

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
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HOLY CROSS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Welcome in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ

Don't Understand the Worship Service? If it is your first time, some things may seem foreign. Worship does not come naturally; we must be trained to worship God. The first hour on a new job you cannot understand everything about the job. The first hour in a foreign country you do not know its language or its customs. The liturgy is the special activity of the baptized people of God. It has its own customs like we do in our families. Every Sunday we learn the language of worship - or more accurately, the Divine Service -- and what it means to have faith and know God. The liturgy of the service is the place where God reveals Himself to us and gives us His gifts and blessings. It is the place where we learn who God is and how to respond to His gifts with faith and knowledge of Him. Its words come from the Scripture (most of it quoted word for word) and it has been used in the Church for nearly two-thousand years. So don't worry if it all seems strange. You will learn it by practicing -- by being here in the Lord's house every week, hearing His word and coming to His holy table.

Children are welcome in our services! Holy Cross is a church family and we believe that like any family we learn by doing things together. We encourage parents to guide their children throughout the service, helping them to learn the language of the faith through the liturgy.

Got a request for prayer? Desire pastoral counsel? Call the church office at 916-624-8185 or email Pastor@holycrossrocklin.org with any requests or to speak with the Pastor, Deaconess, or one of the elders. We are here to serve you because Christ is here to serve all of us. That's how it works.

The Son of God Has Redeemed Us for Himself with His Holy and Precious Blood

The Lord our God has chosen us to be *"his treasured possession,"* not because of any strength in us, but solely *"because the LORD loves"* us (Deut. 7:6–8). He is faithful, and He *"keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments"* (Deut. 7:9). He has searched for us and found us in love, and He has bestowed on us *"great value"* by the great price that He has paid on the cross (Matt. 13:45–46). In His joy, He has redeemed us by His cross and gathered us into His Kingdom by the Gospel. Now we are *"hidden in a field,"* covered by the cross and subject to the persecution of the world (Matt. 13:44), not for destruction, but *"to be conformed to the image of his Son"* (Rom. 8:29). Since we *"are called according to his purpose"* (Rom. 8:28), and because Christ Jesus died, rose again and lives to intercede for us *"at the right hand of God"* (Rom. 8:34), there is nothing in all creation that can separate us from *"the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Rom. 8:39).

Divine Service Setting Four

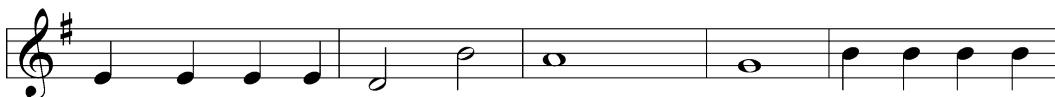
Prelude

Hymn of Invocation

907 God Himself Is Present



1 God Him - self is pres - ent: Let us now a - dore Him
 2 God Him - self is pres - ent: Hear the harps re - sound - ing;
 3 Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Pu - ri - fy my spir - it,



And with awe ap - pear be - fore Him. God is in His
 See the hosts the throne sur - round - ing. "Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 Trust - ing on - ly in Your mer - it. Like the ho - ly



tem - ple; All with - in keep si - lence; Hum - bly kneel in
 ho - ly!" Hear the hymn as - cend - ing, Songs of saints and
 an - gels, Wor - ship - ing be - fore You, May I cease - less -



deep - est rev - 'rence. He a - lone On His throne
 an - gels blend - ing. Bow Your ear To us here:
 ly a - dore You. Let Your will Ev - er still



Is our God and Sav - ior; Praise His name for - ev - er!
 Hear, O Christ, the prais - es That Your Church now rais - es.
 Rule Your Church ter - res - trial As the hosts ce - les - tial.

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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

LSB 203

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

- P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel/Stand

Confession and Absolution

Confession of Sins

LSB 203

- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son the 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.**

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 105:2–6; antiphon: v. 1



The Pastor sings the *italic*. The congregation sings the **bold**.

*Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;**
make known his deeds among the | peoples!

Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him;*
tell of all his | wondrous works!

*Glory in his | holy name;**
let the hearts of those who seek the | LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD | and his strength;*
seek his presence con- | tinually!

*Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,**
his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered,

O offspring of Abraham, his | servant,*
children of Jacob, his | chosen ones!

Glorify 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.

*Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;**
make known his deeds among the | peoples!

Kyrie

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*Sit***Old Testament Reading***Deuteronomy 7:6–9*

⁶“You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle*Romans 8:28–39*

²⁸We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else

in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia

LSB 205



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verse

LSB 205



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia

LSB 205



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁴[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹"Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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.**

Sit

**Hymn of the Day
 713 From God Can Nothing Move Me**



1 From God can noth - ing move me; He will not step a - side
 2 When those whom I re - gard - ed As trust - wor - thy and sure
 3 The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?
 4 Each day at His good plea - sure God's gra - cious will is done.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.
 Have long from me de - part - ed, God's grace shall still en - dure.
 In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.
 He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,
 He res - cues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.
 So let me then be still: My bod - y, soul, and spir - it
 He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
 I leave death's fear be - hind me; His peace I have with - in.
 His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.
 Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!

- 5 Praise God with acclamation
 And in His gifts rejoice.
 Each day finds its vocation
 Responding to His voice.
 Soon years on earth are past;
 But time we spend expressing
 The love of God brings blessing
 That will forever last!
- 6 Yet even though I suffer
 The world's unpleasantness,
 And though the days grow rougher
 And bring me great distress,
 That day of bliss divine,
 Which knows no end or measure,
 And Christ, who is my pleasure,
 Forever shall be mine.
- △ 7 For thus the Father willed it,
 Who fashioned us from clay;
 And His own Son fulfilled it
 And brought eternal day.
 The Spirit now has come,
 To us true faith has given;
 He leads us home to heaven.
 O praise the Three in One!

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Sermon

Reverend Charles Froh

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

Sit

Offering is either received electronically or by mail.

Stand

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.**

Stand

Collect of the Week

A Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love,
that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have
commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus

LSB 212

- A** Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

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.**

Hymn to Depart

651 I Love Your Kingdom, Lord



- 1 I love Your king - dom, Lord, The place of Your a - bode,
 2 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize its heav'n - ly ways,
 3 I love Your Church, O God, Your saints in ev - 'ry land,
 4 For them my tears shall fall; For them my prayers as - cend;
 5 Sure as Your truth shall last, To Zi - on shall be giv'n



- The Church our blest Re - deem - er saved With His own pre - cious blood.
 Its sweet com - mu - nion, sol - emn vows, Its hymns of love and praise.
 Dear as the ap - ple of Your eye And grav - en on Your hand.
 For them my cares and toils be giv'n Till toils and cares shall end.
 The bright - est glo - ries earth can yield And bright - er bliss of heav'n.

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Those Suffering from Illness or Other Trials:



-**Wayne Reichley** -**Renee O'Brien** (niece of Bruce Grinager) -**Robert and Nate Schulz and Lanae Giese** (siblings of Elaine Olson) -**Robbie Cockrell** (family friend of Bill and Diane Davis) -**Tom Rogers** -**Carole Fabian** -**Pammie Williams** -**Laurie Luckmeyer** -**Warren and Steve Roaf** (brothers of Dee Parker) -**Pat Hull** -**Dick Thompson** -**Kathy Poshepny** -**Russ Davis** -**Tracy Leon** -**Norma Hashimoto** -**Demetrius Kangas** (son of Gina Cooper) -**Jordan Ecker** (niece of Mike Prowatzke) -**Jeff Carsley** -**Bruce Farrell** (friend of Heather Kirkpatrick)

Upcoming Surgery

Carole Fabian will be having surgery on Wednesday, July 29, 2020

New Mother:

Katie and Paul Cross are blessed by the birth of their son, Finn Wulf Cross, born Tuesday, July 14, 2020, weighing 8 lbs. 1 oz, 20 ½ inches.

Serving in Our Military:

Nicolas, Brandon, & Carly (grandchildren of Ada Towers)
Jack Carsley and Ted Carsley (grandsons of Georgiann Carsley)
Nathan Dove Samuel David Hull Kara Lunsford
Josh Roaf (nephew of Dee Parker)
Jacob Apodaca (son of Tom & Linda Apodaca and grandson of Lee & Lois Weise)

Our Homebound Members:

Gerry Bauer Rhea Landes Don & Maribeth Nardinelli Wanda Wagner
Mavis Thurber Betty Ruecker Marlene Silburn Pat Short

Holy Cross Chronicles July 26, 2020

July 19, 2020 - Mailed in offering \$1,235+ electronic giving \$6,922.10=

TOTAL = \$8,157.10

Sunday 7/26

-Divine Worship via Live Stream @ 8:00 AM

Pastor Peperkorn, Celebrant and Pastor Charles Froh, Preaching

-Adult Bible Study with Pastor Peperkorn @ 9:30 AM via ZOOM

Monday 7/27

-Women's Bible Study - No Class

Tuesday 7/28

-LifeLight Bible Study - No Class

Wednesday 7/29

-Women's Bible Study - No Class

-Lincoln Hills Bible Study - No Class

Thursday 7/30

-Doulos Men's Bible Study - No Class. Study will resume in September.



7/26 Reney Houseworth 7/28 Jerry Matranga

7/29 Jerry Fallon 8/1 Kathy Millikan



7/31 Stacey and Nikki Wallace; Don and Marianna North

8/1 Jim and Babs Roeder

**Please note Deaconess Pamela will be out of town
beginning July 20th and returning early August .**



Katie and Paul Cross wish to thank their Holy Cross Family for your prayers, all the baby gifts and well wishes on the birth of their son Finn.

Volunteer Needed: The Academy is looking for a volunteer to assist in temperature and wellness checks with the children attending school. The hours are 7:45 AM to 9:15 AM. Please call Ms. Kim if you are interested or have any questions at 916-624-2123.

**Serving in Worship
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Sunday July 26, 2020

**Celebrant
Preaching
Organist
Counter**

Pastor Todd Peperkorn
Reverend Charles Froh
Allison Yee
Walt Wismar

Today's Hymns
907, 713, 651

Readings for Sunday, August 2, 2020
Isaiah 55:1-5 Romans 9: 1-5 Matthew 14:13-21


Deo Gratias

THANKS BE TO GOD