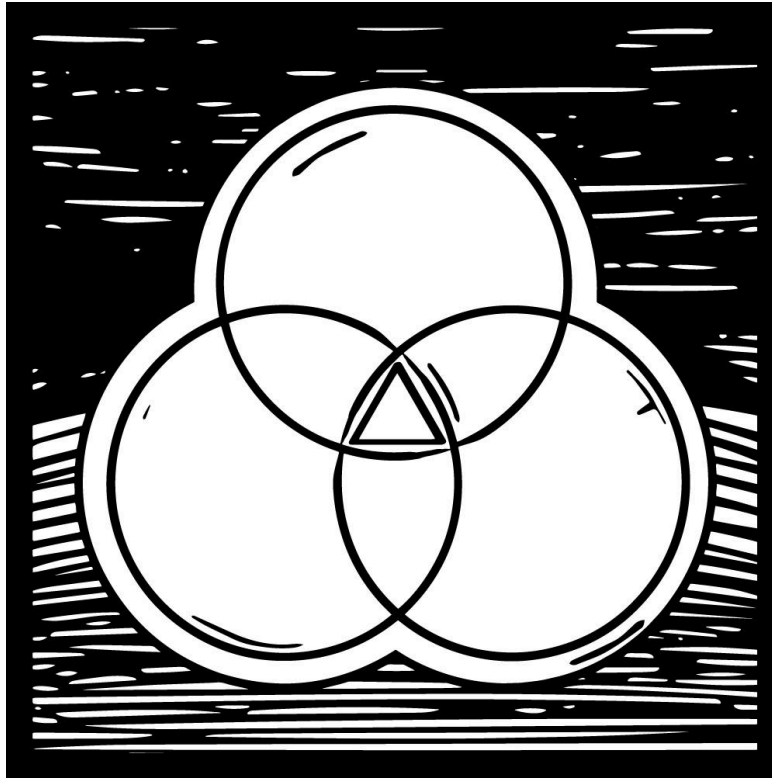


Holy Cross Lutheran Church

School and Early Learning Center



June 23, 2024

"Jesus Calms the Storm"

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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. 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 9:00 am service is live streamed on the church website.

PHONE-IN WORSHIP Sundays at 9:00 a.m. (Call any time after 8:40 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, 9:00 am and Monday, 6:30 pm.

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 1st and 3rd 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.

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Service of the Word – Page 38

Opening Hymn #238....."Oh, Bless the Lord My Soul"

1 Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!
Let all within me join
And aid my tongue to bless his name
Whose favors are divine.

2 Oh, bless the Lord, my soul,
Nor let his mercies lie
Forgotten in unthankfulness
And without praises die.

3 'Tis he forgives my sins;
'Tis he relieves my pain;
'Tis he that heals my sicknesses
And makes me young again.

4 He fills the poor with good;
He gives the suff'ers rest;
The Lord has judgments for the proud
And justice for th' oppressed.

5 His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known,
But sent the world his truth and grace
By his beloved Son.

Invocation

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Confession of Sins

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

Prayer and Praise

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Taste and See



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -



ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -



ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.



Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that your Church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

First LessonJob 38:1-11

The Lord speaks out of the storm.

Then the Lord responded to Job out of a violent storm. He said:

2 Who is this who spreads darkness over my plans with his ignorant words?

3 Get ready for action like a man!

Then I will ask you questions,
and you will inform me.

4 Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you understand anything about it.

5 Who determined its dimensions?

I am sure you know.

Who stretched out the surveying line over it?

6 What supports its foundation?

Who set its cornerstone in place,

7 when the morning stars sang loud songs together,
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

8 Who locked up the sea behind doors
when it burst out of the womb?

9 When I clothed the sea with clouds,
when I wrapped it with thick darkness as its swaddling cloths,

10 when I broke its power with my decree,
when I locked it up behind barred, double doors,

11 I said, "You may come this far, but no farther.

Here is the barrier for your proud waves."

Psalm of the DayPsalm 46

M: God is our refuge and strength, a helper who can always be found in times of trouble.

C: That is why we will not fear when the earth dissolves and when the mountains tumble into the heart of the sea.

M: Its waters roar and foam. The mountains quake when it rises.

C: There is a river—its streams bring joy to the city of God, to the holy dwelling of the Most High.

M: God is in her. She will not fall.

C: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations. I will be exalted on the earth."

Second Lesson2 Corinthians 5:14-21

We are a new creation in Christ

14 For the love of Christ compels us, because we came to this conclusion: One died for all; therefore, all died.

15 And he died for all, so that those who live would no longer live for themselves but for him, who died in their place and was raised again.

16 As a result, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we knew Christ according to the flesh, we no longer know him that way. 17 So then, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away. The new has come! 18 And all these things are from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. 19 That is, God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them. And he has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation. 20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, inasmuch as God is making an appeal through us. We urge you, on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him, who did not know sin, to become sin for us, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

Verse of the Day

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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

Holy Baptism.....Annika Lucia Brown Hjertstedt

Hymn #357....."Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

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| <p>1 Jesus, Lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide.
Oh, receive my soul at last!</p> <p>2 Other refuge have I none;
Hangs my helpless soul on thee.
Leave, ah, leave me not alone;
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed;
All my help from thee I bring.
Cover my defenseless head
With the shadow of thy wing.</p> | <p>3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in thee I find.
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name;
I am all unrighteousness.
False and full of sin I am;
Thou art full of truth and grace.</p> <p>4 Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin.
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
Freely let me take of thee.
Spring thou up within my heart;
Rise to all eternity.</p> |
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SermonPastor Ilars Plume..... "Jesus Calms the Storm"

Mark 4:35-41

35 On that day, when evening came, Jesus said to them, "Let's go over to the other side." 36 After leaving the crowd behind, the disciples took him along in the boat, just as he was. Other small boats also followed him. 37 A great windstorm arose, and the waves were splashing into the boat, so that the boat was quickly filling up. 38 Jesus himself was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. They woke him and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we are about to drown?"

39 Then he got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" The wind stopped, and there was a great calm. 40 He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still lack faith?"

41 They were filled with awe and said to one another, "Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!"

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of the Church for the Sundays after Pentecost

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

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.

Closing Hymn #433....."Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

1 Jesus, Savior, pilot me
Over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll,
Hiding rock and treach'rous shoal.
Chart and compass come from thee:
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

2 As a mother stills her child,
Thou canst hush the ocean wild.
Boist'rous waves obey thy will
When thou say'st to them, "Be still!"
Wondrous Sov'reign of the sea,
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

3 When at last I near the shore
And the fearful breakers roar
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest,
Then, while leaning on thy breast,
May I hear thee say to me,
"Fear not! I will pilot thee."

Closing Prayer

M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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.



Attendance

If you attended online services at Holy Cross, please send an email to 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 Poellet, will not be responding to emails that say "Attended" in the subject line. Thanks.

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Holy Cross News & Notes

June 23, 2024

Calendar for the Week – June 23 - June 30

TODAY

- Presentation: Pastor Ugis Sildegis - 10:00 am
- VBS Kick-Off (Teachers/Helpers) - 11:00 am

Monday

- Vacation Bible School - 9:00 - 11:30 am
- Worship - 6:30 pm
- Bible Information Class - 7:30 pm

Tuesday

- Vacation Bible School - 9:00 - 11:30 am

Wednesday

- Vacation Bible School - 9:00 - 11:30 am

Thursday

- Vacation Bible School - 9:00 - 11:30 am

Friday

- Funeral: Laura Engen - 11:00 am

Sunday

- Worship - 9:00 am

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK Judy Meder was hospitalized this week. Please pray for her and our homebound and for those in nursing homes.

GIVING TO HOLY CROSS

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: 6/11/24 - 6/17/24

\$10,292.76

TOTAL OFFERINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR: 7/1/23 - 6/17/24

\$764,141.68

FISCAL YTD BUDGET OFFERINGS

\$797,365.62

FISCAL YEAR BUDGETED

\$813,000.00

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.

6/16/24 - "Plant the Seed of God's Word" - Pastor Piet Van Kampen

<https://vimeo.com/959632904?share=copy>

GUEST PREACHER AND PRESENTER TODAY

It will be our privilege TODAY to enjoy the fellowship we share with our Lutheran brothers and sisters in Latvia. Our guest preacher at our 9 am service will be Latvian Pastor Ilars Plume. After church, at 10 am, you're all invited to stay for a presentation about Lutheran church work in Latvia by Pastor Ugis Sildegis.

Ilars Plume is a pastor in Kekava, Latvia. He is one of seven pastors that serve in the Confessional Lutheran Church of Latvia, a church body affiliated with our ELS Board for World Outreach. He has written several commentaries on the Gospel of John as well as St. John's first epistle. He is in the United States studying at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in their Summer Quarter session. He is especially interested in church history. We look forward to his being with us today!

VBS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacation Bible School is fast approaching! It is June 24-27; if you haven't signed your child up, **NOW IS THE TIME!** There will be a VBS "kick off" for teachers/helpers TODAY. We will be decorating and setting up. Lunch will be provided!

Additionally, we are asking for donations in the form of supplies. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex on the Welcome Center. If you feel so inclined, we would greatly appreciate the help!

Thank you for all your help and support, we can't wait to make a splash when we **DIVE IN** to God's word!

TEACHER'S AIDE POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Holy Cross Lutheran School has an exciting opportunity available for the position of teacher's aide for the 2024-2025 school year. The position has a starting pay of \$15.50 per hour. The responsibilities of the position include, but are not limited to:

- providing teacher support in preparation for daily activities and instruction,
- planning, preparing, and developing various teaching materials for use in the classroom,
- assisting children individually or in groups with lesson assignments and testing
- performing miscellaneous job-related duties as assigned

The job requirements are a high school diploma or GED, and at least one year of experience directly related to the responsibilities of the position or a completed degree(s) from an accredited institution that are above the minimum education requirement in lieu of at least one year's experience.

Applicants should be able to communicate effectively with others, understand and follow instruction and safety procedures, provide activities for children that encourage healthy growth, supervise children, and provide a supportive and caring environment for children. Additional conditions of employment include the ability to secure and maintain a valid Wisconsin driver's license, obtain CPR & First Aid certification, and pass a comprehensive post-offer, pre-employment background check.

All interested candidates should contact Principal Rick Holz by phone at 608-249-3101 or via email at rholz@holycrossmadison.org.

SENIOR MINISTRY COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP

Senior Ministry breakfast will be held at Perkins on Hayes Rd at 9AM on July 9, and August 13. We hope to see you there!

GREECE/PAUL TOUR

You are invited to join a 11 day tour of Greece; in the Footsteps of the Apostle Paul. The tour, April 22-May 2, 2025 will be hosted by retired pastor Eugene Kock (a well-known friend of Holy Cross), who has been there about 10 times. It includes a 3 day cruise on the Mediterranean Sea as well as an optional 3 day tour to Rome. Some of the Biblical places to be visited: Philippi, Thessalonica, Athens, Corinth, Ephesus etc. For more information contact pastorkock@yahoo.com

BETHANY FUND

Our Bethany Lutheran College is wrapping up its fiscal year on June 30, 2024. The College is striving to meet a fundraising goal of \$750,000 for The Bethany Fund, and is still seeking roughly \$200,000 in gifts to meet the goal. Many of our ELS pastors, congregations and individual members make regular contributions to our College with some sort of financial gift; please consider joining them in this effort. Visit blc.edu/bethanyfund or call the Advancement Office at 507-344-7000 to learn more about how you can help support our ELS college. Thank you for your support and prayers for Bethany!

LUTHERAN YOUTH ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

The LYA National Youth Convention is Thursday, July 25 - Sunday, July 28, 2024 at Concordia University Chicago in River Forest, IL. This year's convention theme is "Justified," exploring the freedom that comes from being justified outside of ourselves. There are a number of keynote speakers and various optional Bible studies students can choose to attend. We'll also be gathering for worship on Sunday morning and celebrating the Lord's Supper together. For fun, you have a choice between touring downtown Chicago and going to the Museum of Science and Industry.

- This convention is for high school-aged youth (those who have been confirmed or completed 8th grade and up). Early registration is \$300 and open until June 1. Late registration is \$350 and available from June 2-July 1. For more information and to register, please go to ELS.org/LYA. **The early registration deadline is here before you know it, so if you'd like to attend, please sign up quickly (if you haven't already done so.)**
- *We need chaperones--at least one male and one female--to accompany our group. So, parents, if you are interested in serving as a chaperone, simply register as a chaperone at the above link, and send an email to Pastor Van Kampen at pvankampen@holycrossmadison.org.*
- For transportation this year, Holy Cross is planning on taking the Amtrak Empire Builder with a few other area congregations, departing Thursday, July 25 from Columbus at 1:45 p.m. to Chicago, arriving around 4:45 p.m., and then using public transportation from the train station to arrive at Concordia University. For the return trip, we will take public transport back to Union Station and the train will depart from Chicago on Sunday, July 28 at 3:05 p.m. and arrive in Columbus at about 5:55 p.m. As in years past, **Holy Cross will cover the cost of group transportation (on the train) for all students/chaperones who register. The sign-up deadline, however, if you'd like to ride the train is Sunday, June 16. Once you have registered, if you can please send notice to Pastor Van Kampen via email.**

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