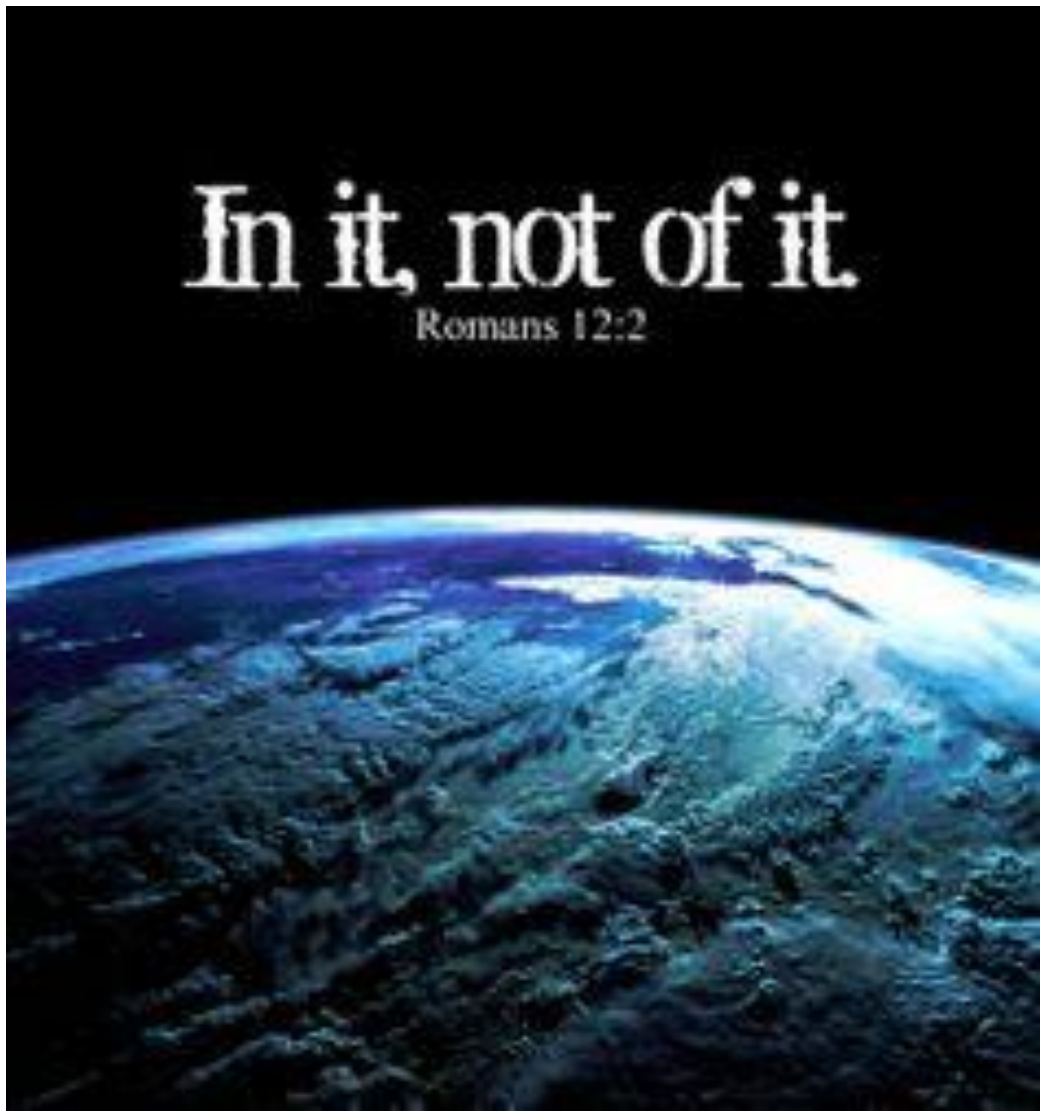




# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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**Sunday, May 16, 2021**  
**Celebration Of Word and Sacrament Service**

***Due to Covid 19 Restrictions***

***Worship Service will be conducted a little differently than our typical worship service.***

***We welcome all of our visitors and sincerely hope that you will join us again soon.***

**Those Serving Today**

**Pastor: *William Smith***

**Deacon: *Bill Rice***

**Organist: *Larry Gerling***

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**Ushers: *Janice Ulrich*  
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**Altar Guild: *Ruth Hawkins*  
*Dawn Lindsey***

**Altar Flowers**

**Presented to the Glory of God**

Sunday, May 16, 2021

# “THE WORD OF LIFE”

Seventh Sunday of Easter (Exaudi)  
Lutheran Service Book (LSB) Divine Service Setting Two

**PRELUDE**  Prelude and Fugue in F Major Johann Krebs

## WELCOME

**P:** O Lord, open my lips.

**C:** And my mouth shall declare your praise!

## OPENING HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

LSB-803 (vs 1-3)

Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Praising Thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird, and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest, Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest! Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Fountainhead of love divine: Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit! Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

*Please Stand*

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P:** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen

**P:** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C:** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness

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

**P:** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C:** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

**C: Amen**

## **KYRIE**

**P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.**

C: Lord, have mercy.

**P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.**

C: Lord, have mercy.

**P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.**

C: Lord, have mercy.

**P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.**

C: Lord, have mercy.

**P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.**

C: Amen.

## **HYMN OF PRAISE “This Is The Feast”**

**L: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.

## **SALUTATION & COLLECT**

**P: The Lord be with you.**

C: And also with you.

**P: Let us pray...O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

C: Amen.

### ***Please Be Seated***

## **FIRST READING**

## **ACTS 1:12-26**

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those

who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) “For it is written in the Book of Psalms, ““May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it”; and ““Let another take his office.” So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 1

<sup>1</sup> **Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the / wicked**, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of / scoffers;

<sup>2</sup> **but his delight is in the law / of the LORD**, and on his law he meditates / day and night.

<sup>3</sup> **He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not / wither.** In all that he does, he / prospers.

<sup>4</sup> **The wicked / are not so**, but are like chaff that the wind / drives away.

<sup>5</sup> **Therefore the wicked will not stand in the / judgment**, nor sinners in the congregation of the / righteous;

<sup>6</sup> **for the LORD knows the way of the / righteous**, but the way of the wicked will / perish.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit; as it was in the be- / ginning, is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

## NEW TESTAMENT

### 1 JOHN 5:9-15

If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

*Please Stand*

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

**P: The Holy Gospel according to...JOHN 17:11b-19**

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

**P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.**

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please Be Seated*

## **SERMON HYMN**

**“The God of Abraham Praise”**

**LSB-798** (vs 1,2,9)

The God of Abr’ham praise, Who reigns enthroned above; Ancient of everlasting days And God of love. Jehovah, great I AM! By earth and heav’n confessed; I bow and bless the sacred name Forever blest.

The God of Abr’ham praise, At whose supreme command From earth I rise and seek the joys At His right hand. I all on earth forsake, Its wisdom, fame, and pow’r, And Him my only portion make, My shield and tow’r.

The whole triumphant host Give thanks to God on high. “Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!” They ever cry. Hail, Abr’ham’s God and mine! I join the heav’nly lays: All might and majesty are Thine And endless praise!

## **SERMON**

**“NOT OF THIS WORLD”**

*Please Stand*

## **PROCLAMATION OF FAITH – 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.

*Please Be Seated*

## **GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offerings will be received in the Offering Plate as you exit the Sanctuary.

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH & GOD'S PEOPLE**

L: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer *(said after each group of prayers)*

**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.

## **SACRAMENTAL BLESSINGS** (Baptismal and Eucharistic Communion)

*In Holy Communion the bread and the wine are the real body and blood of Christ, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. Baptized Christians, who believe Christ is present in the bread and the wine, who see their need for forgiveness, and who want to conform their life to Jesus' example may receive Holy Communion. You may receive the wine from the individual cup.*

*Those who do not wish to commune are also invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Discreetly fold your arms across your chest to signal the clergy that you do not wish to commune, but wish to receive a blessing.*

*Please Stand*

## **PREFACE**

**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 good, 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 singing:**

## **SANCTUS**                      **“Holy, Holy, Holy”**

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**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.”**

## **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

**P:** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C:** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P:** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.

## **PAX DOMINI ~ The Peace of the Lord**

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

**C:** And also with you. Amen.

## **AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God"**

**C:** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

### **"Chief of Sinners Though I Be"**

**LSB-611 (vs 1-5)**

Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me, Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die. As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love, Higher than the heav'ns above, Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity! Love that found me—wondrous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.

Only Jesus can impart Balm to heal the wounded heart, Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n, Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to walk with God In the way that Enoch trod.

Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me; All my wants to Him are known, All my sorrows are His own. He sustains the hidden life Safe with Him from earthly strife.

O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your Word! When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way; Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.

## **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord"**

**C:** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.



## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P:** 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.

## BENEDICTION

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C:** Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

**“Praise The Almighty”**

**LSB-797 (vs 1,3,5)**

Praise the Almighty, my soul, adore Him! Yes, I will laud Him until death; With songs and anthems I come before Him As long as He allows me breath. From Him my life and all things came; Bless, O my soul, His holy name. Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed, oh, blessed are they forever Whose help is from the Lord Most High, Whom from salvation can nothing sever, And who in hope to Christ draw nigh. To all who trust in Him our Lord Will aid and counsel now afford. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise, all you people, the name so holy Of Him who does such wondrous things! All that has being, to praise Him solely, With happy heart its amen sings. Children of God, with angel host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia, alleluia!

**POSTLUDE**  **Praise the Almighty Jan Bender**

**Next Week’s Sermon title: “The Holy Spirit”**

**Those Serving Next Sunday:**

**Ushers: Kelley Sedgwick and Irene Richardson**

**Altar Guild: Sheralynn Follin and Pam Shipler**

**Announcements:**

- Pentecost is next Sunday. Wear red to church to celebrate!
- May 30<sup>th</sup> will be a contemporary service with a patriotic theme to celebrate Memorial Day and Armed Forces Day. A great service to invite a friend!

**God’s mission for Holy Cross Lutheran Church is:  
“SHARING GOD’S LOVE THROUGH SERVICE”**

## Holy Cross Calendar of Happenings – May/June 2021

Week of May 16	Week of May 30
<p><b>Sunday May 16</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday May 18</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday May 21</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</li> </ul>	<p><b>Sunday May 30</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Monday May 31</b>      <i>Memorial Day!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Church office is closed</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday June 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday June 4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</li> </ul>
Week of May 23	Week of June 6
<p><b>Sunday May 23</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday May 25</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday May 28</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</li> </ul>	<p><b>Sunday June 6</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday June 8</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday June 11</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</li> </ul>

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