The 10 COMMANDMENTS



TEN TIMELESS WORDS



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We are glad that you have joined us for worship.

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As we celebrate Holy Communion, let's rejoice in the various types of unity that we enjoy in this sacrament.



- According to Christ's own promise we receive his true body and blood along with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of all our sins (Matthew 26:26-28). We are united with him in the Lord's Supper.
- ♦ This meal not only unites believers with the Lord but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Holy Communion declares that unity.
- ♦ When Christians commune together they are jointly proclaiming the gospel of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:26).

What wonderful unity we find in the Lord's Supper. How we want to treasure and foster this unity. On the night on which Jesus gave us this meal he prayed that all his followers would come to complete agreement with one another on the basis of God's Word (John 17:11,17).

Out of love for the Lord and love for one another, we want what our Savior wants for us—genuine unqualified unity. For this reason we respectfully ask that only those who have expressed their full agreement with the teachings of our national church body (the Wisconsin Synod) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod come forward to receive the sacrament.

We eagerly desire everyone to share in this divine meal with us. Please speak to the pastor about how we can work together to establish this blessed fellowship.

WORSHIP THEME: Speak in truth and love about your neighbor

OPENING HYMN: #779 I Sing as I Arise Today (vs.1-4)

INVOCATION

LITANY OF THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD

(Select Verses of Psalm 119 & Proverbs 27)

CONFESSION OF SIN & SELF-REFLECTION

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS (Select Verses of Psalm 145)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Matthew 18:15-18

RESPONSE: Nothing But the Blood of Jesus (sung)

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 4:22-27, 29-32

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SERMON HYMN: #740 O God, My Faithful God (vs.1-4)

SERMON TEXT: Proverbs 6:12-19

THEME:

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: How Firm a Foundation (Anne & Blake Zeitler)

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

DISTRIBUTION: #938 This Is the Feast (vs.1-5)

Please Note: The center cups of the individual trays contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are labeled on a separate center tray.

<u>PRAYER</u>

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: Peace Be Yours (sung)

CONNECTION CARD ON OUR APP



Please take a moment and fill out the info on the connection card, located under the Worship Today button on our app or on our website. There is a tablet in entryway or QR Code on the left if you prefer to use that. Please fill out any information and submit.

THE OFFERING

Dear guests, we're glad you're here to listen to the message about Jesus.

If members or guests would like to give an offering electronically, they can do so by using the QR Code on the right or download our App, which is available at any app store. Those that give digitally can place the "Give" cards in the plate during the offering.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>COUNCIL OF NICAEA</u>: This week we will recount the aftermath of the Council of Nicaea and how and why the creed was updated in 381 at the Council of Constantinople to also include a more complete confession of the Holy Spirit and his work.

NEW ZOOM STUDY—QUICK TO LISTEN: Will take a short break and return on Wednesday August 27th @ 8:00pm

<u>DIVINE CALL</u>: Pastor Roloff received a divine call to Spirit of Life Lutheran Church in Caledonia, MI. Pray for him and his family as he deliberates both calls.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Developing Christian Character Aug. 26th, 7-8:30pm

<u>CLEAN UP DAY—AUGUST 23RD:</u> Help clean the interior and exterior in advance of preschool including windows, interior painting, repairing rock beds and more.

<u>ADULT CHOIR</u>: Starting regular rehearsals on **September 10** @ **7PM**. Our goal is to sing simple multipart or unison pieces for the primary church holidays, starting with Reformation and Thanksgiving. If you are a confirmed member of Ascension who likes to sing, sign up on the GroupLife board.

<u>CALLING ALL INSTRUMENTALISTS</u>: Whatever your age or skill level, if you would like to use your musical talents to glorify the Lord, sign up on the GroupLife board and Marcia will coordinate with you.

<u>RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE</u>: **Fri., Sept. 19**th **10am-4pm**. Find links to donate or serve as a volunteer greeter from 1 - 4 PM under "Volunteer" on our App.

<u>CAMP CROIX RETREAT'S</u>: **Men's Retreat** - "Awaiting the Fullness of Time: The Not-So-Silent Years Between the Testaments." | **September 19-21** | This presentation will be led by Martin Luther College Prof. Keith Wessel. <u>Sign up online!</u>

Women's Retreat - Perfectly Placed: Embracing your God-Give Strengths | Camp Croix Women's Retreat | **October 3-5** | To find out more and to register, visit: https://campcroix.org/womens-retreat

<u>PICTURE DIRECTORY</u>: **September 26-27th.** Sign up online now to reserve your spot! Scan QR in box Church Code: <u>MN572</u> Password: <u>photos</u> Every member family will receive a COMPLIMENTARY 8x10 professional photo and an Ascension photo directory.



THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVED:

- + Pianist: Marcia Michalik
- **†** Offertory: Anne & Blake Zeitler
- + AV Team
- **†** Serving: Flock #5—Randy Hebb