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HOLY CROSS DAY (OBSERVED)

Pastor's Welcome

***Please stand if you're able and turn and face the cross*

Welcome Hymn

837 Lift High the Cross

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Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Opening Versicles

L This is the day which the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
C **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C **Teach me Your paths.**

L Sanctify us in Your truth.

C **Your Word is truth.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

***Please be seated*

Old Testament Canticle & Psalmody

Selected Portions Psalm 40

Refrain

■ The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

¹I waited patiently for the LORD;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.

²He drew me up from the pit of destruction,
out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.

Refrain

³He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the LORD.

Refrain

⁴Blessèd is the man who makes
the LORD his trust,
who does not turn to the proud,
to those who go astray after a lie!
⁵You have multiplied, O LORD my God,
your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
none can compare with you!

Refrain

I will proclaim and tell of them,
yet they are more than can be told.
¹¹As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain
your mercy from me;
your steadfast love and your faithfulness will
ever preserve me!

Refrain

Collect for the Word

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written
for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark,
learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of
Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed
hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever.

C Amen.

+ God comes to us in His Holy Word +

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4–9

L A reading from Numbers, the twenty-first chapter.

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food.” ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live.” ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

The children are invited to the altar

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18–25

¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we

preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

***Please stand if you're able*

Holy Gospel Reading

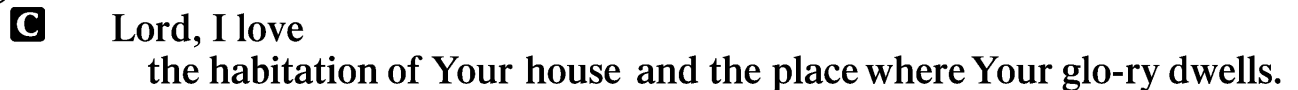
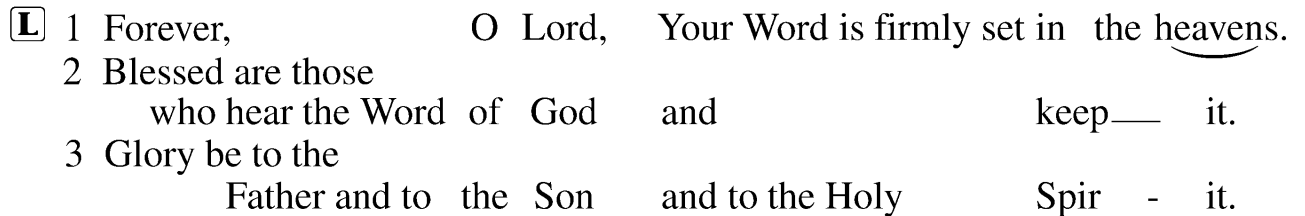
John 12:20–33

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷“Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

C Praise to You O Christ.

LSB 221



C You shall have no other gods.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

***Please be seated*

Sermon

Pastor Jason K. Cody

Offering

425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Installation of Christian Teachers

Trinity Lutheran School

Prayer

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and
with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

L Merciful God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, was lifted high upon the cross that He might bear the sins of the world and draw all people to Himself. Grant that we who glory in His death for our redemption may faithfully heed His call to bear the cross and

follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**C 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.**

Morning Prayer

**C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your
dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and
danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from
sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You.
For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and
all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe
may have no power over me.
Amen.**

***Please stand if you're able*

New Testament Canticle

LSB 266



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.



Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.



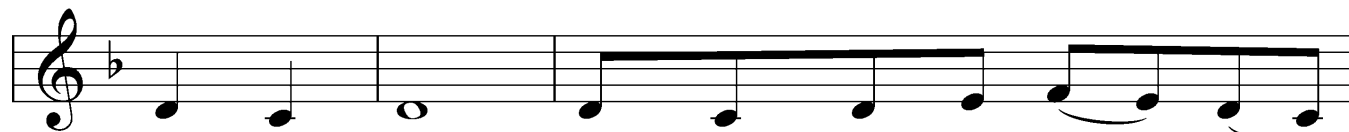
Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



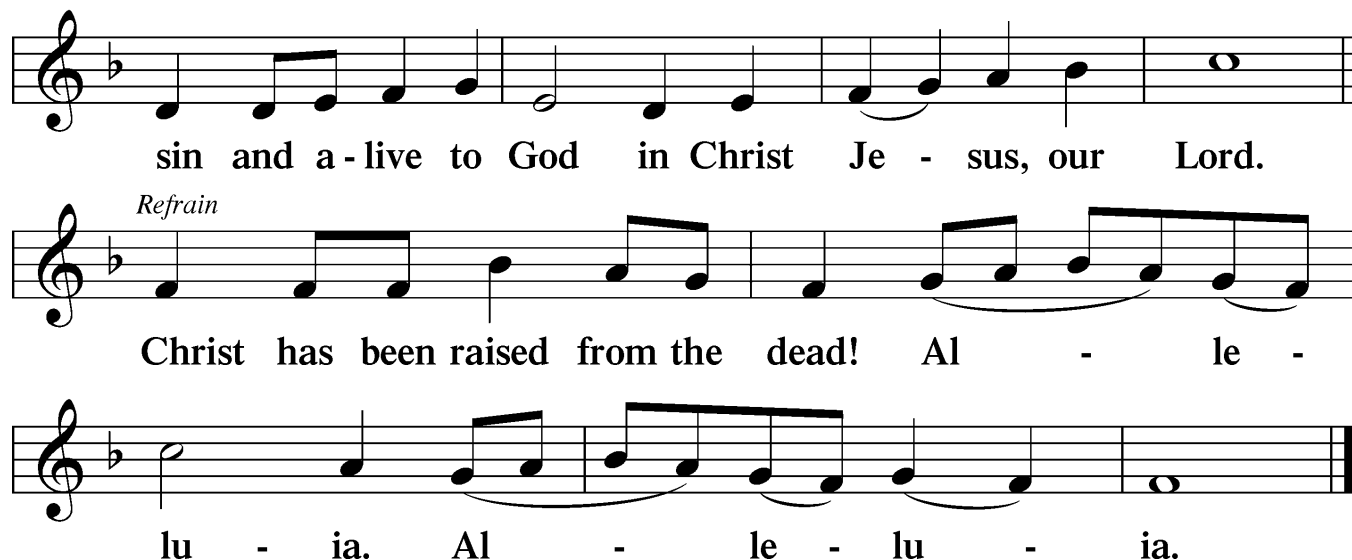
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He



lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to



Blessing

L Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

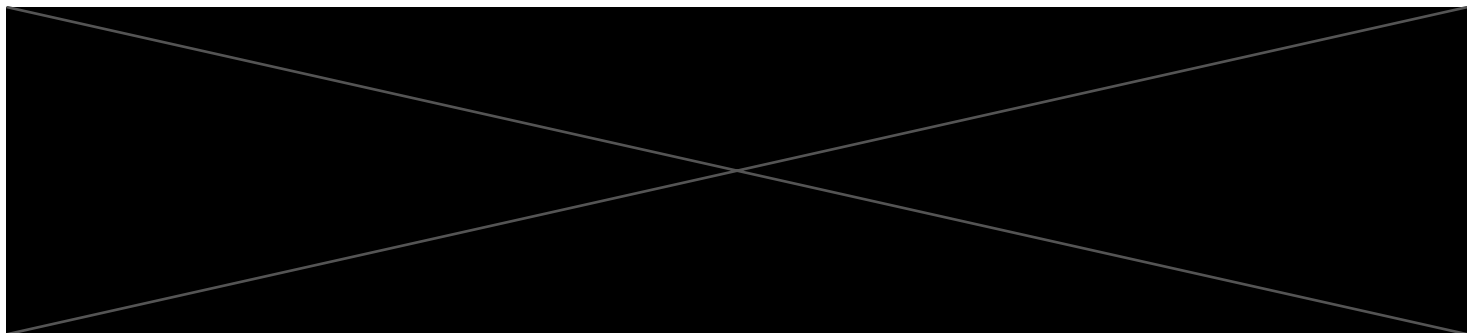
L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

878 Abide with Me

Organist Allen Stolp



Circuit Prayers:

St. John's, Canon City and Pastor Dan Kletke, all 3 Pueblo churches as they begin the call process, Hope Lutheran in Westcliffe, St. Peter's in Monte Vista.

District Prayers:

St. John in Salt Lake City, Grace in Moab UT, Immanuel in Artesia NM, Grace Lutheran and Ysleta Lutheran Mission in El Paso, TX.

Synodical Prayers:

prayers for President Harrison and staff

Serving on the hospital board:

Jim Ehrlich - St. Peter's, Jan Gay, Karla Hardesty, Kathy Lorenz, Marcie Schulz

Serving in the military:

UNITED STATES NAVY - Chris Keller

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE - Thaddaeus Cody

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE - Kaylin Rice

UNITED STATES ARMY - Eric Lorenz

Important Announcements:

September 14th - 16th Rev. Dr. Jeff Pulse will be teaching about Joseph at Mount Zion Lutheran Church in Denver. Come and learn something you've never heard before!!!

September 20th - Lutheran 101 Join us for a 6 week class as we discuss what it means to be Lutheran in today's world. We will meet after fellowship time.

September 25 - Family & Friends dinner @ IHOP, 6:00. Hope to see you there, and don't forget to bone up on your trivia!

September 26 - LWML Picnic lunch.

We need a Sunday School Teacher for our young people.

Please check the bulletin board to **find which student you can be praying for during this school year.**

Acknowledgments

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