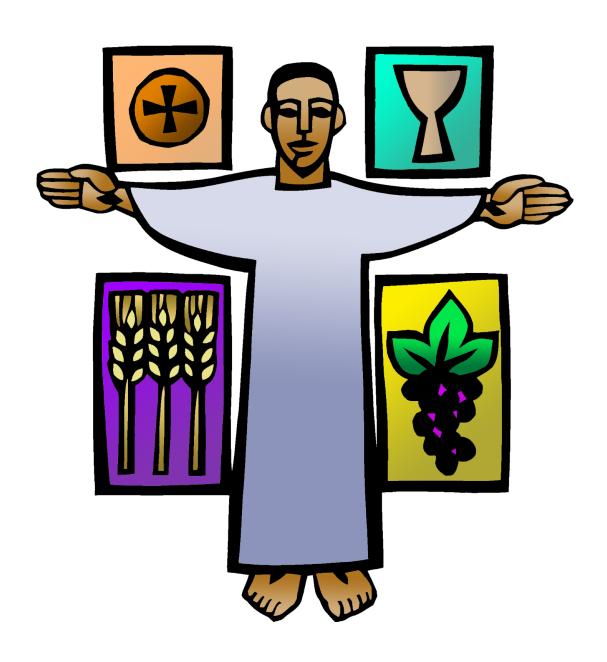
Twelfth Sunday after PENTECOST



Welcome to Cross of Christ Lutheran Church

By God's grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, we are called to: Worship God, Grow in faith, Share the Gospel, Serve others, Welcome all



Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.



WELCOME

PRELUDE Dean Robinson, organ

Helft mir Gotts Güte preisen – Samuel Scheidt

OPENING HYMN ELW #521



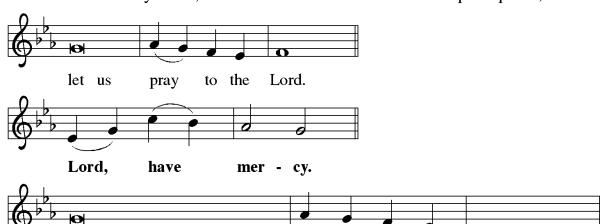
Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885, alt. Music: ELLÁCOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche, 1833

KYRIE





For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



This Is the Feast



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Creating and Caring God, you have called us to live in ways that demonstrate our trust in you, focusing not on our own needs, but in caring for your creation and all creatures, great and small, especially our sisters and brothers in Christ, for whom we give you thanks this morning. Bless us as you continue to enable and inspire us to be a blessing to others, following the model and the mandate of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



FIRST LESSON Laurie Beck

Proverbs 9:1-6 (NRSV)

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

David and Alicia Thomas

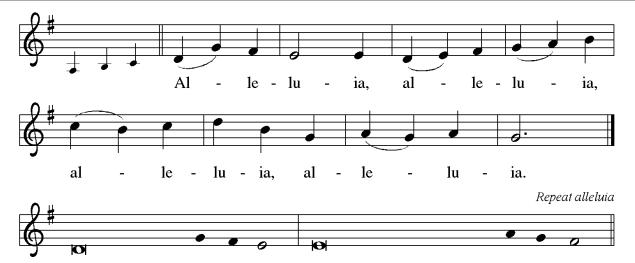
Ephesians 5:15-20 (The Message)

In light of all this, here's what I want you to do. While I'm locked up here, a prisoner for the Master, I want you to get out there and walk—better yet, run!—on the road God called you to travel. I don't want any of you sitting around on your hands. I don't want anyone strolling off, down some path that goes nowhere. And mark that you do this with humility and discipline—not in fits and starts, but steadily, pouring yourselves out for each other in acts of love, alert at noticing differences and quick at mending fences. You were all called to travel on the same road and in the same direction, so stay together, both outwardly and inwardly. You have one Master, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who rules over all, works through all, and is present in all. Everything you are and think and do is permeated with Oneness.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Holy Communion: Setting One



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 6:31-34 (The Message)

The Holy Gospel as recorded in the sixth chapter of Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] "What I'm trying to do here is to get you to relax, to not be so preoccupied with getting, so you can respond to God's giving. People who don't know God and the way God works fuss over these things, but you know both God and God's ways. Steep your life in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. Don't worry about missing out. You'll find all your everyday human concerns will be met. Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes."

This is good news. Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Pastor Dave Thomas

Faith – The Cure for FOMO

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #759

My Faith Looks Up to Thee



Text: Ray Palmer, 1808–1887 Music: OLIVET, Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

PROFESSING OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord of Light be with you this day and always. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each petition ends, "Hear us, O Lord."

To which the congregation responds, "Your mercy is great."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING

Dean Robinson, harpsichord

Allegretto – Mucio Clamenti

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



CLOSING HYMN ELW #537



Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt. Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879

SENT TO SERVE

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