

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

Online Worship: June 7, 2020

**“The Great Commission”  
Birthed White Supremacy**

Pastor Dawn Hutchings,  
Musician: Marney Curran

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Welcome:

PRELUDE:

***Song Without Words: Op 62 #4, F  
Mendelson***

Music printed under  
LiscenSing #1975

Greeting:

The grace of God our LOVER,  
the peace of our BELOVED Christ  
and the wisdom of LOVE Herself  
is with you all.  
THANKS be to all that is HOLY.

Music:

***God Beyond***  
*WORDS: George Steward; TUNE: AR HYD Y NOS*

**Time and space are both a mystery;  
God is beyond.  
Limitless yet with a history;  
God is beyond.  
When we think of human millions,  
Study galaxies in billions,  
When we ponder stars in trillions,  
God is beyond.**

**In nonillions\*, yet are living;  
God is beyond;  
Tiny cells are unforgiving;  
God is beyond;  
Genes bequeath to us our hist'ry,  
Germs attack and give no mercy,  
Microscopic – all is mystery;  
God is beyond.**

Science drives investigations;  
 God is beyond.  
 Offers many explanations;  
 God is beyond.  
 Gathered facts we list together;  
 Growth of knowledge – our endeavour;  
 Much is understood, however  
 God is beyond.

Call to Worship: **We Bow Before the ONE**  
 produced by The Work of the People

Prayer of the Day:

In the midst of the ONE who is life, we open ourselves to MYSTERY.  
 Let our words and ideas about the nature of our CREATOR, slip away  
 so that we may know the rhythm of DIVINE breathe.  
 Let us open our hearts and minds to the wonders of the MYSTERY.  
 Let us rejoice in the presence of the ONE who is LOVE.  
 now and always. Amen.

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4  
 video produced by The Work of the People

Music: **Spirit of Gentleness**  
 Words & Music by James K. Manley Verses 1, 2, & 4

*Refrain*



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness  
 call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,  
 stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,  
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,  
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,  
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;  
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;  
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;  
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;

and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing;  
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,  
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,  
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

*Refrain*

"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."  
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.  
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.  
 With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

Contemporary Reading:

Birthing a New Way  
Video Produced by The Work of the People

Acclamation:

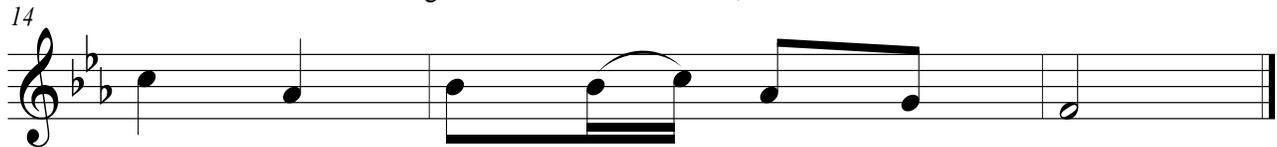
***Come, O Holy Spirit***, verses 1 & 2



1. Come O Ho - ly Spir - it, set the Church on fire; strike it as the light - ning  
2. Blow a - way the cob - webs of our stub - born past. Come, send fly - ing from us  
3. Free us from the bab - ble of our Ba - bel mind; spark in us a lan - guage



hits a \_\_pos-ing spire. Burn a - way the struc-tures and con-sume the shame of our ho - ly  
myths un - fit to last. Wind of change, re - fresh us and dis - turb our calm; teach us what true  
all can un - der - stand. Light - en then our dark - ness, come and show us how all the world lies



sys - tems: Come, in \_\_\_\_\_ Je - sus' name!  
love is, take our \_\_\_\_\_ hearts by storm.  
o - pen: Pen - te - cost is now!

Gospel:

Galatians 3:26-28

All of you who have been baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. In Christ there is no Jew or Greek, slave or citizen, male or female. All are ONE in Christ Jesus.

Reflection:

“The Great Commission” Birthed White Supremacy



Song of the Day:

**Shadow and Substance**

Unison  
 ♩ = 100

F B<sup>b</sup>/F F B<sup>b</sup>/F Am

1 Shad - ow and sub - stance, won - der and mys - ter - y, spell - bind - ing  
 2 We are your im - age, formed in com - mu - ni - ty; sis - ters and  
 3 Nam - ing the name - less Spir - it of u - ni - ty, scan - ning the

Dm<sup>7</sup> Gm<sup>7</sup> C F B<sup>b</sup>/F F

spin - ner of at - oms and earth; soul of the cos - mos, per - son and  
 broth - ers of Ad - am and Eve. You gave us col - our, cus - tom and  
 heav - ens for signs of your care; God of the a - ges, give us hu -

B<sup>b</sup>/F Am<sup>7</sup> Dm<sup>7</sup> Gm<sup>7</sup> C<sup>7</sup> F

en - er - gy, source of our be - ing, we sing of your worth.  
 his - to - ry; teach us to hon - our what oth - ers re - ceive.  
 mil - i - ty; guide us to mys - ti - cal un - ion in prayer.

Prayers of the People

Music:

**Go Between God**

**OKSANA**

**11.10.11.10**

words by Shirley Erena Murray



1. Go - be - tween God, in the Spir - it of Je - sus, reach - ing and  
 2. Let me see val - ues in col - ors and cult - ures new to my  
 3. Let me find truths in a - noth - er faith's scrip - ture, let me share  
 4. Let me ac - cept re - vel - a - tion in sci - ence, all that en -  
 5. Let me be part of a new e - vol - u - tion hon - or - ing



wel - com - ing, cross ing div - ides, \_\_\_\_\_ let me be part of your bridge build - ing  
 land - scape of hab - it or thought; \_\_\_\_\_ let me find treas - ures in o - ther trad -  
 wis - dom wher - ev - er it shines, \_\_\_\_\_ light - ing our diff - er - ing path - ways to  
 han - ces the life of the earth, \_\_\_\_\_ let me re - ject all that threat - ens her  
 o - thers who hon - or the good, \_\_\_\_\_ art - ists in liv - ing out love with - out



peo - ple, mak - ing con - nect - ion where pre - jud - ice rides. \_\_\_\_\_  
 it - ions, gifts of new in - sight that stran - gers have brought. \_\_\_\_\_  
 wor - ship, seek - ing the scope of your stun - ning de - signs. \_\_\_\_\_  
 na - ture, test - ing tech - nol - o - gy's stat - us and worth. \_\_\_\_\_  
 la - bels, stand - ing in pla - ces where Je - sus has stood. \_\_\_\_\_

Blessing  
Announcements  
Postlude

**Spiritual**  
by Ralph De Coursey

Next Sunday **June 14**, our guest preacher will be  
**National Bishop Susan Johnson**  
 Pastor Dawn will be taking a week off and will  
 return June 21<sup>st</sup>.



**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.**

## **Attention Gardeners! Volunteers Needed!!!**



As you can see Creation is in bloom at the church. In our absence: the tulips, daffodils, grass, and weeds, are flourishing.

Our little garden could use a little tending.

If you are able to lend a hand, please send Wayne Dawe an email [wayne@wdawe.com](mailto:wayne@wdawe.com) and he will insure that physical distancing prevails. Happy Gardening!

## 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

INCOME	Jan-April BUDGET	Jan-April ACTUAL	Variance
Regular Sunday Offerings	\$43,278.37	\$40,026.91	
BLOG Participants		\$2,000	
<b>Total OFFERINGS</b>	<b>\$43,278.37</b>	<b>\$42,026.91</b>	<b>-\$1,251.46</b>
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	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$53,909.22</b>	<b>\$50,641.72</b>	<b>-\$3,267.50</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES to April 30 2020</b>	<b>\$53,909.06</b>	<b>\$49,868.90</b>	<b>-\$4,040.16</b>
<b>NET INCOME as of April 30 2020</b>		<b>\$772.66</b>	

#### EXPENSES:

- 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.
- Expenses are expected to remain below budget for the foreseeable future.

#### INCOME:

- 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.
- Pastor Dawn's speaking engagements have been cancelled and all fees have been waived.

#### BRIDGE LOAN:

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

#### ACCESSIBILITY FUND:

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

# Homelessness

## Zoom Conversation

June 10 @ 7:00pm

GOOD PEOPLE with Mark Sakamoto

## BETWEEN THE CRACKS

An investigation of the homelessness crisis in Hamilton and a look at innovative solutions found in Medicine Hat, Alberta



This evocative documentary is available to stream on the CBC Gem App. Our Global Justice Team will curate our conversation over Zoom. To receive the Zoom link send an email to: [holycrosslutheran@rogers.com](mailto:holycrosslutheran@rogers.com)



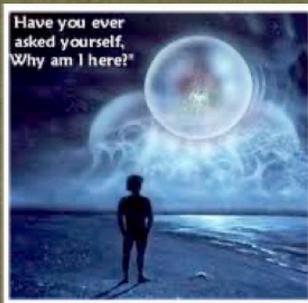
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**Bring along your favourite  
Morning Brew  
and join the conversation.**



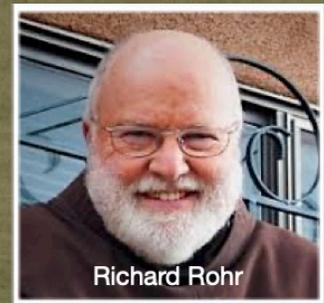
**ZOOM Sessions begin:  
Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup>  
at 10:00am**



Matthew Fox



Joan Chittister



Richard Rohr

# 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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# Street Outreach Van



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

**"Global Justice Team and Holy Cross Lutheran Church**  
On behalf of the street outreach staff team and clients I would like to thank you so very much for your donation of food during this pandemic. As you know we rely heavy on donations from the community to do the work that we do. This month we have been incredibly busy and saw an increase of 125 new clients who have never accessed the services of the van. I am extremely grateful for all the help we receive from the volunteers over the years. I often tell Sharon and the other ladies this. They make our job that much easier.

**Mary Ann"**

We all know that there are folks in distress during this period of diminishing resources and fear over the pandemic. Contributing food items to the Van may be a way you would feel you could help with.

Items most needed are:

**Peanut Butter**  
**Tuna**  
**Baked Beans**  
**Canned Pasta Sauce (no glass)**  
**Canned Soup**



To arrange pick-up or drop-off of your donation: Email

[holycrosslutheran@rogers.com](mailto:holycrosslutheran@rogers.com)

If you go shopping for yourself, or send someone shopping on your behalf, please consider buying some extra for the Van. Since there are no volunteers to go shopping for the Van, we appreciate food donations over monetary gifts.

Your donations will be picked up from your porch or we can arrange a drop off for you if you email [holycrosslutheran@rogers.com](mailto:holycrosslutheran@rogers.com)

