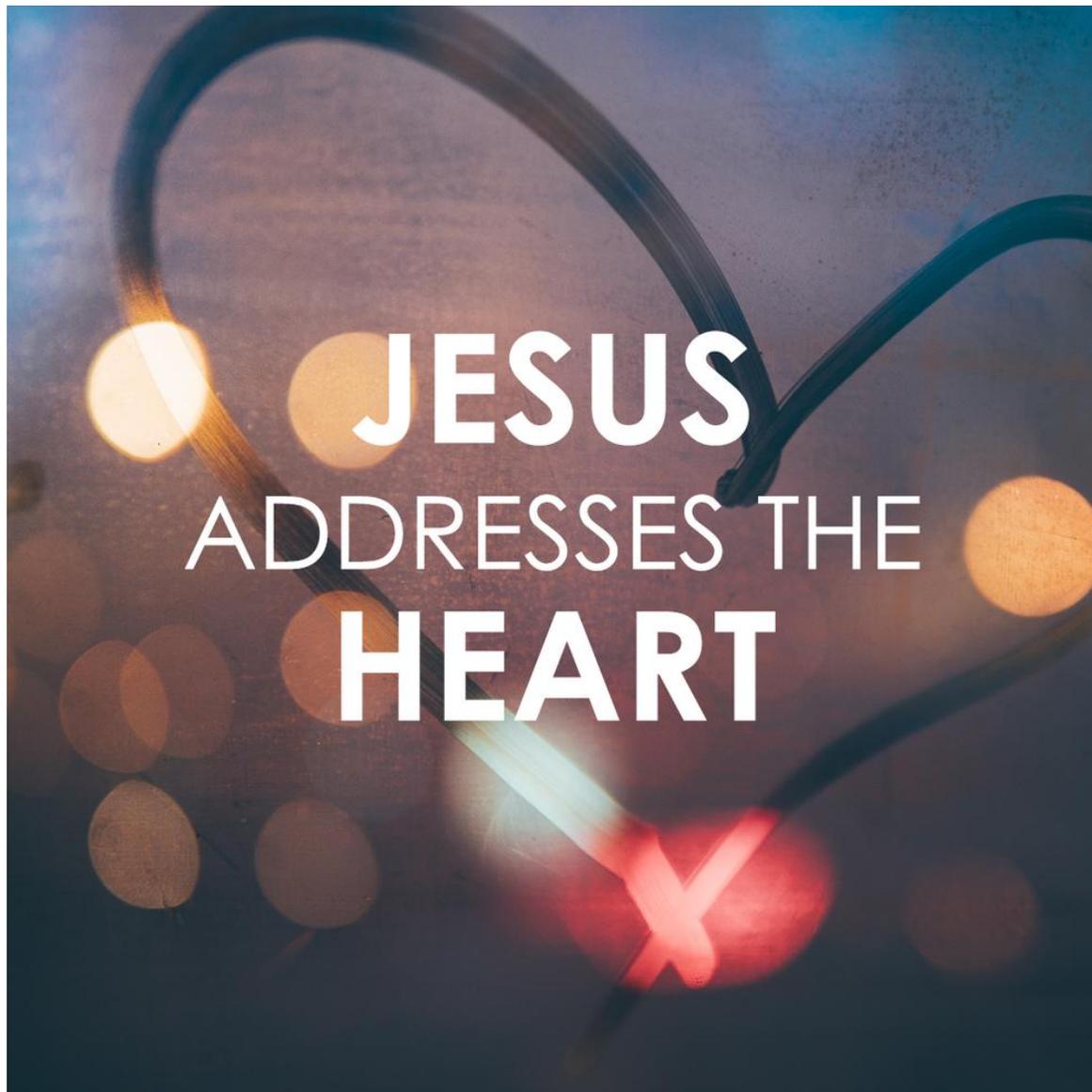




# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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**August 29, 2021  
Celebration Of Word and Sacrament  
Contemporary 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  
Music: Alison Luedecke  
Cantor: Dave Lindsey  
Screens: Mike Sedgwick  
Filming: Gus Lundquist  
Usher: Michael Lindsey

**Altar Flowers  
presented to the Glory of God  
by the Lindsey's in honor of Michael Lindsey's birthday!**

Sunday, August 29, 2021

## “WHERE FAITH LEADS US”

**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Divine Service – Alternative Form**

**PRAYER** ~ 8:30am in Sanctuary

**PRAISE & WORSHIP** ~ 8:45am in Sanctuary

**WELCOME!**

All: “Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;  
Give thanks to Him and praise His name!” Psalm 100:4

**OPENING SONG**

**“Great Is The Lord” By Michael W. Smith and Deborah D. Smith**

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, By His power we trust in His love.  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory. Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.  
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice, Now lift up your voice:  
Great is the Lord!  
Great is the Lord!

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, By His power we trust in His love.  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great are You, Lord and worthy of glory. Great are You, Lord and worthy of praise.  
Great are You, Lord, I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:  
Great are You, Lord!  
Great are You, Lord!

**BLESSING OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and the + Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

All: Amen!

*Pastor: God has called us together to receive His blessings of Word and Sacrament.  
Let us unite together in confession.*

All: Heavenly Father we confess that we are deceived when we fail to recognize and acknowledge that we are sinners and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words and actions.

*Pastor: God declares in His Word that He is faithful and true to forgive us when we come to Him and ask for forgiveness of our sins, of commission and omission.*

*Pastor: Let us take a moment in silent reflection on God's Word and in our hearts.*

All: Dear Father in Heaven, we have sinned against You and others through our own prideful ways. We have fallen short of loving You with our whole heart; we have not loved others as we are called to do. We have loved our ways before Your ways, O Lord. In Jesus' name, and through His righteousness, be merciful to us, and forgive us our sins. Restore us, Father, to walk in Your ways, and to live in Your Glorious Will for our lives from this day forward. Amen!

*Pastor: It is my joy to assure you that, by your confession and through Jesus' victory over sin on your behalf – you are FORGIVEN, all your sins, in the name of the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY SPIRIT.*

All: Amen!

### **GOD OF MERCY (KYRIE) To the tune of "Holy God" LSB-940**

God of mercy you make us whole, Christ of mercy you fill our soul  
Spirit of mercy you lead us in love, Three-In-One abiding above  
Descend on us now, sweet gentle Dove! Amen and Amen! God of infinite love!

*Pastor: MARANATHA! The Lord is coming!*

All: Amen! Come Lord Jesus!

*Pastor: The Lord be with you.*

All: And also with you.

### **SONG OF PREPARATION "Thy Word"**

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path  
I will not forget, your love for me and yet, My heart forever is wandering  
Jesus be my guide And hold me to your side And I will love you to the end  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

### **OLD TESTAMENT:**

### **DEUTERONOMY 4:1-2, 6-9**

"And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you.

Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this law that I set before you today? "Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children

L: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

## PSALM 119:129-136

- <sup>129</sup> **Your testimonies are / wonderful**; therefore my soul / keeps them.  
<sup>130</sup> **The unfolding of your / words gives light**; it imparts understanding to the / simple.  
<sup>131</sup> **I open my / mouth and pant**, because I long for your com- / mandments.  
<sup>132</sup> **Turn to me and be gra- / cious to me**, as is your way with those who / love your name.  
<sup>133</sup> **Keep steady my steps according to your / promise**, and let no iniquity get dominion / over me.  
<sup>134</sup> **Redeem me from man's op- / pression**, that I may keep your / precepts.  
<sup>135</sup> **Make your face shine upon your / servant**, and teach me your / statutes.  
<sup>136</sup> **My eyes shed / streams of tears**, because people do not / keep your law.

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

## EPHESIANS 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

***Please Stand***

## GOSPEL:

***P: The Holy Gospel according to... Mark 7:14-23***

All: Glory to You, O Lord

And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him." And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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

All: Praise to You, O Christ

***Please Be Seated***

## **SERMON MUSIC**

### **“Create In Me” by Mary Rice Hopkins**

Create in me a clean heart, Oh God,  
That I might serve You;  
Create in me a clean heart, Oh God,  
That I might be renewed.

So fill me and heal me,  
And bring me back to You.  
Create in me a clean heart, Oh God,  
That I might serve You.

## **SERMON “WHERE FAITH LEADS US”**

*Please Stand*

### **PROCLAMATION OF FAITH – Apostles’ Creed**

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into Hell The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

*Please Be Seated*

### **GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

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

## **CHURCH AT PRAYER**

L: Lord in Your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

## **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.

## **BLESSING OF SENDING**

*Pastor: Go now and tell what God has done. May He bless you and keep you on your way and may His peace that passes all understanding attend your every step.*

All: Amen!

## **CLOSING SONGS**

### **“How Majestic Is Your Name” by Michael W Smith**

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

O Lord we praise Your name.

O Lord we magnify Your name,

Prince of Peace, Mighty God, O Lord God Almighty

## **Birthdays this week: Eileen Lundquist (Sept 4)**

### **Those Serving Next Sunday:**

**Usher: Susan Hopkins and Michael Lindsey**

**Altar Guild: Irene Richardson and Kelley Sedgwick**

### **Announcements:**

**September 5th – First Sunday’s Meeting right after service**

**September 19th – Joint Worship Service at Peace Lutheran (10am)  
and meeting with Rev. Rivkin right after service**