

Mothers' Day

Holy Cross Lutheran Church Progressive in Approach: Christ-like in Action!

Online Worship: May 10, 2020

Five Bags of Sugar!

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Welcome: LOVE is Risen!

LOVE is Risen in Us! Alleluia!

PRELUDE: Andante sostenuto, op 72, no. 2

Mendelssohn

Greeting: The grace of our risen SOPHIA CHRIST,

the LOVE which IS EL SHADDAI - the BREASTED ONE,

and the power of RUACH the SPIRIT is with us all.



Music:

Of Women and of Women's Hopes We Sing

TEXT: Shirley Erena Murray; TUNE: WOODLANDS

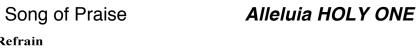


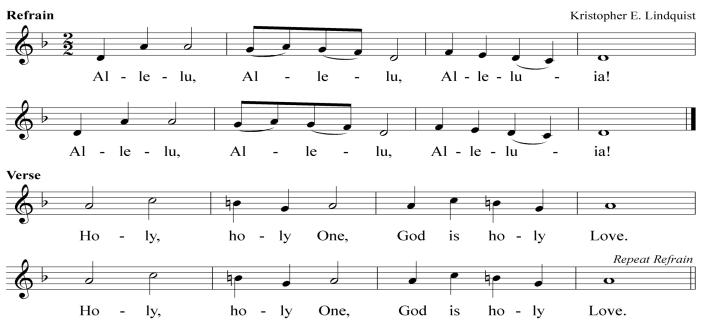
Prayer of the Day:

In the midst of our Mothering God, we approach DIVINE MYSTERY with joy and trepidation.

Longing for tenderness and open to the power of the ONE who is LOVE. We pray in the name of the ONE who IS was and ever more shall be,

♣ El Saddai, Sophia, and Ruauch, ONE. Amen





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Reading The Founder of Mothers' Day, Julia Ward Howe's Mothers' Day Proclamation (1870)

Arise, then, women of this day!

Arise, all women who have hearts, whether your baptism be that of water or tears! Say firmly: "We will not have great questions decided by irrelevant agencies.

Our husbands shall not come to us, reeking with carnage, for caresses and applause.

Our sons shall not be taken from us to unlearn all that we have taught them of charity, mercy and patience.

We women of one country will be too tender of those of another to allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs."

From the bosom of the devastated earth, a voice goes up with our own.

It says, "Disarm, Disarm!"

The sword of murder is not the balance of justice.

Blood does not wipe out dishonor, nor violence indicate possession.

As men have often forsaken the plow and the anvil at the summons of war, let women now leave all that may be left of home for a great and earnest day of counsel.

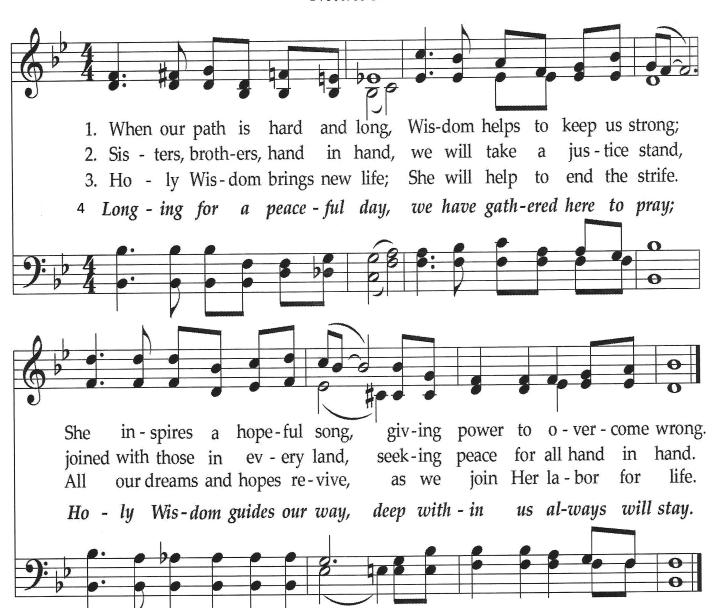
Let them meet first, as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead.

Let them solemnly take counsel with each other as to the means whereby the great human family can live in peace, each bearing after his own time the sacred impress, not of Caesars but of God.

In the name of womanhood and of humanity, I earnestly ask that a general congress of women without limit of nationality may be appointed and held at some place deemed most convenient and at the earliest period consistent with its objects, to promote the alliance of the different nationalities, the amicable settlement of international questions, the great and general interests of peace.

Looking for a Peaceful Day

Proverbs 3:17



Words: Jann Aldredge-Clanton

Music: Traditional North American hymn

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CLOSER WALK

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Reading: Revelations of Love, by Julian of Norwich Chapter 26:

Again, our Lord showed himself to me, this time more glorious than I had seen him before. I learned that our soul will never find rest until it comes to the fullness of Christ's joy.

So Christ said, again and again,

"I AM the one.
I AM the one.
I AM the one most honoured.
I AM the one you love.
I AM the one you enjoy.
I AM the one you serve.
I AM the one you long for.
I AM the one you desire.
I AM the one you yearn for.
I AM the one who is everything.
I AM the one who showed myself to you."

There were so many words, I couldn't understand them all. But the joy I had in listening to those words went far beyond anything I could think or desire. I won't try to explain them, but, as the grace of God gives you love and understanding, you will know what God means.

Acclamation: MOTHERING GOD, You Gave Me Birth

TEXT: Jean Janzen, based upon Julian of Norwich; MUSIC: Carolyn Jennings NORWICH

MOTHERING GOD, you gave me birth in the bright morning of this world. CREATOR, source of ev'ry breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.

MOTHERING CHRIST, you took my form, offering me your food of light, grain...of life, and grape of love, your very body for my peace.

MOTHERING SPIRIT, nut'ring ONE, in arms of patience hold me close, so that in faith I root and grow until I flow'r, until I grow.



Julian of Norwich (1342-1416

Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God; trust in me as well.

In God's house there are many dwelling places; otherwise, how could I have told you that I was going to prepare a place for you?

I AM indeed going to prepare a place for you and then I will come back to take you with me, that where I AM there you may be as well.

You know the way that leads to where I am going."

Thomas replied, "But we don't know where you're going.

How can we know the way?"

Jesus told him,

"I myself AM the Way—I AM Truth, and I AM Life.

No one comes to Abba God but through me.

If you really knew me, you would know Abba God also.

From this point on you know Abba God and you have seen God."

"Rabbi," Philip said, "show us Abba God, and that will be enough for us."

Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and still you don't know me? Whoever has seen me has seen Abba God.

How can you say, 'Show us your Abba'?

Don't you believe that I AM in Abba God and God is in me?

The words I speak are not spoken of myself; it is Abba God, living in me, who is accomplishing the works of God.

Believe me that I AM in God and God is in me, or else believe because of the works I do.

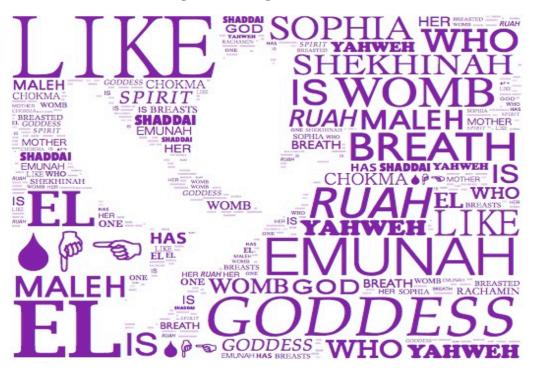
The truth of the matter is, anyone who has faith in me will do the works I do—and greater works besides.

Why? Because I go to Abba God, and whatever you ask in my name I will do, so that God may be glorified in me.

Anything you ask in my name I will do.

Reflection

Five Bags of Sugar!

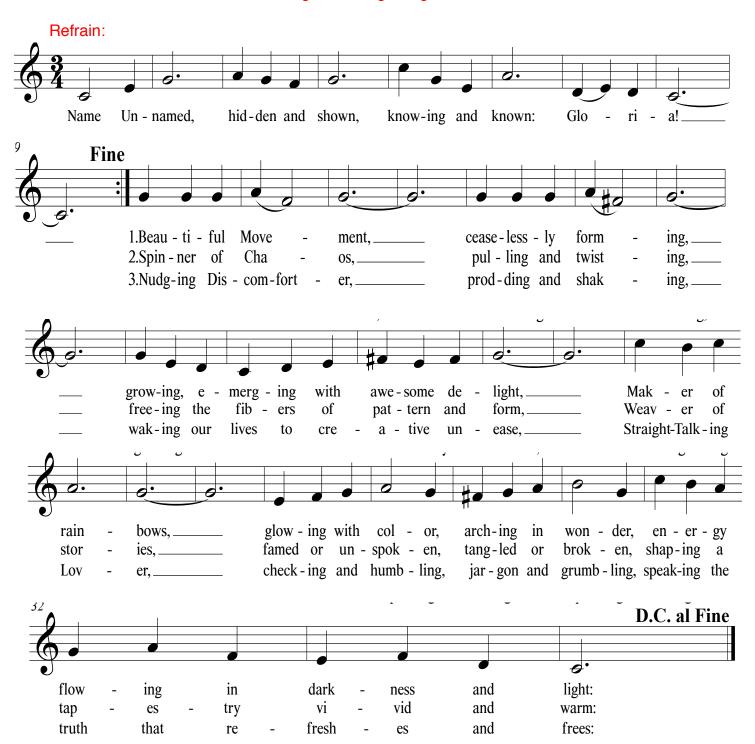


Song of the Day:

NAME UNNAMED

Text & Music: Brian Wren, (permission granted)

the refrain is sung at the beginning and after verse 3



Interpretation of the Prayer Jesus taught...

LOVER of us all, most holy one, help us to respond to you to create what you want for us here on earth. Give us today enough for our needs; forgive our weak and deliberate offences, just as we forgive others when they hurt us. Help us to resist evil and to do what is good; for we are yours, endowed with your power to make the world whole. All praise and honor is yours forever. Amen.

(adapted from Greenham Common)

Song: Faith of Our Mothers

TUNE: ST. CATHERINE - Henri F. Hemy

Faith of our mothers, living still In cradle song and bedtime prayer; In nursery lore and fireside love, Thy presence still pervades the air: Faith of our mothers, living faith! We will be true to you always.

Thank-you to everyone who sent in the photos of your Mothers!

Faith of our mothers, loving faith,
Fount of our childhood's trust and grace,
Oh, may thy consecration prove
Source of a finer, nobler race:
Faith of our mothers, living faith,
We will be true to you always.

Faith of our mothers, guiding faith, For youthful longing, youthful doubt, How blurred our vision, blind our way, Your providential care without: Faith of our mothers, guiding faith, We will be true to you always. Faith of our mothers, daring faith, Is truth beyond our stumbling creeds, Making love known and freedom real, We breathe LOVE's spirit through our deeds: Faith of our mothers, Loving faith! We will be true to you always.

POSTLUDE: The Hills of Tomorrow, by Stephen Sondheim



Our Savior is
our true Mother
in whom we are
endlessly born
and out of whom
we shall never come.

Julian of Norwich (1342-1416)

Please stay tuned to the end of the video for a special appeal from Council Member Andrew Slonetsky!

OFFERINGS:

There are several ways to ensure that we are able to continue meeting our commitments.

You can mail in your offerings:

Holy Cross Lutheran Church 1035 Wayne Drive Newmarket, On. L3Y 2W9

You can sign up to our Preauthorized Remittance Program PAR contact our Treasurer Sharon Smyth who will guide you

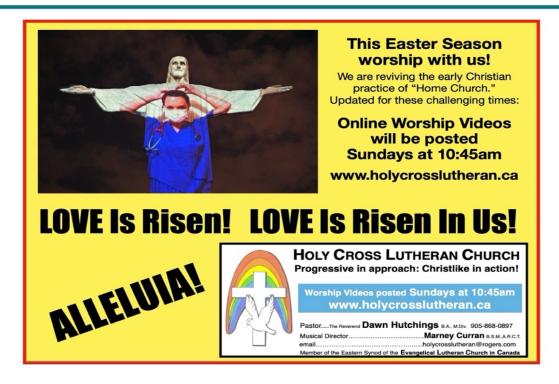
You can go to Holy Cross' **CanadaHelps** page to donate just follow the link:

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/131691727RR0001-holy-cross-lutheran-church/

CARE TEAM:

We are doing our best to connect with our HC Family. We are grateful that at the moment we have more volunteers than we need. This will serve us well in the coming weeks. Soon, we will be creating a phone chain to ensure that we all stay connected. If you need help, or simply a conversation, **PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE** to leave a voicemail on the church phone: 905-898-1682 – we are checking these messages 3 times a day. So, someone will get back to you ASAP.

You can also call Pastor Dawn directly on her cellphone 905-868-0897.



Holy Cross Finances as of April 30, 2020

THANK-YOU! THANK-YOU! THANK-YOU! Thanks to all the generous, Members and Friends of Holy Cross who have graciously stepped up to ensure that our financial house is in order during these unprecedented times! Your ongoing donations are especially appreciated as we all struggle to come to terms with the current realities of financial insecurity. Below you will see a summary of our Income and Expenses.

Financial Report - General Fund Jan-April 30, 2020

Іпсоме	Jan-April BUDGET	Jan-April ACTUAL	Variance
Regular Sunday Offerings	\$43,278.37	\$40,026.91	
BLOG Participants		\$2,000	
Total OFFERINGS	\$43,278.37	\$42,026.91	-\$1,251.46
Solar Panel Income	\$3,000.00	\$510.87	-\$2,489.13
Fundraising	\$666.64	\$0.00	-\$666.64
Gifts	\$166.64	\$0.00	-\$166.64
Interest	\$0.00	\$16.88	\$16.88
Non-Budgeted Expenses	\$333.36	\$0.00	-\$333.36
Budgeted Expense	\$333.36	\$2,307.40	\$1,974.04
Rentals: Church Facility	\$500.00	\$540.00	\$40.00
Rental: Armitage Daycare	\$4,300.00	\$4,300.00	\$0.00
Movie Nights/Matinees	\$1,000.00	\$608.81	-\$391.19
Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sub-Total General Fund	\$53,578.37	\$50,310.87	-\$3,267.50
2019 Surpluss Carried forward	\$330.85	\$330.85	
TOTAL INCOME	\$53,909.22	\$50,641.72	-\$3,267.50
TOTAL EXPENSES to April 30 2020	\$53,909.06	\$49,868.90	-\$4,040.16
NET INCOME as of April 30 2020		\$772.66	

EXPENSES:

- 1. Typically, our expenses run above budget during the first quarter due to annual expenses which cannot be carried over 12 months eg Insurance \$3,558.60 and Snowplowing \$1,247.28. However, as a result of physical distancing our expenses are actually \$4,040.16 less that budgeted.
- 2. Expenses are expected to remain below budget for the foreseeable future.

INCOME:

- 1. Federal Government Payroll Subsidy: Holy Cross will receive 10% of monthly salary (including housing allowance) for 3 months (March 18 to June 19) to a maximum for \$ 1350 total per employee. In our case this means \$ 450 a month for 3 months which is given as a reduction in payroll tax due for those months.
- 2. Pastor Dawn's speaking engagements have been cancelled and all fees have been waived.

BRIDGE LOAN:

- 1. The \$20,000 Bridge Loan remains intact. It continues to secure our cash flow.
- 2. The first payment of \$5,000 plus interest is due in June and will be drawn from the loan itself.

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ACCESSIBILITY FUND:

Loan Payment Dec. 31: \$12,500.00
Carry over from 2019: 2,180.34
Received in 2020: 2,279.73
Accessibility Fund total: \$4,460.07
Balance needed by Dec.31: \$8,039.93



Bring along your favourite Morning Brew and join the conversation.



ZOOM Sessions begin: Thursday May 14th at 10:00_{am}









SPIRITUALITY IN CHAOTIC TIMES

Nurturing our Spirits

Each week you will receive a short essay on the subject of spirituality written by a contemporary author. We will use the essays to inspire conversations exploring various spiritual practices which can nourish, ground, and sustain us, during these chaotic times.

Essays, along with a Zoom link will be published on our website on the Monday preceding our session. You are welcome to invite a friend. A sample of the type of essay we will be exploring is attached. Our first essay will be posted on Monday May 11.

Sessions: Thursdays May 14, 28, June 4, 11, & 25 at 10:00am

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A big THANK-YOU from the volunteers at the Outreach Van!

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