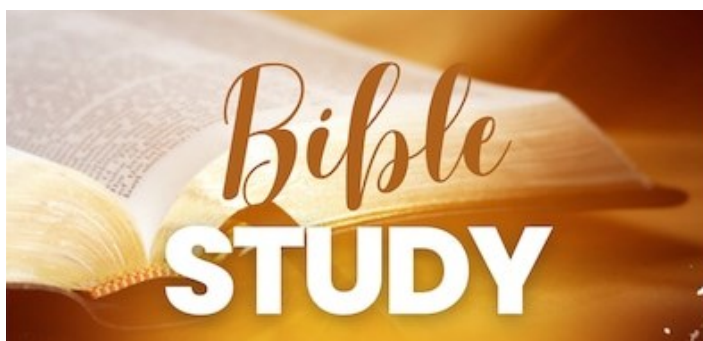


HAPPENINGS

September 15-22, 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.



BIBLE STUDY

Join us every Sunday at 10:15 am after the service.

NEW ADDRESS Patricia Harvey would like to share her new address with members of the church. If you need to reach her, it’s:

Patricia Harvey
5520 Ballington Rd NW
Apt 1001
Rochester, MN 55901



SAVE THE DATE

SAVE THE DATE Women’s Event at Holy Cross on **Saturday, November 9th**. Registration is at 9:00 am. Speaker: Kim Dickey with Global Health Ministries. Servant Event: assembling Newborn Kits for GHM. Lunch will be served.



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



Register online by Sept. 11 at:

goodshepherdowatonna.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2397242
Sponsored by LCMS Minnesota South District Faribault Circuit and LCMS Life Ministry



TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY starts this week. Join us from 8:00-9:00 am on Tuesdays. All are welcome!



September 15
Ralph & Allie Wagner

September 22
Denny & Vicki Case

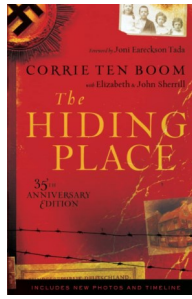
September 29
Youth Group

October 6
Mike & Kris Hentges

October 13
Wendy Fitzwater/Joyce

October 20
Jason & Kelly Kruse

BIBLE BOOKENDERS will meet again **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.



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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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POBLO International 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

2024 MN South THEOLOGICAL CONVOCATIONS



In 2024 the Minnesota South District will sponsor
THEOLOGICAL CONVOCATIONS
Hosted by a local congregation in each region across the district
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Lunch to follow

REV. DR. LUCAS WOODFORD,
the MN South District President, will facilitate each convocation. Two speakers from the MNS will present perspectives and responses on the selected topics at each convocation. The goal is to provide opportunity for robust and fraternal theological conversation across the district.



Rev. Dr. Lucas Woodford,
MN South District President

Pastors, lay people, and the general public are cordially invited to attend all convocations in all regions. There is no charge, but we kindly ask you to register to have a count for materials and lunch preparation. Use the QR code to register.



Register by following the QR code

DATES, TOPICS, AND REGIONS:

FRIDAY, MAY 31
Ecclesiology and the Future of the LCMS
(Hosted in Region 1)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
Worship Theology and Practice
(Hosted at Glory of Christ, Plymouth)

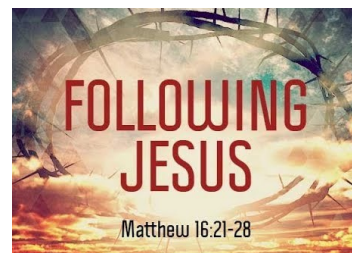
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18
Office of the Ministry & Routes to Ordination
(Hosted at Trinity, Rochester)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25
Theology of the Practice of the Lord's Supper
(Hosted at St. Paul's, Fulda)

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SHARING JESUS
Matthew 16:21-28:

"Get behind Me, Satan." I'm sure glad Jesus said that to Peter and not to me! Have you ever been a hindrance to the Gospel?



Have your thoughts, words or deeds ever led someone away from Christ, rather than to Him? We all must repent of the times that our sinful lives have done the very thing that Peter did in today's Gospel lesson. We have mismatched the Person of Christ and the work of Christ. The work of the Cross is sacrifice. It's less of me and more of Christ. (John 3:30) Self is the enemy of developing as disciples. Thanks be to God, Jesus puts our sin behind Him so we can follow Him as disciples. The cross we are to bear puts to death the things of this world so we can live the new life Christ has in mind for us to live for eternity. May God bless us with the labor of love in sharing the Gospel that puts us behind Jesus where we cannot hinder the Good News but share it boldly.

LifeQUOTES

SEPTEMBER 15 "I pray that you will recognize and value those people in your life who were blessed by God so they could be a blessing to you! I especially pray that you will then use the blessings God has bestowed on you to bless those around you and to pass these blessings on to your own descendants to a thousand generations. Now is the time to pass on the gift. Now is the time to pass the baton to the next runner in the race! To God be all the glory!" *Barbara Lane Geistfeld, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



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

A PRAYER FOR OUR STUDENTS

Lord, thank you for the unique gifts of every child as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with fresh enthusiasm and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with your enduring love, give them confidence and grace, and equip them with the ability to persevere through trials. Bless their teachers with wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve, as they embark on the journey together! In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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

- OCT 1** Elder's Meeting
- OCT 6** LWML Sunday
- OCT 14** Council Meeting
- OCT 22** Bible Bookenders
- OCT 27** Voter's Meeting
- NOV 3** Daylight Savings Time
- NOV 5** Election Day
- NOV 5** Elder's Meeting
- NOV 9** LWML Women's Event



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Steve Oak September 4
- Kara Petrie September 5
- Rostina Vannett September 12
- Ann Sasse September 15
- Randy Baldwin September 16
- Dennis Waderich September 17
- Stewart Case September 23
- Joyce Drenckhahn September 23
- Denny Case September 27
- Morgan Schulze September 27
- Eli Petrie September 28
- Nathan Hentges September 30

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

SUNDAY

15 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Sunday School
10:15 am Bible Study

MONDAY

16 6:00 pm IFC

TUESDAY

17 8:00 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

18 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

22 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Sunday School
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, SEPTEMBER 15

ELDER: Doug Brunner
LECTOR: Paige Westrum
USHER: Dinah Gilberts
ACOLTYE: Ja'Nelle Mix
AV: Eric Brown
OFFERING: Wendy Fitzwater & Joyce Drenckhahn

SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, SEPTEMBER 22

ELDER: Dave Albrecht
LECTOR: Robert Nowak
USHER: Jason Kruse
ACOLTYE: Tate Kruse
AV: Michael Schumacher
OFFERING: Carol Albrecht & Pam Hunter

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE

WORSHIP: 54 | BIBLE STUDY: 14 | SUNDAY SCHOOL: 6



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