

# HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH



## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 7, 2026

*Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.*

# Weekly Update



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*Sunday, June 7, 2026*

**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 or updates, email [Admin@HolyCrossHerndon.org](mailto:Admin@HolyCrossHerndon.org)  
Names are removed after one month unless advised otherwise.

### OUR CONGREGATION

Juliana Roe Beck | Bonnie Burton | Terry & Linda Butler | Joy Caveney  
Joel Flegal | Roy Geiger | Otto Jacobson | Reed Morgan  
Mike Muller | Craig Reichow | Tuula Toney | Cherie Weatherhead

### THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Riley Morgan | Thomas Newcomb | Collin Reichow  
Friends of Thomas Newcomb currently serving in Iran

### RELATIVES AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION

Erin Barden (sister of Andrew Barden)  
Pastor Pervaiz Bahadur (Asia 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist pastor)  
Von Bergstrom (cousin of Jill Reichow)  
Jane Campbell (friend of Cheryl Smith)  
Gianna Carter (granddaughter of Sam & Sharon Carter)  
Karen Davidson (grandmother-in-law of Jared Lem)  
Don and Liz Gober (friends of Craig Reichow)  
Madilyn Gross (cousin of Desirae Peral)  
Uwe Gutschmidt (nephew of Ellen Atwell)  
Jeff Harwood (friend of Craig Reichow)  
Matt Kim (friend of John & Tammy Breene)  
Michael Levrini (friend of Jared Lem)  
Georgia Kirby and Cain Mason (friends of Cherie Weatherhead)  
Lori Manzel (daughter of David & Patricia Manzel)  
Phyllis Krapf (wife of Dick Krapf)  
Don Kress (friend of Helen and Gary Wolfe)  
Dale, John, and Jeff MacPherson (friends of Jared Lem)  
Sue Mason (sister of Pam Darby)  
Sharon Massen & Dorie Miller (friends of Craig Reichow)  
Lisa Nolf (friend of Jared Lem)  
Jim Pollock (godfather of Andrew Barden)  
Anne Marie Berardi Rabinowitz (friend of Tonya Elliott)  
Tracy Radican (daughter of former HCLC pastor, Pastor Harper)  
Dylan Roe (nephew of Mark & Jo Roe)  
John Smith (brother-in-law of Cheryl Smith)  
Joseph Strada (father of daughter-in-law of Sam & Sharon Carter)  
Nancy and Steven Swancutt (sister and brother of Lynn Russo)  
Bernadette Stevenson Williams (friend of the Roe family)

## 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 7<sup>th</sup>: Second Sunday after Pentecost

Assisting Minister: Matthew Andersen  
Reader: Dick Smullen  
Acolyte: Anne Geiger  
Greeter: Jared Lem

### Serving June 14<sup>th</sup>: Music Sunday

Assisting Minister: TBD  
Readers: Nannette Lem, Andrew Barden  
Acolyte: TBD  
Greeter: Cheryl Smith

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: JUNE 7 – 14

SU 7	10:00 am	Worship – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
	11:00 am	Fellowship & Coffee ~ FH
	1:00 pm	Bldg. Use: Christian Missionary ~ FH
M 8	4:00 pm	Bldg. Use: Herndon Woman's Club
TU 9	6:30 pm	Fiber Arts Group ~ Conference Rm
	6:30 pm	Bldg. Use: Boy Scouts Troop 12
W 10	11:30 am	Lunch for the Soul ~ FH
	7:00 pm	ELL Summer Classes ~ Education Wing
TH 11	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
	8:00 pm	Bell Rehearsal ~ Sanctuary
SA 13	8:00 am	Bldg. Use: Herndon's Women AA ~ Rm 204
	9:00 am	Property Work Day
SU 14	10:00 am	Worship – Music Sunday
	11:00 am	Fellowship & Coffee ~ FH
	1:00 pm	Bldg. Use: Christian Missionary ~ FH

**PROPERTY WORK DAY  
JUNE 13, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM**

It's time to spruce up the church grounds for the summer season! Join us on Saturday, June 13, from 9:00 am-12:00 pm for a workday focused on yard cleanup and outdoor beautification around the church campus. No experience is necessary—many hands make light work, and all are welcome! Bring work gloves, yard tools if you have them, and a willingness to help care for our shared space. For more information, contact Pierre Huggins at [Pierre.L.Huggins@gmail.com](mailto:Pierre.L.Huggins@gmail.com).

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**THANK YOU!**

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who volunteered at Lunch for the Soul this week! Whether you cooked, served, cleaned up, or helped behind the scenes, your time and effort made a meaningful difference. This ministry is only possible because of the many hands and generous hearts that come together to serve our community. Your willingness to share your gifts and extend hospitality is truly appreciated. Thank you for helping make Lunch for the Soul a welcoming and nourishing experience for all!

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
FOR JULY 4 BLOCK PARTY**

We need **your** help to put on our annual July 4 block party! Hundreds of our neighbors come to our property to watch the town fireworks. It is a great opportunity to show them how wonderful HCLC is. They are already here! All we have to do is welcome them, hand out treats, and play some games as we wait for the firework show. Scan the QR code and sign up for a job. Our goal is to get 14 volunteers to help host that evening. Speak with Beverly ([FellowshipChair@HolyCrossHerndon.org](mailto:FellowshipChair@HolyCrossHerndon.org)) or Jeremy ([MusicDir@HolyCrossHerndon.org](mailto:MusicDir@HolyCrossHerndon.org)) for more information.

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**QUILT BLESSING – SUNDAY, JUNE 21**



Join us Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> as we bless the quilts made by our Quilting Group which meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10:00 am. These beautiful quilts are sent all over the world to those in need through Lutheran World Relief.

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**NOTARY SERVICES**



Marie (one of our Church Administrators) is available to provide notary services for members of the congregation. If you need a document notarized, please contact the office to make arrangements ([Admin@HolyCrossHerndon.org](mailto:Admin@HolyCrossHerndon.org) or 703-437-1883). She is happy to assist!

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**HOME COMMUNION**

If you or a loved one is unable to attend worship due to illness, age, or mobility issues, and would like to receive Communion, you can schedule a visit by contacting the office at [Admin@HolyCrossHerndon.org](mailto:Admin@HolyCrossHerndon.org) or 703-437-1883.



**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.



## **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 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.*

## Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 7, 2026 | 10:00 AM

*Appointing both Matthew and Romans, these Sundays exemplify the complexity of the Scriptures: each Bible reading nuances the others; what one reading says must stand next to what a quite different reading says; all three readings are in our ears. As the old saying goes, "Scripture interprets Scripture."*



**WE GATHER**



### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*I Exult Thee*

arr. John Innes

Marcia Kratzke, piano; Jeremy Shoop, organ

*Please stand as you are able.*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

Assembly: **Amen.**

Pastor: Let us confess our sin to God.

Pastor: Compassionate God,  
 Assembly: **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Pastor: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

Assembly: **Amen.**

“Come, Ye Disconsolate” is a hymn of deep comfort for those who arrive in worship carrying sorrow, sickness, grief, or weariness. Its opening invitation echoes the healing mercy of Jesus in today’s Gospel, where Christ calls Matthew from the tax booth, restores a woman who has suffered for years, and raises a girl from death. The hymn’s promise that “earth has no sorrow that heav’n cannot heal” also resonates with Hosea’s call to return to the Lord, trusting that God’s mercy is greater than judgment. As we gather, we come not because we are whole, but because Christ meets us in our need and receives us with compassion.

## GATHERING HYMN

## Come, Ye Disconsolate

1 Come, ye dis - con - so - late, wher - e'er ye lan - guish;  
 2 Joy of the des - o - late, light of the stray - ing,  
 3 Here see the Bread of life; see wa - ters flow - ing

come to the mer - cy - seat, fer - vent - ly kneel.  
 hope of the pen - i - tent, fade - less and pure;  
 forth from the throne of God, pure from a - bove.

Here bring your wound - ed hearts, here tell your an - guish;  
 here speaks the Com - fort - er, ten - der - ly say - ing,  
 Come to the feast of love; come, ev - er know - ing

earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not heal.  
 “Earth has no sor - row that heav'n can - not cure.”  
 earth has no sor - row but heav'n can re - move.

Text: Thomas Moore, 1779–1852, sts. 1-2; Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872, st. 3  
 Music: CONSOLATOR, Samuel Webbe Sr., 1740–1816

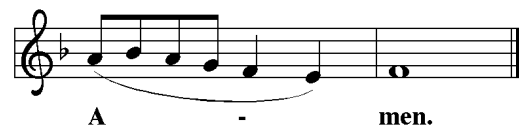
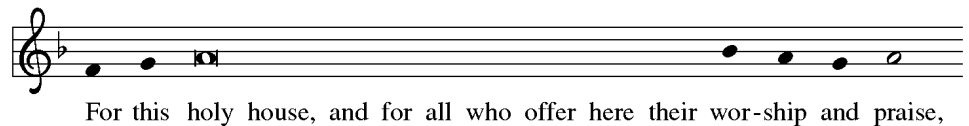
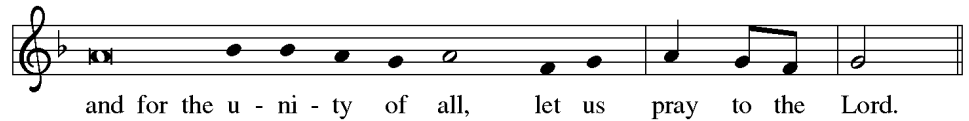
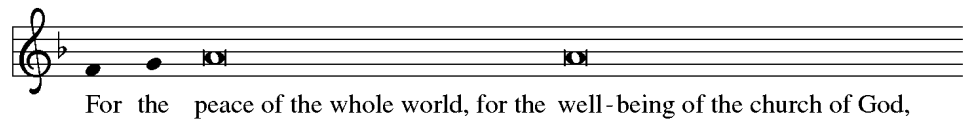
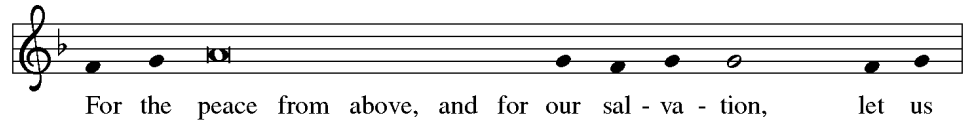
## GREETING

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

Assembly: **And also with you.**

## KYRIE

(ELW Setting 2)



## HYMN OF PRAISE

(ELW Setting 2)



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

*The prayer of the day, composed for Evangelical Lutheran Worship, situates us with the bleeding woman and the dead girl, pleading for healing. The image of "ground of being," from the twentieth-century theologian Paul Tillich, reminds us that God is here with us, upholding us.*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Pastor:** Let us pray. O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Assembly:** Amen.

*Please sit.*



**LISTENING WITH CHILDREN'S EARS**

**FIRST READING** Hosea 5:15—6:6  
*Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.*

**Reader:** A reading from the prophet Hosea:

<sup>15</sup> I will return again to my place  
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.  
In their distress they will beg my favor:

<sup>6:1</sup> "Come, let us return to the Lord,  
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;  
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

<sup>2</sup> After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him.

<sup>3</sup> Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;

*Like the ancient Jews, we turn to God in penitence and thrive on the water of life. The Old Testament promise that God will heal prepares us to hear about Jesus' healing miracles. Christians have seen in "spring rains" a metaphor for baptism.*

his appearing is as sure as the dawn;  
 he will come to us like the showers,  
 like the spring rains that water the earth.”

<sup>4</sup> What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?

What shall I do with you, O Judah?

Your love is like a morning cloud,  
 like the dew that goes away early.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;

I have killed them by the words of my mouth,  
 and my judgment goes forth as the light.

<sup>6</sup> For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
 the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

Assembly: **Thanks be to God.**

*Jews, Christians, and Muslims all claim Abraham as their ancient ancestor. For Christians, it is neither Abraham's ethnic identity nor his obedience that is essential, but rather his faith in a God who promises life.*

## SECOND READING

Romans 4:13-25

*Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.*

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans:

<sup>13</sup> The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

<sup>16</sup> For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup> as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup> Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup> He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup> No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup> Now the words, "it was

reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone <sup>24</sup> but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup> who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

Assembly: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

(ELW Setting 2)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

**GOSPEL**

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

*Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.*

Pastor: The Gospel according to Matthew the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Assembly: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>12</sup> But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

<sup>18</sup> While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” <sup>19</sup> And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup> Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup> for she was saying to herself,

*Jesus not only preaches strict obedience to an intensified law: he also eats with sinners, thus himself breaking the law. So this Sunday Jesus eats with us, who have not always built our house upon him. Our faith can make us well, even if we are bleeding or dying.*

“If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.”<sup>22</sup> Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment.<sup>23</sup> When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion,<sup>24</sup> he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him.<sup>25</sup> But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up.<sup>26</sup> And the report of this spread through all of that district.

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

*Please sit.*

### SERMON

*Please stand as you are able.*

### HYMN OF THE DAY

(Stanzas 1, 3 & 5)

## We Come to You for Healing, Lord

1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of  
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and  
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through  
 4 When nights are long with wake - ful - ness, through  
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in

bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your  
 reached toward those in pain, come, ris - en Christ, a -  
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of  
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of  
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our

Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.  
 mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.  
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.  
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.  
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

*This hymn gives voice to the longing at the heart of today's Gospel reading: the longing to be healed, restored, and made whole. In Matthew 9, Jesus responds to human need not with distance or suspicion, but with touch, presence, and mercy. "We Come to You for Healing, Lord" reminds us that healing is not only physical; it may also be emotional, spiritual, communal, or hidden deep within us. The hymn also connects with Hosea's words, "I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice," as it points us toward the compassionate heart of God, who meets suffering with mercy.*

## APOSTLES' CREED

Assisting Minister: With the whole church let us profess our faith,  
**Assembly:** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.  
 I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our  
 Lord,  
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
 born of the virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried;  
 he descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
 and he will come to judge the living and the  
 dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assisting Minister: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray  
 for the church and the needs of the world.

*We pray for the greater  
 church.*

**Assembly:** God of mercy, you call us to a life filled with acts  
 of mercy. Ground us in following Christ, that we  
 might extend the mercy we receive. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

*We pray for creation.*

Assisting Minister: God of creation, all you have made is yours.  
 Revive lands in need of healing and make us wise  
 stewards of all you have given us to tend. God of  
 grace,  
**Assembly:** **hear our prayer.**

*We pray for justice.*

Assisting Minister: God of the nations, you promise to deliver those  
 who call on you. Bring an end to conflict, bigotry,  
 and injustice in all their forms wherever they are  
 found. God of grace,  
**Assembly:** **hear our prayer.**

*We pray for those in need.*

Assisting Minister: God of comfort, you provide for those in need. Bring an end to addiction. Comfort people as they mourn. Provide tenderly for those in need, including those we name before you now (*the assembly offers names*). God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*We pray for this congregation.*

Assisting Minister: God of blessings, you send the Holy Spirit to provide varieties of gifts in the body of Christ. Accompany those among us who travel this summer, make our gatherings joyous, and grant us a spirit of hospitality and togetherness. God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*We remember the saints.*

Assisting Minister: God of life, we give you thanks for saints whose lives revealed your faithfulness. May remembering their faithfulness strengthen our own. God of grace,  
**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.  
**Assembly: Amen.**

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

### THE PEACE

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

*Please sit.*

### OFFERING

#### MUSICAL OFFERING

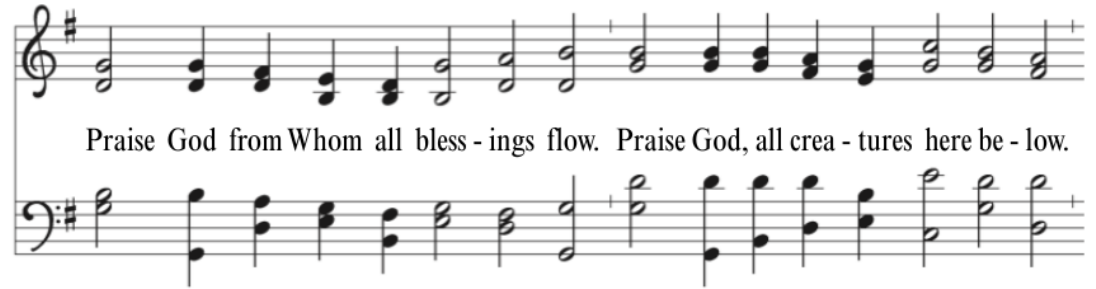
*If We Ever Need the Lord Before* with *Down by the Riverside*

Sanctuary Choir

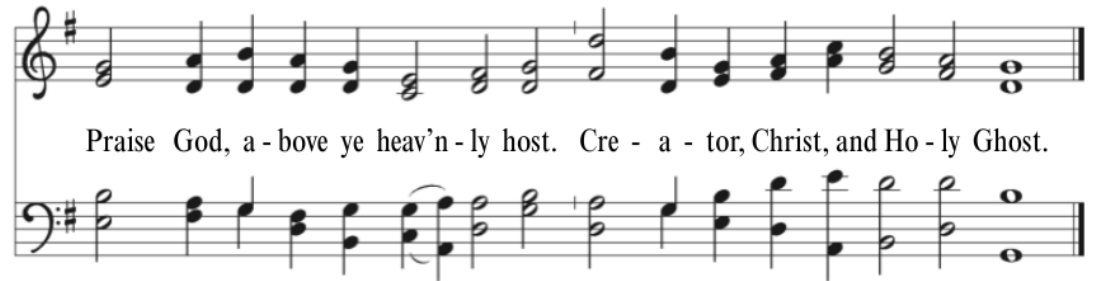
arr. Joseph Martin

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERTORY



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. Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Assisting Minister:** Let us pray. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

**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 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 our duty and delight... and join their  
unending hymn.

**SANCTUS**

(Setting 2)

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. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. 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: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!  
Assembly: **Thanks be to God.**

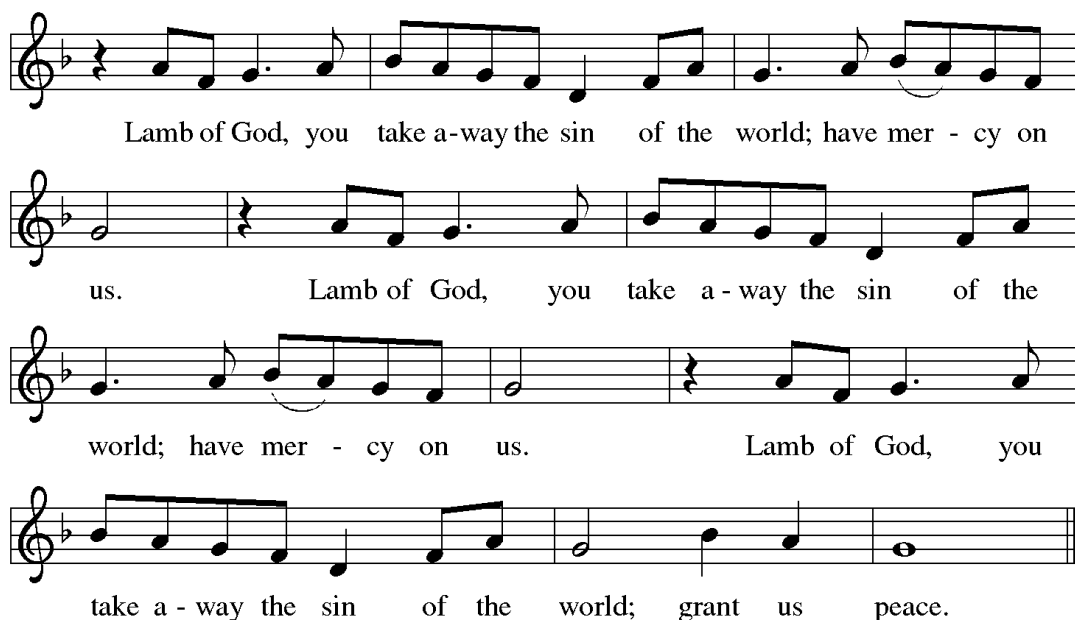
Please sit.

## 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 and vegan. 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

(ELW Setting 2)



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.



*“When We Must Bear Persistent Pain” is especially fitting alongside the story of the woman who had suffered for twelve years before reaching out to touch Jesus’ cloak. This hymn does not offer easy answers or pretend that suffering disappears quickly; instead, it gives honest words to those who live with chronic pain, grief, illness, or unanswered prayer. In Romans, Paul speaks of Abraham’s faith as hope held even when circumstances seemed impossible. This hymn invites us into that same kind of faithful endurance, trusting that Christ is present with us even when healing comes slowly, differently, or not yet in the way we hoped.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

### When We Must Bear Persistent Pain

1 When we must bear per - sis - tent pain and suf - fer  
 2 Sup - port us as we learn new ways to care for  
 3 We thank you for the bet - ter days when we may  
 4 In ease or pain, in life and death, to you our

with no cure in sight, come, Ho - ly Pres - ence,  
 bod - ies new - ly frail. Help us en - dure, and  
 smile to greet the sun, to do your work with  
 frag - ile lives be - long, and so we trust you

breathe your peace with gifts of warmth and heal - ing light.  
 live and love. Hear our com - plaint when pa - tience fails.  
 clear - ing mind, and bless your name when day is done.  
 in all things. You are our hope, our health, our song.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: PROSPECT, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. David N. Johnson, 1922–1987

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*“Lord Jesus Christ, Lover of All” centers us in the wide mercy of Christ, who welcomes sinners, outsiders, and all who are in need of grace. In today’s Gospel, Jesus eats with tax collectors and sinners and declares, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.” This hymn beautifully reflects that same expansive love: a love that does not wait for us to become worthy, but comes to us first. At the table of communion, we receive the mercy Hosea proclaims and the grace Paul describes, a promise grounded not in our achievement, but in God’s faithful love.*

## Lord Jesus Christ, Lover of All

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Lord Je - sus Christ, Lord Je - sus, lov - er of all, of all, trail". The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "wide the hem of your gar - ment, bring heal - ing, bring peace." The piano accompaniment features chords and some melodic lines, with a final measure containing a fermata over an 8-measure rest.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: LOVER OF ALL, John L. Bell

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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. Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

**Assembly:** Amen.

## SENDING OF COMMUNION

**Pastor:** Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our siblings in their homes and in hospitals. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Assembly:** Amen.

**WE ARE SENT FORTH TO SERVE**

*“I’m So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me” sends us out with joy after hearing stories of Christ’s healing and life-giving power. The spiritual’s simple, repeated refrain becomes a testimony of gratitude: Jesus lifts the sick, the sinful, the weary, the grieving, and all who reach out in faith. After the more tender and reflective hymns of the day, this sending hymn gives us a chance to respond with praise. Having been met by mercy, healed by grace, and fed at Christ’s table, we go out rejoicing in the One who lifts us into new life.*

## SENDING HYMN

## I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



1 I’m so glad I’m so glad  
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me. Sa - tan had me bound,  
3 When I was in trou - ble, When I was in trou - ble,



Je - sus lift - ed me. I’m so glad  
Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me,  
When I was in trou - ble,



sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless,  
heal, and hold you today and always.

**Assembly: Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

Assisting Minister: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**Assembly: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*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**

**Seattle, chief of the Duwamish Confederacy, died 1866**

**Sunday, June 7, 2026**

Noah Seattle led a coalition of tribes, and convinced them to live peacefully with encroaching white settlers. When he became a Roman Catholic, he held morning and evening prayer with his tribe. The city of Seattle is named for him.

**Columba, died 597; Aidan, died 651; Bede, died 735; renewers of the church**

**Tuesday, June 9, 2026**

These three monks from the British Isles helped keep the light of learning alive during the Middle Ages. Columba founded three monasteries off the coast of Scotland. Aidan was a pastor who led people to works of charity. The Venerable Bede was a Bible translator, historian, and hymnwriter.

**Barnabas, Apostle**

**Thursday, June 11, 2026**

Barnabas was not numbered among the twelve apostles, but the book of Acts gives him that title. After Paul was converted to Christianity, Barnabas welcomed him to Jerusalem, and later the two traveled together on missionary journeys.

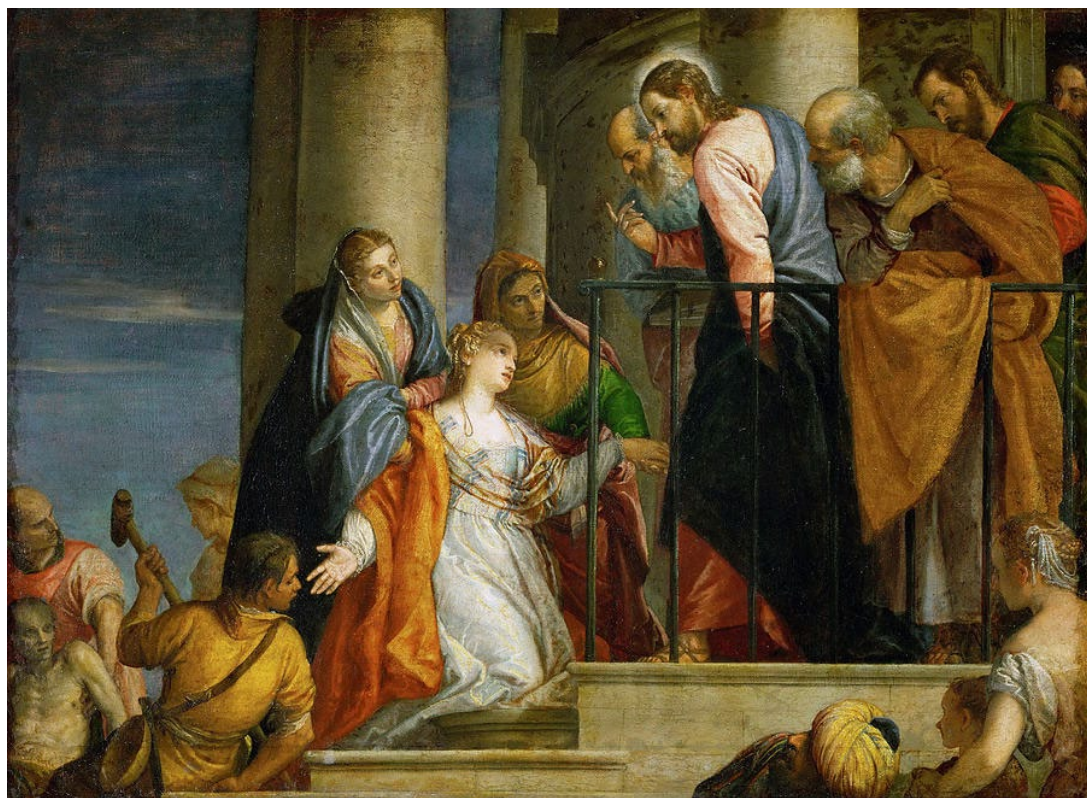
## FROM THE CLOUD OF WITNESSES

*[Shawn Madigan, CSJ,  
in Homilies for the  
Christian People, 112-  
113.]*

Today the readings point to the mystery of holiness as a mystery of life-giving and love-sharing power. Such power begins and ends with life and love shared. This mystery is one the disciples of Christ are invited into, for he gives over his power to heal, to enlighten, and to love. That ideal of Christ's power, the power to care, to share, and to heal, has not been the power that humans have used through history. Power over others rather than power for others has been more typical, from personal relationships to those of more global proportions. Today we are called to receive again the power that is given to all disciples. This day we are called to be co-creators with Christ of a world where Christ's power continues to heal, to affirm, to encourage, to empower others. In giving his gift of reconciliation, we receive more of that gift, for Christ's table assures those who believe that they shall share his power to proclaim and manifest God's kingdom.

—*Shawn Madigan, CSJ*

*In Paolo Veronese's  
sixteenth-century  
painting of the healing  
of the bleeding woman,  
the artist has shown  
the woman's hand  
extended, reaching out  
to touch Jesus' cloak..*



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