

HAPPENINGS

May 26 - June 2, 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.

MEMORIAL DAY In honor of the brave souls who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. May their courage inspire us to live with purpose and gratitude. We express gratitude for the bravery of the fallen American soldiers. Wishing everyone a Memorial Day filled with reflection and appreciation for our heroes.



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LAWN MOWING HELP NEEDED!

We would love to have some more volunteers for lawn mowing. We only have two lawn mowers currently, so even an hour or two of mowing once a month would really help out. Pick a day or evening and let Denny Case, Rich Vannett or Dave Albrecht know when you’d like to do it, or go ahead and surprise us! We try to mow later in the week so it looks good for Sunday, so any time Wednesday or after.

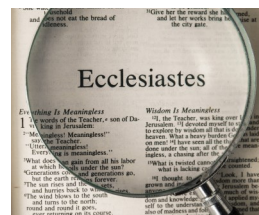
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PRAYER REQUESTS If you have a prayer request for today, please fill out the form in the pew and put it in the offering plate. Pastor will include them in Prayer of the Church during the service. You can also email weekly prayer requests, and prayers that should go out to the whole congregation megan@holycross-pl.org.



ECCLESIASTES - TRUTHS TO LIVE BY, ENJOY LIFE - FEAR GOD

Join us this summer in June and July for great discussions with Sisters in Christ on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Schedules and sign up are available on the bulletin board. Please join us even if you have not signed up or read the chapters, we will read them aloud together. Bring your favorite Bible translation and join us for one evening or as many as you can. Blessings on your summer in God's word. Invite your neighbors and friends, all women are welcome!



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CHILDREN’S BOOKS WANTED

POBLO at Holy Cross is looking for children’s books to be used for teaching English for POBLO. If you have any books you would like to donate, please leave them in the high school classroom/library in the box marked ESL. If you are at a garage sale and you see children’s books for sale, please keep POBLO in mind. All donations are appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Nowak.

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UPCOMING COFFEE SERVERS

- May 26 Denny & Vicki Case
- June 2 Mike & Kris Hentges
- June 9 Wendy F. & Joyce D.
- June 16 Jason & Kelly Kruse
- June 30 Norma & Evelyn Jabs





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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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.**

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Life QUOTES

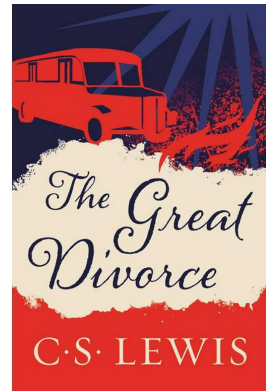
MAY 26 "May God send an army of angels to protect the babies in the womb from the laws being enacted in some states that are taking away protections for God's smallest, most vulnerable humans. May hearts be changed with the truths found in Scripture. And may the influence the devil has on our society, with his culture of death, be deposed." *Virginia Flo, Director of Volunteer Relations, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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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



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 you 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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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Attention all book lovers! Please mark your calendars for **June 18 at 7 pm**. It's time to celebrate two anniversaries—the first being the 20th anniversary of the first meeting of Bible Bookenders and recognition of the 30th anniversary of the publication of the first Jan Karon book. Please consider bringing a book that we have read in the past, any special memories of past meetings, photos of BBE gatherings, a favorite quote, or even an idea for future BBE selections. An updated list of BBE books will be available. Beverages and treats will be provided. Please sign up on the bulletin board so we can plan accordingly. Any questions may be directed to Michele Lein or Bonnie Nowak.

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Congrats Graduate! Allie Wagner's open house is **Sunday, June 9** from 11:00 - 3:00 pm. It's at the Shakopee Bowl, 3020 133rd. St. W., Shakopee, MN 55379. All are welcome!



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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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. They 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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IMPORTANT DATES

- JUN 4** Elder's Meeting
- JUN 10** Council Meeting
- JUN 12** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUN 18** Bible Bookenders
- JUN 19** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUN 23-27** Immanuel VBS
- JUN 26** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUL 2** Elder's Meeting
- JUL 8** Council Meeting
- JUL 10** Women's Summer Bible Study

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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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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

26 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Adult Bible Study

MONDAY

27 MEMORIAL DAY

TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

29 10:00 am Happenings Articles Due
6:00 pm IFC
8:00 pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

2 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Adult Bible Study



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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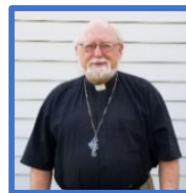
THE INFORMATION CENTER

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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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 26

ELDER: Dennis Waderich
LECTOR: Michele Lein
USHER: Jason Kruse
ACOLTYE: Tate Kruse
AV: Michael Schumacher
OFFERING: Dave Albrecht & Denny Case

SUNDAY, MAY 19 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, JUNE 2

ELDER: Doug Brunner
LECTOR: Dinah Gilberts
USHER: Lance Lerum
ACOLTYE: Ja'Nelle Mix
AV: Rostina Vannett
OFFERING: Wendy Fitzwater & Joyce Drenckhahn

WORSHIP: 47 | BIBLE STUDY: 9 | SUNDAY SCHOOL: n/a



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