

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

October 31, 2021

# WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire hope;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;

And to whoever will come;

This church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Congregational responses are indicated in boldface.

## O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1653, cento; Trans. composite; mod.; Music: Melchior Teschner, ca. 1615 1. O Lord, how shall I meet you, how wel-come you right? 2. Love caused your in - car na - tion, love brought you down to me; 3. Re - joice, then, you sad heart - ed, who sit in deep - est gloom, 4. Sin's debt, that fear - ful bur - den, let not your souls dis - tress; Your greet peo - ple long hope, my heart's de light! to you, my thirst for your my sal va - tion pro - cured my lib - er ty. who mourn o'er joys de part - ed and trem - ble your doom. at guilt the Lord will par - don and cov - er by his grace. 0 kin - dle, Lord Most Ho - ly, your lamp with - in breast 0 love be - yond all tell - ing, that led you em brace, De - spair not, he is near you, yea, stand - ing at the door, comes, for men pro cur - ing the peace of sin for giv'n, to do in spir - it low - ly all that may please you best. in love all love ex cel - ling, our lost and fall - en race! who best can help and cheer you and bids you weep no more. cur - ing their her - i - tage God's sons se heav'n.

#### THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

#### THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy.

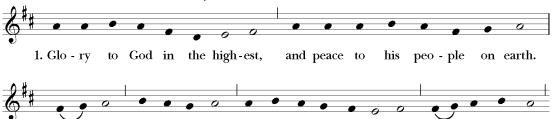
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

## THE GLORIA

## Glory to God: Gloria in Excelsis

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music-#277 Canticle 20



2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, as we live among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

## THE COLLECT FOR CHILDREN

Children in 2nd grade and younger may attend Children's Chapel at this time and return at The Peace.

Almighty God, heavenly Father, you have blessed our congregation with the joy and care of children: Give us courage, patience, and wisdom, as we bring them up in the faith, that they may never know a day apart from your love and care; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### THE LESSONS

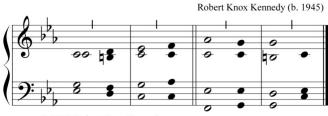
**DEUTERONOMY 6:1-9** 

After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119:1-16



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- Blessed are those who are undefiled in their I ways, | and walk in the law of the I Lord. ||
- Blessed are those who keep his I testimonies | and seek him with their whole I heart, |
- 3 Even those who do no I wickedness | and perfectly walk in his I ways. |
- 4 You have ordered your | precepts | that we should diligently | keep them.
- 5 O that my ways were made so dilrect | that I might keep your I statutes! ■
- 6 Then would I not be put to I shame | while I give heed unto all your commandments.
- 7 I will thank you with an upright I heart, | when I have learned your righteous I judgments.

- 8 I will keep your I statutes; |
  O do not forsake me I utterly.
- 9 How shall a young man cleanse his I way? |
  By ruling himself according to your I word. ||
- With my whole heart I have I sought you; |
  O let me not go astray from your commandments. |
- Your words have I hidden within my I heart, | that I may not sin algainst you. ■
- 12 Blessed are you, O | Lord; | teach me your | statutes.
- 13 With my lips have I been I telling | of all the judgments of your I mouth. ■
- I have had greater delight in the way of your I testimonies | than in all manner of I riches.
- I will meditate on your commandments | and have respect for all your I ways. |
- My delight will be in your I statutes, | and I will not forget your I word. ■

#### **HEBREWS 7:23-28**

After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### THE GOSPEL

#### MARK 12:28-34

All stand for the Gospel as the Priest reads, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

#### THE NICENE CREED

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world saying, "hear our prayer."

Lord, in your mercy:

## Hear our prayer.

The leader will invite us to pray silently and then to pray aloud.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

#### THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

## THE OFFERTORY

You may place an offering in the basket, give online at holycrossva.org/give, text "Give" to 434-277-4975, or mail a check to PO Box 614, Crozet, VA 22932.

## Litany for the Feast of All Souls

Music by Franz Schubert, 1816; Text by Johann Georg Jacobi, trans. Richard Wigmore

May all souls rest in peace; those whose fearful torment is past; those whose sweet dreams are over; those sated with life, those barely born, who have left this world: may all souls rest in peace!.... may all who have departed hence, may all souls rest in peace!

# Doxology

Composer: Louis Bourgeois (1551); Public Domain

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

The People stand while the offerings are presented.

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

And of your own have we given you.

I CHRONICLES 29:11, 14<sup>T</sup>

#### THE SURSUM CORDA

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

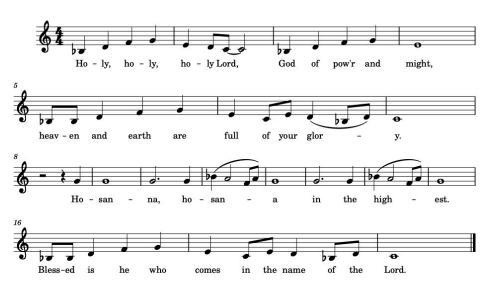
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## THE SANCTUS



## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The Celebrant and the People say together

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### THE FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.** 

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The celebrant will, as always, wash and sanitize his hands before the service and again right before communion.

To receive communion, come forward as directed by the usher. "Cross" the palms of your hands to receive bread from the priest. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

If you desire to receive wine, please bring a chalice or cup from home. The chalice bearer will pour a small amount of wine into your cup for you (and your family).

If you do not desire to commune, but would like to receive prayer, cross your arms over your chest as you come forward, and the pastor will pray for you.

All baptized Christians who trust in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, seek to lead a new life by God's mercies, and strive to walk in love and charity with their neighbors are welcome at this table.

#### PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR USE DURING COMMUNION

For those who Desire to Commit to the Christian Faith

Lord Jesus Christ, I am broken by sin and unable to save myself. I believe that you died for me, bearing my punishment on the cross, and that you offer me forgiveness and new life in you. I turn from my sins and trust in you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

For those in Search of Truth

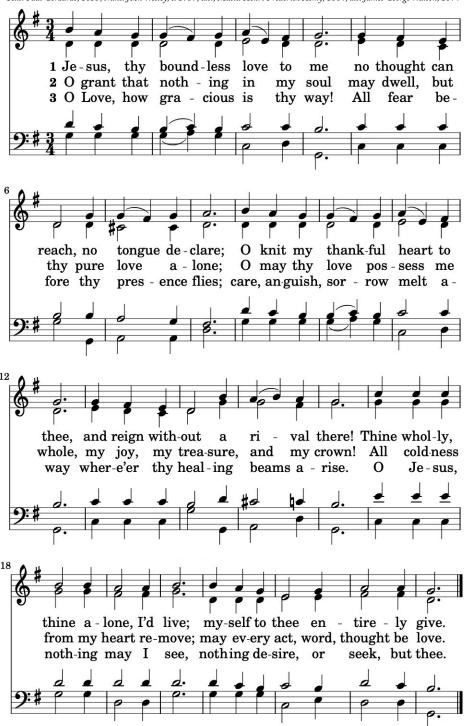
God, I am uncertain whether you exist and whether you are listening to me now. I want to know the truth, and I am willing to live according to it. If you are there, please reveal yourself to me and give me faith that leads to the abundant life promised by Jesus Christ. Amen.

For those who Desire a Deeper Faith

Almighty and eternal God, so draw my heart to you, so guide my mind, so fill my imagination, so control my will, that I may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use me according to your will, for your glory and the welfare of your people. Amen.

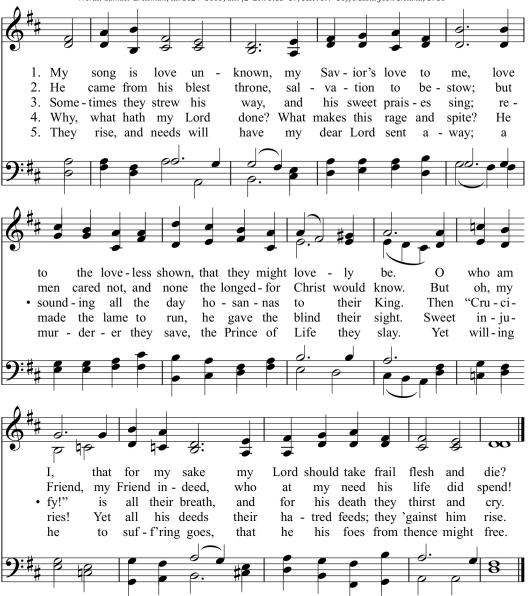
# Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1653; trans. John Wesley, c. 1739, alt.; Music: Henri Frederick Hemy, 1864; alt. James George Walton, 1874



# My Song Is Love Unknown

Words: Samuel Crossman, ca. 1624-1683, alt. (2 Cor. 5:15-19; Heb. 5:7-10); Music: John Ireland, 1918



- 6. In life, no house, no home my Lord on earth might have; in death, no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave.

  What may I say? Heav'n was his home, but mine the tomb wherein he lay.
- 7. Here might I stay and sing,
  no story so divine;
  never was love, dear King,
  never was grief like thine.
  This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise
  I all my days could gladly spend.

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ: and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now Father, send us out into the world to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen

#### THE BLESSING

#### THE RECESSIONAL

## O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

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Sin's debt, that fearful burden, let not your souls distress; Your guilt the Lord will pardon and cover by his grace. He comes, for men procuring the peace of sin forgiv'n, For all God's sons securing their heritage in heav'n.

You come, O Lord, with gladness, in mercy and goodwill, To bring and end to sadness and bid our fears be still. In patient expectation we live for that great day When a renewed creation your glory shall display.

### THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Saints' Sunday Lunch Plan to stay for lunch after the service next Sunday, November 7. Hops Kitchen will prepare Fiesta Fajitas (\$10/adult and \$6/child, max \$32/family). Sign up online (newsletter or our website).

**Parish Meeting on November 14** Mark your calendars to join us at the Barn at Fidelis Farm on Sunday, November 14, 5-7 PM for a parish meeting. All are welcome, but it's especially important for members to attend. A proposed budget for 2022 has been sent out. Members, please review the budget before the meeting.

Congregational Singing Workshop The human voice is a beautiful instrument, and it is one of the primary means by which we participate in the liturgical worship of the Church. While our congregation already enjoys a robust culture of singing, drawing upon a 2,000 year musical tradition spanning from plainchant to Bach cantatas to African American spirituals to contemporary compositions is no small task! For that reason, we have asked Brian Dean Sousa, director of Musica Sacra Virginia, to provide a workshop in congregational singing for us. This will be a great opportunity to learn basic vocal technique, to gain understanding of the chant and hymn singing traditions of the Church, and to practice four-part singing all in a beautiful setting. The workshop will be held on November 13 from 10 AM - 12 noon at the Barn at Fidelis Farm; please email chris@holycrossva.org to RSVP or ask further questions.

**Share the Blessing** Crozet Baptist Church's annual Share the Blessing ministry provides Thanksgiving meals for families in need in the Crozet area. Their final food drive is at Crozet Market on Saturday, November 6 (9 AM to 1 PM). All donations are due to Crozet Baptist by November 7. For more information about items needed or to volunteer your time, visit CrozetChurch.org.

**Communion Cup Reminder** If you desire to receive wine at communion, please bring a chalice or cup from home. Families are encouraged to share one cup.

**Welcome Leon Remer!** Jason Leonard Remer (Leon) was born on October 5 to happy parents, Grace and Scott, weighing 6 lbs 8oz. Sign up to bring them a meal via the link in our weekly newsletter.

Holy Cross Prayer Ministry A team of parishioners is available to pray daily for needs within the parish. Send prayer requests to Tom Harrison at thar65@gmail.com, and he will forward them to team members. All requests are held in strict confidence.

**COVID Precautions** We will continue to worship with the large garage doors open to allow for maximum outdoor ventilation. Please consider the weather and dress comfortably. Outdoor, physically-distanced seating is available for those who desire it. Face coverings remain optional under current Virginia law.

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