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Cross Lutheran Church
THE HOLY TRINITY
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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	<i>You Are Mine</i>	p. 1
*OPENING HYMN	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	RB # 18
CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>O God in Heaven</i>	p. 2
*GOD'S CALL TO US	<i>Go, Make Disciples</i>	p. 3

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

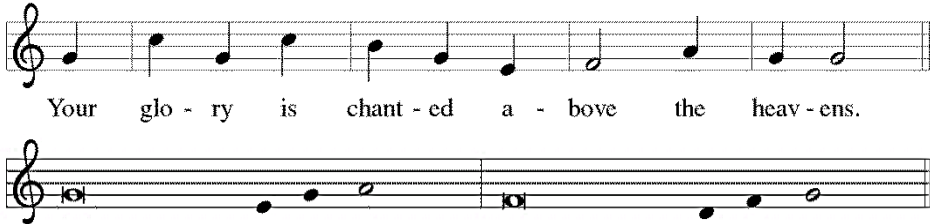
God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

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PSALM – Psalm 8

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



O¹ LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in¹ all the earth!--

**²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens
out of the mouths of in-¹ fants and children;**

**you have set up a fortress against your enemies,
to silence the foe¹ and avenger. R**

³When I consider your heavens, the work¹ of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set¹ in their courses,

**⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mind-¹ ful of them,
human beings that you should¹ care for them? R**

⁵Yet you have made them little less¹ than divine;
with glory and hon-¹ or you crown them.

**⁶You have made them rule over the works¹ of your hands;
you have put all things un-¹ der their feet:**

⁷all¹ flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts¹ of the field,

**⁸the birds of the air, the fish¹ of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths¹ of the sea.**

⁹O¹ LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in¹ all the earth! **R**

SECOND LESSON Romans 5:1-5

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

The God of Heaven Thunders

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***GOSPEL** John 16:12-15

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THE SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

When We Are Living

RB # 47

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I Believe in God the Father

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***SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart* p. 5

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***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* p. 6

Now the Feast and Celebration RB # 41

What Can Wash Away My Sin? RB # 44

There is a Balm in Gilead RB # 34

We Are Called RB # 53

Everybody Needs RB # 81

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER** p. 6

***BENEDICTION** p. 6

***CLOSING HYMN** *To God be the Glory* RB # 96

***DISMISSAL** p. 7

***POSTLUDE** *You Are Mine* p. 7

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, May 22.....9:30am Worship Service – New Member Sunday
10:45am Board of Church Properties Meeting
3:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb
6:30pm Milwaukee Mission Trip Meeting

Monday, May 237:00pm Parish Planning Council (PPC) Meeting

Tuesday, May 247:30pm Roca de Horeb

Thursday, May 268:30am Garden Club – Cross Lutheran Rain Gardens
3:00pm Worship Service at Bel Rae of Mounds View
6:30pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
7:00pm 7th Day Adventist Prayer Group

Friday, May 276:00pm – 9:30pm Roca de Horeb

Saturday, May 286:00am – 4:00pm Roca de Horeb - Upstairs Classroom
9:30am – 12:30pm 7th Day Adventists
5:30pm – 7:00pm Roca de Horeb

Sunday, May 29.....9:30am Worship Service
10:45am Worship at The Homestead of Maplewood
3:30pm – 7:00pm 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 (To the tune of O God, Our Help in Ages Past)

Dear God, we thank You for this food, through which we see Your care. Help us to grow more kind and good, our blessings gladly share. Amen.

Stewardship Verse
II Corinthians 9:6-7



The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.



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!

