Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Our Mission

We gather as an open community of Christians, responding to God’s call. We welcome all people as members of our extended family. We gather to support and nourish one another in the faith, equipping people to live the Gospel in the world. Our purpose is to encounter the Gospel in worship, play, study, music, work, prayer, and activism. We provide worship that is diverse, flexible, thought provoking and relevant to our challenging times. We are a voice for compassion and actively seek justice and peace in the world. We identify and serve our neighbors in need. We offer programs that encourage spiritual growth by teaching the Gospel in the Lutheran tradition. We provide opportunities to work, play, and pray together.

Everyone Is Welcome!

In response to the overwhelming love of God we stand in awe of the wideness of God’s mercy. In faithfulness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, mindful of our Lutheran emphasis on grace, and rejoicing in the celebration of our shared baptismal journey, we welcome as members of our extended family, all those who have ever felt excluded by the Church because of their race, gender, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental challenges, financial resources, or family status.

As followers of Christ, all members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church are compelled by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness in a world that is all too often an unloving place. Therefore, rejoicing in God’s abundant grace, we extend a special welcome to all. Whether you are gay, straight, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender; whatever your country of origin or ancestry; whether you are a believer, a doubter or a seeker; in Christ’s love, we welcome you, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit we can work together to usher in God’s Reign of justice, peace, and mercy.

Welcome to Worship

Holy Cross is a Christ-centered, open-minded, inclusive compassionate, justice-seeking community. Everyone is welcome at Christ’s table, so please join us for Holy Communion! Relax and open yourself to the power of God in our midst!

Children in Worship: The sound of children breathes life into our community, so we encourage parents to use the activity centre to help their children focus. But from time to time, even the best of children might need the Cry-Room which is available downstairs.

Our Ushers don’t bite so feel free to ask questions!

Canada Sunday

June 30th 2013
We pray for those in special need of God’s care: John Bradford, Terri & Phyllis Hutchings, Daniel Smyth (Sharon’s son), David Applegate (Kate’s husband), Jackie Bois (Mike’s Mom), Nora & Dave Curran (Gary’s Parents), Fred Bell (Karen McIntyre’s father) June Phillips (Madeline Montpool’s extended family), Katherine Nesbitt (Jackie Nesbitt (Fleming)’s mother), Barb Green (friend of the congregation) Max Glass (friend of Jackie Nesbitt & Scott Fleming), Donna (Sharon Smyth’s extended family), Cheryl Mandel (friend of Janice Wiehe), and Shellie Broddy (friend of Chris & Rick Payne).

Join Jackie Nesbitt (Fleming) after Worship on Sunday July 14th for a presentation on her forthcoming trip to Guatemala to help the children of Misioneros Del Camino.

### 2013 Jan.1 to May 31 Financials

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### EXPENSES

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### THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

- **Worship:** Holy Communion
- **Sunday:** 10:45 am

**TODAY:**

- **Worship Assistant:** Neil Nauman
- **Communion Assistant:** Anthony de Boer, Sharon Smyth, Phyllis Hutchings, Petra Vollmerhausen
- **Lector:** Michael Smith, Mike Curran
- **Ushers:** Lawrence McCutcheon, Gary Curran, Bob Fleming
- **Coffee Hosts:** Sharon Smyth, Bev Metzger-Noble
- **Counters:** Neil Nauman, Michael Smyth, Jeremy Heinze, Rick Michel
- **Altar Care:** Sharon Smyth, Sylvia McCutcheon
- **Greeter:** Laura Lawrence, Lawrence McCutcheon
- **Cleaners:** Bob & Linda Fleming, Barb Weber & Mike Bois

**Next Sunday July 7th, 2013**

**MINISTERS**

- **Worship Assistant:** Neil Nauman
- **Communion Assistant:** Anthony de Boer, Sharon Smyth, Phyllis Hutchings, Petra Vollmerhausen

**THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS**

- **Pastor Dawn will be at the National Convention in Ottawa July 3-7**
- **Wednesday:** ELICIC & ACC Joint Conventions Begin In Ottawa 1:30pm
  Follow the Convention live stream @ www.jointassembly.ca
- **Sunday:** WORSHIP: Holy Communion 10:45 am

Remember that when you are on vacation, the church is not. While you are on vacation, your bills will continue to arrive at your home. The same is true of your church home – our expenses continue. Before you go on vacation or when you return from vacation please take the time to prayerfully consider your church’s needs.
Distribution of the Bread and Wine is by continuous communion.
The ushers will guide you.
It is not our custom to practice intinction (dipping the bread into the cup).
For those who are accustomed to intinction we suggest the individual glasses.
Communion is Christ's offering and there are no barriers to inclusion!
EVERYONE is welcome to share in communion!

Communion Hymns
#472 Eat This Bread sing a cappella repeat
#879 For the Beauty of the Earth
#835 All Creatures, Worship God Most High verses 1-4

* After Communion
  Rise Up Rejoicing

Refrain (twice each time) Kristopher E. Lindquist

| Music & text © 2001, 2005 KEL. www.KELmusic.com | the inclusive bible:
The First Egalitarian Translation
Translations of the Hebrew and Greek texts of the Bible are many and varied. During worship we will use:

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The First Egalitarian Translation.
This translation is the work of the Priests for Equality Project of the Quixote Center Collective. Published by Rowman and Littlefield in 2007, this translation seeks to be faithful to the original languages while using non-sexist language to express the ancient writings.

Yes, we know it's not always easy to sit still. So we're asking parents to let their children wander over to the Worship Center to pick-up a little something to help them worship their way.

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@HolyCrossNewmkt
www.pastordawn.ca

SENDING

* Benediction
* Announcements
* Sending Hymn
  #720 We are Called
* Dismissal
GATHERING

P: The peace of Christ, the love of God
C: And also with you.

As We Gather

Refrain

As we gather in your presence, Make this Here infinity.

Verse

You are wonder, you are mystery, You are darkness, you are light,

Like the dawn of the morning, Like the silence of the night.
and gave it to his friends, saying, Drink this all of you. This cup is the new covenant poured out for you and for all people. Do this to remember me.

Remembering Christ’s death and celebrating Christ’s resurrection, we await Christ coming again and again to bring peace and justice to all the earth and we declare the mystery of our faith:

**C:** Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again and again.

Spirit of God you are here, You have come to us again. Let the bread that we eat bind us across the world with those who have nothing to eat. Let the wine we drink fortify our resolve to share with those who thirst for justice. Let the power of love move us to work with those who long for love. Let the justice of Jesus become a reality that all people can taste, drink, savour and be sustained by. Let the reality of justice and peace come, and may we be a part of its coming.

**C:** Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O God of love, now and forever. Amen.

* Abba Prayer

**P:** As Jesus taught us, let us pray:

**C:** Eternal Spirit Earth-maker, Pain-Bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be. Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echo through the universe! The way of your justice be followed

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**Hymn of Praise**

**Glory to God**

**Refrain**

* Glory to God through-out the Uni-verse, and peace to all who dwell on Earth.

* We glo-ry in your Light, We glo-ry in your Life, We glo-ry in your Love, O God, Glo-ry be to you.

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**Prayer of the Day**

**First Reading**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

**Scripture Song**

* All Things Bright and Beautiful

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**Word**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11
the peace of the world overcomes violence.
Now bread and wine are before us, the memory of our meals, our working, our talking; the story that shapes us: the grieving and the pain, the seeking and the loving. And we give thanks for all that holds us together. And so, with Rocky Mountains and Great Lakes; with Cypress Hills and Haida Gwaii; with Pacific Salmon and Northern Raven; with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven in joyous harmony we praise God with singing:

In the stories handed down to us by our ancestors we are told that:

On the night before Jesus died, he had supper with his friends. 
At that supper Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying:

Take this and eat it, all of you. 
this is my body, given for you. 
Do this to remember me. 

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks
**Offertory Prayer**

A: Standing in the midst of God, let us give thanks for we are richly blessed.

C: Limitless Source of Wonder, we are overwhelmed by your grace. Out of the bounty you have provided, we offer these tokens as both a sign of our gratitude and a symbol of our desire to be your body at work in the world. Help us to see beyond our self-involvement and enable us to extend compassion to all those we meet, so that together we may truly experience the heaven on earth that you continue to offer through the power of Christ with us. Amen.

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**Great Thanksgiving**

P: God is with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Open yourselves.
C: We open ourselves to God.

P: Let us give thanks to our God Most Holy.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: Here today, through bread and wine, we renew our journey with Jesus and his followers. We renew our unity with one another, and with all those who have gone before us in faith. We renew our communion with the earth and our interwovenness with the broken ones of the world. We take bread, a symbol of labour and a symbol of life. We will break the bread because Christ, the source of life, was broken for the excluded, exploited, and the downtrodden. We take wine, a symbol of blood, spilt in war and conflict; a symbol too of new life. We will drink the wine because Christ,
Peace Must Be Dared

You are invited to respond to each bid with silent prayer. Silences will be punctuated with spoken bids ending with the words:

“God who dwells in us”

to which you are invited to respond: “Let us be love in the world.”

Prayers of the Body

P: The peace of Christ, which surpasses all our understanding, is with you all.

C: And also with you

We greet each other with a sign of God’s peace.

Early Christians used a kiss to symbolize the peace.

Hugs and handshakes are also appropriate.

As we greet one another with a sign of the peace we say:

“Peace be with you.”

Offering

From the Fruit of Your Creation

From the fruit of your Creation Bread and wine we bring to share,

From the bounty of the Planet That you give to human care.

By your Spirit all is sacred So your Presence may appear,

In thanks-giving celestial For your people gathered here.