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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.

HAPPENINGS ARTICLES!

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



ADULT BIBLE STUDY – A CITY SET ON A HILL CANNOT BE HID

with Rev. Dr. Mark Schuler. Since 2002, Concordia University has been involved in a major international excavation on the mountain of Sussita overlooking the east shore of the Sea of Galilee. It was the Decapolis city of Antiochia Hippos. In the Late Antique (Byzantine) Period, it became the largest center of Christianity on the Sea of Galilee. Dr. Mark Schuler, director of the Northeast Insulae Project, will discuss his recent final report on the work done there.

Please join us in the back of the sanctuary for bible study today at 10:15 am. Feel free to get a cup of coffee first and snack before we start.



OFFERING ENVELOPES The 2022 offering envelopes are ready for all to pick up in the church fellowship area. If you want an envelope box but didn't get one, let Megan know. Thank you! **MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** Join us at Holy Cross from 8am-9am each Tuesday as we watch and discuss the "7 Challenges Men Encounter." Week 1 was Rejecting Passivity; Week 2 -Accepting Responsibility; Week 3, Leading Courageously; Week 4 Loving Unconditionally; Week 5 Living with Integrity; Week 6 Serving Humbly; Week 7 Investing Eternally. We meet in the Gamma classroom across from the Kitchen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Please join us for Sunday School and new classes! The **Parents and Little Ones Class** includes pre-school age children along with their parents and grandparents. Time will be spent together singing, story time, games, free play, along with a time for parents to gather independently to share and care for one another during the Christian Education Hour. The **Elementary/Lower Middle School** aged group is one classroom, and the **Youth/High School Group** includes upper middle school grades through seniors in high school.

COFFEE TIME There's nothing like coffee and a treat after worship; it's the Lutheran way!!! A signup is posted in the Commons, so please sign up to help out! Never provided goodies or made coffee? Talk to Pam with any questions. We ALL enjoy the refreshments, please be a part of putting a smile on everyone's faces!!!

LIFE QUOTES – FEBRUARY 27 "There's so much work to be done, so many lives to protect. The unborn, the mentally ill, the hungry, the broken, and many others still need to hear about our hope in Christ and the love He has for us, and it's our duty to bring it to them." *Katie Reid, 2021 Y4Life*



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SABINA - **TORTURED FOR CHRIST** Please join us to watch the Voice of the Martyrs movie "Sabina. Tortured for Christ". It takes place during the Nazi years. We will meet at the home of Rich and Buffy Mobroten on **March 11th at 6:00 pm**. Beverages and munchies will be served. Sign up today! Seating for 25. **REMINDER** this Wednesday, March 2nd is Ash Wednesday with worship service at 7pm. And please join us early for the Lenten Soup Supper!

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS Our first Soup Supper will be **Ash Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:00pm**. You can get involved by providing soup, other main meal items or dessert. Signup sheets are posted in the Commons. Setup help will be needed each



Wednesday at 5:30pm. A supper will be served each Wednesday through April 6th. See Pam Hunter with any questions.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE ESSAY CONTEST The contest is for students in grades 6-12. Students will write a life-affirming essay based on the theme: Blessed For Life with the Bible verse: **"... the Lord protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land; you do not give him up to the will of his enemies."** *Psalm 41:2.* (Consider being blessed with the gift of life, blessed by God for one's entire life or blessed to be a blessing to others.) View the PDF for more information. <u>https://bit.ly/3H45EH27</u>

CAMP OMEGA PLUNGE The Youth Group participated in the Camp Omega Plunge at Morristown Community Center last weekend. Their team name was "Freezin' For A Reason" and they raised over \$3,600. The event in total raised \$33,285 for the new family center at Camp Omega, with a total of 103 participants! See more photos and a video of the jumpers on our website, under **News and Events**.





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

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.*

CHURCH OFFICE REPORTS - RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Contributions needed/month (General Fund): \$21,844.00

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 20, 2022 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

Worship:	63	Communion:	63
Bible Class:	26	Sunday School:	n/a

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

		Transfigura	tion of Our Lord	
SUN	FEB 27	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion	
		10:15 am	Sunday School	
		10:15 am	Bible Study	
TUE		8:00 am	Men's Bible Study	
	MAR 1	7:00 pm	Elder's Meeting	
WED	MAR 2	12:00 pm	Happenings Articles Due	
		4:00 pm	Confirmation Class	
		7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Worship Service	
FRI	MAR 4	TBD	Coverall Cleaning of Church	
		First Sunday in Lent		
SUN	MAR 6	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion	
		10:15 am	Sunday School	
		10:15 am	Bible Study	