

# HAPPENINGS

**October 20-27, 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.

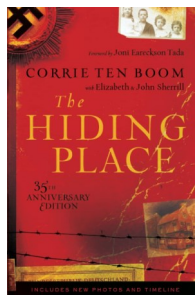
**“READERS” FOR HAITI**

A mission group will be heading to Cap-Haitian, Haiti in January and are asking for donations of **reading glasses**, in plus 1’s, 2’s and 3’s. The Dollar store is a good resource. Also, **EYE DROPS** are an enormous relief for them. A collection bin is located in the Commons area.



\*MOST Ministries are supplying them with glasses for distance so we **are not** collecting those. Keith and Kim Waller had, in the past, been affiliated with HLMS. They now have their own Haiti ministry. They have continued to go to Haiti, focusing on the Cap-Haitian area which is on the north coast of Haiti.

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**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.



**Thank you** For the countless times you have stretched out your hands in service to others in times of need.

**Thank you** For the early Sunday mornings and many hours in preparations for your sermons.

**Thank you** For the thousands of prayers you have prayed for your congregation and others.

**Thank you** For the time spent out of church to help those who needed help, or need a friend.

**Thank you** For not judging people, and always embracing everyone with open arms.

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**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Missionfest is coming!**  
**November 16th, 2024**

We are excited to tell you about our **Missionfest** event for this year! We will have a traditional Thanksgiving dinner followed by speakers from the mission field of a few of the outreach programs we support. Tickets are \$15.00 per person (kids under 12 are free) and are available for purchase starting today. Make plans for a time of fun and fellowship; and reserve your seat now. May God bless your continued support!

**Here is the schedule:**

<b>Happy Hour</b>	5:00 - 5:30	<b>Break</b>	6:30 - 6:45
<b>Dinner</b>	5:30 - 6:30	<b>Speakers</b>	6:45 – 8:00

**WOMEN'S EVENT... Have you heard of Global Health Ministries? Do you know what they do?**

Join us **Saturday, November 9th, 9:00 am Registration, 9:30 am Program** at Holy Cross to learn about Global Health Ministries and help assemble Newborn Kits. Their goal is 10,000 kits assembled in 2024. We will use Thrivent Action cards for these kits as well as toward the catered lunch. Anyone having a Thrivent policy can apply; let Pam Hunter know if you are willing to apply for an Action card. **We will also be collecting items for the Newborn Kits.**



They are:

- 1 bath towel (approx. 52" long)
- 1 bath-size white Ivory soap (in original wrapping)
- 1 newborn cotton t-shirt or "onesie" sz 0-3 or newborn
- 1 newborn stocking hat – sz small, knit or crocheted
- 1 baby receiving blanket (approx. 30" x 30"), cotton or light flannel, can be knit or crocheted
- 2 cloth diapers
- 2 diaper pins

This list will also be posted on the LWML bulletin board. Enjoy a morning ~ learning, participating in a servant event, fellowshiping with other Sisters-in-Christ, and a delicious lunch at Holy Cross. Tickets (\$12) are available from Pam Hunter or Joy Anderson through **Monday, November 4th.**

**CHRISTMAS WITH DIGNITY**

Hospitality House Youth Development (HHYD) will host Christmas with Dignity this year on December 13th. Last year, Holy Cross was amazing with the amount of gifts donated! So that HHYD can prepare for the many donations of items collected, our deadline for collecting is Sunday Dec. 1st. A list of gift ideas will be posted in October or, for those who may wish to shop early, go to [hhyd.org/christmas](http://hhyd.org/christmas) and Christmas with Dignity will pop up.



**HAPPENINGS ARTICLES NEEDED!!!!** Submit your ideas or info to Megan at [megan@holycross-pl.org](mailto:megan@holycross-pl.org) by **10am on Wednesdays.**

# VOTERS MEETING

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 10:15 AM**

**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.



**KEEP THE PURPLE SUNDAY CELEBRATION GOING**

Did you miss Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday? Don't worry, through the month of October, you'll find a large purple Mite Box in the back of church where you can drop your mite monies. Need a Mite Box? Pick one up at the same spot and start filling it today. Your donation will make a difference and help spread the Gospel around the world. Learn more at [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org).

**ORDINATION CELEBRATIONS**

At the Fall Pastors Conference held October 7-8 in Mankato, pastor Nowak was recognized for his 45 years of service as an ordained minister of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. What a blessing that God called him and placed him in our midst! May God continue to bless you!



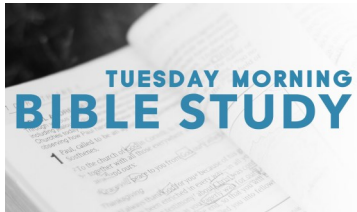
**45 years: Rev. David Fretham & Rev. Robert Nowak**

# UPCOMING

- 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 Fall Rally
- NOV 11** Council Meeting
- NOV 16** Fall Mission Fest
- NOV 19** Operation Christmas Child Deadline

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



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**October 20**  
Jason & Kelly Kruse

**November 10**  
Buffy Mobroten

**October 27**  
Norma & Evelyn Jabs

**November 17**  
Robert & Bonnie Nowak

**November 3**  
Rich & Rostina Vannett

**November 24**  
Pam Hunter



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Jocelyn Einarson ..... October 4
- Donna Hoehn ..... October 5
- James Anderson ..... October 6
- Brian Fitzwater ..... October 7
- Evan Kruse ..... October 9
- Harold Brunner ..... October 11
- Allie Wagner ..... October 15
- Dorene Oak ..... October 19
- Bryce Olson ..... October 20
- Ruth Lein ..... October 23
- Laura Petrie ..... October 24
- Thomas Lein ..... October 29



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD...** Just a heads up that we will be participating in Operation Christmas Child again this year. The official collection week when boxes are due at the collection locations is November 18-25. Holy Cross' deadline is **Tuesday, November 19th**. The display will go up mid-October and an online Holy Cross donate page will also be set up. Meanwhile, be on the look out for items for the shoeboxes! The link to our Shoebox Goal page is <https://sampur.se/4dldVDH> or use the QR code to build a box online.





# THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

## SUNDAY

**20** 9:00 am Worship  
10:15 am Bible Study  
10:15 am Sunday School

## MONDAY

**21** 6:00 pm IFC

## TUESDAY

**22** 8:00 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study  
7:00 pm Bible Bookenders

## WEDNESDAY

**23** 10:00 am Happenings Articles Due  
6:00 pm IFC

## THURSDAY

**24** 7:00 pm Choir Practice

## FRIDAY

**25**

## SATURDAY

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## SUNDAY

**27** 9:00 am Worship  
10:15 am Voter's Meeting



**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.

**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.**

### 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 Holy Cross



### SUNDAY SCHOOL

All children are welcome! Join us every Sunday at 10:15 am after the service.

### SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, OCTOBER 20

**ELDER:** Dennis Waderich  
**LECTOR:** Jimmy Anderson  
**USHER:** Denny Case  
**ACOLTYE:** Tate Kruse  
**AV:** Michael Schumacher  
**OFFERING:** Dave Albrecht & Denny Case

### SERVING THE LORD AND HIS PEOPLE, OCTOBER 27

**ELDER:** Doug Brunner  
**LECTOR:** Lance Lerum  
**USHER:** Eric Brown  
**ACOLTYE:** Daniel Vannett  
**AV:** Dinah Gilberts  
**OFFERING:** Wendy Fitzwater & Joyce Drenckhahn

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 - 9:00 AM ATTENDANCE**

**WORSHIP: 52 | BIBLE STUDY: 18 | SUNDAY SCHOOL: 2**



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