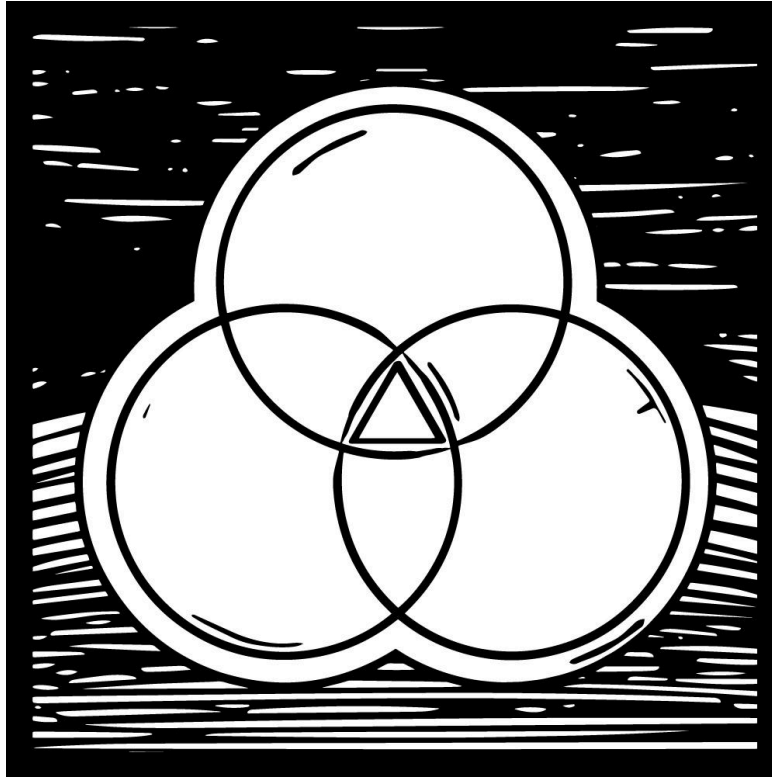


Holy Cross Lutheran Church

School and Early Learning Center



October 13, 2024

"A Camel Through the Eye of a Needle?"

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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 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, 10:30 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 #365....."Love Divine, All Love Excelling"

1 Love divine, all love excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
Fix in us your humble dwelling,
All your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, you are all compassion,
Boundless mercy from above.
Visit us with benediction;
Comfort us with heav'nly love.

2 Take away our love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be.
End of faith as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.
We would ever seek your blessing,
Serve you as your hosts above,
Pray and praise you without ceasing,
Glory in your perfect love.

3 Sanctify your new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be.
Let us trust your great salvation,
Won for us on Calvary,
Till we lay our crowns before you,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till in glory we adore you,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

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.

C: Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

First LessonAmos 5:6-7, 10-15

To seek the LORD means seeking good and not evil.

6 Seek the Lord and live, or he will rush upon the house of Joseph like fire.

The fire will consume, and no one will extinguish it for Bethel.

7 There are some who turn justice into wormwood, who throw righteousness to the ground...

10 There are those who hate an arbitrator in the city gate. They despise anyone who speaks honestly.

11 That is why you trample on the poor, and you collect taxes on their grain.

You have built houses of cut stones, but you will not live in them.

You have planted choice vineyards, but you will not drink their wine.

12 For I know that your rebellious deeds are many, and your sins are numerous,

you who are enemies of a righteous man, you who take bribes.

They thrust away needy people in the city gate.

13 That is why a prudent man will be silent in that time, because it is an evil time.

14 Seek good and not evil, so that you may live, and then it will be like this for you:

The Lord, the God of Armies, will be with you, as you claim.

15 Hate evil and love good. Establish justice in the city gate.

Perhaps the Lord, the God of Armies, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Psalm of the DayPsalm 90

M: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

C: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

M: For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.

C: You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

M: You turn mortals back to dust. You sweep them away in the sleep of death.

C: The length of our days is seventy years—or eighty, if we have the strength; yet their span is but trouble and sorrow.

M: Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

C: Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

Epistle LessonHebrews 3:1-6

Focus on Jesus, God's faithful Son.

1 Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, focus your attention on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess. 2 He was faithful to the one who appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in God's whole house. 3 In fact, Jesus is worthy of greater glory than Moses, in the same way that the builder of a house has more honor than the house. 4 For every house is built by someone, and God is the one who built everything.

5 Moses was faithful as a servant within God's whole house by testifying to the things that would be spoken. 6 But Christ is faithful as a Son over God's house. We are his house, if we hold on firmly to our confidence and the hope about which we boast until the end.

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!

Children's Sermon

Young children are invited forward to the chancel steps.

Hymn #477....."What Is the World to Me"

1 What is the world to me
With all its vaunted pleasure
When you, and you alone,
Lord Jesus, are my treasure!
You only, dearest Lord,
My soul's delight shall be;
You are my peace, my rest.
What is the world to me!

2 The world seeks to be praised
And honored by the mighty,
Yet never once reflects
That they are frail and flighty.
But what I truly prize
Above all things is he,
My Jesus, he alone.
What is the world to me!

3 The world seeks after wealth
And all that money offers,
Yet never is content
Though gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good;
Content with it I'll be;
My Jesus is my wealth --
What is the world to me!

4 What is the world to me!
My Jesus is my treasure,
My life, my health, my wealth,
My friend, my love, my pleasure,
My joy, my crown, my all,
My bliss eternally.
Once more then I declare:
What is the world to me!

SermonPastor Piet Van Kampen..... "A Camel Through the Eye of a Needle?"

Mark 10:17-27

17 As Jesus was setting out on a journey, one man ran up to him and knelt in front of him. He asked, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

18 Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except one—God. 19 You know the commandments. 'You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.'"

20 The man replied, "Teacher, I have kept all these since I was a child."

21 Jesus looked at him, loved him, and said to him, "One thing you lack. Go, sell whatever you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

22 When he heard this, he looked sad and went away grieving, because he had great wealth. 23 Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!"

24 The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus told them again, "Children, how hard it is for those who trust in their riches to enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

26 They were even more astonished and said to one another, "Who then can be saved?"

27 Jesus looked at them and said, "For people, it is impossible, but not for God, because all things are possible for God."

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

The Prayer of the Church

M: Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

C: We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.

M: You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.

C: We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.

M: Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.

C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.

M: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.

C: Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

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

Silent prayer.

M: We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.

C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight. 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 #125 (vs 1, 2, 4)....."When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God.
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

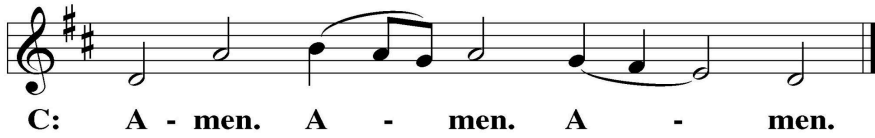
Closing Prayer

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 Ballentin,, will not be responding to emails that say "Attended" in the subject line. Thanks.

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Holy Cross News & Notes

October 13, 2024

Calendar for the Week – October 14 - 20

Monday

- Worship - 6:30 pm
- Bible Information Class - 7:30 pm

Tuesday

- Senior Ministry - 9:15 am

Wednesday

- Bible Study - 10:00 am
- Public School Confirmation - 4:30 pm
- Adult Handbells - 6:00 pm
- Senior Choir - 7:00 pm

Thursday

- Esther Circle - 1:00 pm (Karen Bradley's House - 4704 Sumac Rd, Middleton)
- All Boards - 6:00 pm
- Church Council - 7:30 pm

Saturday

- Walking in Fellowship (Connect Group) - 7:00 am
- ELS Women's Mission Rally (Western Koshkonong) - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- Jesus Cares - 10:00 am
- Trunk or Treat - 10:30 am

Sunday

- Worship - 8:30 & 10:30 am
- Sunday School/Adult Bible Study - 9:45 am
- Chili Cook Off - 12:00 pm
- Food, Fun, & Fellowship (Connect Group) - 4:00 pm

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

GIVING TO HOLY CROSS

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: 10/1/24 - 10/7/24

\$23,446.03

TOTAL OFFERINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR: 7/1/24 - 10/7/24

\$196,982.69

FISCAL YTD BUDGET OFFERINGS

\$220,769.22

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.

10/6/24 - "God's Gift of Marriage" - Pastor Mark Bartels

<https://vimeo.com/1016759330>

DISASTER RELIEF

Donations for disaster relief, including recent hurricanes, can be made online at els.org/donate Choose "World Needs Fund- Disaster Relief."

LAKESIDE ACAPELLA AT HOLY CROSS NEXT SUNDAY

The Lakeside Acapella choir will be singing at Holy Cross next Sunday, Oct 20, at both services. Pastor Dustin Yahnke, from Lakeside will serve as our guest preacher, and our Holy Cross 3-8 Graders will also sing. We're looking forward to a festive day! There are several opportunities to help out with this! We are looking for food/monetary donations: Assorted pastries, boxes of granola bars, packages of string cheese, cut-up fresh fruit, and containers of orange juice, apple juice, and milk. If donating, please have items to the kitchen by Oct 18. Please contact Nedra Griffin for more information: ngriffinfab5@gmail.com or 608-225-4789. Thank you!

DO YOU HAVE A PASTOR?

Our Evangelical Lutheran Synod has produced a series of very well done, brief videos to be used as outreach by local congregations on Facebook. The videos are simple, gentle, thought-provoking invitations for people who don't have a pastor. The videos explain the spiritual care that a pastor can provide and the critical role a pastor can play in their lives. The theme of each of the videos is "Do You Have a Pastor?" If you use Facebook, please watch for these on the Holy Cross Facebook page. We'll be posting a new one every week. If you could share these posts, and spread the word, that would be great! Let's pray more people seek out pastoral care. Thanks!



HOLY CROSS SPIRIT SHIRT

Want to show your faith while promoting Holy Cross Lutheran Church & School? Purchase a Holy Cross Lutheran Church & School t-shirt! The store will close on Sunday, October 20th.

VETERANS DAY

Our school's Veterans Day program will be on Nov. 8th at 6PM in the school gymnasium. Come join us as we celebrate our veterans! Our theme this year is "My Voice in America's Democracy." We will look at people and places that have shaped our country. Please send in names of veterans, their military branch, and their years of service to frontoffice@holycrossmadison.org. Treats will follow the program.

PASTOR APPRECIATION

Dear fellow believers, the Holy Cross Church Elders would like to offer a profound THANK YOU to our pastors for all their dedication to our Lord and his flock at Holy Cross. October is Pastor appreciation month, and we are extending this invitation to show your thanks by giving Pastor Bartels and Pastor VanKampen a note of gratitude and/or a small gift if you would like. Our church, school and early learning center are so blessed to have these two faithful servants leading and teaching us all. Our Lord continues to bless Holy Cross with their guidance so please let them know how much they are loved and appreciated. There will be a box marked "Pastor Appreciation" on the Welcome Center in the Narthex this month. We will have a gathering between services with cake and coffee October 13 th . Please join us to show our love and appreciation then.

Ephesians 4:11-13 And he himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, equipping the saints for the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of God's Son, growing into the maturity with a stature measured by Christ's fullness.

- Holy Cross Elders

FUNERAL LUNCHEON HELPERS

Holy Cross volunteers provide a wonderful service for families who have lost a loved one. Often, after a funeral service here at Holy Cross, there is a catered luncheon, which serves as a healthy time for the family to fellowship and reminisce. Holy Cross volunteers help set up, serve, and clean up after the luncheons. Judy Meder and Judy Hahn have led and recruited for help with funeral luncheons for years. Judy Meder is now in heaven... so Judy Hahn would invite someone to help her in leading for funeral luncheons. No food preparation is involved... just recruiting from a list of helpers to set up, serve and clean up. Please contact Judy Hahn (608-819-6795) or one of the pastors if you are interested in helping lead or in helping set up and serve, or if you have any questions. Thanks!

SENIOR OUTING

Holy Cross Seniors are invited to Legacy Dinner Theatre in the Wisconsin Dells for their Christmas Show on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$75 per person, please make checks out to "Holy Cross Lutheran Church". It includes a 4 course meal. It will begin with dinner at 1:00 pm and the show begins at 2:30 pm. Sign up in the Welcome Center by October 20, 2024. Please indicate if you are willing to drive for the car pool.

SENIOR MINISTRY & BREAKFAST

The next senior ministry meeting will be on Tuesday, October 15 at 9:15 am.

PICK-UP VOLLEYBALL GAME

Please join us for a fun pick up game of volleyball in the gym on Friday, October 18th at 5:30 pm. This is intended to be a casual and non-competitive event but please only high school youth or older for safety. Please sign up in the narthex by Sunday, October 13th so we know how much food to bring and please include your email so future correspondence can be sent about this event as we get closer. Due to the nature of the game space is limited so it will be first-come, first served so please sign up early and we hope to see you there!

TRUNK OR TREAT

Holy Cross is hosting our annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 19th from 10:30am – 11:30am. We are asking for candy donations. We have 2 areas where you can place your donations. One tote will be in the narthex of the church near the doors to the cafeteria. The other tote will be located near the front desk. We are also looking for volunteers to decorate their trunks and hand out candy! Scan the QR to Sign-up!



CHILI COOK OFF

Join us after the second service on Sunday, October 20th for a Chili Cook Off and to cheer on the Packers as they take on the Texans! Whether you've got a secret chili recipe or just love to eat, we want YOU there! Scan the QR code to let us know you're coming and if you are interested in making your signature chili recipe, desserts, or your favorite game day snack! Hotdogs and lemonade available for the kiddos, plus an open gym to keep them busy if needed! We hope you will come for a fun afternoon of food, fellowships and root for the Pack together! Go Pack Go!

CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES ARE BACK!

Holy Cross is once again selling wreaths as a fundraiser for our organization. Click the link, scan the QR code, or find an order form at the front desk or welcome center to place your order. For the first time, you can order your wreaths online and have them shipped directly to you! Please note there is an increased cost for orders placed online. Orders placed via order form will be shipped to Holy Cross and must be picked up. Checks can be made out to "Holy Cross PTO" with order forms. *Please order by November 1st.*

<https://giftitforward.com/fundraising-code/holycrwioo1>

PRAYERS FOR AN ELECTION YEAR

One of the goals the Holy Cross Board of Elders has set this year is to encourage us as Holy Cross members in our prayer lives. Since this is an election year, the Board of Elders would like to encourage all of us to pray regarding this important matter. When you're at church, please stop by the Welcome Center and pick up a little booklet entitled "God Bless Our Native Land: Prayers for an Election Year." Please take one home and make it a part of your prayer life. Thank you! 1 Timothy 2:1-3 says, "I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior."

COOKIE WALK & BLUE RIBBON BOOK FAIR

The annual Cookie Walk and Blue Ribbon Book Fair date has been set! Please mark your calendars for Dec. 7th. The proceeds will help the church and school. Watch for a sign-up to be posted in early fall. Start planning your treat baking! We will need an abundance of tasty treats!

EASTSIDE LUTHERAN ART & CRAFT FAIR

Please join us on Saturday, November 2nd from 9am-3pm for this year's Eastside Art & Craft Fair. This is a huge fundraiser for our school! We have many craft vendors, gift basket raffle, cookies sold by the pound, a bake sale and yummy concessions. This is a great way to get a jump start on your holiday shopping! Admission is Free!

BLC GETAWAY WEEKEND

Calling all high school juniors and seniors! YOU are invited to Bethany Lutheran College to join in on a FREE weekend getaway November 7-9, 2024. You will get to tour the campus, experience life as a Bethany student, meet professors, directors, coaches, and new friends. If you are interested, please reserve your spot by clicking the link below.

Reservations are due by October 31, 2024. Call 507-344-7331 or visit the website if you have questions.

<https://admissions.blc.edu/register/fallGW>

ELS FALL TEEN RETREAT

This year's ELS fall teen retreat is set for October 19-20 at Living Waters Bible Camp near Westby, WI. This year's theme is "Known", based on Galatians 4:9. Youth in grades 7-12 will enjoy a deep dive into God's Word, a bonfire with s'mores and singing, group activities including a 50-foot rock tower, a 500-foot zipline, and more! The cost is \$135 and includes everything (email Pastor Nate at pastor.abrahamson@abidingshepherd.org to request financial assistance).

The bus will leave Saturday morning from Lakeside Lutheran High School in Lake Mills at 8 a.m., and then from Abiding Shepherd in Cottage Grove at 8:30. Sunday night, the bus will return to Cottage Grove at 7:15 p.m. and Lakeside Lutheran at 7:45 p.m. Those not taking the bus can arrive at 10:45 a.m. Saturday and depart at 5 p.m. on Sunday. For more info and to register, visit

<https://www.abidingshepherd.org/page/140007974/140050466/Fall-Teen-Retreat>

BETHANY AUXILIARY MEETING

Please join us! The Madison Area Bethany Lutheran College Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, at 1:00 pm at Western Koshkonong Lutheran Church, 2633 Church Street, Cottage Grove, WI. Don Westphal, Director of the Bethany Fund, will attend to give a college update and answer questions guests may have. Desserts and refreshments will be served. All ladies and gentlemen are invited and urged to attend.