

# HAPPENINGS

April 23-30, 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.



**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 video-based 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.

**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.



## LWML SPRING EVENT

The Mount Hope Ladies are hosting a women's event on **Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am.** Pastor Mark Moss will be sharing the work of Lutheran Heritage Foundation. LHF translates the Word of God into the world's many languages. All the books they translate, print and distribute are done so with no cost to the recipients. Breakfast will be served at 8:30am with the speaker to follow. The Gifts From the Heart is a monetary donation to purchase children's textbooks for the 300+ children enrolled at the Concordia Preparatory School in Ghana. Each book costs \$5. Tickets for the event are available for \$10. The deadline to purchase tickets is Sunday, April 30. Mt. Hope Lutheran Church is at 3601 W. Old Shakopee Rd. Bloomington. Carpooling is available from Holy Cross. Talk to Pat Harvey or Pam Hunter.



**MAIN STREET LIVING** airs each Sunday at 9 am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2 with an episode of This Is the Life. Visit [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) for more information or to watch the program.



**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.

**BIBLE BOOKENDERS** will be meeting this **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.



**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** Please 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.



**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 [megan@holycross-pl.org](mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org).



**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 video-based 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.



**APRIL 23** "I encourage everyone that I meet with to check my words and teaching against God's Word. Ask questions, challenge everything by that Word. I want them to know Jesus and to have that faith which says, 'This is what Jesus says, I am forgiven! I am set free! I am serving and living as a disciple of Jesus! I will go into heaven because of Jesus! ... I am part of God's family!'" *Pastor Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*



**SUMMER WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** A sign up sheet for Summer Women's Bible Study is on the board and a schedule is available. I and II Peter are words and messages of encouragement in the face of suffering that speaks to us today. It reminds us of our heavenly hope and eternal inheritance. We are called to a life of love and holiness imitating Christ in our daily lives. II Peter challenges us to live authentic Christian lives stressing the importance of scripture for guiding and preserving our faith.

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.



**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](http://www.timeofgrace.org)



**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 [www.bit.ly/campomega](http://www.bit.ly/campomega).



**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](http://bit.ly/pl-recreation)



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**HAPPENINGS ARTICLES** Don't forget to turn in your Happenings articles each week by Wednesday at noon! Email to [megan@holycross-pl.org](mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org).

**VACANCY PASTOR GADE'S** church hours are **Monday and 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.*



### SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, APRIL 23

- Elder:** Brit Weimer
- Lector:** Lance Lerum
- Ushers:** Eric Brown
- Acolyte:** Colin Kruse
- AV:** Dinah Gilberts
- Offering Count:** Carol Albrecht & Pam Hunter

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- Elder:** David Albrecht
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- Ushers:** Jason Kruse
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## 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 16, 2023 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

**Worship:** 50      **Communion:** 50      **Bible Study:** 13      **Sunday School:**

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# THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

## SUNDAY 3rd Sunday of Easter

23

9:00 am  
10:15 am  
10:15 am

Worship with Holy Communion  
Bible Study  
Sunday School

## MONDAY

24

## TUESDAY

25

8:00 am  
7:00 pm

Men's Bible Study  
Bible Bookenders

## WEDNESDAY

26

12:00 pm

Happenings Articles Due

## THURSDAY

27

7:00 pm

Choir Practice

## FRIDAY

28

## SATURDAY

29

## SUNDAY 4th Sunday of Easter

30

9:00 am  
10:15 am

Worship with Holy Communion  
Voter's Meeting



## 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



<b>April 25</b>	Bible Bookenders
<b>April 30</b>	Voter's Meeting
<b>May 6</b>	LWML Spring Event
<b>June 7</b>	Summer Women's Bible Study
<b>June 14</b>	Summer Women's Bible Study
<b>June 21</b>	Summer Women's Bible Study
<b>June 28</b>	Summer Women's Bible Study
<b>July 19</b>	Summer Women's Bible Study
<b>July 26</b>	Summer Women's Bible Study



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