

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Inspiring people to serve Christ"

APRIL 2021 NEWSLETTER



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturdays — 6:00 p.m. Contemporary
Worship (Sanctuary)

Sundays — 9:00 a.m. Worship

(Parking Lot and Facebook)

SUNDAY MORNING 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP WILL BE HELD LIVE IN THE PARKING LOT BEGINNING ON EASTER MORNING. YOU CAN LISTEN THROUGH THE OUTDOOR SPEAKERS OR THROUGH 90.9 FM. SATURDAY EVENING 6:00 P.M. WORSHIP WILL BE HELD IN THE SANCTUARY. FACEBOOK LIVE WILL CONTINUE FOR THOSE WHO ARE VULNERABLE OR NOT FEELING WELL.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

Sundays — 10:00-10:45 a.m. Faithbuilders will meet in person each Sunday morning. Easter Egg Hunt will be held Easter morning during Sunday School time.

IN AN EARNEST ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE A SAFE WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

for God's children the Holy Cross Lutheran Church Council and Pastor Kathee have prepared these guidelines for those wishing to attend indoor service:

- Masks will be required.
- Ushers will direct you in and out of the sanctuary to designated pews.
- No shaking hands.
- No congregational singing...but there will be music.
- At this time there will be no Fellowship or Adult Education following worship.
- If you are sick, please stay home.
- You may continue to join in worship by Facebook Live or worship in your vehicle in the Parking Lot. Worship will continue to be broadcast via 90.9 FM for those who would like to continue worshipping outdoors.



Maundy Thursday—

Thursday, April 1, 7:00 p.m.

On this night, we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal.

Good Friday—Friday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

During this Tenebrae service, the extinguishing of seven candles is placed within the reading of the Passion according to John, the ancient gospel narrative for the day. We offer honor and reverence to the one who, lifted up from the earth, draws all people to himself.

Resurrection of Our Lord

Easter Vigil—Saturday, April 3, 6:00 p.m.
(sanctuary)

Easter Sunrise—Sunday, April 4, 7:00 a.m.
(sanctuary)

Easter Worship—Sunday, April 4, 9:00 a.m.
(Parking Lot and Facebook)

Easter Egg Hunt following our 9:00 a.m. worship service.



Back in 2018, the Adult Ed class used a Lenten meditation called “Journeying through Lent with Mark.” This is again the year of Mark’s Gospel. As I write we are preparing for Palm/Passion Sunday and will be reading the entire passion of Christ in Mark. But this year, I jokingly say I am limping through Lent. Yes, I broke my left ankle when I missed a step doing some recycling. It’s a common break in a fall, in fact Dorothy Hofeling wrote that she knew several others who recently had ankle injuries. I am certainly not the only one, and yet, this has slowed me down.

My Lenten purple cast was removed in a couple of days and traded for a bulky, black walking boot, which is my dear “frenemy.” A friend because it protects and supports my ankle – thank you God! My “enemy” because I must wear it all day, even to bed. I told Eric it must weigh 10 pounds – he did research and it is 2-1/2 pounds. A VERY heavy 2-1/2 pounds, though. Yet still my friend as it protects – it’s a complicated relationship, really. Here are some of my learnings over the past 3 weeks:

- **Gratitude** - I thank God for everyone who has supported me with lovingkindness –words of encouragement and day-brighteners. I especially am grateful to Eric who has limped along with me and provided such support (literally!); to Jody Helton for saying yes on the day of my accident with only hours until Saturday service, then Sunday, and Wednesday, too!; to Inez Trauernicht for the use of her knee scooter; for all who serve others in providing medical care.
- **Wheels** – I thank God for the mobility of wheels. I am more aware of those who are wheel-chair bound and the obstacles that they face. In general, Holy Cross is wheel chair accessible on the ground level, but those in a wheel chair cannot access the basement or second floor.
- **Limping** can be a time of connecting more closely to God, whatever our limp might be. As C.S. Lewis wrote, “Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pain: it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world.”

Quarantining at Christmas and limping through Lent, Holy Week and Easter have all been new experiences, yet in it all, I am reminded of Christ’s presence and the mystery of our faith: [Christ is born]. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Will you join me in a dance of joy after Easter? Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Amen!

In Christ’s mission that we share,
Pastor Kathee





THE MATT 25 PROJECT

Donations are being accepted for The Matt 25 Project anytime from now until April 1.



We are excited to announce that this year's scholarship applications have been received and with your help we have received the \$500 required to fund the scholarship through donations and a portion of the mid-week Lenten offerings. Thank you for your continued support of this scholarship.

In 2017 during our mini Middle School Gathering, our Holy Cross youth created an idea to provide a scholarship for a financially needy high school senior. The kids believed that the best thing we could do is to invest in someone's future. In Matthew 25, there is a story about a man who gives money to his 3 servants and

goes travelling. When he returns, two of his servants have used their talents and wisdom to grow the money. God provides us with opportunities to help others and by doing so we are serving Him. He wants us to use our talents and passions to make the world a better, more loving place in His honor. With this story in mind, we were inspired to create a college scholarship for a student with financial need.

God has guided our youth group to see this scholarship project through and this is a project we are very passionate about. We hope to be able to provide this scholarship every year. - Angie Vogel

Confirmation Classes

THE CONFIRMATION CLASS continues to meet via Zoom as they study the Old Testament. On March 29th, they visited Centenary United Methodist Church for a self-paced meditation and reflection experience based on the traditional stations of the cross. Confirmation Day for these four young people will be on Pentecost, May 23. Please keep them in your prayers: Kylie Belt, Austin Hein, Cole Karlin and Danny Otto



We are planning on having an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday during the Sunday School time following worship. There will be no regular Faithbuilders class that morning.



Dear Holy Cross Lutheran Church—Thank you so much for your gift of \$130.00 to the Community Pantry and Emergency Services, Inc. Your gift is sincerely appreciated and will directly benefit the ministry of helping others seeking assistance from the Pantry. The Pantry is solely supported by donations of food, time and monetary gifts.. Thank you again for your generous support and making a difference in our community!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 2 Kim Bahnsen
Karen Stevens
Alyssa Wolken
April 5 Norma Huls
April 6 Marli Powell
Mavrick Powell
April 8 RoJane Wolken
April 10 Carol Karlin
April 11 Larry Kendall
April 13 Chuck Brown
April 16 Jordan Parde
April 17 Jane Ideus
Eugene Wolken
April 24 Glennys Lienemann
Rochelle Smith
April 27 Michelle George
Karen Jobman
April 29 Karen Gartner
April 30 Kenneth Fritch
Michelle Manes



APRIL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

April 5, 1986 Bill & Becky Behrends
April 6, 2019 Larry & Keri Kendall
April 11, 2014 Larry & Dianne Cole
April 12, 2003 Coby & Kristen Buhr
April 29, 1972 Tom & June Seitz

Grace and peace to you all!

WELCA Hope Circle will be held in person in the fellowship hall at 7:00 p.m. on April 12th. We will continue to wear masks and socially distance at this time. The WELCA Board will meet the same evening beginning at 6:30.

We have been invited by Pastor Kathee to help place flowers on the cross in the garden outside of Church. This will be done at 10:00 a.m. on Easter Saturday. Unfortunately, with the ongoing global pandemic we will continue to not be able to serve coffee and other food at church. At the time the church leadership changes this, I will be sure to let you know. I know many of you miss this and miss serving others.

Peace+
Jody Bures-Helton
WELCA President



OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Kathy Volle who passed away Sunday, March 7. Kathy's funeral was at Holy Cross on Wednesday, March 10. We commend Kathy to God's care and ask His blessings on her family and friends.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Keith Meeske who passed away Monday, March 15. Keith's funeral service was Friday, March 19, at Holy Cross. We commend Keith to God's care and ask His blessings on his family and friends.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of LaRue Seitz Jacobson, Tom (June) Seitz's mother, Jackie (Aaron) Nielsen's grandmother, who passed away Saturday, March 13. LaRue's funeral was at United Methodist Church, Tecumseh, on March 19. We commend LaRue to God's care and ask His blessings on her family and friends.



WORSHIP HELPERS
INSTRUCTIONS FOR
WORSHIP HELPERS: Please

remember that if you cannot serve on the day that you are scheduled, it is your responsibility to find someone else to take your place. The easiest way is usually to trade with someone on another date. Please make the church office **402-228-3172** aware of the change so the right names can be put in the church newsletter & bulletin. If you absolutely cannot find a replacement, for Saturday nights – please call Tom or Carol Karlin at 402-223-3992, for Sunday mornings, please call Nancy Johnsen 402-806-0376 and they will find someone to replace you. Worship helpers – please be at church 30 minutes before worship begins. Instructions will be in the back window of the sanctuary. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Johnsen 402-806-0376 or ask the Pastor. Thank you for your ministry!

Thursday, April 1

Ushers: Chris & Bonnie Baete

Reader: Sheryl Harrington

Friday, April 2

Ushers: Bill & Rebecca Behrends

Reader: Bill Behrends

Saturday, April 3

Ushers: Robert & Matthew Ames-Woolsey

Reader: Beth Dunker

Sunday, April 4, 7:00 a.m.

Ushers: Dallen Johnsen

Reader: Terri Huls

Sunday, April 4, 9:00 a.m.

Ushers: Larry & Dianne Cole

Reader: Dianne Cole

Saturday, April 10

Ushers: Sally Diekman, Berlita Grell

Reader: Berlita Grell

Sunday, April 11

Ushers: Burley & Genell Copas

Reader: Burley Copas

Saturday, April 17

Ushers: Norma Huls, Glennys Lienemann

Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Sunday, April 18

Ushers: Ryan & Angie Vogel

Reader: Angie Vogel

Saturday, April 24

Ushers: Robert & Joyce Jurgens

Reader: Dennis Russell

Sunday, April 25

Ushers: Aaron & Jackie Nielsen family

Reader: Jackie Nielsen

Saturday, May 1

Ushers: Robert & Matthew Ames-Woolsey

Reader: Susie Brown

Sunday, May 2

Ushers: Chris & Bonnie Baete

Reader: Natalie Brauer

Saturday, May 8

Ushers: Sally Diekman, Norma Huls

Reader: Berlita Grell

Sunday, May 9

Ushers: Roger & Helen Huls

Reader: Terri Huls

Saturday, May 15

Ushers: Glennys Lienemann, Adonna Otto

Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Sunday, May 16

Ushers: Steve & Toni Janzen

Reader: Richard Schnaidt

Saturday, May 22

Ushers: Ruth Siems, Renee Griffeth-Splitter

Reader: Denny Russell

Sunday, May 23

Ushers: Rondi Mettscher, Gloria Paben

Reader: Gloria Paben

Saturday, May 29

Ushers: Ken & Deb Sillman

Reader: June Seitz

Sunday, May 30

Ushers: Aaron & Jackie Nielsen family

Reader: Jackie Nielsen



Bluebird Boxes at Holy Cross



Thanks to a donation from Pastor Kathee and Eric, we will be adding two bluebird boxes to our landscape at Holy Cross.

Over the years, land has been cleared for housing and industrial developments, shopping malls, highways, and cropland; many old trees have been cut down for firewood. Wooden fence posts that provided nesting cavities have now been replaced with metal posts. With modernization, the supply of natural nesting cavities for bluebirds and other native cavity nesters has been greatly reduced.

Compounding the problem of habitat loss has been the introduction into North America of two imported species – the House Sparrow and the European Starling. Both starlings and sparrows are cavity nesters, and both are very aggressive. House Sparrows are small enough to enter any hole that a bluebird can and are so aggressive that they will chase away the more timid

bluebird. Starlings can be excluded from bluebird boxes by using the correct size entrance hole but will out-compete bluebirds for woodpecker holes and other natural nesting cavities.

During the summer, bluebirds feed mainly on insects. In the winter, bluebirds depend on many kinds of wild berries for their food supply. However, the supply of wild berries has also decreased over the years. The few berries that remain are often stripped quickly by large flocks of starlings and other birds.

Even though the bluebird population has greatly decreased, the future can still be promising for them. The most important step we can take to help bring back the bluebird is to provide nesting sites by setting out a bluebird box or starting a bluebird trail. A bluebird trail is a series of bluebird boxes placed along a prescribed route. In areas where nesting boxes have been put up in suitable habitat, bluebird populations are increasing. Bluebirding is a great environmental, hands-on project that people of all ages can enjoy.

If you would like more information, go to the Bluebirds Across Nebraska Website <https://bbne.org/> . If you have a suitable habitat and are interested in obtaining any bluebird boxes, please contact Denny Russell. It is time to get your bluebird boxes out now!

This information is courtesy of Bluebirds Across Nebraska

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Thank You

Dear Members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Thank you for your commitment of \$16,786.00 to the work of the church through your Mission Share offerings to the Nebraska Synod and the ELCA. Thanks to your generosity and commitment you are ensuring that

The Gospel is spread through dynamic faith-formation resources developed for your use right here in Nebraska, and through ELCA Global Mission efforts in scores of countries around the world.

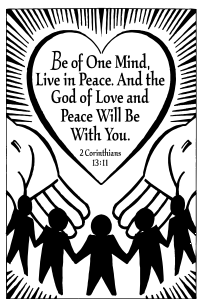
The hungry are fed through feeding programs and food pantries in communities all over the state, through food distribution centers in some of the poorest and hardest hit areas across the U.S., and through innovative agricultural, economic and nutrition distribution efforts around the globe.

The church is led by individuals who are being invited and prepared for ministry and lay leadership roles in the church—pastors, deacons, PMAs and lay leaders just like you, equipped and trained for the church we're becoming in the 21st century.

None of these world-changing efforts just happens, and none of us could do them alone. But together, as you and your faithful partners all across the Nebraska Synod give, serve, care and pray, the Good News has an impact, and God's will is done.

On behalf of all those partners, and the countless lives you touch, please hear again my sincere gratitude for your Mission Share gifts and goals. May God bless you richly in 2021 and beyond.

Yours in Christ, Brian D. Maas, Bishop



A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who brought items for the Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits. Our congregation donated enough items that we will be able to assemble 55 kits. Thank you for your generosity to this ministry!

MINISTRY DOLLARS THROUGH THRIVENT CHOICE DESIGNATION: The deadline for directing Thrivent Choice Dollars for 2020 is 3/31/2020. If you are an eligible Thrivent member please consider directing some or all of your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Holy Cross Lutheran Church. You can do it online or by calling 1-800-847-4836 and saying "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt. If you have any questions you may contact Thrivent or the church office.

FOOD PANTRY INGATHERING: Holy Cross Lutheran Church gathers food and monetary donations for the Community Pantry and Emergency Services in Beatrice on an ongoing basis. All non-perishable items are deeply appreciated. No glass jars, please! If you would like to give to this ministry, please leave your donated items in the shopping cart in the narthex or your monetary donation in an envelope in the offering plate. 46 items were donated to the Food Pantry in February. **THANK YOU for your continued support to this ministry!**

SUNMART RECEIPTS: Thanks to everyone who has been saving their SunMart receipts! SunMart/Spartan Nash Co. supports a fundraising program called "Support Our Schools and Churches." All you have to do is save your SunMart cash register receipt tapes. When we have collected \$150,000 in receipt tapes Spartan Nash Company awards us a check for \$1000. We have reached this goal eight times so far! Our thanks to Terri Huls and Gloria Paben who add the receipts up and submit them to Spartan Nash Co. and to all of you who keep your receipts and put them in the collection box in the narthex! We have started over again and are at \$130,636.00.

RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES

Plastic Shopping Bags - Used to make sleeping mats for Orphan Grain Train. Recycling bin is in the narthex.

Aluminum Cans - Proceeds go to the Youth Fund. There are collections barrels outside the kitchen entryway.

Computer Ink Cartridges - Proceeds go to the Matt 25 Project Fund. Sorry - we are no longer able to recycle toner cartridges. Recycling bin is in the narthex.

Cell Phones - Donated to the Hope Crisis Center. Recycling bin is in the narthex.

THE COMMUNITY COAT CLOSET at First Christian Church, Beatrice, is in need of gently worn coats, especially children's coats. Sweatshirts, scarves, gloves and sweaters are also accepted. Take them to First Christian Monday-Thursday 9-noon and 1-4 p.m. or bring them to Holy Cross and put them on the hangers on the hallway coat rack marked "COMMUNITY COAT CLOSET" and they will be delivered. Thank you!

THE POWER OF PRAYER: If you have a prayer request for our prayer team, please call or email Holy Cross at holycrosselcabeatrice@gmail.com or fill out a prayer slip found next to the prayer box located on the rack in the narthex. Thank you and God's blessings!



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: Did you know that federal law allows tax-free charitable distributions from your IRA? Charitable taxpayers who are age 70 ½ or older can direct “qualified charitable distributions” from their fund administrator directly to the charities of their choice, including your church or favorite ministry. Please consider using your IRA as a way to give to Holy Cross or the Holy Cross Mission Endowment Fund. Here's how it works:

If you have an IRA and you're 70 ½ years old, you can make a 'tax-reducing' gift today through an IRA Charitable Rollover. It helps you and it helps our shared ministry. How it helps you: it can lower your taxable income, count towards your required minimum distribution. How it helps our congregation: we can put your gift to use right away in providing financial support to our ministries or for the future in the Mission Endowment Fund. If you are 70 ½ years old or older, you can donate up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to your church or favorite ministry. It will not count as taxable income and it can satisfy your “required minimum distribution”.

Normally, a distribution from your IRA is taxed as ordinary income. However, tax legislation made permanent this charitable giving opportunity for individuals 70½ or older. You may make a direct distribution (up to \$100,000) from your IRA to a qualified charity, which includes our congregation, the Mission Endowment Fund or a ministry of your choice. Such qualified direct distributions to charity from your IRA are not subject to income tax. You will not receive a tax deduction for the distribution either.

Don't miss the chance to make a charitable IRA gift this year! If you are 70 ½ or older and own an IRA, please consider making a charitable rollover gift before December 31. Your gift will:

- not be included in your taxable income
- satisfy your required minimum distribution for the year
- reduce your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions
- not be subject to the 50% limitation on charitable gifts
- help the work of the Church.

For more information about the benefit from an IRA charitable rollover, contact your IRA administrator, accounting professional or tax preparer.

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WAYS TO GIVE

Financial offerings may be given in a number of ways:

- ♦ You can send your donations by mail to Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1918 Garfield St, Beatrice, NE 68310. If you would like pre-addressed envelopes, please call the church office.
- ♦ You can drop your offering off in the mail slot at the southeast end of the church.
- ♦ You can give online.....
 - Apps make life easier. With Give+ you can use your smartphone to give anytime, anywhere!
 - Download the FREE app on your Apple or Android phone.
 - Make one-time or recurring donations using your checking/savings account or credit/debit card
 - Log in or donate as a guest.
 - To give through the app, search your phone's app store for “GivePlus Church” or contact the church office.
 - Or, go to the Holy Cross website, holycrossbeatrice.com, and click on the “GIVE TO HCLC” button at the bottom of the home page.

TREASURER'S REPORT
FEBRUARY 2021
Robert Ames-Woolsey, Treasurer

	2021	FEBRUARY	Year to Date
Income		\$10,871.68	\$25,878.70
Expenses		\$13,530.67	\$25,899.88
Balance		-\$2,658.99	-\$21.18

2021 General Operating	Balance Forward	Income	Transfer in	Transfer out	Expense	Monthly Balance	YTD Balance
JANUARY	\$0.00	\$15,007.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,369.21	\$2,637.81	\$2,637.81
FEBRUARY	\$2,637.81	\$10,871.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,530.67	-\$2,658.99	-\$21.18
TOTAL		\$25,878.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,899.88		

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Worship	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Regular Offerings</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Faithbuilders Offerings</u>
Feb. 24	27	\$399.00—Midweek Lenten Service		
Feb. 27/28	11-34	\$1695.00	6	\$5.00
Mar. 3	32	\$385.00—Midweek Lenten Service		
Mar. 6/7	16-35	\$3068.90	4	\$5.00
Mar. 10	24	\$325.00—Midweek Lenten Service		
Mar. 13/14	10-27	\$2378.00		
Mar. 17	20	\$397.00—Midweek Lenten Service		
Mar. 20/21	15-34	\$2716.00		

Other offerings/donations include: Benevolence-\$215.00, Holy Cross only-\$760.00, Food Pantry-\$389.00, Matt 25 Scholarship Fund-\$35.00, Initial Offering Envelopes-\$8.00, ELCA World Hunger-\$10.00, Oaks Indian Mission-\$210.00, International Women's Day-\$130.00, Lilies-\$64.00, Facilities use-\$20.00 (NA), Reimbursement (palms)-\$37.67, Pastor's Salary-\$25.00, Memorials: Mark Jobman Memorial-\$50.00



**Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2021**

Council met via Zoom: present -- Tom Karlin, Ryan Vogel, Dallen Johnsen, Kodi Higgins, Matthew Ames-Woolsey, Robert Ames-Woolsey, Pastor Kathee Forrest, and Joyce Haecker.

A. Call to order: 7:06 p.m. by Tom Karlin

B. Opening Devotions by Pastor Kathee: Mission, Money and the Church by Chris A Meinzer.

C. Agenda:

1. Motion by Dallen J. to approve the agenda with added items and a second by Matthew W. Motion was approved.
2. Motion made by Dallen J. and a second by Matthew W. to approve the January 14 and January 24th regular council meeting minutes and January 24th annual meeting minutes with suggested changes. Motion was approved.

D. Information:

1. Pastor Kathee referred to her report. Lenten offerings to be designated ½ to the Matt 25 Scholarship and ½ to Holy Cross.
2. Motion was made by Matthew W. with a second by Dallen J. to approve the treasurer's report as modified. Motion carried.
3. Covid-19 considerations: Will continue with services with the same previous guidelines -- wearing masks and social distancing. Council will discuss again at the next council meeting. Hopefully soon, when the weather permits, will be able to have outdoor services.

E. Committee Reports:

Financial – Had a positive balance for the end of January. Nominating – Council still needs to fill some committee positions. Parish Ed – A request was made that the Faithbuilders could sing with their masks on. Council also approved Faithbuilders may have an Easter Egg hunt as this is done outside. Property – The stool in the women's bathroom needed repairing. Mutual Ministry – will need to appoint another person for a 3-year term. Youth, Memorials & Gifts, Evangelism & Social Ministry, Worship – no report

F. Unfinished Business:

1. \$1,241.00 was refunded to Holy Cross from the Electronic Contracting Co.

G. New Business:

1. Council will meet for a retreat, date still needs to be determined to discuss leadership and review goals that were set for 2020.
2. Approved that TOPS could use the fellowship hall 6-7 pm on Tuesdays.
3. Tom K. made a motion to approve Robert Ames-Woolsey and Kathy Volle for co-treasurers. Seconded by Dallen J. and motion was approved. A motion was made by Dallen J. and a second by Matthew W. to appoint the following team leaders: Gloria Paben for Financial Secretary, Natalie Brauer and Jackie Nielsen for Faithbuilders Co-superintendents, Bill Behrends for Stewardship, and Nancy Johnsen for Worship. Motion was approved. Council still needs to appoint two people for auditors.
4. Will apply again for the paycheck protection plan. Tom K. made a motion to tithe money received last year and if any is received this year to the Mission Endowment Fund. Seconded by Dallen J. and motion was approved.

H. Adjournment and closing with Lord's Prayer

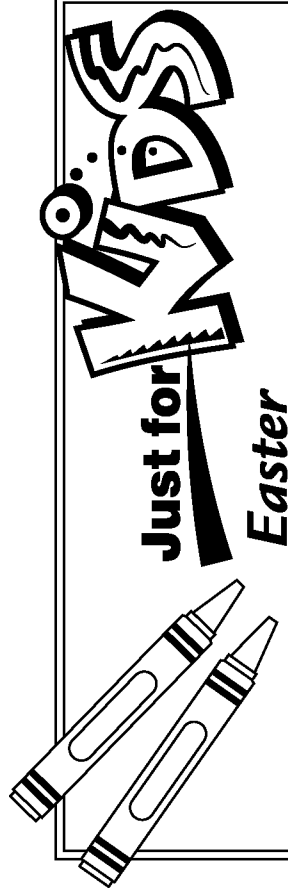
Joyce H. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Matthew W. Motion was approved. Meeting adjourned with Lord's Prayer at 8:51.

Joyce Haecker,
Council Secretary

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>Masks and Social Distancing are required for all worship services and meetings held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.</div>	<div>Holy Cross Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion in worship each Saturday and Sunday unless noted..</div>			1 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship (sanctuary) 8:15 p.m. N.A.	2 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship (sanctuary) 8:00 p.m. N.A.	3 10:00 a.m. WELCA-cross flowers 6:00 p.m. Easter Vigil (Sanctuary)
4 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise (Sanctuary) 9:00 a.m. Worship—Parking Lot, and Facebook 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt	5	6	7 5:30 pm Confirmation via Zoom	8 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 7:00 p.m. Council 8:15 p.m. N.A.	9 8:00 p.m. N.A.	10 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)
11 9:00 a.m. Worship—Parking Lot, and Facebook 10:00-10:45 Sunday School	12 6:30 p.m. Women of the ELCA Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. Hope Circle	13	14 9:00-3:00 Blanket Sewing 5:30 pm Confirmation via Zoom	15 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	16 8:00 p.m. N.A.	17 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)
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Easter is a special day for Christians. The days before are dark and sad, but on that special day – we celebrate! Why do we celebrate?

Write the word to fit each definition. Transfer the numbered letters to the corresponding boxes. Read the answer.

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great happiness	1	12
a place where plants grow	—	—
opposite of evening	13	7
a shape that means love	15	9
it rises every morning	8	4
a close companion	10	—
Jesus was nailed to it	—	—
it blocked the door of Jesus' tomb	—	—

