



September 18, 2022 - 9:30 am

15th Sunday after Pentecost



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn

"Gather Us In"

ELW 532

Greeting

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"Adoramus Te"

Chancel Choir

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children's Message

Amos 8:4-7...Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." ⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

1 Timothy 2:1-7...First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, ⁶who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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Gospel Acclamation

Luke 16:1-13...Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have

decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. ¹⁰"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day

"Guide My Feet"

Prayers

Sharing God's Peace

MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus

Offering

Special Music

Offertory

"More Precious Than Silver"

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Communion Songs

"Lamb of God"
"Faithful"

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

"Your Grace is Enough"

Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are given by Kevin & Julie Leahy in celebration of their 44th wedding anniversary.
- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our First Saturday of the month food pantry is October 1st. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. We are in need of canned fruit, pasta sauce, ramen noodles, cereal, bar soap, 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!
- ⇒ **Free Produce Stand** For the next several Sundays following worship, there will be a FREE Produce Stand set up by the parking lot entrance. If your garden at home is producing extra, feel free to bring extra produce to church to add to the stand.
- ⇒ **Morton Donation Request** Our friends at Morton Middle School have asked for the following; Composition Notebooks, pens, pencils, grab and go breakfast items, juice boxes/pouches, bottled water. Please drop your donations in the Morton Bin in the hallway. Wendy E. will take the donations to Morton 9/22.
- ⇒ **Adult forum** starts TODAY! Our first forum will be, "God - Faith is a Quest" Using the Animate video series, we will consider the question "who exactly is this God we worship?"
- ⇒ **September 25 Adult Forum:** Come ask questions and hear an update on where Holy Cross is in the pastoral call process.
- ⇒ **Panera Night** Give while you eat! On Sunday September 25, when you eat at Panera Bread on 149th & Maple between 4 and 8 pm, a portion of the proceeds will be given back to the Youth Fund. Just show the flyer (found in the Narthex) when you order!
- ⇒ **Pet Blessing** is Sunday, October 2nd at 2:00 pm on the front lawn. Bring your cat, dog, reptile, and/or amphibian for a blessing. This is a rain or shine event. Watch Facebook for updates!
- ⇒ **Blood Drive** is Sunday, October 2nd from 9: 30 am to 3:30 pm. Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter HolyCrossLutheran to schedule an appointment.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, September 18

9:30 am Worship
10:45 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am Youth Ensemble
11:00 am High School/Middle School Bells

Monday, September 19

6:30 pm Boy Scouts
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, September 20

6:30 pm Council Meeting
7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, September 21

6:00 pm Confirmation
6:00 pm Ukulele Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Radical Ringers
7:00 pm Youth Group

Thursday, September 22

6:30 pm Carolon Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, September 23

7:00 pm Belles N Beaus

Saturday, September 24

3:00 pm Communion & Liberation Group

Sunday, September 25

Cross Currents Due
9:30 am Worship
10:45 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am Youth Ensemble
11:00 am High School/Middle School Bells
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Meeting

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

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

On-Going Member Concerns: Edie Naby at Hillcrest Papillion

Friends and Relatives: Pam and Nick Moran, friends of Troy Schnack; Marilyn Schneider, mother of Jim Schneider; Cliff & Carol Speck, friends of Loreen & Harvey Gifford; Walt Weaver & Carson Rich, family of Carol Rich; Julie Pendegraft, friend of Trisha Ryan; Angela Gehring, friend of Brad Yearwood; Dennis Parks, cousin of Wes Grunke; 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; Billy & Gaylen Grunke, Wes Grunke's Brother's; Jason West, Sue Spengler's boyfriend's cousin; Andie Hunter, Elizabeth Yearwood's sister; Ellen Gitt, Eric Gitt's mother; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Amy Churchill, friend of Barb Kay; Ronald Gulbranson, Julie Noteman's brother; Josh Prochotsky, Paula McDonald's nephews son; Aaron McDonald, McDonald's grandson.

Grieving

Julie Noteman and family as they mourn the death of her sister.

Pastor Diana Kuhl and family as they mourn the death of her husband.