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## *Cross Lutheran Church*

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# THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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## ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

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### 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

<b>*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS</b>	<i>You Are Mine</i>	p. 1
<b>*OPENING HYMN</b>	<i>We Are Called</i>	RB # 53
<b>CALL TO WORSHIP</b>	<i>O God in Heaven</i>	p. 2
<b>*GOD'S CALL TO US</b>	<i>Go, Make Disciples</i>	p. 3

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

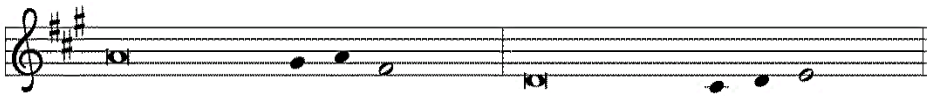
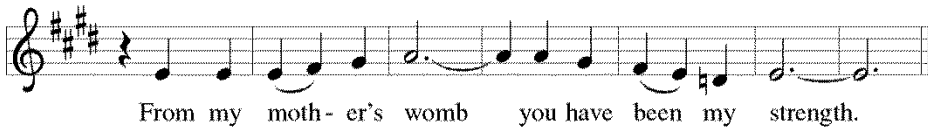
Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**FIRST LESSON** Jeremiah 1:4-10

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## PSALM – Psalm 71:1-6

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



In you, O LORD, have I<sup>1</sup> taken refuge;  
let me never be<sup>1</sup> put to shame.

**<sup>2</sup>In your righteousness, deliver me and<sup>1</sup> set me free;  
incline your ear to<sup>1</sup> me and save me.**

**<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to<sup>1</sup> keep me safe;  
you are my crag<sup>1</sup> and my stronghold.**

**<sup>4</sup>Deliver me, my God, from the hand<sup>1</sup> of the wicked,  
from the clutches of the evildoer and<sup>1</sup> the oppressor. R**

**<sup>5</sup>For you are my hope, O Lord GOD,  
my confidence since<sup>1</sup> I was young.**

**<sup>6</sup>I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have<sup>1</sup> been my strength;  
my praise shall be al-<sup>1</sup> ways of you. R**

**SECOND LESSON** I Corinthians 13:1-13

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**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*The God of Heaven Thunders*

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**\*GOSPEL** Luke 4:21-30

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**THE SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Light Dawns on a Weary World*

RB # 51

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

*I Believe in God the Father*

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

p. 5

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

**OFFERING**

<b>*OFFERTORY RESPONSE</b>	<i>Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart</i>	p. 5
<b>*WORDS OF INSTITUTION</b>		p. 6
<b>*THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>		
<b>DISTRIBUTION</b>		
<p>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.</p>		
<b>ANNOINTING</b>		
<p>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.</p>		
<b>LAMB OF GOD</b>	<i>Now Behold the Lamb of God</i>	p. 6
	<i>One Bread, One Body</i>	RB # 42
	<i>Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love</i>	RB # 50
	<i>Day by Day</i>	RB # 79
	<i>What Can Wash Away My Sin?</i>	RB # 44
<b>*POST COMMUNION PRAYER</b>		p. 6
<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		p. 6
<b>*CLOSING HYMN</b>	<i>To God Be the Glory</i>	RB # 95
<b>*DISMISSAL</b>		p. 7
<b>*POSTLUDE</b>	<i>You Are Mine</i>	p. 7

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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

- Today, January 31**.....9:30am Worship Service  
10:45am Sunday School Classes  
11:00am Worship at The Homestead of Maplewood  
3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb
- Monday, February 1 .....7:00pm Board of Lay Ministry Meeting
- Tuesday, February 2 .....7:30pm Roca de Horeb
- Wednesday, February 3 .....6:30pm Confirmation Class – BIG TEST  
7:30pm Hands, Hearts and Voices Choir
- Thursday, February 4 .....3:00pm Worship Service at Bel Rae of Mounds View  
6:00pm United Sisters Dinner and Meeting  
6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen  
7:30pm 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Prayer Group
- Friday, February 5 .....6:00pm – 9:30pm Roca de Horeb
- Saturday, February 6 .....6:00am – 4:00pm Roca de Horeb - Upstairs Classroom  
6:00am – 8:00am Roca de Horeb  
9:30am – 12:30pm 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventists  
5:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb
- Sunday, February 7 .....9:30am Worship Service  
10:45am Sunday School Classes  
11:00am Adult Education Class  
12:00pm Board of Church Properties Meeting  
3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

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**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:

Dear Father in Heaven, we thank you for this food. Bless it to our use and us to your service. In Jesus' name and for His sake. Amen.

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Stewardship Verse  
Ephesians 4:11-12



*The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.*



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!

