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+ HOLY CROSS DAY +

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Wednesday, 14 September A+D 2022 • 7:00 P.M.

**Lutheran Service Book, Divine Service, Setting Four, pg. 203**

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

**HYMN OF INVOCATION**

*“The Royal Banners Forward Go” LSB 455*

*Stand*

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*LSB 203 (right column)*

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

**INTROIT**

*Psalm 98:1, 4, 6; antiphon: v. 2*

- P** The LORD has made known his salvation;  
**C** **he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**  
**P** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!  
**C** **His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**  
**P** Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
**C** **break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**  
**P** With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
**C** **make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!**

**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.**

- P** The LORD has made known his salvation;  
**C** **he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

**KYRIE**

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**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*LSB 204*

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*LSB 205*

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.

*Sit*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Numbers 21:4-9*

<sup>4</sup>From 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. <sup>5</sup>And 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.”<sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died.<sup>7</sup>And 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.<sup>8</sup>And 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.”<sup>9</sup>So 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.

## GRADUAL

*Isaiah 42:22a; John 3:14b-15*

- P** “Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations,  
**C** **and raise my signal to the peoples,” [says the Lord.]**  
**P** So must the Son of Man be lifted up,  
**C** **that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.**

## EPISTLE

*1 Corinthians 1:18-25*

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

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

<sup>20</sup>Where 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? <sup>21</sup>For 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. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 12:20-33*

<sup>20</sup>Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Truly, 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. <sup>25</sup>Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>If 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.

<sup>27</sup>“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. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” <sup>29</sup>The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am

lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”<sup>33</sup> He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

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*Sit*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle”* LSB 454

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**SERMON**

*“Foolish Preaching”* 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

*Stand*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

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**OFFERING**

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

*Stand*

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**BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION**

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**HYMN TO DEPART**

*“God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven”* LSB 877

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