

**27th Sunday after Pentecost**



**GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

*"You are Holy (Prince of Peace)"*

Greeting

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise

*"Now the Feast and Celebration"*

ELW 167

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

*"I Have Been Anointed"*

Intergenerational Choir

**WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching**

**Children's message /First Communion Recognition**

**Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14...** As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. <sup>10</sup> A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. <sup>13</sup> As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. <sup>14</sup> To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

*Word of God, word of life.*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Revelation 1:4-8...** John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup> Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. <sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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**Gospel Acclamation**

**John 18:33-37...** Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup> Pilate replied, "I am not Jewish, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup> Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were

from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the temple authorities. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.”<sup>37</sup> Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

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

**Message** Pastor Heather Grell

**Hymn of the Day**

*“Fairest Lord Jesus”*

**Welcoming New Members**

**Prayers**

**Sharing God’s Peace**

**MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus**

**Offering**

**Stewardship Story**

**Offertory**

*“As the Grains of Wheat”*

ELW 465

**Great Thanksgiving**

**Words of Institution**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Communion**

**Communion Songs**

*“Lamb of God”  
“Praise and Thanksgiving”*

ELW 689

**Communion Blessing**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

**SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love**

**Blessing**

**Sending Song**

*“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

ELW 855

**Dismissal**

**Postlude**

## Announcements

- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Saturday, December 7th from 8 to 9:30 am. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. Donations are needed! We are in need of paper and plastic bags, bar soap, canned meat, cereal and soup. Drop donations in the blue bin in the coat closet hallway. Thanks!
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** meets Monday's at 1:00 pm in the Youth Room Holy Cross. Questions, contact Paula McDonald at 402-210-6040.
- ⇒ **Tai Chi** A beginning Tai Chi Class is offered weekly on Wednesday's from 12:30–1:30 pm in the HCLC Narthex. A free-will donation will be accepted for our instructor, Cynthia Simon. Bring a friend and discover that you really do have balance!
- ⇒ **Prayer Shawls** If you have someone in your life who could use some extra comfort and prayers, please feel free to take a Prayer Shawl or Prayer Square from the display in the Narthex at any time.
- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are available for purchase for \$47. Please [click here](#) to sign up or contact the church office.
- ⇒ **Quilting at HC** Calling all quilters! I would like to get a quilt group here at Holy Cross back together. If you are interested in joining this group or would like to come and learn to spark a new interest, all are welcome! You can reach out to Andrew Janzen before or after church, or you can email at [hclcquilters@yahoo.com](mailto:hclcquilters@yahoo.com).
- ⇒ **Nursery** Our nursery in the Sunday School hallway is unlocked every Sunday morning during worship and our education hour. There is no nursery attendant, but the room is available for families to use as needed if littles need to get some wiggles out!
- ⇒ **Thanksgiving Eve Worship and Pie** Join us on Thanksgiving Eve for an evening of gratitude and giving, plus PIE! We will begin at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary with a brief prayer service followed by a service project and pie in the Fellowship Hall.
- ⇒ **Hanging of the Greens** Our journey of the Advent season begins December 1. During worship, we transform the Sanctuary from the Pentecost season to the Advent season. Come and participate in preparing your worship space for the Christmas season.
- ⇒ **Advent Celebration** On **Sunday December 1st**, everyone is invited to join in the Fellowship Hall following worship for our Advent Celebration! There will be fun Advent activities for all ages, family sizes and abilities!
- ⇒ **Christmas Poinsettias** are available to order through Friday, November 29th. Help decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas with a \$10 donation towards a Christmas Poinsettia. [Click here](#) to purchase online or use a poinsettia envelope located on the usher stand Sunday.
- ⇒ **New Members** We are excited to welcome the following new members during today's service—Lisa Flaxbeard; Tristan, Catherine, Miles and Celeste Harvey; Tachen, Tyler, and Raelyn Kniewel; Josh, Amy, and Robbie Odson. Please reach out and welcome them to the Holy Cross family!

## Calendar for Upcoming Week

### **Sunday, November 24**

9:30 am Worship  
10:40 am Endowment Meeting  
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum  
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble  
11:00 am MS/HS Bells

### **Monday, November 25**

Newsletter Due  
1:00 pm Centering Prayer  
6:30 pm Boy Scouts  
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

### **Tuesday, November 26**

7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

### **Wednesday, November 27**

6:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship and Service Project

### **Thursday, November 28**

Office Closed

### **Friday, November 29**

Office Closed  
7:00 pm Belles N Beaus

### **Sunday, December 1**

9:30 am Hanging of the Greens Worship  
10:40 am Advent Celebration  
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Meeting

## Prayer Requests from our Church Community

**Member Concerns:** Charlie Ferris; Kelley Kennedy; Ruth Martin; Norm Firkins; Phyllis Beam; Donna McCoy; Jan Swanson; Connie Mertz, Mia Szymczak.

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

**Friends and Relatives:** Larry Labens, friend of Jerry & Kelli Joseph; **Opal Calendar**, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; **Kelsey Schneider**, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; **Mary Sundermeier**, aunt of Kate Ferris; **Megan Smith-Sallans**, friend of Pastor Heather; **Theresa Ramelb**, friend of Jacque Petersen; **Shari Jensen**, friend of Ed Krueger; **Kenneth Lathrop**, father of Alisa Krueger; **Jan Specks**, sister of Carol Rich; **Walt Weaver & Carson Rich**, family of Carol Rich; **Ronda Bayer**, friend of Debbie Risinger; **Debbie Haacke**, coworker of Debbie Risinger; **Tatyana Povazhnaya**, friend of Sue Spengler; **Gaylen Grunke**, Wes Grunke's Brother; **Andie Hunter**, Elizabeth Yearwood's sister; **Linda Anderson**, Barb Kay's sister; **Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers**, McDonald's grandson.

### Grieving:

**Peg Schneider and her family** as they mourn the death of Peg's father Bill.

**Cynthia Schwieger and her family** as they mourn the death of Cynthia's mother Virginia.