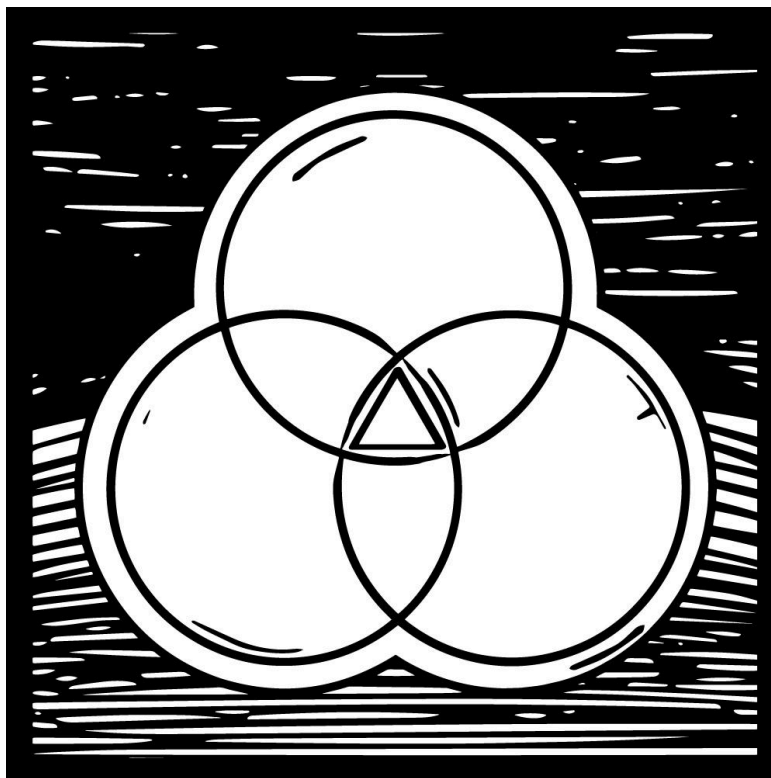


# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

School and Early Learning Center

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August 18, 2024

*"I Pray You, Dear Lord Jesus, My Heart to  
Keep and Train"*

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## WELCOME TO HOLY CROSS!

**OUR SAVIOR WELCOMES YOU AND SO DO WE!** Whether you are a first time visitor or returning guest, we are delighted to share our worship with you! Please come back and worship with us again!

**PARENTS OF LITTLE ONES** We love to have children in worship! However, parents who find a need to take their children out of the service are welcome to use the narthex/lobby area while you quiet your little one. The infant care room is also available for nursing mothers. You'll be able to hear the service from the speaker system in the narthex and in the infant care room. A changing table is in the men's and women's bathrooms. If needed, please ask an usher for assistance.

**REGISTRATION CARDS** are in the hymnal racks. Guests may use the registration cards to let us know how we may further assist you. We encourage all members and guests to fill out a registration card and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

**A HEARING LOOP** is installed in our sanctuary for your convenience. If your hearing aid has a t-switch, you'll need to activate it when you're in the sanctuary, in order to benefit from the hearing loop.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES** Holy Cross offers a full Christian elementary school (grades PreK3 – 8), Kids Crossing Early Learning Center (6 weeks – 5 years), Sunday School and children's youth activities.

**PRAYER CONCERNS?** Contact Sherri Bartels, [sbbartels.sb@gmail.com](mailto:sbbartels.sb@gmail.com). Our prayer chain is a large group of Holy Cross members who join you in calling upon God with your prayer concerns. Galatians 6:2 says "Carry each other's burdens and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

**USHERS** are on duty during church services. Please speak with them if you need assistance.

**LIVE STREAM WORSHIP** If you or a loved one are unable to attend worship, our 8:30 am service is live streamed on the church website.

**PHONE-IN WORSHIP** Sundays at 8:30 a.m. (Call any time after 8:20 a.m.; dial 1 (978) 990-5164 followed by access code 6279900#)

**ON DEMAND WORSHIP** View or listen to any of our past worship services by visiting our website and click the tab labeled Live Stream/Sermons and click sermons.

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE** Sunday, 8:30 am 10:30am and Monday, 6:30 pm. (Summer Worship Schedule - Sunday, 9:00 am and Monday, 6:30 pm - Memorial Day through Labor Day)

**TRANSPORTATION FUND** If you have no other way to church, taxi rides to and from church are available. Please speak with the Pastor or call the church office at 249-3101.

**THE LORD'S SUPPER** is offered on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month and the following Mondays. We believe the Lord's Supper is an expression of our unity of faith in our Savior as well as our unity in all scriptural teachings. Since the congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod profess full unity in biblical teaching, members of these church bodies are welcome to commune with us. If you are a member of a different Christian church, we ask that you wait to commune until you have closely examined what we teach and are convinced that we are a church that preaches the true Word of God, and that you are in agreement with our teachings. Please speak with a pastor if you are a guest and would like to commune.

**MISSION STATEMENT** The mission of Holy Cross Lutheran Church and School is to bring the Gospel of Christ to our community through the Means of Grace, reaching out to the lost, and nurturing our fellow believers. This we do through worship, education, service and fellowship that God's kingdom may grow.

# ***"I Pray You, Dear Lord Jesus, My Heart to Keep and Train"***

***August 18, 2024***

***Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

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CWS Divine Service of the Word II

**Opening Hymn** #226....."To Your Temple I Draw Near"

1 To your temple I draw near;  
Lord, I love to worship here.  
Here are sacrament and Word;  
Here believers meet their Lord.

2 I through Christ am reconciled;  
I through Christ become your child.  
Abba, Father, give me grace  
In your courts to seek your face.

## **Invocation**

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **Confession**

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, For sins of habit and sins of choice, For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, You should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

## **Absolution**

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **Lord, Have Mercy**

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: Christ, have mercy.**

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

**C: Amen.**

## **Glory Be to God** (melody #597)



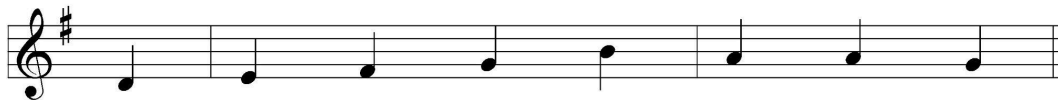
1 All glo - ry be to God on high!  
2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,  
3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
4 You, Christ, are ho - ly— Lord a - lone;



Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;  
For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,  
You take all hu - man sin a - way.  
The Fath - er's glo - ry you made known.



We praise you for your peace and grace,  
For all, O Fath - er, you have done  
Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;  
We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:



Your fav - or toward our fal - len race.  
Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.  
From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.  
"All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

### **Salutation**

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

### **Prayer of the Day**

M: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **First Lesson** .....Ephesians 5:15–20

*Don't be foolish... be wise and be filled with the Spirit!*

15 Consider carefully, then, how you walk, not as unwise people, but as wise people. 16 Make the most of your time, because the days are evil. 17 For this reason, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk on wine, which causes you to lose control. Instead, be filled with the Spirit 19 by speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (singing and making music with your hearts to the Lord), 20 by always giving thanks for everything to God the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Psalm of the Day**.....Psalm 1

M: How blessed is the man who does not walk in the advice of the wicked, who does not stand on the path with sinners, and who does not sit in a meeting with mockers.

**C: But his delight is in the teaching of the Lord, and on his teaching he meditates day and night.**

M: He is like a tree planted beside streams of water, which yields its fruit in season, and its leaves do not wither. Everything he does prospers.

**C: Not so the wicked! No, they are like the chaff which the wind blows away.**

M: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

**C: Yes, the Lord approves of the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**Second Lesson**.....Luke 10:23-24

*We live in the New Testament era and know things about Jesus that Old Testament believers longed to know.*

23 Turning to the disciples, he said privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! 24 Indeed, I tell you that many prophets and kings wanted to see the things that you are seeing, yet did not see them, and to hear the things that you are hearing, yet did not hear them."

**Verse of the Day**



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Faith comes from hear - ing the mes - sage, and the



mes - sage is heard through the Word of Christ. Al - le -



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**Children's Sermon**

*Young children are invited forward to the chancel steps*

**Hymn of the Day** #510....."I Pray You, Dear Lord Jesus"

I pray you, dear Lord Jesus,  
My heart to keep and train  
That I your holy temple  
From youth to age remain.  
Oh, turn my thoughts forever  
From worldly wisdom's lore;  
If I but learn to know you,  
I shall not want for more.

**Sermon** .....Pastor Mark Bartels..... "I Pray You, Dear Lord Jesus, My Heart to Keep and Train"

*Proverbs 9:1-6*

- 1 Wisdom has built her house.  
She has carved out her seven pillars.
- 2 She has prepared her meat.  
She has mixed her wine.  
She has already set her table.
- 3 She has sent out her servant girls.  
She calls from the highest point in the city,
- 4 "Whoever is naïve, let him turn in here."  
To someone who lacks sense she says,
- 5 "Come, eat my food,  
and drink the wine that I have mixed.
- 6 Abandon your naïve ways and live.  
Travel the road to understanding."

### **Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. 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 of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

### **Offering**

#### **Installation of Teachers**

Hannah Weide  
Becky Clevon  
Chloe Kuhlman

### **Special Prayers and Intercessions**

#### **Preface**

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

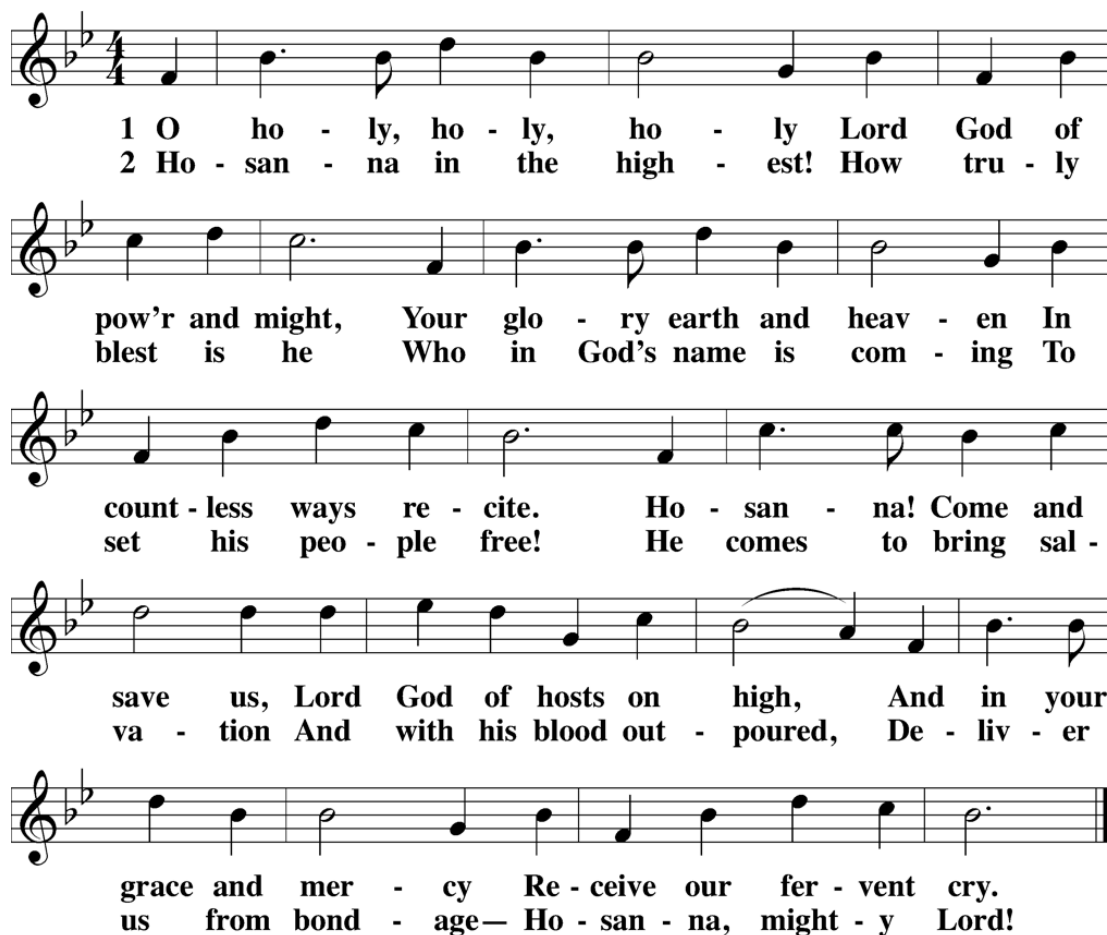
**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy names and join their glorious song:

***Holy, Holy, Holy*** (melody #474)



1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly

pow'r and might, Your glo - ry earth and heav - en In  
blest is he Who in God's name is com - ing To

count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and  
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -

save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And in your  
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De - liv - er

grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
us from bond - age— Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

***Prayer of Thanksgiving***

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts.

Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

***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.

## Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

## Lamb of God



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 your peace. A - men.



**Distribution & Hymn** #376....."Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness"

1 Jesus, your blood and righteousness  
My beauty are, my glorious dress;  
Mid flaming worlds, in these arrayed,  
With joy shall I lift up my head.

2 Bold shall I stand in that great day--  
Who can a word against me say?  
Fully through you absolved I am  
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

3 Lord, I believe your precious blood,  
Which at the very throne of God  
Forever will for sinners plead,  
For me -- e'en for my soul -- was shed.

4 Lord, I believe were sinners more  
Than sands upon the ocean shore,  
You have for all a ransom paid,  
For all a full atonement made.

5 When from the dust of death I rise  
To claim my mansion in the skies,  
E'en then this shall be all my plea:  
Jesus has lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be worshiped endlessly!  
Your boundless mercy has for me,  
For me and all your hands have made,  
An everlasting ransom paid.

**Hymn** #309....."Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.  
Offered was he for greatest and for least,  
Himself the victim and himself the priest.

2 He that his saints in this world rules and shields  
To all believers life eternal yields,  
With heav'nly bread makes them that hunger whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.

3 Come forward, then, with faithful hearts sincere,  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
Before your altar, Lord, your servants bow;  
In this your feast of love be with us now.

### Song of Simeon (melody #614)



1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace,  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to

as - sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -  
the Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -

car-nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en - light - en  
ev - er three in one; For as in the be - gin - ning,

All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,  
Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une

crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!  
name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

### Prayer After Communion

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

### Benediction

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

### Attendance

If you attended online services at Holy Cross, please send an email to [frontoffice@holycrossmadison.org](mailto:frontoffice@holycrossmadison.org), and in the subject line write "Attended" and after that the number of people who watched from your home. So if three of you watch the service on Sunday, your subject line would say, "Attended 3". Please don't write anything in the text of the email, since our secretary, Anna Ballentine, will not be responding to emails that say "Attended" in the subject line. Thanks.

## **Holy Cross News & Notes**

August 18, 2024

### **Calendar for the Week – August 19 - 25**

#### **Monday**

- First Day of School!
- Evangelism Committee - 5:00 pm
- Worship - 6:30 pm

#### **Wednesday**

- Bible Study - 10:00 am
- Public School Catechism - 4:30 pm

#### **Friday**

- Petting Zoo - 4:00 pm

#### **Sunday**

- Worship - 9:00 am

**ALTAR FLOWERS** given this week in memory of Jerry and Judy Meder.

**HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK** Sandy Deane, Brenda Sorenson, Deb Groehler, and Mary Savee were hospitalized this week. Please pray for them and our homebound and for those in nursing homes.

### **GIVING TO HOLY CROSS**

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS: 8/6/24 - 8/12/24**

\$8,011.76

**TOTAL OFFERINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR: 7/1/24-8/12/24**

\$78,947.06

**FISCAL YTD BUDGET OFFERINGS**

\$94,615.38

**FISCAL YEAR BUDGETED**

\$820,000

### **SERMON VIDEO LINKS**

Want an easy way to witness to a friend, relative or neighbor? Share Sunday's sermon link with them. Or watch it devotionally yourself.

8/11/24 - "Imitators of God" - Pastor Mark Bartels

<https://vimeo.com/997395340?share=copy#t=0>

### **RALLY SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH**

Mark your calendar! On Rally Sunday, we'll go back to our regular worship schedule:

- 1st service - 8:30am
- 2nd service - 10:30am
- Adult Bible Class/Youth Bible Class/Sunday School - 9:45am - 10:15am

### **PETTING ZOO**

Our friends from Havens Petting Zoo will be joining us on August 23, 2024 from 4 - 7PM. They will be bringing lots of sweet animals to pet and feed.

We will be providing a light dinner. Please invite your friends to join us for an evening of fellowship and fun!

### **HIRING - ELC**

Have a love for kids? We are looking for caring Christians to be part-time or full time teachers.

The starting wage is \$15/ hour. The starting wage for a lead teacher is \$16/hour.

Email [kkrug@holycrossmadison.org](mailto:kkrug@holycrossmadison.org) for more information.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL CATECHISM CLASS

If you have a student in public school who will be entering 7th or 8th grade, please speak with Pastor Bartels or Pastor Van Kampen about enrolling them in Catechism class this fall. 608-249-3101. Thank you!

## HOLY CROSS CONNECT GROUPS

This fall, you have the opportunity to join a Holy Cross Connect Group! Do you enjoy walking and talking with friends old and new? Or perhaps you enjoy sewing or knitting? Are you a mom of young kids looking for people in a similar stage of life? Do you enjoy playing a casual sport once in a while? Do you love to cook and try new recipes? Then we have a group for you! Take a look at the various Connect Groups that will be gathering this fall, and if you see a group that you'd like to join, then sign up in the Welcome Center!

- **Fiber Friends** - Come join Fiber Friends! If you enjoy creating and sharing your fiber makes with others, then this group is for you. We'll meet once a month to share finished objects, work on our current projects (knitting, crochet, cross stitch, etc) and enjoy conversation and fellowship with other creative makers. This group is open to anyone who enjoys fiber arts and is looking to share that interest and creativity with others. All skill levels and fiber interests are welcome! There are no costs associated with this group, other than the cost of supplies for your own project. Our first monthly meeting will be Saturday, September 14, at 9:00 a.m. here at Holy Cross. For more information, please contact Beth Lunde at [bethlunde@gmail.com](mailto:bethlunde@gmail.com).
- **Food, Fun & Fellowship** - Do you love to cook or bake or try new recipes? Do you want to meet new people? Come join the Food, Fun, and Fellowship group and do both! This group is intended for couples aged 55+ who enjoy sharing a meal together. The only cost involved would be for preparing an entree or dessert for the group. Group size limited to 8 couples (16 people). The first monthly meeting is Friday, September 15 at 5:30 p.m. For more information contact Pastor Mark & Sherri Bartels, [sbbartels.sb@gmail.com](mailto:sbbartels.sb@gmail.com).
- **Holy Cross Pickleballers** - Come and join our group! We will be enjoying some fellowship and learning how to play Pickleball, the fastest growing sport in America. It is easy to learn, a blast to play, and can be enjoyed by all ages. This group is open to members and friends from 9th Grade - Adults, and will be capped at 16 participants. We plan on meeting twice a month, with our first meeting on Saturday, Sept. 14, at 9:00 a.m. at the Holy Cross gym. For more information, contact Steve and Beth DePrey at [steve@depreyco.com](mailto:steve@depreyco.com).
- **Moms Connect** - Moms Connect encourages and equips moms to thrive in their role as mothers, grow in their relationship with Jesus, pray for their children's class and build authentic friendships with moms at Holy Cross Lutheran Church & School. The group is open to church and school moms with children from infants through 8th Grade. We meet every other week formally in the evening, with other opportunities for playdates, outings, and a fall "Friendsgiving" dinner. The cost for the season is \$35 per person to cover food, games, childcare as needed, as well as marketing and a moms Christmas dinner. Our first meeting is Thursday, September, 26 at 6:30 p.m. here at church. For more information, please contact Sydney Malain at [sydneymalain@gmail.com](mailto:sydneymalain@gmail.com).
- **Walking in Fellowship** - Come walk with us! Let's start our mornings in a way that'll make our hearts full: God's word, coffee, crisp air of fall and fellowship. One Saturday a month, we will choose a designated place to begin our hour-long walk. The starting location will change, with options of church, coffee shop(s), or maybe even a Kwik Trip! I'll start the hour with a devotion, then we will walk the neighborhood. Conversation will be organic, with no set topics beyond the devotion. Come out, get your steps in for the day, enjoy some coffee, and let's socialize. The only cost involved would be the cost of your coffee and/or donut. Since we do live in Wisconsin and weather can be a factor, we will keep an eye on thunderstorms or extreme cold, and adjust accordingly. NOTE: The group is intended for everyone! So bring your families, friends, and let's put some miles on our shoes. Our first meeting is here at church on Saturday, Sept. 21, at 7:00 a.m. For more information, contact Josh McCauley at [mccauleyjm87@gmail.com](mailto:mccauleyjm87@gmail.com).

## **SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSALS**

"Praise the Lord"! Holy Cross Senior Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 4 for the 2024-25 season. The choir rehearses in the sanctuary on Wednesdays at 7 pm. We invite you to participate - please talk to Jim Baxter, Director so we have a folder prepared for you. [baxter4822@gmail.com](mailto:baxter4822@gmail.com)  
Be a part of the Choir for Rally Sunday on September 8. Look forward to seeing you there.

## **SENIOR BREAKFAST**

The next senior breakfast will be on Tuesday, September 10 at 9:00am at Elie's Cafe on E Broadway by Menards.

## **BIBLE INFORMATION CLASS**

Our next class begins Monday, September 9, at 7:30 pm and runs for 10 Monday evenings through November 11. The goal of the class is to give you a ground-level view of what we believe at Holy Cross. Here are some reasons to be a part of this class: you're interested in learning basic Bible doctrine or teaching; you want to learn how Lutheran doctrine compares to the church you currently attend, or grew up attending; you're interested in becoming a member at Holy Cross; you want to explore what your spouse or fiancé (who may already be a Holy Cross member) believes, and why; and/or you would like to more fully understand the spiritual influence Holy Cross school is having on your children who may be attending here. The class will be informative, and we invite lots of questions. The class will be "team taught" by both of us pastors, so you can get to know us and we can get to know you :-). Please contact Pastor Van Kampen ([pvankampen@holycrossmadison.org](mailto:pvankampen@holycrossmadison.org)) or Pastor Bartels ([mbartels@holycrossmadison.org](mailto:mbartels@holycrossmadison.org)) if you have any questions or would like to attend.

## **ADULT HANDBELL REHEARSALS**

Don't know how to read music? No problem! Notes are circled for you- you just need to know your right from your left hand! Holy Cross Adult Handbells will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, Sept 11 at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary. The group generally plays 1x a month. Please talk to Director Nedra Griffin if you'd like to participate or email [ngriffinfab5@gmail.com](mailto:ngriffinfab5@gmail.com).

## **MADISON AREA BETHANY LUTHERAN COLLEGE AUXILIARY MEETING**

Please join us! The Madison Area Bethany Lutheran College Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 1201 Droster Road in Madison. The evening will begin with a delicious salad supper at 6:00 p.m. Following the meal, Jake Krier, Bethany's Director of Alumni Relations will give a college update and answer questions guests may have. Come and hear about our college in Mankato, MN. All ladies and gentlemen are invited and urged to attend!

## **MADISON AREA WELS/ELS BIBLE STUDY**

The very word "predestination" brings to mind the mysteries of God. It raises scary questions like "Am I saved by predestination or by faith?" The word "conversion" likewise leads people to wonder if they have done the right things to be a Christian. The books Predestination and Conversion from the NPH People's Bible Teachings series discuss these closely related doctrines. Dr. Arthur Eggert will lead a class through these two books and supplemental materials in a 13-week course held in two parallel sessions. One will be at 6:30 pm on Tuesday evenings beginning September 3 at Peace Lutheran in Sun Prairie, and the other will be at 1:30 pm Wednesday afternoons beginning September 4 at Lord of Love in DeForest. The sessions will be 60 minutes long. If you cannot attend in person, you can view the video sessions of the course later. All the necessary information to register for and attend this class series is available on the Online Classes page of the In Terra Pax website [www.interrapaxlp.com](http://www.interrapaxlp.com). Information, class notes, and videos will be updated on this website on a weekly basis. The books can be ordered online from the Northwestern Publishing House (NPH).

## **BETHANY NATIONAL AUXILIARY DAY**

Bethany National Auxiliary Day will be held on the Bethany Lutheran College campus in Mankato, Minnesota on Monday, September 23, 2024, beginning at 9 a.m. During the event, attendees will have the opportunity to hear from Bethany leadership, tour new facilities, and get an update from the ELS and Seminary over lunch. The group will also take part in the annual business meeting where Auxiliary members vote on special projects to support.

If you have any questions about Auxiliary Day or how to support it please contact Christopher Kind at 507-344-7862. Please scan QR code for preliminary schedule.

