

# Mount Cross Lutheran Church

102 Camino Esplendido, Camarillo, CA 93010

805.482.3847 [www.mountcross.com](http://www.mountcross.com)



**All Saints Sunday / Confirmation**  
**November 1, 2020, 9:30 a.m.**

**PRELUDE - "The River" (Wedgewood/Feliz/Silverberg) - Youth Band (Tiana Stouch, Ben Fisher, Joe Zimmerly)**

*Verse 1*

I know a place where we can go,  
to lay the troubles down eating your soul.  
I know a place where mercy flows,  
take the stains, make you cleaner than snow.

*Pre-Chorus*

Like a tide, it is rising up deep inside.  
A current that moves and makes you come alive.  
Living water that brings the dead to life. Oh, oh.

*Chorus*

We're goin' down to the river, down to the river,  
down to the river to pray.  
Let's get washed by the water, washed by the water,  
and rise up in amazing grace.  
Let's go down, down, down to the river.  
You will leave changed.  
Let's go down, down, down to the river.  
Never the same.

*Verse 2*

I've seen it move in my own life,  
took me from dusty roads into Paradise.  
All of my dirt, all of my shame,  
drowned in the streams that have made me born again.

*Pre-Chorus*

*Chorus*

*Bridge*

Let's go down, oo, oo, oo.  
Let's go down, oo, oo, oo.  
Let's go down.

*Pre-Chorus*

*Chorus*

*Ending*

Oh, down, oo, oo.  
Gotta go, gotta go, gotta go down in amazing grace.  
Let's go down, down, down to the river.  
Gotta go, gotta go, gotta go down in amazing grace.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Pastor Julie

### STEWARDSHIP VIDEO

### CONFIRMATION GREETING - Tiana Stouch

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
in whole image we are made,  
who claims us and calls us beloved

C: **Amen.**

### GATHERING SONG - "For All the Saints" - ELW 422 - Verses 1, 3, 5, 7

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who  
thee by faith before the world confessed, thy  
name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,  
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 The golden evening brightens in the west;  
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;  
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### **MESSAGES FROM OUR YOUNG PEOPLE - Faith Stories from Confirmands (video)**

#### **FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17 - Read by Jackson Burke**

*The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.*

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

<sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

# SONG OF RESPONSE - "Our God Is Here" (Muglia)

Verses

1. Here in this time, here in this place,  
 2. Here in the Word, God is re-vealed,

1. here we are stand - ing face to face. Here in our hearts,  
 2. here where the wound - ed can be healed. Here in our hearts,

1. here in our lives, our God is here.  
 2. here in our lives, our God is here.

1. Here for the bro - ken, here for the strong,  
 2. Here we be-come \_\_\_\_\_ what we re-ceive,

1. here in this tem - ple we be-long. Here in our hearts, -  
 2. here in this Eu - cha - ris - tic feast. We are his bod -

1. \_\_\_\_\_ here in our lives, our God is here.  
 2. - y, liv - ing as one; our God is here.

Refrain

And we cry: "Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly are

you!" We cry: "Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly and

true!" A - men, we do be-lieve our God is here.

(Repeat last time)

Our God is here.

## SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3 - Read by Caleb Clem

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

As able, the assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - "Alle, Alleluia" (Schaner/Keil)

Al - le, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text and music, © 1996, Bernadette Schaner and Kevin Keil.  
Published by OCP Publications. All rights reserved.

### GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

P The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to Matthew.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

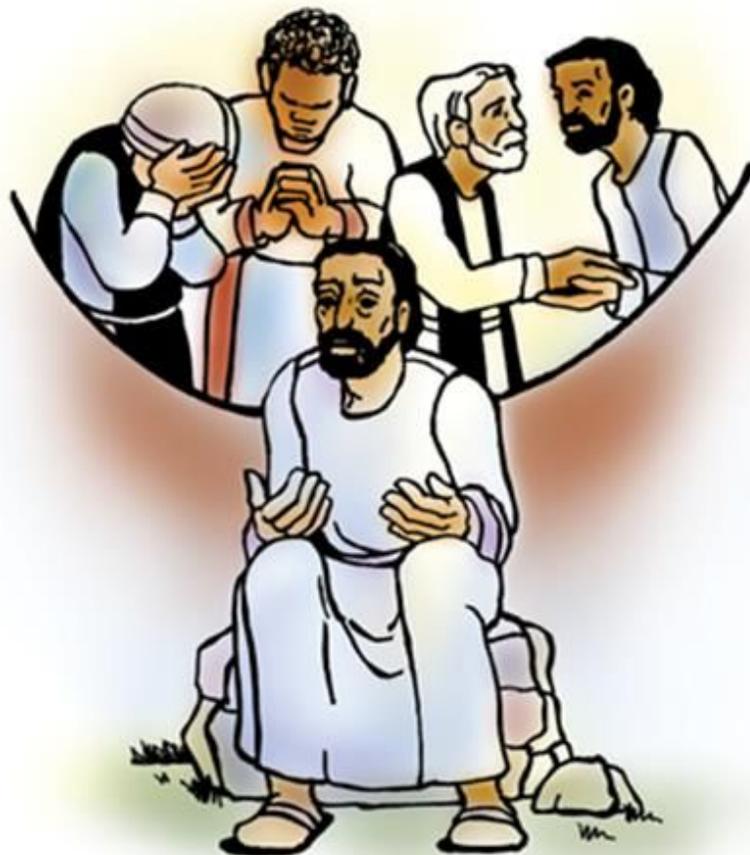
<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*



**SERMON - Pastor Julie Morris**

As able, the assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

**SONG OF THE DAY - "Jesus Sat with His Disciples" (Starks/Joyous Light)**



1. Je - sus sat with his dis - ci - ples  
2. "Bless-ed are the meek and hum - ble;  
3. "Bless-ed are God's sons and daugh - ters,



on a moun - tain - side one day; as the crowds of  
all the earth to them is willed. Those who hun - ger  
mak-ing peace where there is strife. Bless - ed are the



peo-ple gath - ered, he be - gan to teach and say:  
to be ho - ly, they are bless'd and will be filled.  
per - se - cu - ted, who for righ - teous - ness lose life;



"Bless-ed are the poor in spir - it; heav-en's king - dom  
Yes, the mer - ci - ful are bless - ed; mer - cy will to  
their re - ward is great in heav - en, in the king - dom



they will share, bless-ed are the sad and mourn - ing;  
them be shown, and the pure in heart are bless - ed;  
up a - bove— so be glad to share my suf - fring



joy and com - fort will be theirs."  
they have eyes for God a - lone."  
and re - joice to know my love."

Text: Stephen P. Starks, © 1997, Stephen P. Sparks.

Tune: JOYOUS LIGHT (8.7.8.7 D), Marty Haugen, © 1987, GIA Publications.

All rights reserved.

## CONFIRMATION

P Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism, and we come before God with our confirmands as they make affirmation of their baptism into Christ.

*The confirmands are presented by their Confirmation Guides, Brian Fisher and Patti Stouch.*

**Hailey Brickley**  
**Jackson Burke**  
**Caleb Clem**  
**Tiana Stouch**  
**Jackson Valencia**  
**Sophia Valencia**

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C **Amen.**



## AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

*The presiding minister will invite the congregation to stand, as able, and join in the responses.*

P Confirmands, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church, and invite the entire congregation to join you in the responses.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C **I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C **I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C **I renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God the Father?

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.**

P Those of you affirming your baptism:

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**Response: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

*The minister addresses the assembly.*

P People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers who are making public affirmation of their baptism, and to pray for them in their life in Christ?

C **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

*The congregation sings the following refrain:*

Refrain

Ho - ly \_\_\_\_\_ Spir - it, \_\_\_\_\_ come in - to \_\_\_\_\_ our lives. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ho - ly \_\_\_\_\_ Spir - it, \_\_\_\_\_ make us tru - ly wise. \_\_\_\_\_

Text and music © 1998, 2002, Ken Canedo.

Published by Spirit & Song, a division of OCP. All rights reserved.

*One at a time, the families of the confirmands come forward.*

The following words of blessing may be repeated for each person. The leader may lay both hands on the head of the person and say:

P Stir up in (name) the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

After each laying on of hands, the congregation sings:

Refrain

Ho - ly \_\_\_ Spir - it, \_\_\_ come in - to \_\_\_ our lives. \_\_\_  
Ho - ly \_\_\_ Spir - it, \_\_\_ make us tru - ly wise. \_\_\_

Text and music © 1998, 2002, Ken Canedo.

Published by Spirit & Song, a division of OCP. All rights reserved.

After all have been confirmed, the presider continues:

P Hailey, Jackson, Caleb, Tiana, Jackson, and Sophia, we rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - Read by Joe Zimmerly and the Confirmands**

A Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need.

*Each intercession ends, "Lord, in your mercy." All respond, "Hear our prayer."*

P Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, until that day when you gather all creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever.

C **Amen.**

### **PEACE**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

### **OFFERING SONG - Virtual Choir Stewardship Video ("We Are an Offering")**

As able, the assembly stands for the Great Thanksgiving.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the



high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy God, we praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

P In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

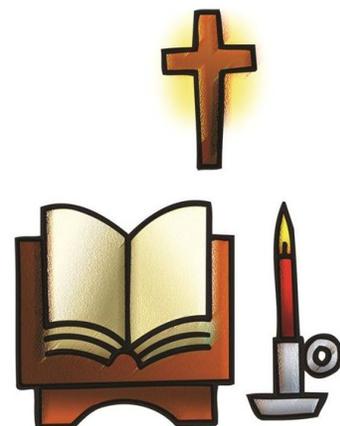
Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend  
upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy  
gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body  
and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its  
creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and  
holy Trinity, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C **Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.  
Amen.**



## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*The assembly may be seated.*

## LAMB OF GOD - ELW Setting 2



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A spiritual communion is a personal devotion that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. As Martin Luther once wrote: "I can enjoy the sacrament ... every day if only I keep my eyes on the promise, that is, on the words and promise of Christ, which feeds and strengthens my faith."

The assisting minister invites all to say the following prayer:

**Jesus, my savior and friend, thank you for your presence in the Sacrament of Holy Communion and your presence with us here and now. Trusting your words, "This is my body; this is my blood—given for you," I welcome you into my heart. Let my life witness to your grace and peace. Strengthen all of us with faith, hope and love until we can meet at your table again. Amen.**<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Adapted by Pastor Julie from prayers written by Bishop Guy Erwin and St. Alphonsus Liguori.

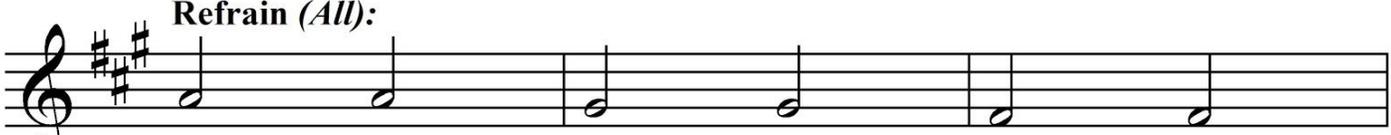
# COMMUNION SONG - "Litany of the Saints" (Becker; adapt.)

Verses (*respond to Cantor invocations*):



(*Saint invocations*) Be with us.

Refrain (*All*):



All you ho - ly men and



wom - en, be with us. *To Verses*

Text and Music © 1987, John D. Becker, adapt. Published by OCP Publications. All rights reserved.

*We celebrate the communion of saints, naming Mount Cross saints who died in 2019 and 2020, and Confirmation family members who have died.*

**William Dawson**  
**Robert Springer**  
**Betsy Lee Myers**  
**Ann Williamsen**  
**Clairbell Petersen**  
**John Colby III**  
**Barbara Buenger**  
**Bernice Vang**  
**Robert Jackson**  
**Brigette Deering**  
**Phyllis Gallentine**  
**Janet Colby**  
**Jan Beat**  
**Audrey Posthauer**  
**Patricia Reese**  
**Juanita Stovall**  
**Bill Burke**  
**Brian Erik Churchill**  
**Mark Brickley**  
**James Jones**  
**Wayne and Elmo Eyler**  
**Trini Alvarado**  
**Jorge Mandas**  
**Bob and Phyllis Bristow**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

P May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

C **Amen.**

## **CONFIRMATION CLOSING COMMENTS - Sophia Valencia**

## **SENDING SONG - "Make a Difference" (Kurtz) - YOUTH BAND**

You gave your life to make a difference,  
You gave your life to make a change.  
You welcomed all to your table,  
You're calling us to do the same.

### *Chorus*

I want my life to make a difference;  
I want my life to make a change.  
I want my life to do some good here;  
I want my life to make a change.

Working side by side, no out or inside,  
Together we can make that change.  
With a few or many, with a lot or not any,  
Together we can make that change.

### *Chorus*

Crossing the great divide, joy and peace will abide,  
Together we can make that change.  
Jesus is our peace, fighting will cease,  
Together we can make that change.

Chorus

We're the citizens with the saints,  
We're the sunshine with the rain,  
We're the joy with the pain,  
We're the change.  
You healed the sick and fed the poor,  
Loved the prophet and the whore,  
Through us, you will do more.  
You're the change.

Chorus

**DISMISSAL**

P Rooted in God's grace,  
C **we joyfully witness and serve!**

**POSTLUDE - Guy Ervin III**

*Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE, License #A-722573 and CCLI License #2022482. Images from sundaysandseasons.com used with permission from Augsburg Fortress.*

Join us for **Community Conversation Time on Zoom** following this service! Grab a cup of coffee or tea and some treats and visit with us. There is a **new Zoom link**: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88902670619?pwd=SXV4elNsMjVBNE9VR2NqVUpyZVBJQT09>. The Meeting ID is **889 0267 0619** / Passcode: **302996**. To join by phone, call **1 669 900 6833**. You will be asked for the **meeting ID (889 0267 0619)** and **passcode (302996)**.

Come to the Table: Mount Cross is offering **Drive-Through Communion** today from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We ask that you please consider your vulnerabilities and risk factors before choosing to participate in drive-through Communion. Pick up a 2020 directory, if you haven't already. If you need to make corrections to the directory, please email [office@mountcross.com](mailto:office@mountcross.com) or call 805-482-3847, from 1:00-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Thank you to everyone who has walked with our Confirmands on their faith journey - congratulations to these wonderful young people!**

**Thank you to our Youth Band - Tiana Stouch, Ben Fisher, and Joe Zimmerly - for their music today!**

**The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of John (Jack) Anton LaCalamita to Kate & Tom LaCalamita, joining brother Henry, on October 25!**

## PRAYER CONCERNS from MOUNT CROSS

**We pray for an end to the coronavirus, for doctors, nurses, and caretakers, for researchers searching for a vaccine, and for the families grieving the loss of each victim.**

**We pray in thanksgiving for the birth of John (Jack) Anton LaCalamita on October 25 and wish blessings for the LaCalamita family.**

**We pray also for Angelica** (friend of the Marroquin family), **Bobbi** (sister of LaJean Wetzel), **Kate** (friend of Julie Merrick) **and her children, Elizabeth A, Pauline** (friend of Jaimie Marroquin), **Roger Allmandinger** (brother-in-law of Jim & Susan Prosser), **Sharon Benner** (sister of Karen Gramacki), **Mike Carpenter, Terry Cline** (relative of Jim & Karen Gramacki), **Rob Conant, Howard Corey, Barbara D'Addario, Tom Demeter** (uncle of Allison Johnson), **Joe Devere** (son of Jody Devere), **Bob Edell, Brian Edwards, Steve Engh** (friend of Gayle & Cy Johnson), **Ron Higginbotham, Luke Hahn** (son of Erica Hahn, Mount Cross preschool teacher), **Charles Hilley, Sandra Manning** (friend of Judy Winters), **Nury Martinez-Silva** (friend of Bernie Lau), **Karen Nelson, the Posthauer family, Lisa Saner, Patricia Springer** (mother of Joan Brundage), **Mike Turek** (friend of Gordon & Melissa Henry).

*Unless otherwise specified, prayer requests remain in the bulletin for four weeks. If you would like to add or remove someone to or from the prayer list, please e-mail the church office at [office@mountcross.com](mailto:office@mountcross.com) or call 805.482.3847.*

## The Week at a Glance

### Monday, November 2, 2020

Monday Meditation, 3:00 p.m.

The Monday Meditation group meets at 3:00 p.m. To join by computer or smart phone/tablet go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83666658855> or to call on your phone, dial 1 (669) 900-6833. Enter the Meeting ID: 836 6665 8855 and then push pound (#).

### Tuesday, November 3, 2020

#### Election Day - Vote

Women's Bible Study, 9:00 a.m.

Women's Bible Study meets every Tuesday morning at 900 a.m. at Valle Lindo Park, 889 Aileen St, Camarillo, CA 93010.

Please wear a mask and bring a chair.

Upper Room Zoom, 12:00 noon

Upper Room Zoom meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

It's a nice 15-minute break in your day that includes scripture, prayer, and relaxing video/audio.

Join us as often as you like. There's a **NEW Zoom link:**

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84369178221?pwd=aDB3](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84369178221?pwd=aDB3TmNvZEVHaXREYVRHV3piWmdNUT09)**

**[TmNvZEVHaXREYVRHV3piWmdNUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84369178221?pwd=aDB3TmNvZEVHaXREYVRHV3piWmdNUT09)**

OR you can call in on a phone, **1 (669) 900 6833. The**

**Meeting ID is: 843 6917 8221.**

**Passcode: 131024**

Kids Vote! 3:00-6:00 p.m.

and Hour of Prayer 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Join us on Election Day anytime between 3:00-6:00 p.m. to have your children vote! We will have a kid-friendly polling station under the pavilion. From 6:00-7:00 p.m., we will provide prayerful space at the pavilion for both in person and online audiences to pray for peace and unity in our country. You can use

this link to find the live stream:

<https://www.facebook.com/MountCross/live>

∟

Peace & Justice Team, 7:00 p.m.

The Mount Cross Peace & Justice Team has begun the work of helping Mount Cross live into the Council's recent anti-racism commitment. Our next Zoom meeting is Tuesday, November 3, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome and encouraged to

join us in this journey to justice. Email Bill Stoll ([william.stoll@verizon.net](mailto:william.stoll@verizon.net)) with any questions.

The Zoom link for the meeting is:

<http://bit.ly/MCPeaceandJustice>. The meeting ID is 871 0569 3251 and the passcode is 141223.

## Wednesday, November 4, 2020

### Fun with Faith, 5:00 p.m.

Fun with Faith (Preschool through 5th grade) meets with Jessica and Inger. Gather at the church office at 5:00 to be escorted to the park by Jessica and Inger. Children will be picked up back at the church at 6:00 p.m.

### Adult Bible Study, 5:00 p.m.

On Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p.m., we gather to study the Gospel for the upcoming week. There is a

#### **NEW Zoom link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82719320163?pwd=WUMxWF1QelM3aXJTBuOEFkaG9KUT09>

**OR you can call in by phone, 1 (669) 900 6833.**

**Meeting ID: 827 1932 0163,**

**Passcode: 615543.**

### Confirmation, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Students preparing for Confirmation meet with Joe Zimmerly on-site. Email Joe ([joe@mountcross.com](mailto:joe@mountcross.com)) if you have any questions.

## Thursday, November 5, 2020

### Men's Bible Study, 7:30 a.m.

Men's Bible Study meets every other Thursday from 730-900 a.m. via Zoom There is a

#### **NEW Zoom link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89150385706?pwd=a0FQS29uMGZzTitSQUpmL0hNOUJPDz09>

OR you can call in by phone, 1 (408) 638 0968

Meeting ID: 891 5038 5706

Passcode: 521872.

### Upper Room Zoom, 12:00 noon

Upper Room Zoom meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It's a nice 15-minute break in your day that includes scripture, prayer, and relaxing video/audio. Join us as often as you'd like.

There is a **NEW Zoom link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84369178221?pwd=aDB3TmNvZEVHaXREYVRHV3piWmdNUT09>

**9**

OR you can call in on a phone, **1 (669) 900 6833.**

**The Meeting ID is: 843 6917 8221.**

**Passcode: 131024**

### Executive Committee, 7:00 p.m.

The Executive Committee meets on Thursday, November 5, at 7:00 p.m., via Zoom.

## **Announcements**

### **Sunday Worship**

The Re-Opening Committee has approved a testing phase for outdoor worship. Email [office@mountcross.com](mailto:office@mountcross.com) or call 805-482-3847 if you are interested in attending the service in person.

When arriving for Sunday morning worship, participants should park in designated areas or on the street; sign in and have their temperature taken; wear a mask; practice social distancing;

bring a chair (some chairs available).

Thank you in advance for helping to make this a safe worship experience!

### **Help with Sunday Worship and Communion**

We are looking for help to make Sunday worship and drive-through Communion possible. If you would like to sign up to help set up or as a parking lot usher, greeter, or communion assistant, please sign up at

<http://bit.ly/WorshipandCommunionAssistants>

or call the office at (805) 482-3847.

If you'd like to serve as a lector, intercessor, or musician on a Sunday, either by joining us on-site for the live stream or by recording in advance, please contact the office.

### **Children, Youth, and Family Ministry**

High School Youth Group meets tonight at 6:00 p.m. Email Joe ([joe@mountcross.com](mailto:joe@mountcross.com)) for other details or questions.

### **Monthly Fair Trade Sale - Today!**

Support this ministry by faithfully purchasing Fair Trade products here today after worship. You are helping to improve the lives of small scale farm families around the globe, just by choosing to buy Fair Trade products. Coffee, tea, olive oil and chocolate are available for purchase the first Sunday of the month - or for contactless delivery anytime by Melissa Henry.

### **More Ways to Give**

Thank you, Mount Cross congregation, for all the generosity you have shown in these times of trial! We want to make it as simple as possible for you.

If you'd like to give to Mount Cross on your cell phone or tablet, download Vanco's free GivePlus app from the App Store or Google Play, enter zip code 93010, and choose Mount Cross. Please email any questions about giving and/or the April Year-To-Date statements to Financial Secretary Joan Brundage at [jbrundage@mountcross.com](mailto:jbrundage@mountcross.com). Also, if you

haven't already, choose Mount Cross Lutheran Church as your non-profit to support on smile.amazon.com so 0.5% of purchases will go to Mount Cross. Thank you!

### **Veterans Slideshow - Pictures Requested**

We want to honor you and your loved ones who have served in the U.S. Military, past & present!

**Email photos of the veterans** in your life to [carina@mountcross.com](mailto:carina@mountcross.com), by November 3, to be featured during our Veterans Day Video Observance on Sunday, November 8..

### **Graceful Diaper Pantry**

In the month of November, Mount Cross is collecting diapers for the Graceful Diaper Pantry at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Oxnard. They especially need diapers in sizes 2 - 6 to help support low income families in Oxnard, Port Hueneme and Ventura. You can bring diapers to drive-through Communion on Sundays or place them in the box under the pavilion during the week. Thank you for helping!

Melissa Henry would be happy to shop for diapers at Costco for those who prefer to donate money to the church. An anonymous donor will match the first \$300 raised for diapers!

### **St. Columba's Food Pantry**

The Food Pantry at St. Columba's continues to serve our community and your gifts of food items have been greatly appreciated. Currently the food pantry is especially seeking **canned vegetables**. Your gifts of food can be dropped off at the church during Sunday drive-through communion.

Please do not make a specific grocery trip for your items but think of the food pantry while shopping at the store or during a grocery delivery. Please check the "best by" date as the pantry cannot use expired items. Thank you for your generosity!

### **Take Action! - Vote!**

Voting is one way to advocate for policies that advance the call for peace and justice in our communities and nation. Make sure you are registered to vote: <https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov>. Encourage those you know to vote.

### **Additional Resources:**

Lutheran Office of Public Policy - California 2020 Voter Guide:  
<http://lutheranpublicpolicyca.org/2020-voter-guide>

### *ELCA Civic Engagement Guide*

[https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/ELCAvotes\\_civic\\_engagement\\_and\\_voter\\_education\\_guide.pdf?\\_ga=2.36652391.670041802.1599148443-1099257076.1595169200](https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/ELCAvotes_civic_engagement_and_voter_education_guide.pdf?_ga=2.36652391.670041802.1599148443-1099257076.1595169200)

### *League of Women Voters (CA) What's on the Ballot?*

<https://lwvc.org/vote/elections/ballot-measures>

### **STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN SCHEDULE**

Stewardship Campaign Packets containing a letter from Pastor Julie, stewardship information, a Giving Pledge Form, and a Time and Talent Survey were distributed or mailed.

### **Sunday, November 22 - Deadline for Financial Giving & Time and Talent forms**

If you do not receive a packet and would like one OR need extra forms, contact the church office.

There is also a Pledge Giving form on our website:  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgPHEXfyBIV03vY9DjGTvINwUL3jMILPMchgYkA2YlgwN2Wg/viiewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfgPHEXfyBIV03vY9DjGTvINwUL3jMILPMchgYkA2YlgwN2Wg/viiewform?usp=sf_link)

## **MOUNT CROSS STEWARDSHIP 2021**



## **Stewardship – Our Church in Changing Times**

*There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens*  
Ecclesiastes 3:1

This is our season of a pandemic, which we thought would be short, but has extended with an uncertain end. Despite the changes to our lives, God is with us and His work goes on. We are blessed with Pastor Julie and a wonderful caring and talented staff, who along with many volunteers, are providing services through the church. One of these services is drive-through Communion. Though certainly different, many have commented how special this time is and feel blessed by the personal care and prayer they receive. It has been wonderful to see those who may be homebound right now but are brought, feeling safe, by car. We also have seen participants from the community. Volunteers are very important to the services the church

provides so remember that your time and talent are important as well as your financial support.