

### April 9-16, 2023

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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.

BIBLE BOOKENDERS will be meeting Tuesday, April 25 at 7:00 pm at church. We will be discussing Becoming Mrs. Lewis. Please join us for the historical fiction account from New York Times bestselling author Patti Callahan on the tale of the unlikely friendship turned true



love between Joy Davidman and C. S. Lewis.

We will be meeting on Tuesday, July 25 at 7:00 pm. Our selection for July is *Colors of Truth* by Tamera Alexander. And our next meeting is Tuesday, October 24 at 7:00 pm.

Invite your friends to join us. All are welcome, men and women and teenagers. Questions? Ask Bonnie Nowak, Patricia Harvey or Michele Lein.



**PRAYER REQUESTS** If you have a prayer request for today, please fill out the form in the pew and put it in the offering plate. Pastor will include them in Prayer of the Church during the service. You can also email weekly prayer requests, and any prayers that should go out to the whole congregation, to the office at <a href="mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org">megan@holycross-pl.org</a>.

**LWML SPRING EVENT** Due to the poor weather conditions on April 1st, the Women's Event at Mt. Hope was cancelled. **The new date is Saturday**,

May 6th. Tickets are available from Pat Harvey. Further info coming!



#### **EASTER CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

Join us TODAY after we celebrate our Risen Christ, for an expanded Continental breakfast! Enjoy a coffee and some yummies before you face the family gathering!!!





ORGAN REPAIRS
We have an update
on the organ. The
bellows had
developed a series of
leaks, producing a
wheeze similar to a
lifelong smoker, so

the bellows were removed. After extensive search, Mike Hentges found a gentleman to rebuild and repair them. People with these abilities are in short supply and high demand. We are moving forward, slowly but surely.



ADULT BIBLE STUDY Starting April 16th the Sunday Morning Study will begin THE TRUTH PROJECT. Be Transformed By The Renewing of Your Mind. The Truth Project is a ground-breaking small group curriculum on the Biblical worldview. This videobased home Bible study is the starting point for looking at life from a biblical perspective. Join Dr. Del Tackett, as he takes you through 13 engaging video lessons on the relevance and importance of living the Biblical worldview in daily life.



MAIN STREET LIVING airs each Sunday at 9 am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of This Is the Life. Visit <a href="https://www.mainstreetliving.com">www.mainstreetliving.com</a> for more information or to watch the program.



MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY Be Transformed By The Renewing of Your Mind. The Truth Project is a ground-breaking small group curriculum on the Biblical worldview. This videobased home Bible study is the starting point for looking at life from a biblical perspective. Join Dr. Del Tackett, as he takes you through 13 engaging video lessons on the relevance and importance of living the Biblical worldview in daily life.

check out the coffee signup in the Commons. I encourage those who haven't as yet chosen to do so to pick a Sunday. Serving with another person/couple is a good option for first-timers. Thank you to those who always faithfully sign up to serve.



**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



**SUMMER WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Calling all Women!! Friends, neighbors, co-workers. We will be studying 1 and 2 Peter in June and July this summer and will be meeting on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm. A sign up and schedule of chapters each week will be available very soon. Mark your calendars for the dates of June 7, 14, 21, 28 and July 19 and 26. Please join us for one or all of these Wednesday evenings as schedules permit. Questions? Contact Michele Lein.

# **Membership Directory**

**THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY** has been updated! You can pick up a new copy in the back of the church. If your contact information is incorrect or needs updating, please let Megan know.

**CAMP OMEGA** Get ready for the best summer ever! Summer camp registration at Camp Omega is now open! There are camps

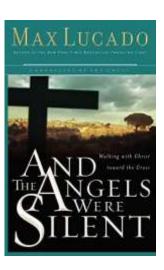


available for a wide range of ages. Check it out! Register now <a href="https://www.bit.ly/campomega">www.bit.ly/campomega</a>.



APRIL 9 "Our true identity turns us back toward our Creator, the one who not only made us but also defines us in His Word. So, permit me to remind you of that truth once more: You are a created child of God. You are handmade by Him, loved by Him, redeemed by Him, and sustained by Him. The gifts you possess are gifts He's given you; all that is good comes from Him. Your identity and your value are, always were, and always will be, found in Him." Michelle Bauman, Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

**BOOKS FOR** THE LENTEN **SEASON** We have pulled some books from our church library that are a good read as we enter into the Lenten season. Two written by Max Lucado are And the Angels Were Silent and Six Hours One Friday. Another book is The Day Christ was Born/The Day Christ Died by Jim Bishop. We



also have Stories Behind the Traditions and Songs of Easter by Ace Collins. All are displayed in the commons - take a look! They are available to check out. If you have other books to recommend, let us know and we'll share that information.

**HANGING PLANTS** Mother's Day is the perfect time to think, flowers! Please check out the sign-up sheets for the Hanging Baskets. There is still a nice



selection available. Cost is \$25. Proceeds will go to Haiti. Please take the opportunity to pay either cash or by check made out to Holy Cross with a **memo notation, "hanging plants"** to differentiate from the Youth Easter flower sale. Payment can be given to Pam Hunter. Please **mark paid** by your name on the sheets, Pam has a short memory!!!! As in the past, the hanging plants will be delivered to church on the Friday before Mother's Day, this year that's May 12th.



**PRIOR LAKE RECREATION** offers many different classes for kids, families, and seniors. Here's a couple that are coming up...

#### **Morel Mushroom Treasure Hunt**

May 25, \$125 registration per person Register Here

Grab your hiking boots and mushroom picking gear and we'll head for the woods to hunt for Morels! We'll hunt for those little Minnesota State Mushrooms in our secret places you'll be sworn to secrecy upon signing up! Van transportation and light tasting included.

#### **Glassblowing Tour**

May 6, age 55+, \$80 registration per person Register Here

If you've never tried glassblowing before, it can be intimidating at first. After all, you'll be dealing with large furnaces with temperatures that reach over 2000 degrees. This class is designed with the beginner in mind so that anyone can experience the art for themselves. Experience how glass is manipulated and formed into a simple shape by creating a glass paperweight which teaches the fundamentals of gathering, coloring, shaping and transferring the piece off of the blowpipe. Van transportation included.

For more fun options, take a look at all the available classes here: bit.ly/pl-recreation



MOWING VOLUNTEERS I know it doesn't seem like it, especially this week... but Spring will eventually be here! And we are in need of some volunteers to help with mowing the church grounds. It's a great way to get outside and get some sunshine, fresh air, and exercise. Lawn mowing can also be a form of therapy, no one bothers you and you can't hear your phone! Talk to Dave Albrecht, Denny Case, or Rich Vannett to help out.



**HAPPENINGS ARTICLES** Don't forget to turn in your Happenings articles each week by Wednesday at noon! Email to <a href="mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org">megan@holycross-pl.org</a>.

**VACANCY PASTOR GADE'S** church hours through Lent are **Tuesday and Wednesday**, 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.

#### **SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, APRIL 9**

Elder: Dennis Waderich
Lector: Michele Lein
Ushers: Steve Oak
Acolyte: Allie Wagner
AV: Dinah Gilberts

Offering Count: Meg Batchelder & Michele Lein

#### **SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, APRIL 16**

Elder: Doug Brunner
Lector: Mary Deluhery
Ushers: Dinah Gilberts
Acolyte: Daniel Vannett
AV: Eric Brown

**Offering Count:** Wendy Fitzwater & Doug Schulze

#### CHURCH OFFICE REPORTS - RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Contributions needed each month (General Fund): \$21,844.00 • Contributions received in March \$12,981.00.

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

Worship: 53 Communion: 53 Bible Study: 8 Sunday School:

## THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

SUNDAY	Easter	
9	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion Easter Continental Breakfast
MONDAY		
10	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
TUESDAY		
11	8:00 am 4:00 pm	Men's Bible Study Confirmation Class
WEDNESDAY		
12	12:00 pm	Happenings Articles Due
THURSDAY		
13	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
FRIDAY		
14		
SATURDAY		
15	12:00 pm	Newsletter Articles Due
SUNDAY	Second Sunday of	Easter
16	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion Bible Study Sunday School



### **April Birthdays**

Andrew Busse April 2	Buffy Mobroten April 5
Eric Brown April 4	David Busse April 13
Darvin Fulbert April 5	Stefan Einarson April 20



April 9	Easter Continental Breakfast
April 25	Bible Bookenders
April 30	Voter's Meeting
May 6	LWML Spring Event
June 7	Summer Women's Bible Study
June 14	Summer Women's Bible Study
June 21	Summer Women's Bible Study
June 28	Summer Women's Bible Study
July 19	Summer Women's Bible Study
July 26	Summer Women's Bible Study



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Office Ministry Assistant: Megan Luckfield • Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Dean Gade