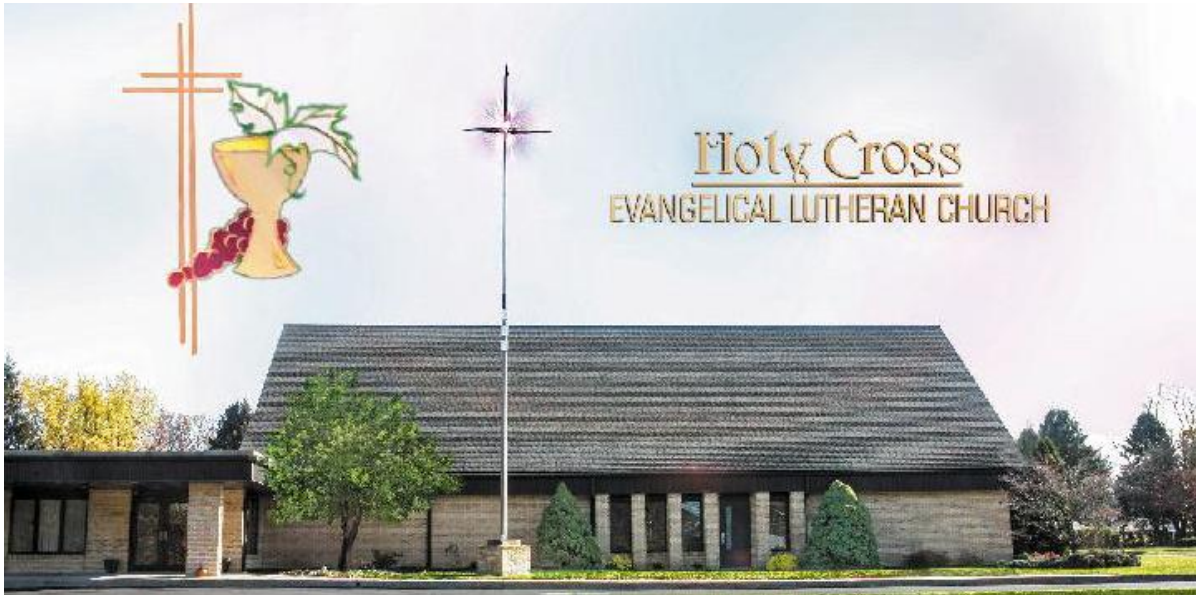


# Full Service Bulletin



## **HOLY COMMUNION JUNE 2, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST GODPARENTS' DAY**

### **WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

*I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD." (Psalm 122:1)*

### **PRELUDE AND PREPARATION**

*During the prelude, prepare your heart for worship: read the introduction, peruse the bulletin, find the Scripture readings in the pew Bible, and focus your thoughts on the Lord. You may pray: **Direct and control us, O Lord, always and everywhere with heavenly light; that we may both discern with clear vision and share with worthy effect the Mystery which You have willed us to partake: Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

### **CHILDREN**

*We welcome children of all ages. The Children's Library is available if a child needs a break during the service.*

### **INTRODUCTION**

*Today's gospel opens with questions about why Jesus and His disciples did not follow the practices of the Pharisees and contemporaries. It ends with the Pharisees and the Herodians beginning to plot Jesus' death. The big issue was Sabbath-keeping. Jesus openly defied the Sabbath restrictions of His day. How does Jesus want His followers to keep the command to remember the Sabbath to keep it holy?*

# WELCOME AND MEDITATION

## CALL TO WORSHIP ....Psalm 81:1-2, 10

(congregation: *indented*)

Sing for joy to God our strength;

**shout aloud to the God of Jacob!**

Begin the music, strike the tambourine,

**play the melodious harp and lyre.**

I am the LORD your God, Who brought you up out of Egypt.

**Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.**

## GATHERING HYMN (Please rise.)

“O Holy Spirit Enter In” (ELW # 786)



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your  
2 Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the  
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life; let your good Word in



work be - gin, and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul,  
nar - row way, with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead -  
doubt and strife be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith -



O Light di - vine, a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength  
fast - ness, that we may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat -  
ful un - to death and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you



in us up - well - ing. In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is  
ter who de - rides us. Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some  
true wis - dom learn - ing. Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your



giv - en o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.  
to - ken you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.  
pow - er Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

## **INVOCATION** ( = *All may make the sign of the cross.*)

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God.

*(Please kneel. Silence is kept for reflection and personal confession.)*

P: God, our maker and redeemer, **C: we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We come for refuge to Your infinite mercy. You have given Your only Son to die for us; have mercy on us, and for His sake, forgive us all our sin. By Your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of You and Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

P: Almighty God has had mercy on us, and God's only Son has been given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sin. Believing in Jesus' name, you have received power to become the children of God; you have received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN.**

## **GREETING** (*Please rise.*)

P: God of hosts most gracious, God the Son Who saves us, God the Spirit placed upon us, be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## **WE PRAISE GOD'S NAME**

*With one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*"Let all the peoples praise him." (Romans 15:6,11)*

**HYMN OF PRAISE** "*This is the Feast*" (ELW p140)

*Refrain*

Ⓒ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Ⅰ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was

slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Ⓒ *Refrain*

Ⅱ Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Ⓒ *Refrain*

Ⅰ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

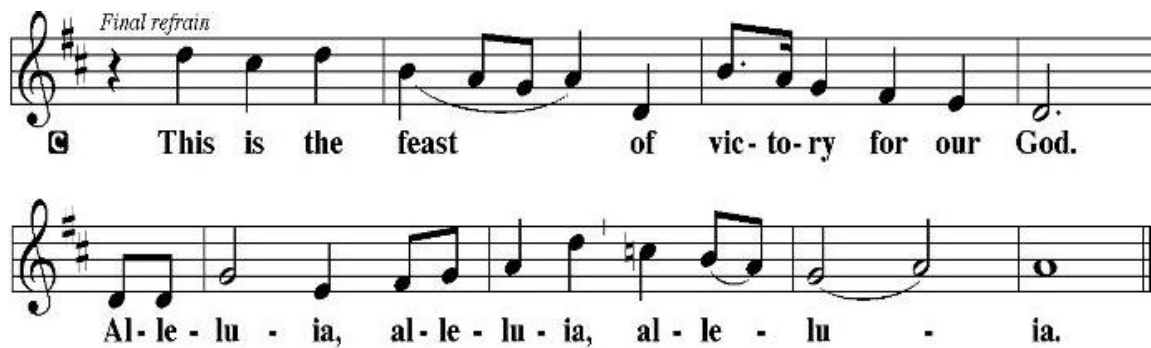
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Ⓒ *Refrain*

Ⅱ For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray together:

C: O God, Your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat You, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.

## RESPONSIVE READING....Psalm 81:1, 3-10

(congregation: *indented*)

Sing for joy to God our strength;

**shout aloud to the God of Jacob!**

Sound the ram's horn at the New Moon,

**and when the moon is full, on the day of our Feast;**

this is a decree for Israel,

**an ordinance of the God of Jacob.**

He established it as a statute for Joseph

when he went out against Egypt,

**where we heard a language we did not understand.£**

He says, "I removed the burden from their shoulders;

**their hands were set free from the basket.**

In your distress you called and I rescued you,

**I answered you out of a thundercloud;**

**I tested you at the waters of Meribah.**

“Hear, O my people, and I will warn you—

**if you would but listen to me, O Israel!**

You shall have no foreign god among you;

**you shall not bow down to an alien god.**

I am the LORD your God, Who brought you up out of Egypt.

**Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.**

## PRAISE SONG *(Please sit.)*

“We Praise You, O God” (LBW # 241)



1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;  
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers, we bless you;  
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.  
through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.  
and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;  
When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,  
With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.  
and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.  
To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963, alt.

Music: KREMSER, A. Velerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626



## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

*For everything was written to teach us, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. (Romans 15:4)*

**FIRST READING** ....Deuteronomy 5:12-15.....Pg. 282

P: Word of God, Word of Life.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING**....2 Corinthians 4:5-12.....Pg. 1798

P: Word of God, Word of Life.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *(Please rise.)*

*“Alleluia. Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?” (ELW p151)*



Al - le - lu - ia, Lord, to whom shall we go?  
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapters.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL** ....Mark 2:18-3:6.....Pg. 1554

P: The Gospel of the Lord.      **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

*(Young children go to Children's Church)*

**SERMON** *(Please sit. See outline in Announcements insert.)*

*“The Sabbath = Freedom”*

## WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing.  
(Romans 15:13)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *(Please rise.)*

*“O Day of Rest and Gladness” (ELW # 521 - favorite)*

1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,  
 2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;  
 3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n - ly man - na falls;  
 4 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,

O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:  
 on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;  
 to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum - pet calls,  
 we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,  
 on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;  
 where gos - pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams  
 We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;

sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - une.  
 and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three - fold light was giv'n.  
 and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh - ing streams.  
 the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

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

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## **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *(Please kneel.)*

*(Response: L: Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.)*

## **OFFERING**

*We no longer pass the plate, but your offerings are needed more than ever. The plate is located at the back of the center aisle. Please place your offering and your Communication Card there as you come in or go out. Thank You!*

## WE COMMUNE WITH CHRIST

*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. (1 Corinthians 11:26)*

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** *(Please rise.)*

P: The LORD be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the LORD.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord; Who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn: *(WOV p 22)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup; gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: this cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

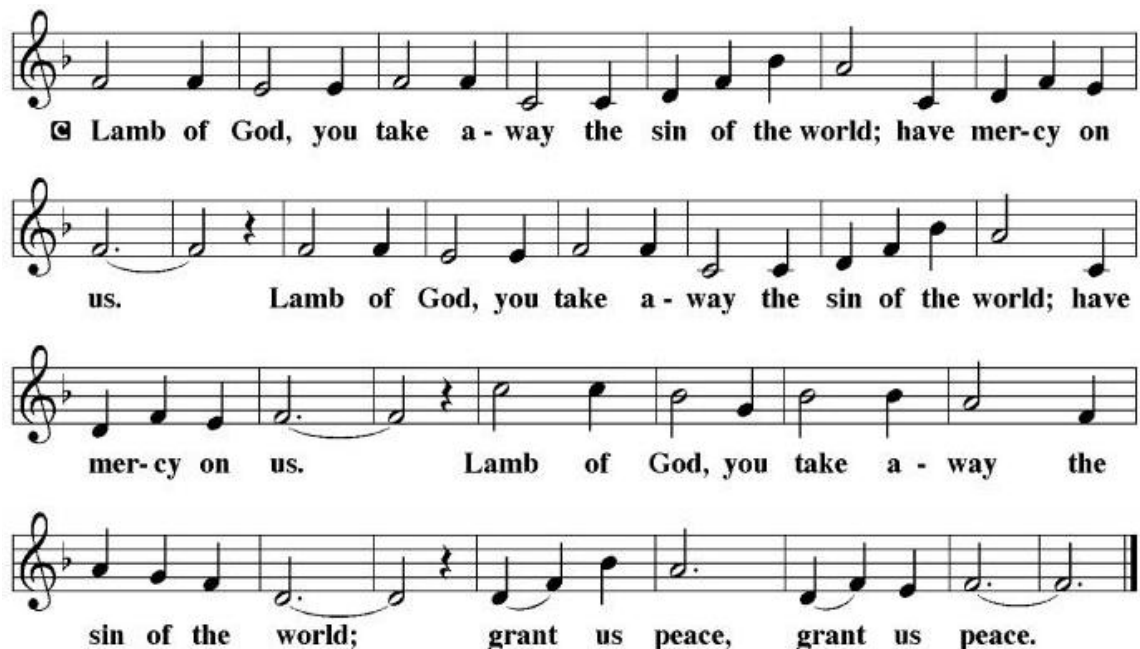
## THE LORD'S PRAYER *(sung)*

**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. AMEN.**

## COMMUNION *(Please be seated)*

P: Jesus said, "I am the true vine. Abide in Me as I abide in you." *All who are baptized and trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior may partake. Please fill out a communication card and put it in the offering plate. We have returned to kneeling for communion by "tables." People who want to minimize contact and maintain greater physical distance can take a pre-filled glass and stand a foot back from the altar rail. For a gluten-free rice wafer (blue-green) say "Rice." Grape juice (white) is in pre-filled glasses. Those not ready to receive communion may come for a blessing.*

## LAMB OF GOD *(WOV p39)*



**Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on**

**us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have**

**mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the**

**sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

# COMMUNION HYMNS *(sung while others are receiving.)*

## 1. "Come Let Us Eat" (ELW # 491)



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y Word,



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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the King - dom,



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Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.  
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*(Please rise when all have returned to their seats.)*

2. "To Be Your Presence" (ELW # 546)

1 To be your pres-ence is our mis-sion here, to show com-  
2 To be your pres-ence is our mis-sion bold, to feed the  
3 To be your pres-ence is our mis-sion blest, to speak for  
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your

pas-sion's face and lis-t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer-cy  
poor and shel-ter home-less cold, to be your hands of jus-tice,  
all the bro-ken and op-pressed, to be your voice of hope, your  
peo-ple is our call and choice, and in this mis-sion we, the

ev-er near,  
right up-hold, al-le-lu-ia!  
love ex-pressed,  
church, re-joice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939  
Music: Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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10 10 10 and alleluia

*(10:45 - Communion visitors comes forward during last verse.)*

## **WE ARE SENT INTO GOD'S WORLD**

*Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD! (Isaiah 2:5)*

### **SENDING OF COMMUNION (10:45)**

**L:** Let us pray together:      **C:** Holy God, as Moses lifted up  
the serpent in the wilderness, so your Son was lifted up,  
that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life.  
Bless those who carry Your Word and sacrament and  
our love to our sisters and brothers who are absent, that  
all the world might be saved through Him, Jesus Christ  
our Lord. AMEN.

## **BLESSING**

P: Know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

*(Ephesians 3:19)*

**C: AMEN.**

## **SENDING HYMN** “*Savior, Again to Your Dear Name*”

*(ELW # 534 - favorite)*

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

L: As we leave to serve the Risen Lord in the power of His Spirit, let us share with one another some of the blessings of peace we have received. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## **POSTLUDE**

## **FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS**

*Everyone is invited to remain for fellowship and refreshments.*

*Snacks, coffee and hot water are available in the Gathering Place.*

*You can brew your own coffee/tea using the Keurig® in the Parlor.*

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1 Sav - ior, a - gain to your dear name we raise  
 2 Grant us your peace up - on our home - ward way;  
 3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;  
 4 Grant us your peace through - out our earth - ly life,

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;  
 with you be - gan, with you shall end the day;  
 for us trans - form its dark - ness in - to light.  
 our balm in sor - row, and our stay in strife;

once more we bless you ere our wor - ship cease,  
 guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
 Keep us from harm and dan - ger till the dawn;  
 then, when your voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

then, low - ly bend - ing, wait your word of peace.  
 that in this house have called up - on your name.  
 your eve - ning pres - ence prom - ise to your own.  
 call us, O Lord, to your e - ter - nal peace.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–1893, alt.  
 Music: ELLERS, Edward J. Hopkins, 1818–1901

**JUNE 2, 2024**  
**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**SERVANTS OF THE LORD THIS WEEK**

GREETERS: 8:30-Adam Barlow / 10:45-Irene Graham

SOUND: 8:30-Josh Miller / 10:45-Ken Yoxheimer

LIVESTREAM: 8:30-Jan Stryker

SONG LEADER: 8:30-Bella Zyskowski

LITURGIST: 8:30-Patty Stein / 10:45-Marianne Sands

LECTOR: 8:30-Ruthann Kistler / 10:45-Marianne Sands

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Ruthann Kistler

USHERS: 8:30-Jan Stryker / 10:45-Irene Graham

COMMUNION: 8:30-Patty Stein / 10:45-*Volunteer needed*

COMMUNION VISITORS: Sharon Branigan, Pastor David

ALTAR GUILD: Alyce Stein & Patty Stein

COUNTERS: Karen Brown, Jan Stryker

GRASS CUTTERS: Mike Miller, Nick Wechsler

HOSPITALITY: Holy Cross Social Ministry

SEXTON: *Volunteer needed*

PHONETREE: *Volunteer needed*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Mike Zyskowski

PRAYER CARE: call Sharon Branigan (610) 691-8809

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**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship - 8:30 & 10:45 AM † Sunday School - 9:45 AM

*(Holy Communion 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays & Major Feasts)*

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