



*Holy Cross Lutheran Church and School*  
*May 31 & June 1, 2014*  
*~Celebration of the Ascension of Our Lord~*

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**WELCOME IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**

We pray that your faith will be strengthened through the Good News of the gift of salvation. Our mission at Holy Cross is to *SHARE GOD'S LOVE THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST*. Join us for fellowship in the Fellowship Hall following the 8:15 a.m. service.

**ATTENDANCE CARDS**

Please sign the attendance cards located in the pew racks and pass them toward the center aisle.

**CHILD CARE AND WORSHIP AIDS**

A staffed nursery for children up to 36-months old is available during the Sunday Worship, Sunday School hour and 6:00 p.m. Saturday Service. It is located near the north entrance of the Worship Center. Parents may also use the Church Parlor located to the left side, just before entering the Worship Center. Personal P.A.'s for the hearing impaired are available from an usher.

**HOLY COMMUNION**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Holy Cross in the confident, joyful confession that it is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink (Matthew 26:26-29).

Personal examination, prior to participation, is encouraged by the Scriptures (1 Corinthians 11:28), and might include these questions:

- Am I a sinner?
- Am I sorry for my sins?
- Do I believe Jesus gives me His body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins?
- Do I intend by the Power of the Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life?

As members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, we believe the Scriptures affirm that our participation in Holy Communion is an expression of our unity in faith.

If you desire to participate and are not a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, or if you have questions or concerns about the meaning of this sacrament or confession of this congregation, please talk with our pastor or one of the elders. Prior to your participation, you are encouraged to call the Church Office to make an appointment.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23-24; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 10:15-17; 11:17-34.

**SATURDAY SERVICE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE** To You, O Lord  
Hallelujah to the Lamb

**INVOCATION**

**OPENING SENTENCES**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Acts 1:1-11  
(Jesus ascended and we are His witnesses)

Ephesians 1:15-23  
(Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father)

Luke 24:44-53  
(Blessed to be His witnesses)

**SERMON SONG** The Battle Belongs to the Lord

**MESSAGE** "Up, Up, but Not Away!"  
Acts 1:8-11

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**OFFERING SONG** Make Us One

**PRAYERS**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

**SONGS DURING DISTRIBUTION** Agnus Dei  
Our God  
Wait for the Lord

**BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING SONG** Be Bold, Be Strong

**EXIT SONG** Build Your Kingdom Here  
We Believe

8:15 a.m.

**PRELUDE** "Lasst uns erfreuen" — Callahan  
**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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**FIRST READING** ..... Acts 1:1-11  
(Jesus ascended and we are His witnesses)  
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(Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father)  
**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** ..... Page 205  
**HOLY GOSPEL** ..... Luke 24:44-53  
(Blessed to be His witnesses)  
**HYMN OF THE DAY**  
"Up through Endless Ranks of Angels" # 491

**SERMON** "Up, Up, but Not Away!"  
Acts 1:8-11  
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**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**  
"O Christ, Our Hope, Our Hearts' Desire" # 553  
"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" # 821  
"On Christ's Ascension I Now Build" # 492  
**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**  
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**BENEDICTION**  
**CLOSING HYMN**  
"Christ High-Ascended, Now in Glory Seated" # 840  
**POSTLUDE** "A Festive Intrada" — W.L. Pelz

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11:00 a.m.

**PRELUDE** "Lasst uns erfreuen" — Callahan  
**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**OPENING HYMN** ... "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" # 493  
**BAPTISM OF JASON EDWARD SHIRE**  
**OPENING SENTENCES**  
**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**  
**HYMN OF PRAISE** ..... See screen  
**PRAYER OF THE DAY**  
**FIRST READING** ..... Acts 1:1-11  
(Jesus ascended and we are His witnesses)  
**EPISTLE** ..... Ephesians 1:15-23  
(Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father)  
**HOLY GOSPEL** ..... Luke 24:44-53  
(Blessed to be His witnesses)

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (Brian Young)  
**HYMN OF THE DAY**  
"Up through Endless Ranks of Angels" # 491  
**SERMON** "Up, Up, but Not Away!"  
Acts 1:8-11  
**OUR TITHES AND GIFTS TO THE SAVIOR**  
**SOLO**  
**INSTALLATION OF LWML OFFICERS**  
**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**  
**LORD'S PRAYER**  
**BENEDICTION**  
**CLOSING HYMN**  
"Christ High-Ascended, Now in Glory Seated" # 840  
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**PRAYER IS AVAILABLE  
AFTER ALL SERVICES!!**

There are people available after all services to pray with you. LOCATIONS: On Saturday you will find a person with a red "Prayer" nametag in the area near the entrance to the Worship Center. After Sunday services look for someone with a red "Prayer" nametag standing near the baptismal font. This person would be happy to listen to your request and pray with you. What kinds of things might you pray about? How about an upcoming job interview, test or change in circumstances? How about an opportunity to share the Gospel with a neighbor? There are many topics that you can bring to God in prayer! *"Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and wonderful results."* (James 5:16b)

**BAPTISM**

We rejoice as **Jason Edward Shire** is received as a member of God's heavenly kingdom through Holy Baptism in the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday.

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