

April 30 - May 7, 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 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.

HANGING PLANTS We still have some hanging baskets to be sold. Check out the sheets. As a reminder the proceeds will go to Haiti. We are asking that, if you have not paid, please **pay**



now. Cost is \$25. You can pay with cash or by check made out to Holy Cross with a **memo notation**, **Hanging Plants**. Please **mark paid** by your name. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

THANK YOU A huge thank you to all who helped with Rich's funeral, from the set-up, providing food, kitchen help and to the clean-up. It was greatly appreciated. Any pans or bowls that weren't picked up after the luncheon, please look for them on the work island. Thank you again, Pam.

LWML SPRING EVENT

The Mount Hope Ladies are hosting a women's event on **Saturday, May** 6th 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.

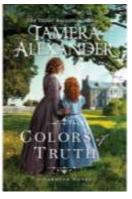


VOTER'S MEETING is today

Sunday, April 30th

BIBLE BOOKENDERS will be meeting on **Tuesday**, **July 25 at 7:00 pm**. Our selection for July is *Colors of Truth* by Tamera Alexander.

In 1866 Catriona O'Toole arrives in the town of Franklin, Tennessee, searching for her younger brother, Ryan, who, according to his last letter, was



headed for Franklin only days before the catastrophic Battle of Franklin. Ryan's last note contained a stack of cash -- enough money to bring his entire family across the ocean from Ireland. But after disease and illness tear through County Antrim and the O'Toole family, only Catriona and her seven-year old sister Nora are left to make the journey.

Our next meeting Bible Bookenders meeting will be 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.

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.



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.



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 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.

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.



APRIL 30 "God's Word is full of stories of people who gave up, got discouraged, and quit. His response to them was words of encouragement and support, a call to courage and perseverance, a call to strengthen trembling knees and put on the armor of God." Barbara Lane Geistfeld, D.V.M., Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • 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

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.



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



HAPPENINGS ARTICLES Don't forget to turn in your Happenings articles each week by Wednesday at noon! Email to 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 30

Elder: David Albrecht
Lector: Pam Hunter
Ushers: Jason Kruse
Acolyte: Colin Kruse
AV: Dinah Gilberts

Offering Count: Dave Albrecht & Denny Case

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, MAY 7

Elder: Doug Brunner
Lector: Robert Nowak
Ushers: Denny Case
Acolyte: Allie Wagner
AV: Rostina Vannett

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 23, 2023 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

Worship: 52 Communion: 52 Bible Study: 14 Sunday School:

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

SUNDAY	4th Sunday of East	er
30	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion Voter's Meeting
MONDAY		
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TUESDAY		
2	8:00 am 7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study Elder's Meeting
WEDNESDAY		
3	12:00 pm	Happenings Articles Due
THURSDAY		
4	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
FRIDAY		
5		
SATURDAY		
6	8:30 am	LMWL Spring Event (Mt. Hope Bloomington)
SUNDAY	5th Sunday of East	er
7	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:15 am	Worship with Holy Communion Bible Study Sunday School



May Birthdays

Rich Vannett	May 7	Cameron Fitzwater	May 18
Brit Weimer	May 13	Colin Kruse	May 22
Kelly Kruse	May 16	Justin Schulze	May 29
Nancy Baldwin	May 18	Megan Anderson	May 31



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May 6	LWML Spring Event
June 7	Summer Women's Bible Study
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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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