

15th Sunday after Pentecost



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"When We Are Living"

ELW 639

Greeting

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise

"Now the Feast and Celebration"

ELW 167

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"Teach Us Your Ways"

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Psalms 119:33-40... Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end. ³⁴ Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. ³⁵ Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it. ³⁶ Turn my heart to your decrees and not to selfish gain. ³⁷ Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; be gracious to me according to your word. ³⁸ Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you. ³⁹ Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good. ⁴⁰ See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness be gracious to me. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Romans 13:8-14... Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹² the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³ let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 18:15-20... Jesus said to the disciples: ¹⁵ "If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile

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

Hymn of the Day

ELW 864

Sharing God's Peace

Offering

Special Music

Offertory

ELW 465

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Communion Songs

"Lamb of God"
"Teach Us Your Ways"

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

“In This New Moment”

Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Thursday, September 17th from 5 to 7pm. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. Every item donated is very much appreciated. This week our specific focus will be ramen noodles, mac & cheese, pasta, and canned beans.
- ⇒ **Altar Flowers** are available for purchase for \$47. Please [click here](#) to sign up or contact the church office.
- ⇒ **Bingo Prize Box** We are getting closer to our annual Neighborhood Block Party! And bingo is always a big deal! Please drop bingo prize donations off in the box in the Narthex
- ⇒ **Block Party** Our annual block party will take place on Sunday, September 20, 2026 from 12:00 to 3:00 pm. Join us on the front lawn for a bounce house, blow up obstacle course, the Sweet-Shop Shuffle, Bingo, DJ Moon, pony rides, face painting, and FREE FOOD! This event is free to the public and all are invited. Want to help? Sign up now in the narthex or by [clicking here](#). Want to donate cake or dessert? [Click here](#).
- ⇒ **Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange** - Saturday, September 12th from 12:00pm-2:00pm we will be hosting a puzzle exchange in the fellowship hall. Bring puzzles you have completed to share with others and take home new puzzles - bring one, take one! Invite your puzzle friends! Contact Kelli Joseph at ksjose123@cox.net with questions.
- ⇒ **Lunch Bunch** Our September Lunch Bunch will be held on September 17th at The Olive Garden located at 7505 Dodge St. at 11:30 AM. All are welcome! Please call Linda Kohrs 402-690-3342 for a reservation.
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, September 6

9:30 am Worship
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 48012 Meeting

Monday, September 7

Office Closed—Labor Day
6:30 pm Boy Scout Meeting
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, September 8

7:00 pm Rachel Circle
7:30 pm AA Meeting

Thursday, September 10

6:00 pm Finance Committee
6:30 pm Carolon Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, September 11

9:30 am Omaha Music Teachers Mtg
1:00 pm Knitting in the Narthex
7:00 pm Belles N Beaus
7:15pm AA—Good Orderly Direction

Saturday, September 12

9:30 am Sarah Circle at Holy Cross
12:00 pm Puzzle Exchange

Sunday, September 13

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Memorial Gifts Mtg
10:40 am Adult Forum
10:40 am Wonder Together

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Norm Firkins; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

Friends and Relatives: Connie James, friend of Wendy Brenner; Josh & Nicole Irvin, family of Joel Irvin; Janet Callahan & Family, friends of Heather Abbott; Emalyn, granddaughter of Pat Butterfield; Kimberly Sobota, mother of Joel Irvin; Madelyn Abbott, daughter of Heather Abbott; Meg Trowbridge, friend of Nicole Szymczak; Bobbi Valandra, sister of Jason Valandra; Arthur Oberwetter, father of Julie Leahy; Georgia Jennings, niece of Walter Roberts; Gordon Blake, father of Alisa Krueger; Kim Jones, sister-in-law of Trisha Ryan; Scott Matheson, brother in law of Julie Noteman; Joshua Perilo, son of Sharon Perilo; Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sonrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; Ken Gross, cousin of Julie Noteman; Josh Moreau, friend of Wendy Brenner's family; Nancy Bartell, sister-in-law of Peg Schneider; Michael Schadendorf, grandfather of Edith and Tanya Valandra; Dave Huggins, friend of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mya Calendar, daughter of Trisha Ryan; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.