

HAPPENINGS

August 25 - September 1, 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.



Register now! www.holycross-pl.com/sundayschool

PRAYER REQUEST Buffy Mobrotten's great grandson was born with the cord wrapped around his neck twice and has been in the NICU since birth. They did a cool down and put him on a ventilator, then tried a CPAP. He is having breathing issues and now has an infection. We were told that he will be in the NICU for at least a month.

Please keep Baby Ronan in your prayers! A Go Fund Me account has been set up if anyone wants to help the family cover the costs for Baby Ronan. Here is the link: <https://gofund.me/c096da30>

BIBLE STUDY

Starts September 8th at 10:15 am after the service.



Speaking Up for Life in Minnesota

Pro-Life Convocation

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2024
9 A.M. – 3 P.M.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
2500 7th Ave. NE | Owatonna, Minn.

Scan the code to register online



The Christian Church firmly believes in the sanctity of human life. For, as Scripture teaches, human beings are made in the image of God and the will of God is to promote life and see it defended from all danger.

In 2023, the Minnesota Legislature passed laws that defy God’s Word. Rather than protect life—a basic duty of government—a series of laws were passed that contribute to the availability and practice of abortion, which ends life. It has been said that “abortion degrades and damages everyone it touches: the baby, the mother, and the doctor.” Contrary to what propaganda tells Americans, abortion is not healthcare. It is an evil, flagrant violation of the divine commandment, “You shall not kill.”

Throughout history, the moral duty of the Church has been to oppose evil, not cooperate with it or become complicit through silence. Join us for this event and learn how you might speak up for life in Minnesota!

Speakers include Dr. Robin Goldsmith, Catholic Medical Association Midwest Regional Director and co-founder of St. Gianna Clinic (De Pere, Wis.); Rev. Fred Hinz, LCMS Public Policy Advocate; Minnesota Family Council CEO Jeff Evans; and LCMS Minnesota South District President Lucas V. Woodford. Christian ministry display tables and educational materials/resources will be available. Catered lunch for \$10 with RSVP.

Register online by Sept. 11 at:

goodshepherdowatonna.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2397242

Sponsored by LCMS Minnesota South District Faribault Circuit and LCMS Life Ministry

POBLO

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TWIN CITIES

Active Needs:

- Volunteers - help teach our classes or coach our students in filling out job applications.
- Spread the word - do you have a neighbor or friend wanting ESL or Citizenship or DMV permit classes.
- Prayers - please keep our mission in your prayers. Please pray for our missionaries, students and teachers!

Donations: We are a non-profit organization and donations help us purchase supplies for our mission. We are looking to purchase new curriculum. Please send donations to Poblo Twin Cities at Mt Hope Lutheran church in Bloomington, MN. Thank you for your ongoing support! We truly appreciate everything you are doing to support POBLO and the IFCs.

For more information: www.poblotwincities.org

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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 or given to Pastor Gade. Let us join in prayer, knowing that together, we can make a difference through the power of prayer.



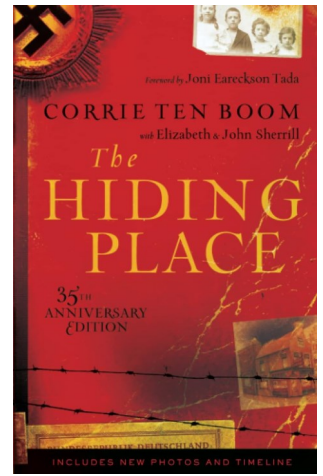
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CONFIRMATION CLASSES will begin on **Tuesday, September 10th**, with class at 4:00-5:30 pm. If you have children that are planning on being in Confirmation, please fill out a registration form (found on the visitors table by the secretary's office) so we can order enough materials for class.

BIBLE BOOKENDERS READ AND MEET

Bible Bookenders met twice this summer. Members first met in June to celebrate BBE's 20th anniversary. Bonnie Nowak gave a presentation on author Jan Karon, who is celebrating 30 years since her first book in the Mitford series was published. Members shared favorite books and memories. They honored and said farewell to BBE founding member Patricia Harvey. Patricia was a faithful BBE member and contributed so much with her participation and always bringing her "famous" popcorn. She will be missed.



In July members met to discuss *The Great Divorce*, by C. S. Lewis, an allegory which depicts a bus ride from hell to heaven. The discussion was led by Michele Lein. The meeting was concluded with a reading of *We Are in a Book*, a children's book by Mo Willems. All BBE members enjoyed being in the book. If you are curious about the last statement, ask a BBE member.

BBE will meet **October 22 at 7:00 pm** to discuss Corrie ten Boom's 1971 autobiographical book, *The Hiding Place*, and Larry Loftis's 2024 biographical account of ten Boom, *The Watchmaker's Daughter*. Both books detail the story of ten Boom, whose family offered their home as a hiding place and refuge for the Jews and refugees during WWII.

All are welcome. Any questions may be directed to Bonnie or Michele.

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COFFEE SERVERS

- August 25**
Joy & James Anderson
- September 1**
Charlie & Donna Vig
- September 8**
Dave & Carol Albrecht
- September 15**
Ralph & Allie Wagner
- September 22**
Denny & Vicki Case
- September 29**
Youth Group

Life QUOTES

AUGUST 25 "We live in the presence of evil. Some of it is twisted to sound good. We hear of 'the compassionate relief of suffering' or 'death with dignity' or 'right to health care' or 'simple medical procedure.' You know many more. God calls us to confront these with His truth, to reveal the evil behind them. God calls us to educate fellow Christians in His truth so they do not end up 'possessed' by this way of thinking. God calls us to call evil what it is, but also to share the truth of what God has done about evil. For that we fix our gaze upon Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). He speaks to us through His Word of truth and grace." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

PRIOR LAKE FARMER'S MARKET is open May October. Every Saturday between 8am-12pm you can expect to see: food trucks, live music, coffee baristas, growing classes, locally tapped maple syrup, hand crafted candies, fresh vegetables, natural bath and body products, and more! The market is located at 16228 Main Ave SE in Prior Lake.



THE GREAT MINNESOTA GET TOGETHER!
August 22 to Labor Day, September 2



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.

UPCOMING

- SEP 8** Sunday School Starts
- SEP 9** Council Meeting
- OCT 1** Elder's Meeting
- OCT 14** Council Meeting
- OCT 23** Bible Bookenders
- OCT 27** Voter's Meeting
- NOV 5** Elder's Meeting
- NOV 11** Council Meeting
- DEC 9** Council Meeting



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- Tess Lerum August 1
- Carol Ham August 5
- Noah Reyes Reints August 7
- Jace Fitzwater August 11
- Alanna Hentges August 11
- Mary Deluhery August 13
- Lance Lerum August 13
- Charlie Vig August 14
- Wendy Fitzwater August 16
- Jace Reyes Reints August 18
- Sheri Brunner August 24
- Dave Albrecht August 31

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

SUNDAY

1 9:00 am Worship

MONDAY

2 6:00 pm IFC

TUESDAY

3 7:00 pm Elder's Meeting

WEDNESDAY

4 10:00 am Happenings Articles Due
6:00 pm IFC

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

8 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Sunday School Starts
10:15 am 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!

Welcome to
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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.**



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.

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, AUGUST 25

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, SEPTEMBER 1

ELDER: Dave Albrecht
LECTOR: Jimmy Anderson
USHER: Eric Brown
ACOLTYE: Daniel Vannett
AV: Dinah Gilberts
OFFERING: Carol Albrecht & Pam Hunter

WORSHIP: 48 | BIBLE STUDY: n/a | SUNDAY SCHOOL: n/a



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