

HAPPENINGS

November 13-20, 2022

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WELCOME GUESTS AND MEMBERS – Welcome to the Lord’s House. God bless you as you hear the Good News today of His unconditional love! Jesus promised wherever two or three are gathered in His name, His presence is there. Jesus is here! We pray and know He will bless you with faith, hope, and love for your daily life through His Word and Spirit! If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to one of our ushers or greeters.



SANTA IS COMING!

On **November 25th** we will be holding a free event for church members and their families to visit with Santa and have your picture taken. On November 26th we will have paid

sessions with Santa for the general public as well. The real Reason for the Season will be shared with the children. **SIGN UP NOW for a spot on Friday, November 25th** bit.ly/3Ntc0Ym.

OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS The last two years we have enjoyed bright lights outlining our church building. Many remarked on how nice they looked, but they do come at a cost of approximately \$1,900. We relied on donations to do this. Anyone wishing to donate to this

year's lights can write a check to Holy Cross with Christmas lights in the memo. The money will not come from our church



budget. Questions can be directed to the Board of Missions. Thank you.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Boxes, boxes, boxes! We've got boxes! Check out the display in the Commons. Pick up the pamphlet listing ideas, and grab a beanie baby to put in your box! There are also labels that you can use in which you can track your box(es). **Deadline is this Monday, November 14th.**

Please pick up your box(es). Our shoe box Goal page can be found by scanning the QR code with your phone or opening the link below, Either way you will be brought to our page, titled "Pack a Shoebox, Bless a Child". There you can "build" a shoebox which will be added to our tally.



<https://build-a-shoebox.samaritanspurse.org/view/9007adc4-14d9-4221-8235-a59bec9ab3bd>

ADULT BIBLE STUDY Today we continue our series on the Hard Sayings of Paul. Feel free to get a cup of coffee first and snack before we start at 10:15am.



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weekly prayer requests, and any prayers that should go out to the whole congregation, to the office at megan@holycross-pl.org

TIME OF GRACE Straight talk about God's Word and real hope for this life. A strong gospel message delivered in an informal Bible study style.



Subscribe to Time of Grace resources to be delivered to your email inbox daily. You will receive daily devotion emails with "Grace Moments" written devotions and "Grace Talks" video devotions. Pastor Mike Novotny, The Core, Appleton, WI, KARE (NBC 11) 10:30 am www.timeofgrace.org

MAIN STREET LIVING airs each Sunday at 9 am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of This Is the Life. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com select the "Twin Cities" tab.



PEOPLE OF THE BOOK LUTHERAN OUTREACH

Poblo's mission is to meet the physical, social, and spiritual needs of Muslims and other immigrants and refugees in the United States by sharing the love of Jesus in practical and culturally relevant ways.

One of the ways to accomplish this is through the offering of free classes. POBLO Twin Cities has new classes starting up, including English as a Second Language (ESL) classes meeting on **Monday & Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm at Mt. Hope in Bloomington**. Volunteers are needed! For more information, please contact Shari Schulze, POBLO Twin Cities Coordinator, at shari@poblo.org.



LIFE QUOTES – NOVEMBER 13

"Respect for God's chain of authority holds true with the police, legislators, governors, presidents, and judges who have been placed over me.

Some I may have chosen willingly, while others I may have voted against or had no say in. Still, we believe God has given them their authority. I may feel a responsibility to oppose their plans or how they perceive and execute justice, but even then, I owe them respect and honor." *Pastor Dan Guagenti, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Shelbyville, Kentucky – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

PRESCHOOL

Holy Cross gave approval for reopening a preschool in 2023 at the voter's meeting. The plan will be for a full-day preschool and include a partnership with Poblo to provide subsidized preschool for immigrant families in our neighborhood. Please contact Michael Hentges for more information.

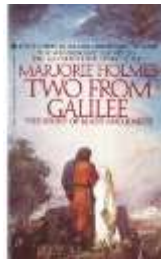


PRAYER TIME

Thank you for those who have faithfully prayed for Holy Cross at church Wednesday evenings. Thank you also to those who have faithfully prayed from home. Please continue your

prayers for Holy Cross, for the new Pastor we will be calling, for strong spiritual leadership for our congregation, for growth of our Sunday School and membership with worship on Sundays, missions, stewardship and much much more. Prayers also for thanks to Pastor Gade for his faithful leadership in shepherding us during this time. May you be blessed by the amazing opportunities God gives us in coming to Him in prayer.

BIBLE BOOKENDERS will now be meeting on Tuesday evenings instead of Monday evenings. Our January book is an old classic, **Two From Galilee by Marjorie Holmes**. Join us at church from 7:00-8:30 pm on Tuesday January 31st. Blessings on your reading of first and foremost God's Word, and the fun books we read and share for Bible Bookenders. Questions? Contact Bonnie Nowak, Pat Harvey or Michele Lein.



HAPPENINGS ARTICLES! Don't forget to turn in your Happenings articles each week by Wednesday at noon! Email to megan@holycross-pl.org.



CONTACT UPDATE Has your address, phone, or email changed? Have your adult children moved away from home? Check with Megan in the church office and see what we have on file for you and your family, or you can pick up a form to fill out in the commons area. Help us have accurate information in case we or other church members need to contact you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE We have kicked off Sunday School this year with the oldest class studying martyrs for their Christian faith. We started with the definition of a Martyr, with Stephen in the Book of Acts and are now using materials and scripture from Voice of the Martyrs. We have learned about how Christians are treated in other parts of the world and their very lives are in danger for being a Christian and distributing Bibles. We are watching video clips from Voice of the Martyrs on Richard and Sabina Wurmbrand, and their story.



WHAT DOES FREE WILL MONEY BUY? We thank you for donating during Sunday coffee hour. Your giving provides the LWML with more

buying power. Coffee, creamers, cups and napkins too. All these we are able to buy for you! Treats and juice our members supply, but for the coffee and stuff on your generosity we rely.

We would like the congregation to join us in praying for the Martyrs around the World. Take a peek in the Youth Room and see the banner and materials we are using. We also have a very beautiful liturgical calendar on the wall available from Concordia Publishing House.

Thank you to parents for your faithfulness in bringing your students to Sunday School. It is truly a blessing to teach the next generation for Christ and The Gospel.



SAVE THE DATE! Our **Christmas Program** will be **Sunday, December 11th** during our Worship service.

Bonnie Nowak has blessed us by writing the play, "The Road to Bethlehem". Sheri Brunner will be directing. The plan is to have rehearsals on Saturday, December 3rd & 10th in the morning. Extra hands are always appreciated! Specifics will be shared later.

Thank you for your support for Voice of the Martyrs and for your prayers for our entire Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes, Board of Education and Sunday School teachers and substitute teachers at Holy Cross.

VACANCY PASTOR GADE'S church hours are Monday & Tuesday, 7:30 am to 3:30 pm. Other times can be arranged, call 763-333-5896.





HOLY COMMUNION

is celebrated weekly. Our belief and practice is Confessional. Jesus clearly teaches He is truly present in His

supper in the bread and wine. We receive miraculously, in the gift of faith, His true body and blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. If this is your confession and you have been baptized and confirmed in our church body, please commune with us. If you have questions about communing, please wait to commune until receiving instruction in one of our communion classes. Thank you. **Note:** *Communion Kits are available, if needing one please contact Pastor.*

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MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY every Tuesday from 8:00-9:00 am.

COFFEE TIME Thank you to those who have faithfully made coffee and provided treats each Sunday morning. Please consider signing up to help out.



CROSSVIEW LUTHERAN is holding a Feed My Starving Children event on **Friday & Saturday, December 2-3, 2022**. Cross View Lutheran Church is located at 6645 McCauley Trail West, Edina, MN.

GOAL: Pack 101,088 Meals – enough to feed 277 children for 1 year!

NEEDED: 500 volunteers and \$25,000 to cover the cost of the food (a donation of \$50/person is suggested)

Please sign up to volunteer and/or donate at: give.fmsc.org/crossview



CHURCH OFFICE REPORTS - RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Contributions needed each month (General Fund): \$39,677.00 • Contributions received in September \$13,733.00

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

Worship: 67

Communion: 67

Bible Study: 13

Sunday School: 7

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 Heidi Cordell
 Jon Dobberstein
 Becky Lepley

Nov 5
 Nov 13
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 Nov 16

Jacob Oak
 Shannon Busse
 Doug Albrecht
 Greg Albrecht

Nov 27
 Nov 29
 Nov 30
 Nov 30

Upcoming

EVENTS

November 14
November 25

November 26
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December 4
February 10

Samaritans Purse Shoe Boxes
 Santa Photos for church members and their families
 Register here: bit.ly/3Ntc0Ym
 Decorate the Church for Christmas
 Santa Photos for the public (must pre-register)
 CAP Agency Adopt a Senior
 Night to Shine