

# HAPPENINGS

**May 5-12, 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.



**WOMEN’S TEA** An enjoyable time was had by 53 ladies attending our 'FROM the CRADLE to the CROSS' tea held on March 9th. The tasty finger sandwiches, scones and sweets were wonderful as was the fellowship. Ladies expressed how much they had missed the opportunity to get together and loved this opportunity. Ten different churches were represented.

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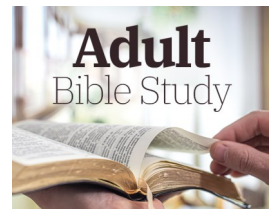


**MOTHER’S DAY HANGING BASKETS**

There are sign up sheets for Mother's Day hanging baskets in the commons. Cost is \$30.00 each and we prefer payment at the time of purchase. When signing up, please include your cell phone number so you can be texted when the plants arrive. Each line represents one plant. Plants have already been ordered and will be delivered May 9th (the Friday before Mother's day).

**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY**  
**A Journey Through the Holy Week**

based on the reflection of the Gospel of Luke. This week we look at Luke’s account of Good Friday beginning with Jesus’ prayer in the garden of Gethsemane. After Jesus is betrayed by Judas on Holy Thursday, He is arrested and led off to fulfill the saving work that He had foreseen long ago. This is the day that the angels wept, that the veil in the Temple was ripped in two and the day that changed the world forever.



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**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. You can put your donations in the Preschool Room. Proceeds benefit various mission efforts.

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**UPCOMING COFFEE SERVERS**

- May 5 Charlie & Donna Vig
- May 12 Dave & Carol Albrecht
- May 19 Ralph & Allie Wagner
- May 26 Denny & Vicki Case

# GARAGE SALES

If you love garage sale shopping, here are some upcoming neighborhood and city-wide garage sales in and around Prior Lake.

Dufferin Park Neighborhood (Savage)	May 9-11
New Prague	May 11
Enclave Neighborhood (Prior Lake)	May 16-18
Wilds Neighborhood (Prior Lake)	May 16-18
Bloomington	May 16-18
Elko/New Market	May 16-18
Lakeville	May 16-18

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**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](mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org). **Please submit all additions by 10am on Wednesdays.**

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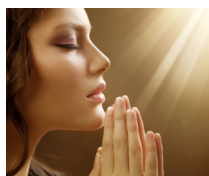
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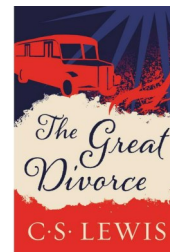
**MAY 5** "The Ascension assures us that Jesus has finished His work of salvation and now rules ALL things in this world for the good of His Kingdom and His Church: that is, you and me! What is Christ's goal that the song highlights? Jesus wants His Body, us, to be with Him where He is in paradise, in heaven." *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://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](mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org).



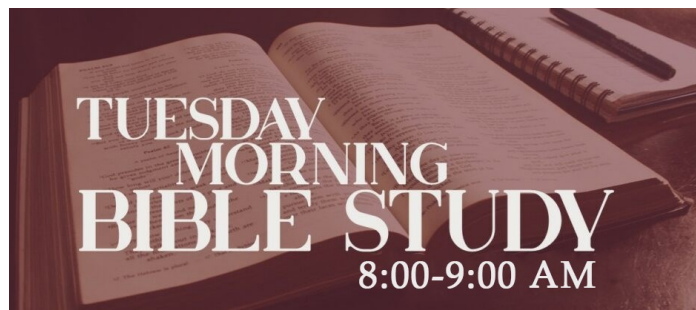
**BIBLE BOOKENDERS** Our next meeting will be **July 23, 2024** at 7pm. We will be reading "**The Great Divorce**" by CS Lewis. We will be discussing this book and touch on other works of C. S. Lewis as well. Invite your friends to join us, all are welcome, men, women and teenagers. If you have any questions, please ask Bonnie Nowak or Michele Lein. Mark your calendars for these other Bible Bookenders dates:



**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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**TUESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY** Join us every **Tuesday from 8:00-9:00 am** as we look into the book of Jonah. Throughout the book of Jonah, God demonstrates again and again that His way of working in the world can be, and often is, fundamentally different than we'd either like or even expect. God does not restrict Himself to reaching out to those we reach out to, blessing us in ways we see as blessings, or even giving us objectives that we would like to achieve. Instead, He does what He knows is best.

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**WOMEN'S ONE NIGHT BIBLE STUDY** Women of Holy Cross are invited to a Bible Study on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:30pm. Bring your Bible and join us at

church for a casual evening. Invite a friend or neighbor to come along for the evening. Be renewed by God's word and encouraged by the fellowship of those in the faith. Contact Joy Anderson at 612-423-1204 if you have questions.





**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.**

# IMPORTANT DATES

- MAY 5** Confirmation Sunday
- MAY 7** Elder's Meeting
- MAY 10** Spring Flowers Baskets Arrive
- MAY 13** Council Meeting
- JUN 4** Elder's Meeting
- JUN 10** Council Meeting
- JUN 12** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUN 19** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUN 26** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUL 2** Elder's Meeting

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** The Vacation Bible School Team at Fish Lake Immanuel would like to invite you to join us for some SCUBA fun this year. We are hosting VBS June 23-27 in the evenings from 6:00-8:30pm and the theme is an underwater adventure of "SCUBA - Diving Into Friendship With God". It is a free VBS and open to the community.



Teams are already working hard on decorations to bring the ocean fun up close for the kids and we are coming up with some creative ways to get the kids motivated for our mission project of clean water.

We wanted to reach out and invite Holy Cross to join us. Registration is already open on our church website if you know anyone that might be interested in attending.

We are still in need of volunteers to make this a great success. There are a variety of positions open, from leading a station to being a crew lead guiding the kids around through the fun, to being a substitute (because we know life happens). It's really easy - we use the Group curriculum and everything is basically laid out for you. All you need is a heart open to sharing joy and love with the kids (and the adults too...because we have a lot of fun).

If anyone is interested in joining us please reach out to our VBS team to volunteer. We would love to have you join us!

- Tessa Braatz**  
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- Majken Tutty**  
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- Brooke Brockhoff**  
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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.



## MAY BIRTHDAYS

- Rich Vannett ..... May 7
- Paige Westrum ..... May 10
- Kelly Kruse ..... May 16
- Nancy Baldwin ..... May 18
- Cameron Fitzwater ..... May 18
- Colin Kruse ..... May 22
- Andrew Sasse ..... May 29
- Justin Schulze ..... May 29
- Megan Anderson ..... May 31

## THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

### SUNDAY

**5** 9:00 am Worship  
10:15 am Adult Bible Study  
10:15 am Sunday School

### MONDAY

**6** 6:00 pm IFC

### TUESDAY

**7** 8:00 am Tuesday Adult Bible Study  
4:00 pm Confirmation  
7:00 pm Elder's Meeting

### WEDNESDAY

**8** 10:00 am Happenings Articles Due  
6:00 pm IFC  
8:00 pm Choir Practice

### THURSDAY

**9**

### FRIDAY

**10**

### SATURDAY

**11**

### SUNDAY

**12** 9:00 am Worship  
10:15 am Adult Bible Study  
10:15 am Sunday School



**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.

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#### SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, MAY 5

**ELDER:** Dennis Waderich  
**LECTOR:** Pam Hunter  
**USHER:** Denny Case  
**ACOLTYE:** Colin Kruse  
**AV:** Rostina Vannett  
**OFFERING:** Dave Albrecht & Denny Case

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE**

## IMMANUEL FISH LAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Fish Lake 5K Festival / 20th Anniversary Run/Walk



**Sunday May 5, 2024** from 12:00 – 3:00 pm  
Spring Lake Township Hall  
20381 Fairlawn Ave  
Prior Lake, MN 55372

Register: <https://www.cognitoforms.com/FishLake5KImmanuelLutheranChurch/FishLake5KRunWalkRegistration2024>

- 5K run/walk on certified course
- Children's ¼ mile fun run
- Silent Auction
- Kids activities
- Food for purchase

### Vacation Bible School

Everyone is Welcome, Jump on in!  
June 23 – 27  
6:00 – 8:30 pm  
Pre K – 6 Grades



Registration: <https://vbspro.events/p/events/vbsscuba2024>

Questions: Call 952-492-6010

#### SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, MAY 12

**ELDER:** Doug Brunner  
**LECTOR:** Robert Nowak  
**USHER:** Dinah Gilberts  
**ACOLTYE:** Allie Wagner  
**AV:** Eric Brown  
**OFFERING:** Wendy Fitzwater & Joyce Drenckhahn

**WORSHIP: 55 | BIBLE STUDY: N/A | SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10**



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