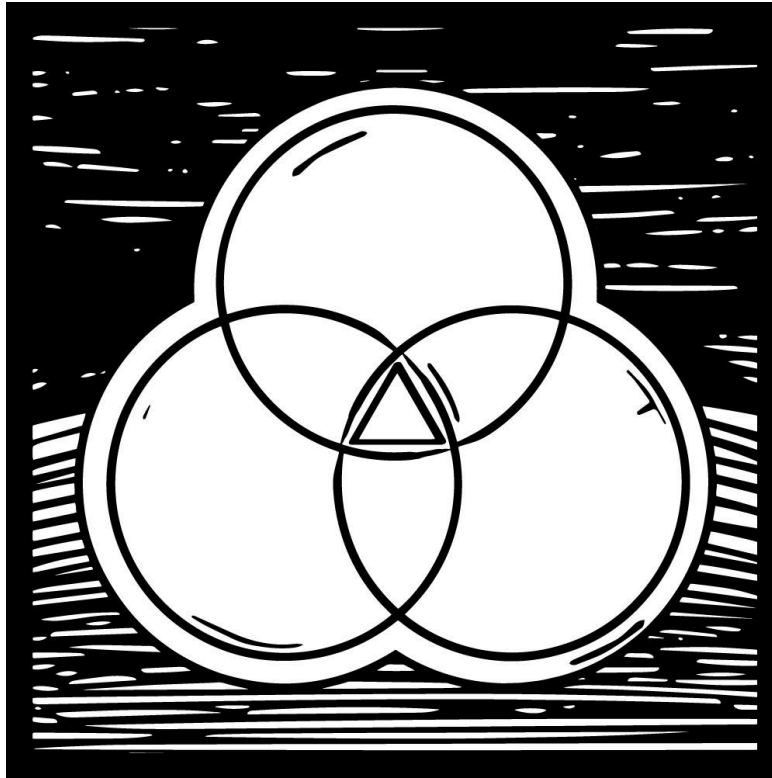


Holy Cross Lutheran Church

School and Early Learning Center



June 30, 2024

"The LORD's Compassion Never Fails"

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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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Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Service of the Word – Page 38

Opening Hymn #278....."Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

1 Holy God, we praise your name;
Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim;
All in heav'n above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain,
Everlasting is your reign.

2 Hark! the glad celestial song
Angel choirs above are raising;
Prophets, martyrs join the throng,
In unceasing chorus praising
With the Church in one accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord!

3 Blest Redeemer, virgin's Son,
Over death his vict'ry claiming,
Now ascended to his throne,
Judge and king, his grace proclaiming,
Opens heav'n to all his own.
Praise and thanks to God alone!

4 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name you;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim you,
Then, adoring, bend the knee
And confess the mystery.

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 God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Psalm of the Day.....Psalm 30

M: Make music to the Lord, you his favored ones, and give thanks when you remember his holiness,

C: for we spend a moment under his anger, but we enjoy a lifetime in his favor.

M: In the evening, weeping comes to stay through the night,

C: but in the morning, there is rejoicing!

M: To you, O Lord, I call. To the Lord I cry for mercy:

C: Lord, hear and be merciful to me. Lord, be a helper for me.

M: You turned my mourning into dancing,

C: That my whole being may make music to you and not be silent.

Epistle Lesson 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13, 14

Overflowing with Christ's riches, we overflow with generosity.

1 Now brothers, we want you to know about the grace of God that was given in the churches of Macedonia: 2 In a severe test of trouble, their overflowing joy and their deep poverty overflowed into an abundance of their generosity. 3 I testify that of their own free will they gave according to their ability, and even beyond their ability, 4 pleading with us with an urgent request for the gracious privilege of joining in this service to the saints. 5 And they did this not as we had expected, but in keeping with God's will they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us. 6 As a result we urged Titus, since he had already made a beginning, to bring to completion this gracious gift on your part. 7 But just as you overflow in every way—in faith, in word, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us[c]—see that you also overflow in this gracious gift.

8 I do not say this as a command, but to test how genuine your love is, by comparing it with the eagerness of others. 9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that although he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich...

13 Certainly, our goal is not that others take it easy while you are burdened, but that there may be equality. 14 At the present time, your abundance will provide what they lack, in order that their abundance will also provide what you lack—in this way there will be equality.

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!

Gospel Lesson

.....Mark 5:21-24a, 35-43

Jesus raises the daughter of Jairus from death.

When Jesus had again crossed over in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him near the sea.

22 Then one of the synagogue rulers, named Jairus, came. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet 23 and repeatedly pleaded with him, "My little daughter is near death. Please come and place your hands on her so that she may be healed and live."

24 Jesus went with him...

35 While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue ruler's house arrived, saying, "Your daughter is dead. Why bother the Teacher anymore?"

36 But when Jesus heard this report, he told the synagogue ruler, "Don't be afraid. Only believe." 37 He did not allow anyone to follow him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. 38 They went into the house of the synagogue ruler, and Jesus saw a commotion with people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 When he entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping."

40 They laughed at him. But after he put everyone out, he took the father of the child, her mother, and those who were with him and went in where the child was. 41 Grasping the hand of the child, he said to her, "Talitha, koum!" (When translated, that means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!") 42 Immediately the little girl stood up and began to walk around. (She was twelve years old.) They were completely and utterly amazed. 43 Then he gave them strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and he told them to give her something to eat.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Children's Sermon

Young children are invited forward to the chancel steps

Hymn #405....."Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink"

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| 1 Oh, for a faith that will not shrink
Though pressed by many a foe,
That will not tremble on the brink
Of poverty or woe, | 4 That bears unmoved the world's dread frown
Nor heeds its scornful smile,
That sin's wild ocean cannot drown
Nor Satan's arts beguile, |
| 2 That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chast'ning rod,
But in the hour of grief or pain
Can lean upon its God, | 5 A faith that keeps the narrow way
Till life's last spark is fled
And with a pure and heav'nly ray
Lights up the dying bed. |
| 3 A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without,
That, when in danger, knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt, | 6 Lord, give us such a faith as this,
And then, whate'er may come,
We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss
Of an eternal home. |

SermonPastor Piet Van Kampen..... "The LORD's Compassion Never Fails"

Lamentations 3:22-33

- 22 By the mercies of the Lord we are not consumed, for his compassions do not fail.
- 23 They are new every morning. Great is your faithfulness.
- 24 My soul says, "The Lord is my portion. Therefore, I will hope in him."
- 25 The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.
- 26 It is good to hope quietly for the salvation of the Lord.
- 27 It is good for a man that he bears a yoke early in his life.
- 28 Let him sit alone and be silent, because the Lord has laid this upon him.
- 29 Let him stick his face in the dust. Perhaps there still is hope.
- 30 Let him turn his cheek toward the one who strikes him. Let him be filled with disgrace.
- 31 For the Lord will not push us away forever.
- 32 Even though he brings grief, he will show compassion on the basis of his great mercy.
- 33 Certainly it is not what his heart desires when he causes affliction, when he brings grief to the children of men.

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 #580....."Every Morning Mercies New"

1 Ev'ry morning mercies new
Fall as fresh as morning dew;
Ev'ry morning let us pay
Tribute with the early day.
For your mercies, Lord, are sure;
Your compassion will endure.

2 Still your kindness and your love
Ev'ry day our sins remove;
Daily, far as east from west,
Lift the burden from the breast;
Give unbought to those who pray
Strength to live for you each day.

3 Let our prayers each morn prevail
That these gifts may never fail.
And as we confess our sin
And the tempter's pow'r within,
Feed us with the bread of life;
Fit us for our daily strife.

4 As the morning light returns,
As the sun with splendor burns,
Teach us still to turn to you;
With your light our souls renew.
Then shall we our voices raise
In unfailing prayer and praise.

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: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness. 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.

Holy Cross News & Notes

June 30, 2024

Calendar for the Week – July 1 - July 7

Monday

- Worship Committee - 5:00 pm
- Worship - 6:30 pm
- Bible Information Class - 7:30 pm

Wednesday

- Bible Study - 10:00 am

Sunday

- Worship - 9:00 am

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

GIVING TO HOLY CROSS

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: 6/18/24 - 6/24/24

\$9,250.15

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

\$773,391.83

FISCAL YEAR BUDGETED

\$813,000.00

CHRISTIAN FUNERAL SERVICE FOR JUDY MEDER

Judy Meder was called home to heaven on Tuesday, June 25. Judy's funeral will be at Holy Cross today, Sunday, June 30 at 1 pm. Visitation will be from noon - 1 pm. Light desserts and coffee will follow the service.

Our Christian sympathies to her family as we keep them in her prayers.

Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his saints. Psalm 116:15

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.

BIKES, BUBBLES, & BOOK SHARE EVENT

Save the date! Bikes, Bubbles & Book Share will take place on Friday, July 19th at church. Join members of Holy Cross for a delightful evening of fellowship and fun beginning at 5pm. Along with a bike or scooter, feel free to bring a gently used book(s) to swap with the group and take home! Bubbles, food and plenty of fun will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!

K - 8 GIRLS DANCE OPPORTUNITY

Girls in K-8 are invited to join Lakeside Lutheran High School for their Barbie Dance Clinic, Friday, September 6, 2024 at 4:45 PM. This clinic will also have a performance at halftime at that night's football game. Visit llhs.org/apps/pages/K8dance to view the flyer and to register. Sign up by July 31.

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

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). Late registration is \$350 and available through July 1. For more information and to register, please go to ELS.org/LYA.

NORTHWESTERN PUBLISHING HOUSE EXTRA

Northwestern Publishing House Extra is a free program that allows you to designate an organization to receive a portion of the dollars you spend at Northwestern Publishing House. This benefits our church because we receive 1% of the purchases made by those who sign up for NPH EXTRA and designate Holy Cross as their organization! It's super easy too! Go to nph.net/extra and click "Sign Up," fill out all pertinent information, designate an organization, and hit submit. That's all YOU have to do! Then, anytime you shop Northwestern Publishing House, a portion of your purchase will go to Holy Cross. We appreciate your support in our ministry!