



Then
JESUS
SAID TO HER,
“**WOMAN,**
YOU HAVE GREAT
FAITH!
@Biblequote7
YOUR REQUEST
IS GRANTED.”
AND HER DAUGHTER
WAS HEALED AT THAT MOMENT.

Matthew 15:28 NIV

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 15&16, 2026

As We Gather

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOLY CROSS is celebrated in accordance with the Lutheran confession that Christ's body and blood are truly given to us with the bread and wine to give forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation to repentant, reconciled believers in Christ. Missouri-Synod Lutherans united with us in that confession are invited to receive the Sacrament with us. Others who desire to commune should first speak with a Pastor or an Elder.

- ◆ For those who may require it: Holy Cross offers an alcohol-removed red wine (containing less than 0.5% alcohol) located in the center of each Communion tray.
- ◆ Gluten-free wafers are available upon request to a Pastor or Elder before the service.
- ◆ Communion in the pew is available: let an usher or Elder know before the service.
- ◆ Individual Communion cups: Please do *not* stack the plastic cups in the baskets after use at communion. Stacked cups stick together and hinder the rinsing process. Thanks for understanding!

ATTENDANCE PADS: Take a moment to sign the red fellowship pad located by the center aisle of each pew. Provide contact information if you are interested in membership or if you would like to be contacted by the church. After signing, please pass it to your neighbor and then return it to its spot by the aisle.

LIVE-STREAMING of 8 AM SERVICE WEEKLY: Holy Cross live streams the 8 AM service each Sunday on a link at our website (hcross.com). We provide this service for our members who cannot attend worship. The video perspective from the choir loft looks toward the altar and shows all aspects of the service from the sixth row of pews forward. This includes baptisms, children's talks, and communion.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Those with hearing aids can now download and use a smartphone or tablet app that broadcasts the service to their hearing aids. (Bluetooth connection required)

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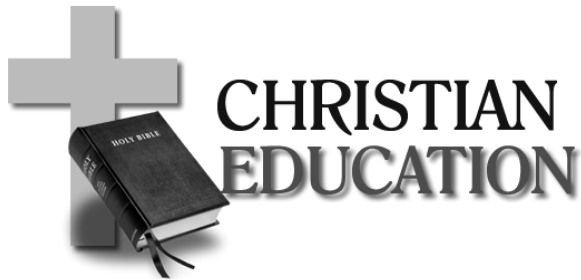
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Step 2. Download the ListenWIFI App

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BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS: 9:30AM (usually in the gym)

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30AM Ages PreK to High School (classrooms)

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday, 10AM, Rooms 1&2

TUESDAY ADULT EVENING BIBLE CLASS 6:30PM
2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday, 9:30AM, Gym

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY:
Second Wednesday, 6:30AM, September through May

CONFIRMATION Grade 6-8, **MIDWEEK** grades PreK-5, **LYF**
starts Wed., Aug. 20; Classrooms

20s&30s&40s BIBLE STUDY 6:30PM every Thursday, Rooms 1&2

BASICS — Check with the church office for next round of classes.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION — August 23, 9:30AM, Rooms 1&2

Explanation of Theme:

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

In July 2025, the Called Staff and representatives from the Boards of Education, Youth, Stewardship, Evangelism, and Missions gathered to discuss the theme and focus for the next three years at Holy Cross. Ultimately, the group landed on “Fearfully and Wonderfully Made” as the overall theme. Each year will focus on one of the three parts of the Apostles’ Creed:

2025/26 - The Things God has made ~ Genesis 1:31

2026/27 - The New ‘Person’ God has made ~ 2 Corinthians 5:17

2027/28 - The People God has made ~ 1 Corinthians 12: 12-27

Throughout this cycle, notice an intentional focus on each of these themes through the lens of Worship, Service, Fellowship, and Education. A well-rounded Christian life is lived through these four areas. We want our church family to have the opportunity to discover even more about the great God we serve in as many ways as possible.

We look forward to having our whole church family engaged and enriched through this theme and can’t wait to share it with you.

— *Charity Smith*
Director of Christian Education

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting Three

August 15&16, 2026

Prelude: Complainte and Meditation from "24 Pieces in Stile Libre" Louis Vierne

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

Opening Hymn: "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" LSB 849 *Please Stand*



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Kyrie

LSB 186

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



P Glory be to God on high: **G** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



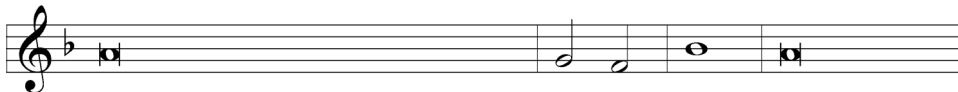
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



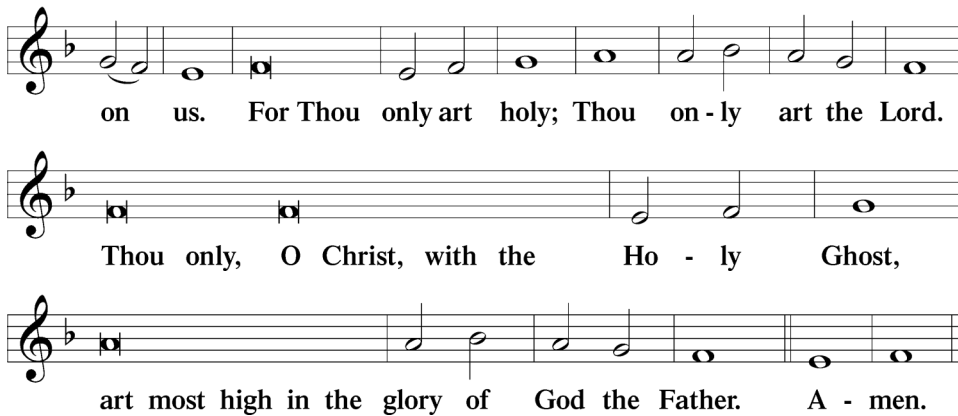
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Please Sit

A The Old Testament Reading for the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost is from Isaiah, chapter 56.

Thus says the LORD:

"Keep justice, and do righteousness,
for soon My salvation will come,
and My deliverance be revealed. . . .

⁶"And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,
to minister to Him, to love the name of the LORD,
and to be His servants,

everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast My covenant—

⁷these I will bring to My holy mountain,
and make them joyful in My house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on My altar;

for My house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples."

⁸The Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,
"I will gather yet others to Him
besides those already gathered."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 67

Sunday

The liturgist sings parts marked "A"; the congregation sings parts marked "C"

A Antiphon

C **Antiphon**



May God be gra - cious to us and bless us and make his face to shine u - pon_ us.

A Let your way be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

C **Antiphon**

A Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

C **Antiphon**

A The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.
God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

C **Antiphon**

Epistle: Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

A The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 11.

Qask, then, has God rejected His people? By no means! For I myself
am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe
of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew. . . .

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle
to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my
fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that He may have mercy on all.

C Thanks be to God.

LSB 190; Please Stand



Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." ²³But He did not answer her a word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶And He answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

Please be seated/Sunday

Hymn of the Day: "Come, My Soul, with Every Care"

LSB 779



1 Come, my soul, with ev - 'ry care, Je - sus loves to an - swer prayer;
2 Thou art com - ing to a King, Large pe - ti - tions with thee bring;
3 With my bur - den I be - gin: Lord, re - move this load of sin;
4 Lord, Thy rest to me im - part, Take pos - ses - sion of my heart;



He Him - self has bid thee pray, There - fore will not turn a - way.
For His grace and pow'r are such None can ev - er ask too much.
Let Thy blood, for sin - ners spilt, Set my con - science free from guilt.
There Thy blood - bought right main - tain And with - out a ri - val reign.

- 5 **While I am a pilgrim here,
Let Thy love my spirit cheer;
As my guide, my guard, my friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.**
- 6 **Show me what is mine to do;
Ev'ry hour my strength renew.
Let me live a life of faith;
Let me die Thy people's death.**

Sermon

Offertory

LSB 192/Please Stand



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



Offering & Rite of Fellowship

Please Be Seated

We ask that all worshipers take a moment to sign the red fellowship pad located at the end of the pew by the center aisle and return it to its spot when finished. If you are interested in membership, please provide a phone number or email address so that we may contact you. Thank you.

Voluntary: Beach Spring

Benjamin Culli

Prayer of the Church

Please Stand

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Additional petitions conclude:

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

LSB 160

- P** The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

- P** Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Peace of the Lord

LSB 197



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



G A - men.

Agnus Dei: "Lamb of God"

LSB 198



G O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution for Holy Communion

Distribution Hymns:

Please Sit

LSB 620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing
LSB 720 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight
LSB 683 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me
LSB 615 When in the Hour of Deepest Need

Dismissal LSB 199

Please Stand

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

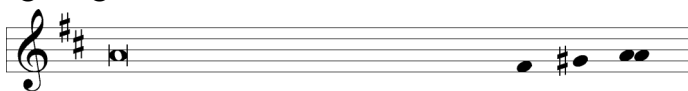
Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

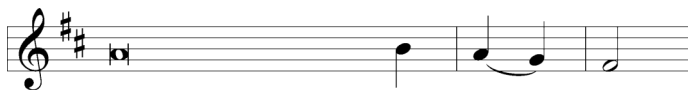
C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

See page 18 of the bulletin

Silent Prayer & Chimes

Postlude: Duke Street

Charles Callahan

Closing Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign

LSB 832



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun Does its suc -
 2 To Him shall end - less prayer be made, And end - less
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue Dwell on His
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns: The pris - 'ners
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring Hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; His king - dom stretch from
 prais - es crown His head; His name like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song; And in - fant voic - es
 leap, un - loose their chains, The wea - ry find e -
 cu - liar to our King; An - gels de - scend with



shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume shall rise With ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
 ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Serving in God's House Today: August 15&16, 2026

Preacher		Pastor Jason Kohm
Liturgist		Pastor Andrew Gimbel
Director of Christian Education		Charity Smith
Director of Music		David Gilson
Elders	Saturday, 5PM	Sol Conrad/Ralph Erickson
	Sunday, 8AM	Ed Belter
	Sunday, 10:45AM	Chris Price
Ushers	Saturday, 5PM	Refer to Elder
	Sunday, 8AM	Mark Ziolk, Shana Ziolk
	Sunday, 10:45AM	Donald Duncan

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