sawyer, we welcome you to the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH SUNG RESPONSE**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

DISTRIBUTION

To make the distribution of the Lord's Supper as easy as possible, we ask that people who wish to commune and who use a wheelchair or walker come to the front first to receive the Sacrament.

ANNOINTING

Prayer for healing and anointing with oil is offered in the narthex during Holy Communion. Any worshipper wishing to receive these gifts may proceed there after receiving the host and the cup, and before returning to the pew.

LAMB OF GOD

Now Behold the Lamb of God

As the Grains of Wheat

Jesus Loves Me!

We Are Called

RB # 27

RB # 82

RB # 65

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING HYMN** *You Are Mine* RB # 74

***DISMISSAL**

***POSTLUDE**

To Our Guests and Visitors Today: Every baptized believer who is of age is invited to receive the Lord's Supper as we worship. The invitation is extended to each of us by the Lord himself, because he is the host of the meal. We also believe that he is the meal; that is that "in, with, and under" the bread and wine we do receive the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Please follow the directions of the ushers if you wish to commune. Children under the age of ten are invited to receive a Word of blessing. ***Worshippers unable to commune at the front of the church ...Please register with an usher and a lay minister will bring the Supper to you in your pew.***

THIS WEEK AT CROSS

- Sunday, July 139:00am Worship Service
3:30pm – 8:30pm Roca de Horeb
- Monday, July 147:00pm Board of Education Meeting
- Tuesday, July 15*CROSS CURRENT ARTICLES DUE*
6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
7:30pm Roca de Horeb
- Thursday, July 176:30pm Book Club at Cross Lutheran Church
- Friday, July 189:00am – 9:00pm VALLEY FAIR!
6:00pm – 10:00pm Roca de Horeb
- Saturday, July 196:00am – 8:00am Roca de Horeb
9:30am –12:30pm 7th Day Adventist
5:30pm – 8:30pm Roca de Horeb
- Sunday, July 209:00am Worship Service
3:30pm – 8:30pm Roca de Horeb

Today you will find in the bulletin a table prayer. We know that our Lord is the source of all blessings, and that it is most fitting for us to give thanks before we eat. Some people always pray the same prayer. Others prefer to pray different prayers – some don't pray at all. A different prayer will be included each month to help us all in this daily devotion.



Table Prayer

Before you, Lord, we bow, our God who reigns above and rules the world below with boundless power and love. Our thanks we bring in joy and praise, our hearts we raise, to you we sing!

Stewardship Verse
Matthew 6:19-21



“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven...For where you treasure is, there your heart will be also.



Be a good steward of the earth; if you aren't taking your bulletin home, please drop it in the recycling bin in the narthex. Thank you!

