

# HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH



## OUTREACH SUNDAY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 22, 2025

*This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus until he comes again. It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."*

# THANK YOU!



Dear Holy Cross family,

I am still deeply moved and overwhelmed with gratitude for the incredible celebration of my 20th anniversary here at Holy Cross. Thank you for the beautiful luncheon, the thoughtful program, and the many kind words, gifts, and surprises. Every detail reflected the love and care of a community I have been truly blessed to serve.

Over these two decades, we have sung, prayed, planned, and dreamed together. I have witnessed God's Spirit at work in our worship, our music, and in the generous hearts of this congregation. To be part of a church that values liturgy and music not just as traditions, but as living expressions of faith, is a rare and precious gift.

Thank you for honoring my ministry in such a meaningful way. I am especially thankful for all those who helped plan the celebration—it was truly unforgettable. I look forward to continuing this journey with you as we proclaim the gospel, care for our neighbors, and lift our voices in praise.

Amen and Alleluia,  
Jeremy Shoop, Director of Music and Liturgy





# Weekly Update

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LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Sunday, June 22, 2025**

**VISITORS:** It is a joy to have you with us this morning. If you are looking for a church family, we hope you will consider Holy Cross. For more information, you can fill out a visitor form in the narthex, speak to an usher, or scan the QR code to the right.



**FAMILIES:** Children are always welcome at our worship services! There's also a small play area in the Narthex where you can hear the broadcasted service.

## WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

For additions/changes, email the office: [admin@holycrossherndon.org](mailto:admin@holycrossherndon.org)  
Names will be removed after one month unless advised otherwise.

### OUR CONGREGATION

Gene Bain | Juliana Roe Beck | Terry & Linda Butler | Joy Caveney  
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Reed Morgan | Mike Muller | Desirae Peral | Craig Reichow  
Jeremy Shoop | Tuula Toney | Cherie Weatherhead

### THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Riley Morgan | Thomas Newcomb | Collin Reichow

### RELATIVES AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION

Robert Appel (friend of Dick Krapf)  
Randy and Shirley Beamer (friends of Pam Darby)  
Symphony Calvillo & her two boys (friend of Kate Flegel)  
Jane Campbell (friend of Cheryl Smith)  
Ellen Nash Foster (friend of Helen Wolfe)  
Don and Liz Gober (friends of Craig Reichow)  
Chip Haas (long-time former member of HCLC)  
Georgia and Cain Kirby (friends of Cherie Weatherhead)  
Emily Krapf (daughter of Dick Krapf)  
Phil Kratochvil (brother of Sarah Schultze)  
Chase and Hillary Lancaster (friends of the Weatherhead family)  
Debbie Lawrimore (friend of Holy Cross Fiber Arts group)  
Sharon Massen (friend of Craig Reichow)  
Sue Mason (sister of Pam Darby)  
The Melkonian Family (friends of Cara Papenheim)  
Lisa Nolf (friend of Jared Lem)  
Glen and Kathie Piersol (former members of HCLC)  
Kathy Robinson (friend of Pam Darby)  
John Smith (brother-in-law of Cheryl Smith)  
Kevin Stenger (friend of Pam Darby)  
William Stevenson III (friend of the Roe family)  
Steven Swancutt (brother of Lynn Russo)  
Michelle White (friend and coworker of Kate Flegel)  
Bernadette Stevenson Williams (friend of the Roe family)

### THOSE IN MOURNING

Family & friends of Lt. Col. Mark "Gunner" Massen (friend of Craig Reichow)

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

Supply Pastor:	Rev. Pam Mitcham
Director of Music and Liturgy:	Jeremy Shoop
Sound Technician:	Bob Thompson
Video Technician:	Sylvia Moran

### Serving June 22<sup>nd</sup>: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Assisting Minister:	Matthew Andersen
Readers:	Kristin Andersen
Acolyte:	TBD
Greeter:	Nannette & Jared Lem

### Serving June 29<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Assisting Minister:	TBD
Reader:	TBD
Acolyte:	TBD
Greeter:	TBD

**TODAY'S FLOWERS:** Today's flowers are given by Cheryl Smith in memory of her husband, Bill Smith.

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: JUNE 22 – JUNE 29

SU 22	10:00 am	Worship – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
	11:00 am	Fellowship & Coffee ~ FH
	12:00 pm	Council Meeting ~ Conference Room
	1:00 pm	Bldg Use: Christian Missionary ~ FH
TU 24	6:30 pm	Bldg. Use: Boy Scouts Troop 12
W 25	11:30 am	Lunch for the Soul ~ FH
	6:30 pm	Bldg. Use: Herndon Women's ~ FH
	6:30 pm	Game Night ~ FH
SA 28	8:00 am	Bldg Use: Herndon's Women AA ~ Rm 204
	10:30 am	Bldg Use: 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Called2Be ~ FH
	12:00 pm	Herndon Pride ~ Arts Herndon
SU 29	10:00 am	Worship – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
	11:00 am	Fellowship & Coffee ~ FH
	1:00 pm	Bldg. Use: Christian Missionary ~ FH

## LINK FOOD DONATION

Today our food collection goes to LINK, which serves the needs of our neighbors in ensuring that they can provide food for their families. Thank you for your generosity!

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



This year's VBS (for kids and adults) will be July 20-24 from 6-8 pm. Dinner will be provided, after which kids will do the "Road Trip – On the Go with God" VBS program, while the adults do their own VBS program. See you there!

## NEW MEMBERS

Are you interested in joining Holy Cross or simply learning more about our congregation and its ministries? There will be an information meeting in the Fellowship Hall following worship on July 13<sup>th</sup>. New Members will be received in worship on July 20<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Cross, please contact our office at 703-437-1883 or email us at [admin@holycrossherndon.org](mailto:admin@holycrossherndon.org).



## LUNCH FOR THE SOUL

This caring ministry feeds our neighbors in need each week. We'd love some new hands to help with this significant ministry—whether you buy, cook, serve or cleanup—ALL help is welcome! We will next serve lunch on Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Signup at: <https://www.PerfectPotluck.com/YEEI1717>

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Thank you to all who have dedicated beautiful Sanctuary flowers each week. They are an incredible reminder of God's faithfulness.

There are still plenty of slots available to dedicate flowers in the coming weeks. Up to two vases can be dedicated each Sunday. Scan the QR code and sign up to celebrate a life event or remember a loved one.



## GAME NIGHT

We have had so much fun during Game Nights, we have added additional dates! Join us this Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> for our next fun filled evening!

## THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped to make the collaboration of Music Sunday a big success and fun time!

## HCLC AT HERNDON PRIDE! JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> 12:00 – 6:00 PM



HCLC is happy to have a booth at Herndon Pride this year! Stop by to see our booth and check out the event! Herndon Pride will be at Arts Herndon (750 Center St, Herndon, VA) on June 28<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 - 5:00 PM.

For more info, search "Herndon Pride" on your favorite social media platform.

## **Holy Cross Lutheran Church Welcomes ALL!**

Holy Cross Lutheran Church joyfully affirms and celebrates that every person is a beloved child of God. We welcome all who are seeking God's boundless love and sustaining grace into full community with us at Holy Cross. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves to breaking down barriers and systems that divide God's children working to be a space committed to racial equality for God's people and to building a community where all are recognized as part of Christ's new creation.



We welcome you, and you are safe with us...  
 Whatever your race, ethnicity, or heritage;  
 Whatever your relationship status;  
 We welcome you, and you are safe with us...

Whatever your sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, or gender expression;  
 Whatever your socio-economic status;  
 We welcome you, and you are safe with us...

Whatever your age and life circumstance;  
 Whatever your physical and mental ability.  
 You are a beloved child of God, you are valued, and you are welcome here.

## **What to Expect in Worship**

Worship services can be intimidating for newcomers. While we try to make worship as accessible as possible for everyone, we know that some aspects can be confusing. Feel free to ask an usher or someone near you for help if you have any questions today. We are happy to help and want all voices to be included in praise to God.

Our worship style is traditional at Holy Cross. A full liturgy is used to focus our praise and prayers to God. Notes are included in the side gutter of the bulletin to explain why we use the various liturgical elements. Communion is celebrated every Sunday at Holy Cross. The table (altar) is not our table, but Christ's table. Just as Christ welcomes all, all are welcome to receive communion at Holy Cross. Pastor will give instructions on how we celebrate communion in a COVID safe manner at that part of the service. Written instructions are also included at that point in the bulletin.

Throughout the year we emphasize each liturgical season differently to mark the passage of time. Liturgical texts change to reflect aspects of that season, some elements are removed or added to reflect the mood of that season, and colors used to decorate the chancel are changed to provide visual reminders of the current season.

# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

*Transforming the world & ourselves, together in community, fellowship, and faith.*

## Outreach Sunday Second Sunday after Pentecost June 22, 2025 ~ 10:00 AM

*Today we celebrate Outreach Sunday where we come together to celebrate the ways God is at work through our outreach ministries. These ministries reflect our commitment to serving our neighbors in need, reaching out with love, compassion, and support.*



**WE GATHER**



*We begin worship today celebrating Juneteenth. "Give Me Jesus" is a traditional African American spiritual that originated during the time of slavery in the United States. It expresses the deep longing for spiritual solace and the hope of finding peace in Christ, even in the midst of suffering and hardship. The song was passed down through generations of enslaved African Americans, becoming a powerful expression of faith and resilience.*

### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*Give Me Jesus*

arr. Mark Hayes

*Please stand as you are able.*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: **Amen.**

Pastor: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Pastor: Merciful God,  
Assembly: **you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.**

Pastor: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of † Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Assembly: Amen.

# GATHERING HYMN – Stanzas 1, 4 & 5

(ELW #579)

## Lord, You Give the Great Commission

1 Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and  
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -  
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,  
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they  
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you

preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,  
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,  
 this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,  
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure  
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,

and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness  
 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new  
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the  
 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and  
 may we serve as you in - tend and, a - mid the

to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:  
 fer - vor, draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:  
 world a - round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty:  
 mer - cy lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:  
 cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:

*Refrain*

With the Spir-it's gifts em-pow'r us for the work of min - is - try.

The musical score for the Refrain is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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## GREETING

**Pastor:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you  
 all.

**Assembly:** And also with you.

## KYRIE

(Setting 1)

The first line of the Kyrie is a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

The second line of the Kyrie is a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff.

Lord, have mer - cy.

The third line of the Kyrie is a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

The fourth line of the Kyrie is a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff.

Lord, have mer - cy.

The fifth line of the Kyrie is a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

The sixth line of the Kyrie is a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff.

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

The seventh line of the Kyrie is a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff.

Lord, have mer - cy.




For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord.  
Lord, have mer - cy.  
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.  
A - men, a - men.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

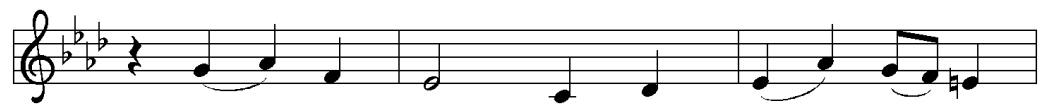
(Setting 1)

*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and  
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:  
Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

Refrain




hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

Refrain



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*This Prayer of the Day is rooted in themes from the Old Testament—especially Micah 6:8. It invites the congregation to reflect on God's call to justice, kindness, and humility, and seeks the Spirit's guidance in living out these values in daily life.*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Pastor:** Let us pray. Gracious and loving God, you have shown us what is good: to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you. By your Spirit, stir in us a deep compassion for our neighbors. Open our hands to serve, our hearts to love, and our lives to reflect your mercy. In Jesus' name we pray,

**Assembly:** Amen.

*Please sit.*



### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD



### LISTENING WITH CHILDREN'S EARS

#### FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 15:7-11

**Reader:** A reading from the book of Deuteronomy:

<sup>7</sup>If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. <sup>8</sup>You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. <sup>9</sup>Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, "The seventh year, the year of

*God's command to Israel was clear: Do not harden your heart against your neighbor in need. Generosity, especially to the poor, is an act of covenantal faithfulness.*

*This reminds us that our faith is not meant to be a private possession, but a living, breathing force in the world. James challenges us with a difficult but essential truth: faith that does not result in acts of love and service is incomplete. As Lutherans, we hold firm to the truth that we are saved by God's grace through faith—not by our works. And yet, as James insists, authentic faith bears fruit in the form of compassion, justice, and care for our neighbors. In the words of Martin Luther himself, "A living faith is a busy, active, mighty thing." This passage calls us to examine how our trust in Christ shapes our everyday lives—how we show up for those in need, how we practice mercy, and how we reflect God's love in a world longing for it.*

remission, is near," and therefore view your needy neighbor with hostility and give nothing; your neighbor might cry to the LORD against you, and you would incur guilt. <sup>10</sup>Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. <sup>11</sup>Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, "Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land."

Reader: Word of God, word of life.  
**Assembly: Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

James 2:1-10, 14-17

Reader: A reading from the book of James:

<sup>1</sup> My brothers and sisters, do not claim the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ of glory while showing partiality. <sup>2</sup> For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, <sup>3</sup> and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here in a good place, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit by my footstool," <sup>4</sup> have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? <sup>5</sup> Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? <sup>6</sup> But you have dishonored the poor person. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into the courts? <sup>7</sup> Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

<sup>8</sup> If you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you do well. <sup>9</sup> But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. <sup>10</sup> For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [<sup>11</sup> For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. <sup>12</sup> So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. <sup>13</sup> For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

<sup>14</sup> What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Surely that faith cannot save, can it? <sup>15</sup> If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food <sup>16</sup> and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not

supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? <sup>17</sup> So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

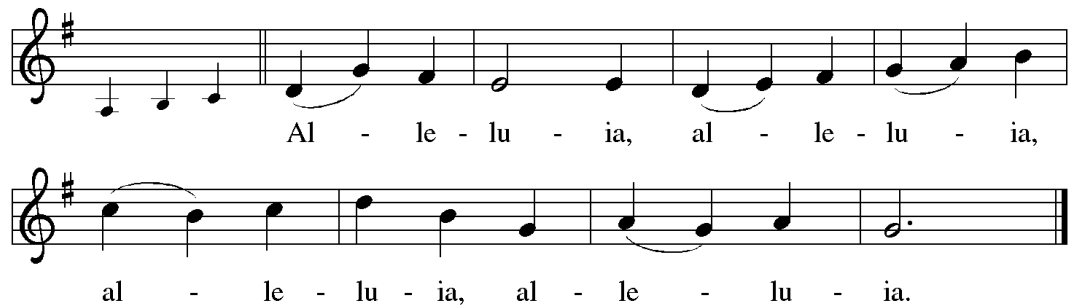
TEMPLE TALK

Tonya Elliott, Community Outreach Chair

*Please stand as you are able.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(Setting 1)



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

*Extraordinarily influential throughout the history of Christianity, this parable has often functioned as “law,” the command to care for the neighbor that is bolstered with the threat of hell. As “gospel” we see the parable as affirming the continuing presence of Christ in our midst. The risen Lord is not far away in some heaven, but is present around us every day.*

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

*Jesus compares himself to a king who moves among his subjects to see how he is treated: what is done for the least of those who belong to his family is truly done for him.*

Pastor: The Gospel according to Matthew the 25<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>31</sup> “When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup> and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup> Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, <sup>35</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ <sup>37</sup> Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord,



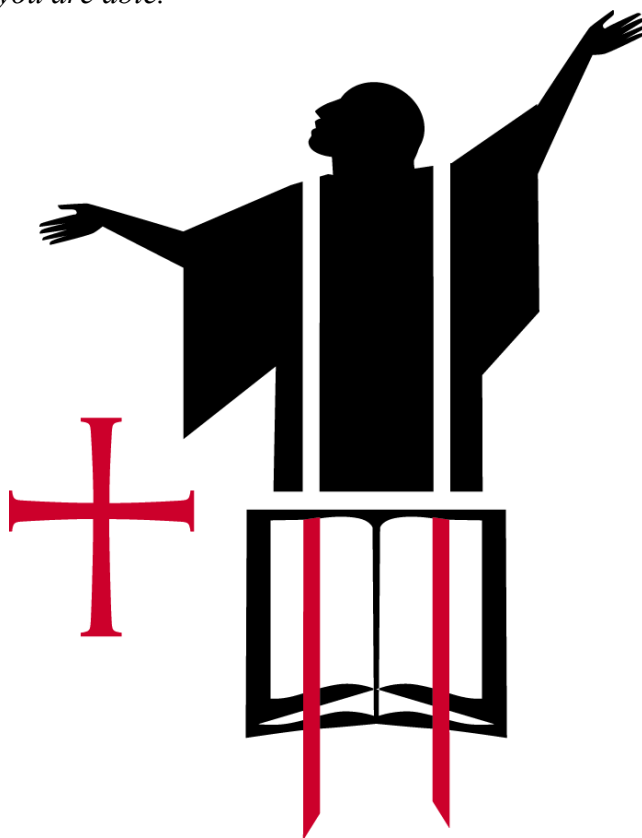
when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup> And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' <sup>40</sup> And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' <sup>41</sup> Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, <sup>42</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' <sup>44</sup> Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' <sup>45</sup> Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' <sup>46</sup> And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

Pastor:                      The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Assembly:**                **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit.*

## **SERMON**

*Please stand as you are able.*



*“When the Poor Ones” began as a Spanish hymn titled “Cuando el pobre nada tiene,” written in 1971 in post-civil war Spain during a time of great social and political unrest. The authors, José Antonio Olivar (a Spanish poet and priest) and Miguel Manzano (a musician and professor), were deeply involved in efforts to renew Christian worship in ways that reflected solidarity with the poor and marginalized.*

*It became a beloved part of the Latin American liberation theology movement, emphasizing God’s presence among the vulnerable and calling the Church to active compassion.*

*The English translation by Martin A. Seltz, a Lutheran pastor and liturgist, was published in 1998. It preserved the tender spirit and theological integrity of the original Spanish while adapting the text for singing in English-speaking congregations.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

(Evangelical Lutheran Worship #725)

### When the Poor Ones *Cuando el pobre*



- 1 Cuan-do\_el po-bre na-da tie-ne y aún re-par-te,  
 1 When the poor ones, who have noth-ing, still are giv-ing;  
 2 When com-pas-sion gives the suf-f’ring con-so-la-tion;  
 3 When our spir-its, like a chal-ice, brim with glad-ness;  
 4 When the good-ness poured from heav-en fills our dwell-ings;



cuan-do al-guien pa-sa sed y a-gua nos da,  
 when the thirst-y pass the cup, wa-ter to share;  
 when ex-pect-ing brings to birth hope that was lost;  
 when our voic-es, full and clear, sing out the truth;  
 when the na-tions work to change war in-to peace;



cuan-do\_el dé-bil a su her-ma-no for-ta-le-ce:  
 when the wound-ed of-fer oth-ers strength and heal-ing;  
 when we choose love, not the ha-tred all a-round us;  
 when our long-ings, free from en-vy, seek the hum-ble:  
 when the strang-er is ac-cept-ed as our neigh-bor:

#### Refrain / Estribillo



Va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis-mo ca-mi-nar;  
 We see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way;



va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis-mo ca-mi-nar.  
 we see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way.

- 2 Cuando alguno sufre y logra su consuelo, 3 Cuando crece la alegría y nos inunda,  
 cuando espera y no se cansa de esperar, cuando dicen nuestros labios la verdad,  
 cuando amamos, aunque el odio nos rodee; cuando amamos el sentir de los sencillos:  
 Estribillo Estribillo

- 4 Cuando abunda el bien y llena los hogares,  
 cuando alguien donde hay guerra pone paz,  
 cuando “hermano” le llamamos al extraño:  
 Estribillo

Text: José Antonio Olivar, b. 1939; tr. Martin A. Seltz, b. 1951

Music: EL CAMINO, Miguel Manzano, b. 1934

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## BLESSING OF THE QUILTS FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Assisting Minister: Almighty and gracious God, we pray for grateful hearts, for a humble awareness of our abundance amid all the world's poverty and pain.

**Assembly: Lord, send your Spirit.**

Assisting Minister: We pray for the courage to give generously of our resources — our imaginations, our time and abilities, our material wealth.

**Assembly: Lord, send your Spirit.**

Assisting Minister: We pray for confident hope, in the presence of such overwhelming needs, to know that each offering of money, quilts, and kits makes a welcome difference to others, and to you.

**Assembly: Lord, send your Spirit.**

Assisting Minister: We pray that these quilts will support the lives of those in need throughout the world. Bless them and those who will use them in your name.

**Assembly: Lord, send your Spirit.**

Assisting Minister: We pray you would bless those who labor on our behalf through all the work of Lutheran World Relief and its partners, that we would uphold them with our prayers, our encouragement, our gifts, our willingness to learn and to invite the support of others. In the name of our Lord who encouraged us to ask boldly when we pray,

**Assembly: Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assisting Minister: With hearts open to God's call to love and serve our neighbor, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*We pray for our church  
and its mission.*

Assisting Minister: Gracious God, we give thanks for Holy Cross Lutheran Church and for the many ways your Spirit moves among us. Strengthen our congregation to continue being a light in this community. Bless our outreach ministries, that through them, your compassion may be known. God of grace,

**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*We pray for those who  
serve with love.*

Assisting Minister: Loving Creator, you call us to see you in our neighbors—especially in those who are hungry, unhoused, lonely, or in crisis. Be with everyone we encounter through our food programs, community partnerships, shelter support, and seasonal collections. May each person feel dignity, care, and belonging. God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*We pray for Outreach  
volunteers and leaders.*

Assisting Minister: Holy God, we give thanks for all in this congregation who serve with generous hearts. For those who pack groceries, drive deliveries, sew quilts, teach ELL, make meals, offer prayers, and listen with compassion—renew their strength and fill them with joy in their calling. God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*We pray for our  
community partners.*

Assisting Minister: God of unity, bless the organizations and individuals we collaborate with in Herndon and beyond. Strengthen LINK, the Embry Rucker shelter, Cornerstones, Mobile Hope, Lunch for the Soul congregations, and every ministry of justice and mercy we support. May our shared efforts multiply the good we can do. God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*We pray for those in  
need.*

Assisting Minister: Comforting God, surround all who are struggling in body, mind, or spirit. For those who are unhoused, unemployed, uninsured, or isolated—provide hope, help, and the reminder that they are never alone. We lift up anyone known to us in need of your care (*the assembly offers names*). God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*We pray for the work  
ahead.*

Assisting Minister: Spirit of wisdom, lead Holy Cross into the future with courage and vision. May our outreach continue to reflect Christ's love in new ways. Make us bold in action, gentle in service, and faithful in prayer as we care for our neighbors and witness to your grace. God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**



*The sharing of THE PEACE is an ancient ritual that puts us right with our neighbors before we offer our gifts to God.*

*Scan the QR code below if you would like to give your offering electronically.*



**Pastor:** Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Assembly:** **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Assembly:** **And also with you.**

*Please sit.*

## OFFERING

### MUSICAL OFFERING

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

arr. Mark Hayes

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERTORY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all

crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye

heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Assisting Minister:** Let us pray. Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Assembly:** **Amen.**



## WE COME TO GOD'S TABLE



### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts,

Assembly: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,

Assembly: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

### PREFACE

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.... and join their unending hymn.

### SANCTUS

(Setting 1)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**Pastor:** The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

**Assembly:** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please sit.*

## DISTRIBUTION


*This is Christ's table of welcome. Jesus invites **all** who are hungry and thirsty for unconditional love and acceptance to come to God's banquet. The ushers will direct you forward at the appropriate time. Communion will be by station. The pastor will be in the center with the bread. All the bread we use here is gluten free. On either side will be someone with a tray of red wine and white grape juice. Empty cups can be placed in the basket on either side of the aisle. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of communion, cross your arms on your chest.*

## AGNUS DEI


(Setting 1)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -




way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

(Evangelical Lutheran Worship #396)



## Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service




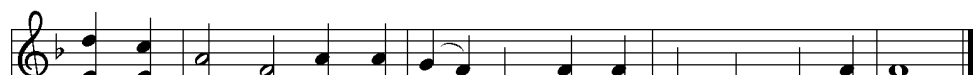
1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu-man need,  
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;  
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal-ing light  
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,


who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed:  
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.  
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,  
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;

we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;  
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
mak-ing known the needs and bur - dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,  
hope and health, good-will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,

con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.  
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.  
stir-ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.





**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

(Evangelical Lutheran Worship #466)

**In the Singing**

1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - spect - ant, o - pen,  
 2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,



in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,  
 in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,



*Refrain*  
 Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, b. 1931

Music: BREAD OF PEACE, Carlton R. Young, b. 1926

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*Please stand as you are able.*

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

**Pastor:** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Assembly:** **Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**Assisting Minister:** Let us pray. Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

**Assembly:** **Amen.**

*“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth” reminds us that we have been given all that we need to go out into the world and serve God. We are not called to wait for an angel to come down and save our suffering neighbor. We are called to use time, treasure, and talents given to us by God to help our suffering neighbor.*

*Pablo Sosa says this about the meaning of his text:*

*“In the Pentecostal context (and in many Protestant circles as well) the mission of the Church is frequently not related to the construction of a new and better social order. This song is an updated exegesis of Isaiah’s vocational call (chapter 6), undoubtedly influenced by the Latin American Liberation Theology as well as for the social and political conditions in its own country of origin, Cuba, where a profound process of social justice has been taking place since 1959.*



## WE ARE SENT FORTH TO SERVE



### SENDING HYMN

#### The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

*Enviado soy de Dios*

En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá  
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,

pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.  
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.

Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar  
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain

un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;  
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;

me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.

A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

Text: Anonymous, Central America; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923  
Music: ENVIADO, anonymous, Central America  
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*The change from singular to plural in the literary personal subject of the poem, while adding a valid community dimension to the text, unfortunately also takes away the burden of the heavy individual responsibility felt by the prophet. “Me ha tocado a mí (“it has fallen to me”) is the humble expression of someone who feels his or her mission as a task for beyond his or her strength and therefore impossible without God’s help. Therefore what we have here is not a strong declaration by some hero ready to change the world, but the confession of someone who is sharing with us, confidentially, the mission he or she has been entrusted with.”*

## **BENEDICTION**

**Pastor:** The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.

**Assembly:** **Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

**Assisting Minister:** Go in peace. Live by the Spirit

**Assembly:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

*The Lord Now Sends Us Forth*

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

*As part of our continuous efforts to make worship more inclusive and sensory friendly, we ask that you refrain from applauding during worship and after the postlude.*

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## **THIS WEEK'S COMMEMORATIONS**

### **John the Baptist**

**Tuesday, June 24, 2025**

John said, "[Jesus] must increase, but I must decrease." And so his birth is celebrated half a year before Jesus', just as the daylight in the northern hemisphere begins to wane. Jesus honored John as being the greatest prophet.

### **Presentation of the Augsburg Confession, 1530**

**Wednesday, June 25, 2025**

On this day in 1530 the German and Latin editions of the Augsburg Confession were presented to the Emperor Charles of the Holy Roman Empire. The Augsburg Confession was written by Philipp Melancthon and endorsed by Martin Luther, and consists of a brief summary of points in which the reformers saw their teaching as either agreeing with or differing from that of the Roman Catholic Church of the time.

### **Philipp Melancthon, renewer of the church, died 1560**

**Wednesday, June 25, 2025**

Though he died on April 19, Philipp Melancthon is commemorated today because of his connection with the Augsburg Confession. Colleague and co-reformer with Martin Luther, Melancthon was a brilliant scholar, known as "the teacher of Germany."

### **Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, died 444**

**Friday, June 27, 2025**

Cyril defended the orthodox teachings about the person of Christ. After a conflict involving all of the major Christian leaders of the time, it was decided that Cyril's interpretation, that Christ's person included both divine and human natures, was correct.

### **Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, died around 202**

**Saturday, June 28, 2025**

This important early church leader tried very hard to hold to the faith handed down by the apostles. An opponent of the movement known as gnosticism, Irenaeus was one of the first to speak of the church as catholic, or linked together.



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