

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost October 19-20, 2024

As We Gather

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOLY CROSS is celebrated in accordance with the Lutheran confession that Christ's body and blood are truly given to us with the bread and wine to give forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation to repentant, reconciled believers in Christ. Missouri-Synod Lutherans united with us in that confession are invited to receive the Sacrament with us. Others who desire to commune should first speak with a Pastor or an Elder.

- For those who may require it: Holy Cross offers an alcohol-removed red wine (containing less than 0.5% alcohol) located in the center of each Communion tray.
- Gluten-free wafers are available upon request to a Pastor or Elder before the service.
- Communion in the pew is available: let an usher or Elder know before the service.
- Individual Communion cups: Please do not stack the plastic cups in the baskets after use at communion. Stacked cups stick together and hinder the rinsing process. Thanks for understanding!

ATTENDANCE PADS: Take a moment to sign the red fellowship pad located by the center aisle of each pew. Provide contact information if you are interested in membership or if you would like to be contacted by the church. After signing, please pass it to your neighbor and then return it to its spot by the aisle.

LIVE-STREAMING of 8 AM SERVICE WEEKLY: Holy Cross live streams the 8 AM service each Sunday on a link at our website (<u>hcross.com</u>). We provide this service for our members who cannot attend worship. The video perspective from the choir loft looks toward the altar and shows all aspects of the service from the sixth row of pews forward. This includes baptisms, children's talks, and communion.

Prayers for Worship

On entering a church

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

Before worship

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

Prelude: Amazing Grace

Lindsay Lafford

+ Confession and Absolution +

Opening Hymn: "O Day of Rest and Gladness" LSB 906

Please Stand

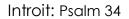
The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **G** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

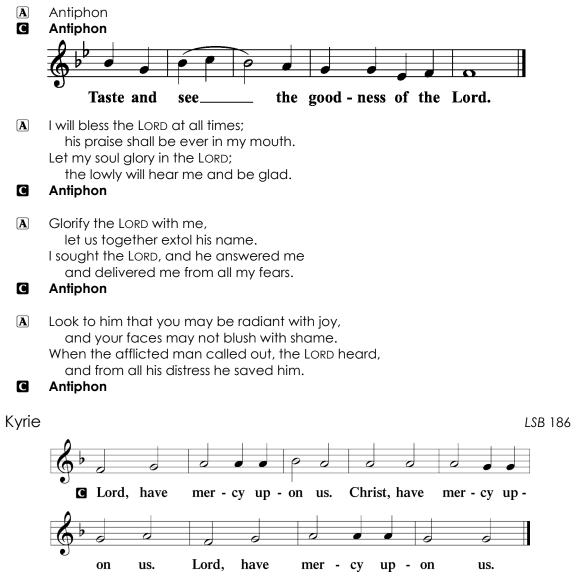
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +- Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

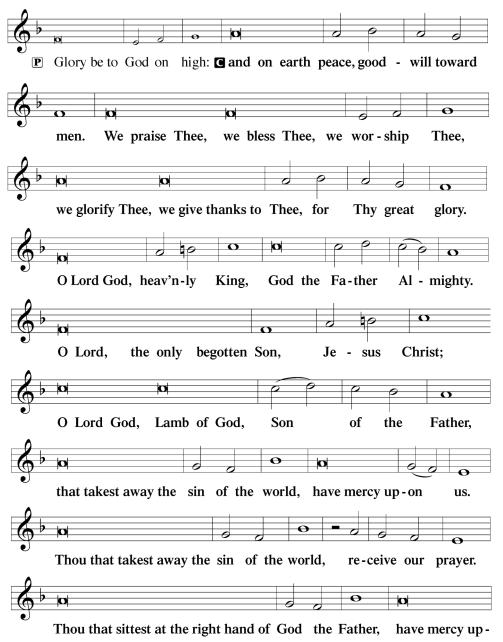
+ Service of the Word +

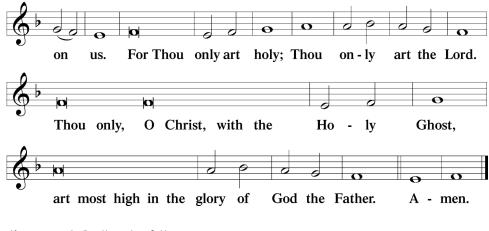


Sunday

The liturgist sings parts marked "A"; the congregation sings parts marked "C"







Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

Please Sit

A The Old Testament Reading for the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost is from Ecclesiastes, chapter 5.

He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep. There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle: Hebrews 4:1-13

A The Epistle is from Hebrews, chapter 4.

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as He has said,

"As I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest,'"

although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For He has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works." ⁵And again in this passage he said,

"They shall not enter My rest."

⁴Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again He appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, "Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts."

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 190; Please Stand



Holy Gospel: Mark 10:23-31

■ The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



J esus looked around and said to His disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were amazed at His words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to Him, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." ²⁸Peter began to say to Him, "See, we have left everything and followed You." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for My sake and for the gospel, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last first."



Children's Message

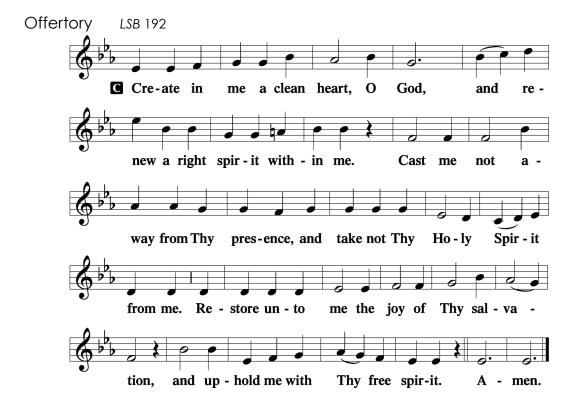
Hymn of the Day: "We Give Thee But Thine Own" LSB 781

Sermon

Nicene Creed	Please stand
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 t	he 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,	

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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.



Offering & Rite of Fellowship

Please Sit

We ask that all worshipers take a moment to sign the red fellowship pad located at the end of the pew by the center aisle and return it to its spot when finished. If you are interested in membership, please provide a phone number or email address so that we may contact you. Thank you.

Handbell Voluntaries: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing", "Holy, Holy, Holy" 8AM

Prayer of the Church

- Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
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 - Additional petitions conclude:
- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,

• Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

- ▶ 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.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

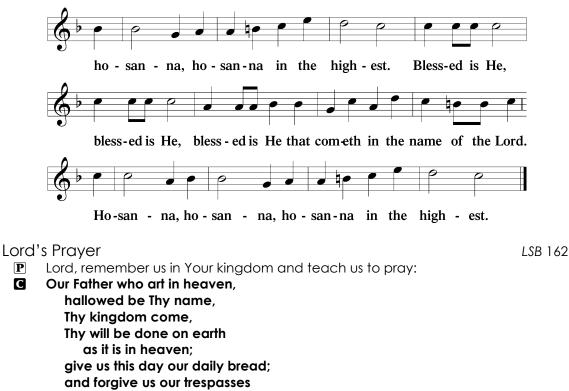
Preface

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- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly meet, 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 saying:



Please Stand



- 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.

The Words of Our Lord

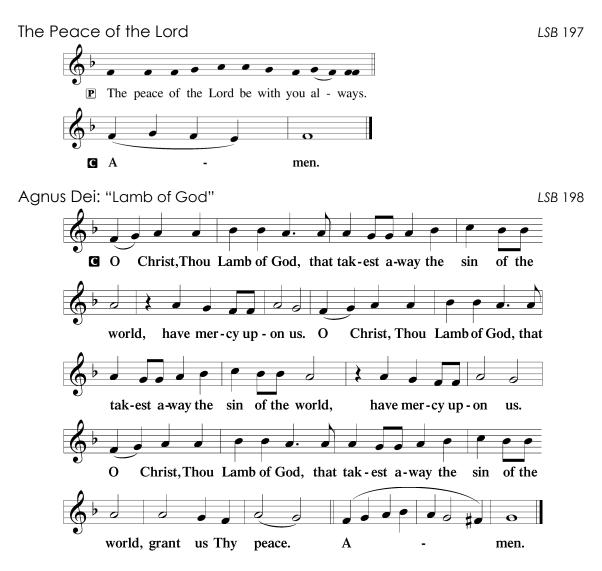
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С

LSB 197

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 4 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."



Distribution for Holy Communion

Distribution Hymns:

LSB 602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives LSB 730 What Is the World to Me LSB 690 Hope of the World Please Sit

Dismissal LSB 199

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

C Amen.



LSB 200

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