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Cross Lutheran Church

ASCENSION DAY SERVICE OF THE WORD May 5, 2016

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	In Heavenly Love Abiding	Michael Cox
*OPENING HYMN	Crown Him with Many Crowns Verses 1-3	ELW # 855

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION p. 211

***PRAYER**

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LESSONS	Philippians 2:5-11	N.T. p. 197
	Acts 1:1-11	N.T. p. 118

SERMON

eluia! Sing to Jesus	ELW # 392
	leluia! Sing to Jesus

*NICENE CREED		p.126 (blue tab)
*PRAYERS		p.128
*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD		p.128
OFFERING	Gethsemane Prayer	Colin Curtis
*GREAT THANKSGIVING		p.144
*SANCTUS		p.144
*WORDS OF INST	TITUTION	
*LORD'S PRAYEF	X	p.145

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.

Beautiful Savior	ELW # 838
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	ELW # 858

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*POST COMMUNION PRAYER	p.136
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***BENEDICTION**

*CLOSING HYMN Crown Him with Many Crowns ELW # 855 Verses 4-5

POSTLUDETo God Be the GloryWilliam H. DoaneTo Our Guests and Visitors Today:Every baptized believer who is ofage is invited to receive the Lord's Supper as we worship.Theinvitation is extended to each of us by the Lord himself, because he isthe 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 andblood 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.

PREACHER: Pastor Bob Preuss CELEBRANT: Pastor Amy Oslund LAY MINISTER: Jim Border USHERS: Clara Volkers – Captain, Ray Volkers MUSICIAN: Chelsey Christ GREETER: Nola Hoveland and Marion Lindstrom

Please stay for our Luncheon following today's service!

United Sisters Dinner and Meeting TONIGHT starting at 6:00pm. We will be electing new officers at the meeting. All CONFIRMED WOMEN are members of the United Sisters. Please plan to come for this important meeting in a very important group of our congregation.

Garden Club returns on Thursdays at 8:30am. Please come to help clean and maintain our rain gardens and grounds. If the forecast for Thursday calls for rain, please check with the Church office to find out what day the Garden Club will be working!

It is time to donate to Joseph's Coat! Please bring your gently used seasonal clothing and household items to the church coat area and leave them under the sign. They can't accept hangers but are in need of brown paper bags. Please remember that volunteers need to be able to lift your donations. We will accept donations through June 30th. THANKS!

New Member Classes will start on Tuesday May 10^{th} at 6:30pm. If you want to join our congregation and have not spoken with Pastor Bob or Pastor Amy, please speak to either one of them about joining! New Member Sunday will be May 22^{nd} .

John Glenn Middle School Spring Picnic Saturday May 21st from 12:00-3:00

Here is an opportunity for ALL to volunteer at John Glenn on a SATURDAY! We are in need of 10-15 Adult volunteers to serve picnic food and run various games. Please sign up by the coffee room. If you have questions, please talk with Sylvia Graham.

We serve at the Family Service Center on Thursday May 12 at 5:30pm. If you would like to help, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex.

The Worship Service at The Homestead of Maplewood has been changed from Sunday May 22nd to Sunday May 29th at 11:00am. Please join us as we share hymns, prayers, Scripture readings and a brief message with the residents.