HOLY CROSS
LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

A RECONCILING IN CHRIST CONGREGATION

July 3, 2022 - 9:30 am

4th Sunday after Pentecost



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Song *"Come With Me (Hamba Nathi)"*

Greeting

Song *"This is My Song"* ELW 887

Prayer

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Isaiah 66:10-14... Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her— 11that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. 12For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. 13As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. 14You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20... After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. 2He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. 3Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' 6And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. 7Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' " 16"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." 17The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" 18He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 19See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. 20Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message Kelsey Ellis

Hymn of the Day *"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"* ELW 579

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Sharing God's Peace

Offering

Special Music

Offertory *"We Are an Offering"*

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song *"To Be Your Presence"* ELW 546

Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

⇒ **Altar Flowers** are given by Barb Kay in thanks for the members of Holy Cross for recognizing all people are equal and welcome.

⇒ **Food Pantry** Our third Thursday of the month pantry is July 21st. CLICK HERE to help. We are in need of canned veggies, canned fruit, soup, pasta sauce, and paper sacks.

⇒ **Call Process Update** Throughout the building, you will see Call Process posters. We are currently in step one of the Preparation Phase: "Transition Begins." The Assistant to the Bishop working with us is Pastor Juliet Focken. Pastor Heather is serving as our full-time interim pastor throughout the call process.

⇒ **Knitting in the Narthex** Join us on Friday's from 1 to 2:30 pm to work on prayer shawls here at Holy Cross!

⇒ **Midweek Coffee Break** Through the summer, high school students are welcome to join Kelsey & David at Scooter's Coffee on 156th & Maple for a cup of coffee (or smoothie) and conversation! Come any time from 2-4 pm each Wednesday!

⇒ **Summer Choir is Back!** On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, June-August, come at 9:00 a.m. to rehearse special music. At 9:30 a.m., you will sing the piece you just learned! Late Elementary, MS/HS, and Adults are invited. See YOU at Summer Choir!

⇒ **Pride Parade** Make plans now to walk with Holy Cross, Augustana Lutheran, and St Matthews Lutheran in the 2022 Heartland Pride Parade July 16, 2022. The parade starts at 10:00 am on July 16th and will proceed the same route as last year. Check the Narthex and your email for more information on how to sign up.

⇒ **Direct Your Dollars** Want an easy way to help support the Holy Cross Food Pantry that doesn't cost you a dime? Bring in your grocery receipts from Family Fare and drop them in the envelope in the Narthex! For every $150k received in receipts, the Holy Cross Food Pantry will earn $1k! Its just that simple! So start saving those receipts from Family Fare today and drop them in the envelope in the Narthex. We thank you in advance!

⇒ **Lunch Bunch** will meet Thursday, July 21st at 11:30 am at Longhorn off 74th and Dodge. All are welcome.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, July 3
9:30 am Worship
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop #48012 Mtg

Monday, July 4
Office Closed
6:30 pm Boy Scouts
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, July 5
7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, July 6
2:00 pm Youth Mid Week Coffee Break

Saturday, July 9
9:30 am Sarah Circle
3:00 pm Communion & Liberation Group

Sunday, July 10
9:30 am Worship In-Person & Facebook Live

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: **Jan Swanson** as she recovers from a fall. **Patti Evans** as she recovers from a stroke. **Connie Mertz** as she deals with medical concerns.

On-Going Member Concerns: **Edie Nabity** at Hillcrest Papillion

Friends and Relatives: **Carol Roberts,** aunt of Matthew Greer; **Ronda Bayer,** friend of Debbie Risinger; **Debbie Haacke**, coworker of Debbie Risinger; **Logan Black,** son of Joey Black; **George Adamson**, friend of Sue Spengler; **Tatyana Povazhnaya**, friend of Sue Spengler; **Meredith Gardner**, Wes & Terri Grunke's daughter; **Gaylen Grunke**, Wes Grunke's Brother's; **Jason West,** Sue Spengler's boyfriend's cousin; **Pat Roberts,** Walter Robert's sister; **Andie Hunter**, Elizabeth Yearwood's sister; **Ellen Gitt,** Eric Gitt's mother; **Jimmy Moran,** 10-year-old son of a friend of Troy Schnack; **Linda Anderson**, Barb Kay's sister; **Amy Churchill,** friend of Barb Kay; **Samantha Freehling**, Julie Noteman's great niece; **Ronald Gulbranson & Sharon Kelley**, Julie Noteman's brother and sister; **Josh Prochotsky,** Paula McDonald's nephews son; **Aaron McDonald,** McDonald's grandson.

Grieving
Mary Chipman and Family as they mourn the death of her brother-in-law.
Carla Olson and Family as they mourn the death of her grandson.