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 ***Cross Lutheran Church***

**THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**August 24, 2014**

**Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book – Holy Communion Setting Four**

We encourage worshippers to use the time in the sanctuary before the liturgy begins for silent meditation and prayer. The entire assembly will read the Gospel together; pew Bibles can be found in front of you, children’s Bibles and large print lessons are available from the ushers. 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.

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

***\**** *– indicates congregation should stand as able*

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**  p. 94 (red tab)

**\*OPENING HYMN** *You Servants of God* ELW # 825

**\*GREETING** p. 147 (yellow tab)

**\*KYRIE** p. 147

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** *This is the Feast* p. 149

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON** Isaiah 51:1-8 O.T. p. 681

**PSALM 138**

 *Cantor sings refrain (****R****). The congregation then repeats the refrain.*

 *Congregation responds with the* ***bold verses.***





I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;

 before the gods I will | sing your praise.

2**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,**

**because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness;**

 **for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.**

3When I called, you | answered me;

 you increased my | strength within me. **R**

4**All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,**

 **when they have heard the words | of your mouth.**

5They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,

 that great is the glory | of the LORD.

6**The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly,**

 **perceiving the haughty | from afar.**

7Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;

 you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;

 your right | hand shall save me.

8**You will make good your pur- | pose for me;**

 **O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever;**

 **do not abandon the works | of your hands. R**

**SECOND LESSON** Romans 12:1-8 N.T. p. 161

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Alleluia*p. 151

\*(P) The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 16:13-20 N.T. p. 18

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

\*(P) The Gospel of our Lord.

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

**THE SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** *Lord, take My Hand and Lead Me* ELW # 767

**\*APOSTLES’ CREED** p. 127 (blue tab)

**\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

**OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessing Flow*ELW # 884

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**\*WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**\*THE LORD’S PRAYER** p. 154

**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.**

**LAMB OF GOD**  p. 154

 *In the Singing* ELW # 466 *How Great Thou Art* ELW # 856

 *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us* ELW # 789

 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* ELW # 742

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CLOSING HYMN***What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine* ELW # 774

\***DISMISSAL** p. 155

**\*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. ***Worshipers 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, August 24 9:00am Worship Service

 12:30pm Beach Party at Lake McCarrons’ Shelter

 3:30pm – 8:30pm Roca de Horeb

Monday, August 25 6:30pm Parish Planning Council (PPC) Meeting

Tuesday, August 26 6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen

 7:30pm Roca de Horeb

Thursday, August 28 6:30pm Book Club

Friday, August 29 6:00pm – 10:00pm Roca de Horeb

Saturday, August 30 6:00am – 8:00am Roca de Horeb Fasting

 9:30am –12:30pm 7th Day Adventist

 5:30pm – 2:00am Roca de Horeb Vigil

Sunday, August 24 9:00am Worship Service

 10:45am Worship Service at The Homestead

 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.

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Lord, Bless this food and may it nourish our bodies. Bless the hands that prepared it. Bless this time we have together with family and friends. All this we ask in your name, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 *Stewardship Verse*

*Luke 12:48b*

*From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded.*

![j0437329[1]]()![j0437329[1]]()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!