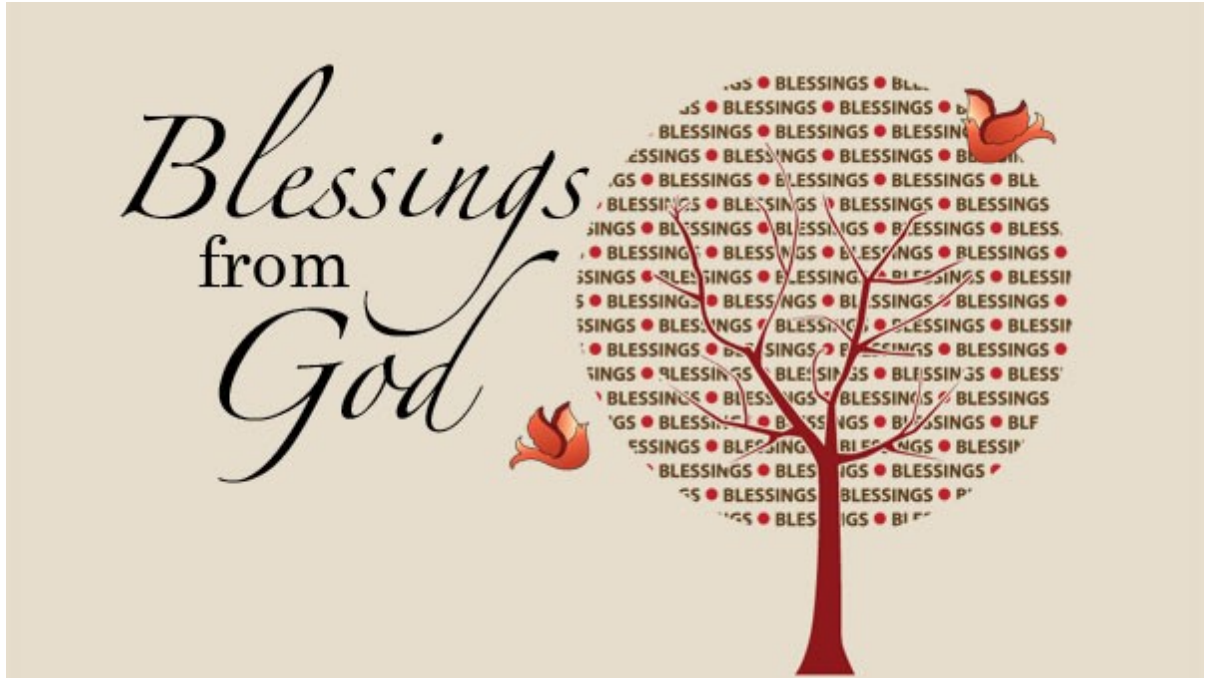




# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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**Sunday, November 8, 2020**  
**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***

**Screen Technician: *Mike Sedgwick***

**Filming: *Gus Lundquist***

**Ushers: *Irene Richardson*  
*Bonnie Metcalf***

**Altar Guild: *Susan Hopkins*  
*Dawn Lindsey***

**Altar Flowers**

**Presented to the glory of God**

Sunday, November 8, 2020

# “WATCH AND PRAY”

Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity  
Lutheran Service Book (LSB) Divine Service Setting Two

PRELUDE  BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR by Garth Edmundson

## WELCOME

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

C: And my mouth shall declare your praise!

## OPENING HYMN

“Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear” LSB-908

Lord, open now my heart to hear, And through Your Word to me draw near; Let me Your Word e'er pure retain; Let me Your child and heir remain.

Your Word inspires my heart within; Your Word grants healing from my sin; Your Word has pow'r to guide and bless; Your Word brings peace and happiness

To God the Father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, Three in One, Shall glory, praise, and honor be Now and throughout eternity.

*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***

## **OLD TESTAMENT**

### **AMOS 5:18-24**

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? “I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 70

<sup>1</sup>**Make haste, O God, to de-/ liver me!** O LORD, make haste to / help me!

<sup>2</sup>**Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek / my life!** Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor who de- /sire my hurt!

<sup>3</sup>**Let them turn back because / of their shame** who say, "A- / ha, Aha!"

<sup>4</sup>**May all who seek you rejoice and be / glad in you!** May those who love your salvation say evermore, / "God is great!"

<sup>5</sup>**But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, / O God!** You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do / not delay!

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 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

<sup>13</sup> But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup> For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord,<sup>[a]</sup> that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup> Therefore encourage one another with these words.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***Please Stand***

## ALLELUIA

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

## HOLY GOSPEL

**P: The Holy Gospel according to...MATTHEW 25:1-13**

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps<sup>[a]</sup> and went to meet the bridegroom.<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>2</sup> Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup> For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, <sup>4</sup> but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup> As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup> But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' <sup>7</sup> Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup> And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' <sup>9</sup> But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' <sup>10</sup> And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup> Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' <sup>12</sup> But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' <sup>13</sup> Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

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

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please Be Seated*

## **SERMON HYMN**

### **“Beautiful Savior”                      LSB-537**

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sor-r'wing spirit sing.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, raise adoration Now and forever more be Thine!

## **SERMON                                      “WATCH AND PRAY”**

*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)

*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.*

**Congregation shall partake of the body and the blood together after “The Lamb of God”**

***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.

### ***Partake of Holy Communion***

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

**“Praise God, From Whom All Blessing Flow”**

**LSB-805**

Praise God, from who all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. (repeat)

## **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**

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 wonderous 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, MY SOUL, ADORE HIM**  
by Jan Bender

**Sermon Title for Next Week: “INVESTING”**

**Reminder Those Serving Next Sunday:**

**Ushers: Janice Ulrich and Dave Peterson**

**Altar Guild: Ruth Hawkins and Heidi Nelson**

**Announcements**

- Join us today after service for a study on Homiletics. Homiletics is for everyone who wants to study & understand God's word. You don't have to be a Bible scholar, pastor or leader. It is a tool to help you analyze a passage of scripture to more fully understand what God is saying to His people (you!). Homiletics is also an effective tool for helping those who teach, to create a message that relates God's word to an audience.

**Birthdays this week:**

**David Rasmussen – November 9**

**Please feel free to pick up water and a snack on your way out. Then spend some time fellowshiping with social distancing on the patio or in the parking lot.**

**God's mission for Holy Cross Lutheran Church is:**

**“SHARING GOD'S LOVE THROUGH SERVICE”**

## Holy Cross Calendar of Happenings – November/December 2020

Week of November 8	Week of November 29
<p><b>Sunday November 8</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> <li>• Homiletics Class – 10:15am</li> </ul> <p><b>Monday November 9</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board Meeting – 4:00pm Fellowship Room with Social Distancing</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday November 10</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Ministry Training (zoom) 10:30 – 12:30pm</li> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday November 13</b> Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</p>	<p><b>Sunday November 29</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday December 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Ministry Training (zoom) 10:30 – 12:30pm</li> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday December 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advent Service – 7:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday December 4</b> Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</p>
Week of November 15	Week of December 6
<p><b>Sunday November 15</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> <li>• Homiletics Class – 10:15am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday November 17</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Ministry Training (zoom) 10:30 – 12:30pm</li> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday November 20</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</li> </ul>	<p><b>Sunday December 6</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday December 8</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Ministry Training (zoom) 10:30 – 12:30pm</li> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday December 9</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advent Service – 7:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday December 11</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</li> </ul>
Week of November 22	Week of December 13
<p><b>Sunday November 22</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contemporary Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday November 23</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Ministry Training (zoom) 10:30 – 12:30pm</li> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Thursday November 25</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanksgiving Eve Service - 7:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday November 27</b> Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</p>	<p><b>Sunday December 13</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service – 9:00am</li> </ul> <p><b>Tuesday December 15</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephen Ministry Training (zoom) 10:30 – 12:30pm</li> <li>• Journey 360 Filming – 4:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Wednesday December 16</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advent Service – 7:00pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Friday December 18</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Bible Study - 10:00am</li> </ul>

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