

HAPPENINGS

March 24-31, 2024

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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.



EASTER CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Following our Easter service we will enjoy an "expanded" selection of coffee treats. A

special sign-up is on the board. We're looking for a variety of items, i.e. cinnamon rolls, muffins, coffee cake, donuts/sweet rolls, mini-bagels, cream cheese, fresh fruit, etc. With a nice variety, quantities need only be a dozen or two. We know people may not be able to stay for long due to Easter gatherings but take a moment to grab coffee and a goodie!

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LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION SPRING EVENT

SAVE THE DATE! Join us as we come together on **Saturday, April 6th**, 9:00 am registration,

program 9:30 am at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Bloomington. Enjoy fellowship, learn about the work of Lutheran Bible Translators in Papua New Guinea (PNG) by speaker Michelle Gillard, new program assistant for PNG. We'll enjoy a catered lunch. Tickets are \$10 and available from Pam Hunter. The Gifts from the Heart will be socks for Orphan Grain Train. Carpooling will be available from Holy Cross.

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UPCOMING COFFEE SERVERS

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| March 24 | Robert & Bonnie Nowak |
| March 31 | Norma & Evelyn Jabs |
| April 7 | Randy & Nancy Baldwin |
| April 14 | Steve & Dorene Oak |
| April 21 | Shari Schulze |
| April 28 | Charlie & Donna Vig |



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OUT OF OFFICE Megan will be on vacation April 1-5th. If there's anything you would like in the Happenings, please get it to her by 10am on March 27th.

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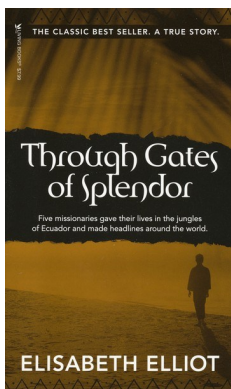


GOT SOCKS! The Holy Cross Lutheran Women's Missionary League group is collecting new socks, child through adult sizes. The socks will be sent to Orphan Grain Train, a Christian volunteer network that shares Jesus, food, clothing, and medical supplies in 71 countries. Drop your socks in the bin in the commons area through April 5. Got sock questions, contact Joy Anderson at 612-423-1204 or spitjoy@hotmail.com.

GARAGE SALE Save the Date! We will be holding a Missions garage sale this year on August 8, 9 and 10th. As you declutter, remember our sale. Proceeds benefit various mission efforts.



BIBLE BOOKENDERS Our next meeting will be **April 23, 2024** at 7pm. We will be reading **“Through Gates of Splendor”** by Elisabeth Elliot. This is a past book we have read. Feel free to re-read it or read any of her other works. She has written many books. We also have three different autobiographies on her that we can read and share from. Invite your friends to join us, all are welcome, men, women and teenagers. If you have any questions, please ask Bonnie Nowak, Patricia Harvey or Michele Lein. Mark you calendars for these other Bible Bookenders dates:



July 23, 2024 “The Great Divorce” by CS Lewis. We will be discussing this book and touch on other works of C. S. Lewis as well.

October 23, 2024 “The Hiding Place” by Corrie ten Boom. This is also a selection we have read. Feel free to reread or read a newer book called **“The Watchmakers Daughter”** by Larry Loftis.

January 21, 2025 “Shepherd's Abiding” for the 30th Anniversary of the release of Jan Karon books. (The Mitford Series)

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JOIN US FOR THE SUMMER WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY ON ECCLESIASTES Solomon shares a very human perspective on life in Ecclesiastes that matches our own frustrations with

the world and our lives, and things that may seem meaningless. Join us for our women's study this summer on this great and unique book of the Old Testament that gives us much hope amid despair.

The dates are **June 12, 19, 26 and July 10, 17, and 24**. We will be meeting on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 pm. Invite your friends, family and neighbors. Watch for sign up and more information coming. Questions contact Michele Lein.

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TUESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY Join us every **Tuesday from 8:00-9:00 am**. We will be starting a new topic this week.

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TIME OF GRACE connects people to God's grace—his love, glory, and power—so they realize the temporary things of life don't satisfy. However, through Jesus we have access to the eternal God—right now and forever. 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



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SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Now 50 years ago, Seminex (Concordia Seminary in Exile) occurred but what was it all about. We will examine the disagreements over Theology and church politics that led to the dismissal of 45 of the 50 faculty members and more than 200 congregations and 100,000 members to leave the LCMS. It was interesting and important times in the church and unless we learn from history the dangers that arose between Fundamentalist and Modernist ideologies it may happen again!



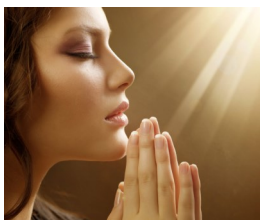
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Life QUOTES

MARCH 24 "So let us be sober, putting on faith and love as our breastplate and the hope of salvation as our helmet, encouraging one another and building each other up as together we faithfully wait, expectantly wait, joyfully wait—for Jesus." *Rev. Dr. Anthony (Tony) Cook, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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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 prayers that should go out to the whole congregation

megan@holycross-pl.org.

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THE INFORMATION CENTER is located at the main entrance of the church. There are a variety of items for you to take home or share with a friend. Prayer request forms are available too. Please sign the guest book if you are visiting today. Thank you!



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HAPPENINGS ARTICLES We are in need of some new and fun ideas to get people reading the Happenings!



If you have anything you think would be a good addition, please email it to Megan at megan@holycross-pl.org. **Please submit all additions by 10am on Wednesdays.**



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

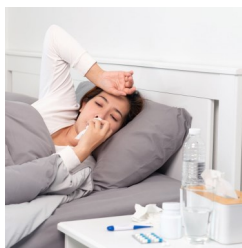
- Melvin Fulbert March 5
- Vicki Case March 6
- Michele Lein March 6
- Chloe Peterman March 14
- Faith Sumpter March 17
- Cora Lein March 23
- Nivin Fulbert March 28
- Daniel Lein March 29



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.**

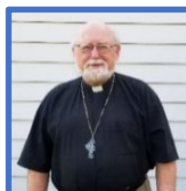
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SHARING THE PEACE The flu and cold season is here, if you are uncomfortable shaking hands at the opening welcome, please feel free to abstain. Verbally, you can greet your brothers and sisters with the peace of Christ. Please

respect those who choose to refrain from handshaking. If you are sick, staying home is best, it stops the spread of illness.

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

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

SUNDAY

24 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Bible Study
10:15 am Sunday School

MONDAY

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TUESDAY

26 8:00 am Adult Bible Study
4:00 pm Confirmation

WEDNESDAY

27 10:00 am Happenings Articles Due
8:00 pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY

28 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship

FRIDAY

29 7:00 pm Good Friday Worship

SATURDAY

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SUNDAY—HAPPY EASTER!

31 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Easter Brunch

IMMANUEL FISH LAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS



Join the planning team for the Fish Lake 5K Festival. Everyone welcome, bring your ideas! Meetings are at 11:30am in Ed Wing on March 24, April 7, 14, 21, 28.

Donate new items for the Fish Lake 5K Silent Auction. Drop off at Immanuel Fish Lake before April 28, 2024 (include name, phone number & description). Questions: Contact Tessa Braatz at 612-618-9173.



Christ in the Passover. An exploration of Passover, the Last Supper, and Your Communion experience. A Seder, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Wednesday, March 27 at 6:00 pm. Sign up by calling 952-492-6010.

Game night and potluck. Friday, April 12th at 5:30pm. Bring your favorite game to play and something delicious to share. Beverages will be provided.



SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, MARCH 24

ELDER: Doug Brunner
LECTOR: Robert Nowak
USHER: Steve Oak
ACOLTYE: Colin Kruse
AV: Rostina Vannett
OFFERING: Wendy Fitzwater & Joyce Drenckhahn

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, MARCH 29

ELDER: Dennis Waderich
LECTOR: Carol Albrecht
USHER: Dinah Gilberts
ACOLTYE: Daniel Vannett
AV: Eric Brown
OFFERING: Dave Albrecht & Denny Case

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, MARCH 28

ELDER: Dave Albrecht
LECTOR: Ben Woltmann
USHER: Denny Case
ACOLTYE: Allie Wagner
AV: Dinah Gilberts
OFFERING: Carol Albrecht & Pam Hunter

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, MARCH 31

ELDER: Doug Brunner
LECTOR: Ben Woltmann
USHER: Lance Lerum
ACOLTYE: Tate Kruse
AV: Michael Schumacher
OFFERING: Wendy Fitzwater & Joyce Drenckhahn

SUNDAY, MARCH 17 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

WORSHIP: 42 | BIBLE STUDY: 13 | SUNDAY SCHOOL: 4



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Music & Choir Director: Mui Cheng • Praise Band: Nathan Hentges & Greg Albrecht

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