

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Inspiring People to Serve Christ"

AUGUST 2021 NEWSLETTER



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturdays — 6:00 p.m. Contemporary
Worship

Sundays — 9:00 a.m. Worship
10:15 a.m. Fellowship

FAITHBUILDERS SUNDAY SCHOOL

There are no Faithbuilders classes during August. Sunday School will resume on Rally Sunday, September 12

**Check inside for information on
Vacation Bible School to be held
August 1-6.**



KEVIN & HEIDI CHENG COMMUNITY OUTDOOR CONCERT HOLY CROSS PARKING LOT SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 7:00 P.M.

Invite your friends and neighbors to bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the music of Heidi and Kevin Cheng on Saturday evening, September 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Gifted, engaging, and energetic are just a few of the descriptors that have been used in connection with this classically trained piano-violin duo! The dynamic couple play a range of styles, including popular, country, classical, ragtime, romantic, western, bluegrass, patriotic, and contemporary and traditional sacred music. Kevin is a native of Taiwan who has organized large-scale orchestral concerts to bring classical music to rural Nebraska. He has performed as guest pianist with Lincoln, Kearney, Sandhills and Cherokee symphonies. Heidi has served as second principal violinist in the Kearney Symphony Orchestra.



SUMMER GAME NIGHT—BINGO!!

Everyone is invited!

Wednesday, August 11, 7:00 p.m.

Join us on Wednesday, August 11, for a night of Bingo! We will have treats for everyone and some fun Bingo prizes. This is for all members and any friends you'd like to bring along. Please join us!

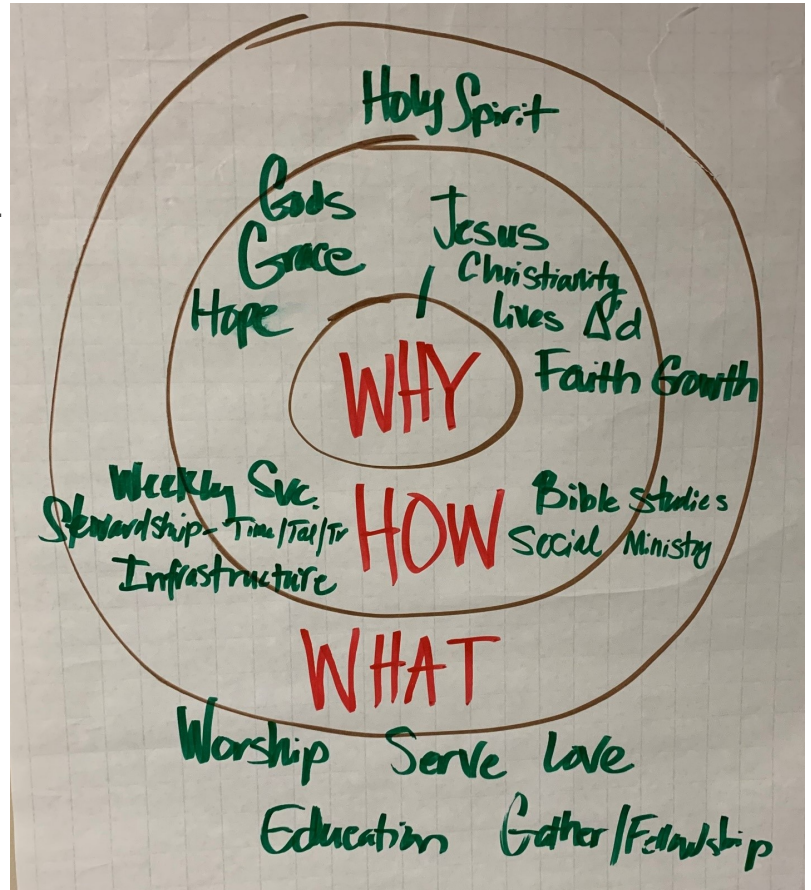
CROSSROADS

Core Values for the Holy Cross Congregation

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God. Ephesians 2:19-22

How does a business model used by legendary leaders like Steve Jobs, Martin Luther King Jr. and the Wright brothers help the Holy Cross Church Council as they envision the values, mission and vision of our congregation? Watching a video, Simon Sinek explains a model he calls The Golden Circle based on three different questions: *What, How, Why?* For us as Christians, the WHY at the center of the circle is what we believe. The WHY is Jesus. The rest falls into place with Jesus as our cornerstone. See the work that the council did in filling in the three questions in this photo.

With many thanks to Holy Cross Council member, Matthew Ames-Woolsey, who coaches and trains corporations throughout the world, for leading our church council, surrounded by prayer, in thinking about our values, mission and vision over the past 2 months; and to the council leaders for their good work.



In June and July, our Church Council shared stories about Holy Cross. From those stories, the council listened for core values. Out of dozens of core values (*Way to Lead*, an organization that works with church leadership, lists 48 plus) these are the four Holy Cross core values that emerged from the listening session:

✝ Community

✝ Generosity

✝ Hospitality

✝ Serving

What do you think? And what stories about Holy Cross do you have to share? I would love to hear them!

In Christ's mission that we share,
Pastor Kathee



**ROCKY RAILWAY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
WITH CENTENARY, HOLY CROSS, AND FIRST
CHRISTIAN CHURCHES**

August 1, 2021 — August 6, 2021

5:30 pm — 7:30 pm , 608 Elk Street, Beatrice, NE

Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs.

Registrations will be taken at the door for both kids and volunteers.

Anyone entering preschool through grade 5 is invited to attend. There is no charge to attend VBS.

Volunteers are still needed (youth entering grade 6 and up and adults).

There are paper copies of the Volunteer sign up and the Participant Sign up in the narthex.

These are some of the ways that help is needed:

- 1) Decoration/ Prep only (not able to attend VBS)
- 2.) Station Leader (Imagination Station, KidVid Cinema, Games, Bible Adventures,
- 3.) Crew Leader (travel to each station with a family group)
- 4.) Preschool
- 5.) Kitchen
- 6.) Photographer and Spotlight Slideshow.

Looking forward to a great Vacation Bible School!



YOU'RE INVITED!!

Join us for
the Blessing of the Backpacks
at either one of our weekend
worship services
Saturday, August 7, 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 8, 9:00 a.m.

School is just around the corner! Shopping for school supplies, books, and fall clothes becomes a part of everyone's schedule. Here at Holy Cross, on August 7 and 8, we want to celebrate and bless the beginning of another school year. Students, preschool through adult, bring your backpacks, bookbags, or lunch boxes to worship. The service will lift up children and students of all ages, dedicating them to God's glory as we begin a new school year. Teachers, aides, secretaries, cooks, librarians, janitors, bus drivers, etc., come to church to be blessed, affirmed in your vocation, and encouraged as you serve children and families in your daily work! Invite your family and friends!



SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY WITH
INSTALLATION OF TEACHERS will be
held Sunday, September 12. Be sure to
mark it on your calendar!!



PLEASE HELP FILL OUR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS!

School sales are on so please add the needed items to your shopping lists and bring them to church. Why school supplies? To the children who receive School Kits, these supplies sometimes mean the difference between getting an education or not. Public school is usually free, but in the places where LWR works, even a few required supplies, like pens and paper, may be more than many families can afford.

And when parents can only afford to send one of their children to school, girls rarely get priority... yet the education level of mothers has the biggest impact on development. Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage. Many of these school kits go to war torn countries where the children are affected through no fault of their own. The bags are sent with no symbols for their own safety. All items should be new and in good condition.

Each School Kit needs:

Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper

One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

One pencil sharpener

One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)

Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink);

Five unsharpened No. 2 pencils with erasers

One box of 16 or 24 crayons

One 2½" eraser

Please help fill our bags and be a part of this ministry. Thank you!!!



GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

"God's Work. Our Hands." Day will be Sunday, September 12.

Some of the projects going on that day are:

- Assembling Lutheran World Relief Kits—we are collecting supplies (see inside newsletter) for School Kits and will be assembling them on this day.
- Repair of homes—anyone needing help in this area please contact the church office.
- If you have any other ideas for this day, please let the church office or a council person know.



HOLY CROSS CHOIR RESUMES THIS FALL

Come one! Come all! Young and young at heart!

It's been a while so bring yourself and your joy of singing - no prior music experience is needed. Choir practice begins on Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Masks are not required for those who are vaccinated. Any questions please contact Eric Forrest at 402-230-3250.



THANK YOU, Holy Cross family, for the cookies and Bluetooth speaker!



- Waylon Chenoweth, 2021 BHS Grad



NEBRASKA SYNOD CELEBRATES 150 YEARS OF MISSION

It was in September, 1871 that a small group of pastors from a handful of young Lutheran congregations gathered to create a fellowship, a structure that would connect them to one another. The new entity was called the Nebraska Synod. Affiliated with the national General Synod, the original Nebraska Synod was one of several church bodies that emerged and then merged through the next 116 years to become the Nebraska Synod ELCA.

The 150th anniversary of that event will be commemorated in a variety of ways throughout the coming months, culminating in a birthday party of sorts at the 2022 Synod Assembly. Over the course of those months, resources will be made available for congregational use to help spotlight the history and mission of the synod, and to encourage congregations to share stories of their own histories and mission.

The first formal event of the commemoration year will be Nebraska Synod Sunday, August 29, 2021. We will lift up the 150th anniversary that weekend to "start the party".



WOMEN OF THE ELCA

August's Hope Circle will be held on Monday, August 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please plan to join us! WELCA Board Meeting will be held August 16 at 7:00 p.m. You are also invited to join in Blanket Sewing on August 14, 9 am-3 pm. Come for however long it works for you.

Jody Bures-Helton, WELCA President



Because of the lack of worshipers in the Parking Lot, Sunday morning parking lot radio transmission has been discontinued but know that option is always available if the need arises. If you would like to worship in the Parking Lot, please call the church office so that all can be prepared.

The outdoor worship scheduled for August has been moved into the sanctuary.



VOLUNTEER CHURCH TREASURER NEEDED

We thank Robert Ames-Woolsey for serving faithfully and well as the Holy Cross Church Treasurer in this past year. As Robert and Matthew are moving at the end of August, we are now searching for the next person to serve in this important role. Training is available for the next month on the church software, FlockBase with Robert. If you have:

- a gift of time to give (several hours each week with a few more at the end of month/quarter),
- a gift of learning a computer program
- faith in God and a love for the Holy Cross congregation

then please contact Tom Karlin, Holy Cross Council President, 402-223-3992 for more information. And if you are asked to consider this ministry because the leadership has seen the qualities needed in you, please prayerfully consider.

OFFICE HOURS are Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30-3:00 p.m., and Friday 8:30-2:30 p.m. Our answering machine is checked every morning and afternoon if you wish to leave a message on other days.

YAY! WE REACHED OUR GOAL AGAIN! 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 just reached this goal for the ninth time!!** 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 once again!

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. **THANK YOU for your continued support to this ministry!**

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 - Aluminum Cans - Proceeds go to the Youth Fund. Please put cans outside in the barrels in the enclosure east of the kitchen. Lids open easier if grabbed with both hands on front dimples.

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 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!

Robert Ames-Woolsey

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	\$12,573.25	\$2,433.77	\$2,433.77
FEBRUARY	\$2,433.77	\$16,263.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,330.50	\$1,932.70	\$4,366.47
MARCH	\$4,366.47	\$10,692.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,950.97	-\$3,258.10	\$1,108.37
APRIL	\$1,108.37	\$15,579.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,833.89	\$3,745.85	\$4,854.22
MAY	\$4,854.22	\$12,222.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,277.13	-\$4,054.78	\$799.44
JUNE	\$799.44	\$9,362.66	\$3,955.39	\$0.00	\$12,758.95	\$559.10	\$1,358.54
TOTAL		\$79,127.84	\$3,955.39	\$0.00	\$81,724.69		

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





AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 2	Solveig Bischoff
August 3	Greg Helton Dennis Russell
August 6	Willard Rippe Jessica Braguera
August 8	Waylon Chenoweth Roma Garrison*
August 11	Larry Cole Betty George
August 13	Dorothy Hofeling*
August 16	Kodi Higgins Micaela Houseman June Kreft
August 21	Terri Huls
August 23	Courtney Kendall Teri Zimmerman
August 24	Chloe Brauer
August 25	Jody Bohling*
August 27	Beth Baete

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

to Roma Garrison who will turn 86 on August 8, Dorothy Hofeling who will turn 85 on August 13, and Jody Bohling who will turn 85 on August 25. God's blessings to you —we wish you a happy and healthy year!!!



AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

August 4, 2001	Sommer & Matt Sejkora
August 5, 1967	Pastor Bill & Jane Shaner*
August 9, 1997	Duane & Inez Trauernicht
August 10, 2001	Henry & Denise Williford
August 20, 1982	Don & Deb Forke
August 26, 1956	Willy & Dorothy Hofeling (Happy 65th!)

CONGRATULATIONS to Willy & Dorothy Hofeling who will celebrate their 65th Wedding Anniversary on August 26. God's richest blessings be with you!



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HOW TO DIRECT THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:

Online

Visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

In the Direct Choice Dollars section on the right, click "**Get started now.**"

Log in by entering your user ID and password. (If you haven't yet registered on Thrivent.com, click "**Register for account access.**")

Find the number of Choice Dollars available to direct.

Locate the organization to which you want to direct Choice Dollars:

a. To direct to a previous organization:

Click "**Direct Now**" next to the organization's name, or

Click on the "**View activity history**" link, scroll down and click on the **name of the desired organization.**

To direct to a new organization, **enter keyword(s)** like organization name, ZIP code, cause, etc.

Click "**Search.**"

Choose "**Direct All**" or **enter a specific number** and click "**Direct Now.**"

Follow the prompts on the confirmation page to direct Choice Dollars.

By phone

Call 800-847-4836 and when prompted, say "**Thrivent Choice.**"

Press 1 to direct Choice Dollars or **2** to hear Thrivent Choice= program Terms and Conditions. (If prompted, say or enter your phone number and date of birth.)

A representative will work with you to direct Choice Dollars.

You have the power to recommend where Thrivent Financial gives back!



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THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS:

Please let Pastor Kathee or Sandy know if you are a Thrivent member. All Thrivent members are eligible to use a \$250.00 debit card from Thrivent two times a year for nonprofit use. This is an awesome way to support your church or community with no cost to you!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS



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 Norma Huls at 402-223-3184, 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 or ask Pastor. Thank you for your ministry!

Saturday, July 31

Ushers: Duane & Inez Trauernicht

Reader: Beth Dunker

Sunday, August 1

Ushers: Aaron & Jackie Nielsen family

Reader: Jackie Nielsen

Saturday, August 7

Ushers: Sally Diekman, Susie Brown

Reader: Susie Brown

Communion: Susie Brown

Sunday, August 8

Greeters: Chris & Bonnie Baete

Ushers: Bill & Rebecca Behrends

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Stacie & Kylie Belt

Reader: Bill Behrends

Communion: Rebecca Behrends

Saturday, August 14

Ushers: Neil & Beth Dunker

Reader: Beth Dunker

Communion: Tom Karlin

Sunday, August 15

Ushers: Burley & Genell Copas

Reader: Burley Copas

Communion: Burley Copas

Saturday, August 21

Ushers: Norma Huls, Glennys Lienemann

Reader: Berlita Grell

Communion: Norma Huls

Sunday, August 22

Greeters: Karen Jobman, Rondi Mettscher

Ushers: Steve & Toni Janzen

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Ryan & Angie Vogel family

Reader: Angie Vogel

Communion: Rondi Mettscher

Saturday, August 28

Ushers: Tom & June Seitz

Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Communion: Tom Seitz

Sunday, August 29

Greeters: Lanny Ropers, Marvin Wolken

Ushers: Larry & Dianne Cole

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Steve Rippe, Jeanette Vitosh

Reader: Dianne Cole

Communion: Jeanette Vitosh

Saturday, September 4

Ushers/Greeters: Renee Griffeth-Splitter, Susie Brown

Reader: Susie Brown

Communion Server: Renee Griffeth-Splitter

Sunday, September 5

Greeters: Steve & Pam Garton

Ushers: Robert & Joyce Haecker

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Darrell & Jackie Rinne

Reader: Natalie Coffin

Communion: Natalie Coffin

Saturday, September 11

Ushers/Greeters: Sally Diekman, Berlita Grell

Reader: Berlita Grell

Communion Server: Berlita Grell

Sunday, September 12

Greeters: Gary & Sheryl Harrington

Ushers: Terri Huls, Gloria Paben

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Steve Rippe

Reader: Sheryl Harrington

Communion: Gloria Paben

Saturday, September 18

Ushers/Greeters: Norma Huls, Glennys Lienemann

Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Communion Server: Norma Huls

Sunday, September 19

Greeters: Roger & Helen Huls

Ushers: Aaron & Jackie Nielsen

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Morgan & Madelyn Nielsen

Reader: Jackie Nielsen

Communion: Stacie Bruns

Saturday, September 25

Ushers/Greeters: Adonna Otto, Jeanette Vitosh

Reader: Denny Russell

Communion Server: Adonna Otto

Sunday, September 26

Greeters: LaVerne & Shirley Wolken

Ushers: Ryan & Angie Vogel family

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Bill & Rebecca Behrends

Reader: Richard Schnaidt

Communion: Ryan Vogel

SUMMARY OF 2021 NEBRASKA SYNOD ASSEMBLY



The Nebraska Synod gathered digitally for its first-ever online assembly on Saturday, June 5. Live-streamed from the television studios of the University of Nebraska Omaha, the assembly managed to share online worship, hear from presenters, conduct elections, transact business, and engage in dialog, all in a matter of six hours. The opening worship was adapted from the ELCA's commemoration of the 50th anniversary of ordination of Lutheran women in the U.S., the 40th anniversary of the first ordination of a woman of color, and the 10th anniversary of the ordination of persons in same-sex marriages. Former Bishop Jessica Crist of the Montana Synod was the guest preacher, and served as a keynote speaker as well, reflecting on the critical importance of lifelong learning for all disciples.

Rev. Dr. Rafael Malpica-Padilla was the ELCA Churchwide Representative and reported on all that the Nebraska Synod does nationally and globally through the many varied expressions of the ELCA's ministries. Picking up on a phrase from Bishop Maas' report in the Bulletin of Reports, he repeatedly asked whether "we will lean backward and tip over into history, or lean forward and tip over into a new future." He spoke with passion of the ways the ELCA is leaning into God's future and expressed gratitude to the Nebraska Synod for its support and leadership within the ELCA.

The Bishop's Report

Bishop Maas started out his annual report with a recap of 2020 and how the pandemic led to change. As part of this recap, he discussed Walter Brueggemann's work with the three urgent prophetic tasks- Reality, Grief, and Hope. It was inspiring to see all the hopeful ways congregations were able to adapt to the reality of the pandemic and recover from grief to continue to be the church together. Bishop Maas also discussed some key topics, such as leadership in the church and the work we do with our Serving Arm partners. He ended his time by highlighting synod programs and new ministries, such as Seeking the Spirit Within, the Church of the Way, and the Vitality Initiative for Congregations. To find out more about synod ministries and programs, visit nebraskasynod.org.

Other Highlights

Opening worship featured many of our female leaders from across the synod. Pastors, deacons, and lay leaders from Nebraska congregations took part in leading this celebration of women in the church. Rev. Jessica Crist from the Montana Synod gave a sermon about women being called to preach.

Several of the synod's partners shared their stories and messages in short videos. These videos were featured as part of our time together. To learn more about what our partner organizations do, you can find their videos at this link- <https://nebraskasynod.blogspot.com/2021/06/we-are-all-one.html>.

We successfully gathered to do the business of the church. Though voting was not in person, elections and approvals happened online via Zoom polling. Several individuals were elected for Synod Committees, Synod Council, and Churchwide Assembly. This year's assembly marked the election of a new Synod Council secretary- Gwen Edwards will be joining the Synod Council executive committee. Attendees also approved the agenda and the 2022 proposed budget.

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2021**

Council: present -- Tom Karlin, Matthew Ames-Woolsey, Kodi Higgins, Pastor Kathee Forrest, and Joyce Haecker. Absent – Dallen Johnsen, Ryan Vogel
Council meeting called to order 6:25 pm by Tom Karlin. Meeting began with a slide presentation – values, vision, mission (2021).

B. Opening Devotions by Pastor Kathee on possibilities based on 1st Peter.

C. Agenda:

1. Motion by Joyce H. with a second by Matthew W. to approve the agenda and motion carried.

2. Motion made by Matthew W. and a second by Pastor Kathee to approve the secretary minutes.

Motion was approved.

D. Information:

1. Pastor Kathee presented her report.

Pastor will be on vacation from June 16 – July 9. Rev. Suzanne How will be available for funerals while Pastor is on vacation. Jody Helton will lead worship June 19/20 and June 26/27. July 3rd worship will be lay- led and July 4th by Pastor Kathee. No communion during this time. Sandy will be on vacation July 6-9.

2. Treasurer's report was presented by Kodi H. on behalf of Robert Ames. Christmas offering funds have not been designated. Tom K. made motion to use these funds for food for Jody's PMA celebration with a second from Matthew W. Motion was approved. Expenses were \$4,000.00+ higher than income. A motion was made by Tom that \$3,955.39 from prior general operating long & short fund be transferred to current general operating funds. A second from Matthew W. and motion was approved.

E. Committee Reports:

Financial – Will be needing a new treasurer. Will ask congregation for any suggestions or if anyone is willing to be treasurer. Memorials & Gifts – Sand cherries were planted. Approved \$225 from Kathy Volle's memorial be used for landscaping. An anniversary gift will be used to purchase hymnals. Would like to purchase a Holy Trinity Banner. Stewardship – waiting to see if the grant which had been submitted will be approved for a fall celebration. Property – Will need to change direction of one sprinkler head. Mutual Ministry will not be meeting this summer. Nominating, Evangelism & Social Ministry, Youth, Parish Ed, Worship – no report.

F. Unfinished Business:

1. Worship methods were discussed. Directions in bulletin have been updated.

2. Will meet early again in July continuing with discussion of Holy Cross's values/vision/mission that we can build on for the future.

G. New Business:

1. Council meeting will begin at 6:00 in July.

2. Will have celebration for Jody on July 25th.

H. Adjournment and closing with Lord's Prayer

Mathew W. made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second by Pastor K. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35. Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Joyce Haecker,
Council Secretary

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Fellowship	2	3	4	5 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	6 8:00 p.m. N.A.	7 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship Reception of New Members
	August 1-6, 5	30-7:30 p.m., VACATION BIBLE	SCHOOL			
8 Baptism/ Reception of New Members/ Backpack Blessing 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Fellowship	9 7:00 p.m. Hope Circle	10	11 9:00-3:00 Blanket Sewing 7:00 p.m. All Church BINGO Game	12 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 7:00 p.m. Council 8:15 p.m. N.A.	13 8:00 p.m. N.A.	14 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
15 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Fellowship	16 7:00 p.m. WELCA Board Meeting	17	18	19 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	20 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE 8:00 p.m. N.A.	21 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
22 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Fellowship	23	24	25	26 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	27 8:00 p.m. N.A.	28 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship/Noisy Offering/Food Pantry Ingathering/ 150th Anniversary of NE Synod
29 Farewell & Godspeed to Robert & Matthew/ 150th Anniversary of NE Synod 9:00 a.m. Worship/ Noisy Offering/Food Pantry Ingathering 10:15 a.m. Fellowship	30	31				

AUGUST 2021

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A MESSAGE FOR AMERICA

Secretary of State, General Colin Powell, tells about a soldier who was asked as the Desert Storm battle was about to begin, if he was afraid. "I'm not afraid," the young man answered, "because I'm with my family." Then he went on to explain, "This is my family and we'll take care of each other."

He knew that he could count on his friends for support and encouragement. General Powell suggests that it's that kind of attitude we should all have as Americans. He writes: "We have to start thinking of America as a family. We have to stop screeching at each other, stop hurting each other, and instead start caring for, sacrificing for and sharing with each other We cannot move forward if cynics and critics swoop down and pick apart anything that goes wrong, to a point where we lose sight of what is right, decent and uniquely good about America." Christians can only affirm such helpful and wise words.

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A pastor noticed a small boy trying to ring a door bell, but he could not reach it. Wanting to be of help, the cleric walked up to the child and asked him if he wanted help in ringing the doorbell.

"Yes," said the lad. The pastor put his finger on the bell, looked down and said, "And now what, my little man?" "Now," said the boy while scampering off the porch, "we run!"

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A family had just returned from church one Sunday, when the father heard his young son doing something in the kitchen. The father had recently been teaching the lad how to tell time, and wanting the son to look at the kitchen clock, he called out, "Bobby, what is the little hand on?"

"A chocolate chip cookie," came the reply.