

# HAPPENINGS

**June 30 - July 7, 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 PARKING LOT BIBLE STUDY**

Women of Holy Cross are invited to a parking lot Bible Study on **Tuesday, July 2 at 6:30pm**. Join us at church for a casual evening of fellowship and faith. Bring your Bible, lawn chair or blanket, and maybe some bug spray! Be encouraged by the Word and renewed by the fellowship of those in the faith.



**GAME NIGHT!** Plan to attend game night on **Wednesday, July 3, 6:30-10:00 pm** at church. Play games, enjoy yummy food and celebrate



Independence Day with your church family. Attendees are asked to bring beverages and an appetizer or dessert item to share along with their favorite games. Come for one hour or the whole time, whatever works for your family! Contact Joy Anderson (612-423-1204 or spitjoy@hotmail.com) if you have questions. RSVP on the bulletin board in the commons area or on the church Facebook page.

Welcome

We welcome into church new members **Stewart and Blesilda Case, and Becca Reyes**

**and her sons Liam, Jace, Noah.** Welcome to our church community, we are thrilled to have you join us!

**PRAYER REQUESTS** As a community of faith, we are called to lift each other up in prayer and support. We invite you to share your prayer



requests with us so that we can pray together as a church family. Whether you have personal concerns, joys, or challenges weighing on your heart, we are here to pray with you. Your requests can be submitted confidentially through email at [megan@holycross-pl.org](mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org) or given to Pastor Gade. Let us join in prayer, knowing that together, we can make a difference through the power of prayer.



**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Join us for the summer women’s bible study in June and July. 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 this great and unique book of the Old Testament that gives us much hope amid despair.

The dates are **July 10, 17, and 24.** We will be meeting on **Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 pm**. 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. Invite your friends, family and neighbors. Questions contact Michele Lein.

**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](http://www.timeofgrace.org)



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

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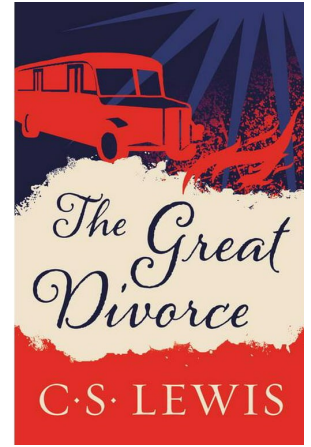
**JUNE 30** “History, science, and Holy Scripture affirm: No matter what age, every human life has irreducible worth. No matter what appearance, every human life has inestimable purpose. No matter what abilities, every genetic member of this one race and species of ours has incomparable and irreplaceable sanctity—the cute little babies and the dear old ladies, yes; but also those who in pride promote, those who in anger permit, those who in fear participate in the devil’s deception that death supplies a suitable solution to difficulty—none so helpless, dependent, and undeserving as we ourselves.” *Pastor Michael Salemk, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

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**UPCOMING COFFEE SERVERS**  
 June 30 Norma & Evelyn Jabs  
 July 7 Rich & Rostina Vannett  
 July 14 Buffy Mobroten  
 July 21 Robert & Bonnie Nowak  
 July 28 Jimmy & Joy Anderson

**DATE CHANGE!** Our next Bible Bookenders meeting will be **July 18, 2024** at 7pm. We will be reading “**The Great Divorce**” by CS Lewis. This delightful thought provoking book is a story where damned spirits are given a “vacation” or “holiday” away from Hell to visit Heaven, where they are invited to stay forever. There, they are persuaded by people they formally knew, relatives and friends, to come with them up the mountain to enjoy the bliss of Heaven. What’s the catch? They must leave behind what is keeping them in Hell and accept the love of God. “If we insist on keeping Hell (or even earth) we shall not see Heaven: If we accept Heaven we shall not be able to retain even the smallest and most intimate souvenirs of Hell.” CS Lewis. 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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**COFFEE, CHOCOLATE, & CUPCAKES FESTIVAL**

A day of delight and decadence: Coffee, Chocolate, & Cupcakes Festival! Enjoy tastings and culinary experiences from MN local sweets and treats vendors. Explore and experience



new flavors and go-to spots for your next craving. Event includes Live Racing Admission and Access to all Coffee, Chocolate, and Cupcakes Vendor samplings, specials, and purchase availability. **Canterbury Park, Today, Sunday June 30th at 1:00 pm.**



**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. For pricing; if you plan to price your donations ahead, please note that we will not be pricing any items at 25¢. If you have some little items please group them together by bagging them or attaching them together using safety pins or string. Thank you.

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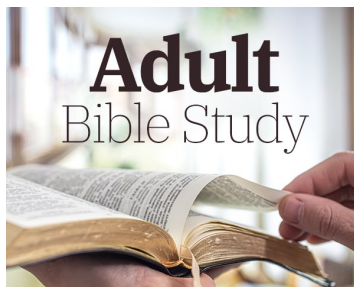
**LAWN MOWING HELP NEEDED!** We would love to have some more volunteers for lawn mowing. We only have two lawn mowers currently, so even an hour or two of mowing once a month would really help

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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**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE**

After today, the Sunday Bible study will be paused until after Labor Day as our Vacancy Pastor will be almost more vacant than here. Of the nine Sundays in July and August he will be vacant for four of the Sundays. On September 8th we will begin a new study on understanding the creeds we confess. While the Apostles Creed may be easy to understand (though there are some questions) The Nicene Creed and the Athanasian Creeds have phrases that are much more challenging.



**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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**IMPORTANT DATES**

- JUL 2** Women's Parking Lot Bible Study  
Elder's Meeting
- JUL 3** Game Night
- JUL 8** Council Meeting
- JUL 10** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUL 17** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUL 18** **Bible Bookenders (Date Change!)**
- JUL 24** Women's Summer Bible Study
- JUL 28** Voter's Meeting

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**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

- Mike Hentges ..... July 5
- Bonnie Nowak ..... July 5
- Meg Batchelder ..... July 7
- Shari Schulze ..... July 8
- Daniel Vannett ..... July 9
- Brad Lein ..... July 12
- Norma Jabs ..... July 16
- Tyler Drangstveit ..... July 17
- Larry Sasse ..... July 18
- Randy Drangstveit ..... July 20
- Corey Einarson ..... July 20
- Steve Cordell ..... July 21
- Doug Schulze ..... July 24
- Olivia DeRosier ..... July 25
- Jonas Petrie ..... July 31

# THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

## SUNDAY

**30** 9:00 am Worship  
10:15 am Adult Bible Study

## MONDAY

**1** 6:00 pm IFC

## TUESDAY

**2** 6:30 pm Women's Parking Lot Bible Study  
7:00 pm Elder's Meeting

## WEDNESDAY

**3** 10:00 am Happenings Articles Due  
6:00 pm IFC  
6:30 pm Game Night

## THURSDAY

**4** **4TH OF JULY**

## FRIDAY

**5**

## SATURDAY

**6**

## SUNDAY

**7** 9:00 am Worship



**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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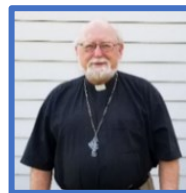
### THE INFORMATION CENTER

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!

Welcome to  
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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, JUNE 30

**ELDER:** Dave Albrecht  
**LECTOR:** Ben Woltmann  
**USHER:** Eric Brown  
**ACOLTYE:** Tate Kruse  
**AV:** Dinah Gilberts  
**OFFERING:** Carol Albrecht & Pam Hunter

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE**

### SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, JULY 7

**ELDER:** Dennis Waderich  
**LECTOR:** Paige Westrum  
**USHER:** Jason Kruse  
**ACOLTYE:** Colin Kruse  
**AV:** Eric Brown  
**OFFERING:** Dave Albrecht & Denny Case

**WORSHIP: 44 | BIBLE STUDY: 16 | SUNDAY SCHOOL: n/a**



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