

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

"Inspired by the Holy Spirit to Serve"



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturdays — 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship

Sundays — 9:00 a.m. Worship

SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

Sundays — 10:15-11:00 a.m. Faithbuilders will meet in person each Sunday morning.

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Ed is held each Sunday morning from 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. Grab a cup of coffee and join us. See page 3 for details.



LENT 2022

Ash Wednesday will be on Wednesday, March 2, this year. Details on this year's Lent services will be in the March Newsletter and coming bulletins.



SOUP LUNCHEON

Sunday, February 13

11 am—1 pm

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Everyone is invited to the Women of the ELCA Soup Luncheon on Sunday, February 13. They will be serving Homemade Chili,

Chicken Noodle and Vegetable Soups, Homemade pies and desserts. Freewill donation. Take-out will also be available.

This is the annual fundraiser for the Holy Cross Women of the ELCA to support local community ministries. Hope to see you there!

Sign-up sheets for food donations and workers are available in the narthex.



SOUPERBOWL OF CARING

FEBRUARY 12/13

The vision of the

Souper Bowl of Caring is to transform the Big Game Day into a nationwide movement inspiring people to give locally and make a collective impact on hunger. Bring your items for the food pantry and your dollars for the soup pot we'll have in the narthex as we have a collection on Saturday/Feb. 12 and Sunday/Feb. 13. All donations will go to our local food pantry. Our Noisy Offering in February will also go to the Community Food Pantry.

How many times have we heard the word *pivot* during the Covid-19 pandemic? And not the irrigation pivots we see in the fields or pivots on the basketball courts. But rather, as we monitor and adapt to changes as the Covid numbers rise once again. School closed for 2 days this week, and as I write this we are cautiously continuing our worship with some modifications – masks are strongly recommended, we will have communion from where we sit in the pews using pre-packaged elements, and temporarily we will not have coffee fellowship.

The very long time after Epiphany seems a good time to pivot – we continue in this season through February and then Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 2nd. During each of the weeks before Lent, we will hear stories of Jesus being revealed to the world. Will we hear the gospel speaking to us anew – can we pivot to discover what it means to be God’s beloved people?

In Adult Education we have just begun a series called “Surprised by Hope” with reflections from N.T. Wright, New Testament scholar and former Bishop of Durham in the Church of England. At the first session, those attending agreed that it was just what we needed to hear: a word of *hope*. We will continue the series on Sundays following worship in the sanctuary at 10:15 – so we have room to spread out.

Can we pivot, even in the midst of a lot going on, to an attitude of hope-filled conversations and actions for ourselves, our community and the world? After all, as Christians we are people of *hope* through Word of God proclaimed and fresh insights.

The Vision Team is leading us in new and creative ways to build relationships with each other and the community – that’s *hope*. In our middle-schoolers as they return from the Middle School Gathering, joining others for worship, prayer, service and fun! Their servant project was at “The Closet”, a place in the basement of American Lutheran Church, Ashland, where anyone who needs clothing, for whatever reason, can shop for free. It is there *hope* to be a good neighbor to their community. As we look to WELCA’s soup luncheon fundraiser, they support ministries that provide *hope* to others.

N.T. Wright suggests in the “Hope” study, that a good definition of the church would be: “people who gather together to share *hope* and be people of *hope* in the world.” May it be so, people of Holy Cross, even as we pivot.

In Christ’s Mission that we share,
Pastor Kathee





Faithbuilders classes each Sunday morning at Holy Cross from 10:15 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.



THE MATT 25 PROJECT

We will be having a fundraiser this Spring for this project, but you can also donate to this scholarship at any time. Stay tuned for more details about our fundraiser! Our goal is to raise at least \$500.00 for this scholarship. 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 traveling. 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



SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION

"Surprised by Hope" - We began this series by N.T.Wright in January. N.T. Wright is one of the world's top biblical scholars and he asks the question: "What are we waiting for? And what are we going to be doing about it in the meantime?" Each session has a video presentation followed by a discussion. Join us Sundays at 10:30-11:15 in the conference room.



BOUNDLESS Carol Joy Holling Camp 2022

Carol Joy Holling
Camp, Conference & Retreat Center

This summer, campers will explore the hopeful and saving story of God and God's people. They will experience the good news of God's generous and merciful power in their lives. Just as God was loving and faithful at the time of creation, in the life of Israel, and through Jesus Christ, so God continues to be in this world now. God's love for all is truly **boundless**.

Scholarships for camp are available through Holy Cross for elementary to high school as funds are available. Please see Pastor Kathee for more information. The summer 2022 schedule is on caroljoyholling.org.



CHURCH COUNCIL 2022

Tom Karlin – President, Dallen Johnsen – Vice President, Inez Trauernicht – Secretary
Kodi Higgins – Finance Leader, Ryan Vogel – At Large, Bill Behrends – At Large,
With thanks for council members who served in 2021 – Joyce Haecker and Matthew
Ames-Woolsey

Other elections:

Mission Endowment: Roger Huls, Jeanette Vitosh

Nebraska Synod Assembly-Jody Bures-Helton & Rose-Ann Parde

Alternates—Larry & Dianne Cole

Nominating Committee: Joyce Haecker, Larry Cole, Pam Garton, Toni Janzen, Nancy
Johnsen, Barb Scott.

A WARM WELCOME - WHAT WILL YOU PUT IN THE BASKET?

In the next few months we hope to implement a welcome basket for our guests. Stacie Bruns is taking the lead and asks - what will you put in the baskets? What items embrace the unique personality of our congregation. What could you provide? A jar of homemade jelly, a hand-crafted cross or candle, a printed card or magnet or bookmark? The ideas are endless, but we are asking that they be provided by you, our congregation. What might you put in the basket?

Stacie will begin by hand-crocheting baskets in which to put the items for our guests. Anyone interested in making more baskets or who have items for the baskets, please contact Stacie. Together we will provide a warm welcome to our guests.

IT IS WITH GREAT SADNESS that we received the news of the death of Oaks Indian Mission Executive Director and friend, Pastor Donald Marshall. On each thank you note we received from Oaks, Pastor Don would write a personal and heartfelt note of gratitude. He will be missed. Should your hearts be moved to honor Pastor Don by a donation to Oaks, know that he has left Oaks with many dreams and goals to fulfill on his behalf.

THE POWER OF PRAYER: If you have a prayer request for our prayer team, please fill out a prayer request slip found in the pews or next to the prayer box located on the rack in the narthex. Thank you and God's blessings!

CLIPPINGS AND PICTURES WANTED! One of the bulletin boards in the east entrance hallways is open for everyone's contributions. If you have any pictures or newspaper clippings you would like to share in this way, please go ahead and post it on that bulletin board or give to Sandy. Thank you!

OFFERING ENVELOPES are out for the new year. If we missed your name or if you haven't used envelopes in the past but would like to at this point, please let the church office know.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at Country Cookin'. For more information or for a ride contact Ferdie Kimminau at 331-276-7380.

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 at no cost to you!

KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S GOING ON by liking our Holy Cross Group Facebook Page, which can be accessed from the website www.holycrossbeatrice.com.



VISION TEAM UPDATE

Welcome Baskets for Guests! What will you put in the basket? So far we have seeded butterfly shaped paper to invite our guests to the lovely pollinator garden and a page out of one of the LBW hymnals with a welcome note. What will you put in the basket that says something about who we are as a body of Christ here at Holy Cross? The baskets will be assembled and ready for our greeters to give as welcome gifts. Many thanks to Stacie Bruns for creating the first baskets. All who crochet are invited to see

Stacie about making some baskets. This is a community project of hospitality.

Silver Sneakers-like Exercise in the Fellowship Hall - "All you need is a chair" says Dallen Johnsen, who along with Nancy will be leading exercises to videos in the Fellowship Hall Tuesdays and Thursdays. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex and it looks like the time of day will be 10:00 a.m. Start date will be announced soon!

Look for more Vision Team Updates each month as we build relationships within our congregation and with the community around us.



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!

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 items are very much 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.

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 nine 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 \$59,860.00.

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 - 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.



OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Tiffany Duis, Shirley Wiens' great-granddaughter-in-law, who passed away December 31, 2021. We commend Tiffany to God's care and ask His blessings on her family and friends.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Marvin Wiens, Shirley Wiens' brother-in-law, who passed away December 31, 2021. Marvin's funeral was at Christ Community Church, Beatrice, on January 15. We commend Marvin to God's care and ask His blessings on his family and friends.

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Tena Behrens who passed away Wednesday, January 5. Tena's funeral was Monday, January 10, at Holy Cross. We commend Tena to God's care and ask His blessings on her family and friends

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Dennis Free, Nancy (Dallen) Johnsen's brother, who passed away January 8. Dennis' funeral was at Church Christ Episcopal on January 12. We commend Dennis to God's care and ask His blessings on his family and friends.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA



The WELCA Ladies are busy preparing for the Soup Luncheon which will be held on February 13 from 11:00 to 1:00. We are also making preparations for our Bake Sale which will be held at the Craft Fair in Indian Creek Mall on March 5 and 6. At our January Board meeting the ladies voted to donate \$250.00 to the Sound and Streaming Upgrade Fund.

Sheryl Harrington, WELCA President

Calendar: February 9, 2022 – Blanket Sewing – 9:00-3:00
February 13, 2022 – Soup Luncheon – 11:00-1:00
February 14, 2022 – Hope Circle – 10:00 am
February 21, 2022 – WELCA Board – 7:00 pm
March 2, 2022 – Ash Wednesday Supper – WELCA serves
March 5, 2022 – Spring Gathering – Zion Lutheran, Pickrell
March 5 & 6, 2022 – Bake Sale at Craft Fair in Indian Creek Mall 11:00-4:00

THANK YOU to everyone who has donated sheets for our blanket sewing ladies. They are very much appreciated. There is an ongoing need for new & used sheets so anytime you have extra during the year, please consider donating them to Holy Cross.

SOUND AND STREAMING SYSTEM UPGRADES FUND

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who has supported the Sound & Streaming System Upgrades Fund. The members of Holy Cross have raised \$21,413.35 so far through donations, memorial gifts and estate gifts - over halfway to the fundraising goal of \$40,000 which was approved at the October 24, 2021 Special Congregational Meeting. We will continue to raise funds throughout 2022 until our goal is met and to fully fund the project and then we will celebrate!

A downpayment of \$18,000.00 was sent to Yandas Music & Pro Audio in December, 2021 in order to lock in their bid price of \$36,240.00. We have also bought the PowerPoint laptop and Dvd-RW Drive at \$1037.07 needed to work with this upgraded system. With camera prices going up in March, one additional camera for the streaming system has been ordered. The additional cost of \$2145.00 remains well within the \$40,000.00 approved by the congregation and will save approximately \$2000.00 if ordered now and included in the installation.

With sincere gratitude to all who have donated and with your continued support of this project we look for work to begin in the first quarter of 2022.

You can find complete details of these upgrades in the December newsletter: the sound system upgrade will improve the sound in the sanctuary, narthex, fellowship hall and conference room. The streaming upgrade will improve the sound and picture in the broadcasts of our worship services.

December 2021 Treasurer's Report

Sandy Mahler, Treasurer

2021	December	Year to Date
Income	\$16,386.03	\$168,197.13
Expenses	\$13,303.91	\$161,663.25
Balance	\$3,082.12	\$6,533.88

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	\$16,143.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,066.10	\$2,076.92	\$4,510.69
MARCH	\$4,510.69	\$10,630.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,838.30	-\$3,208.10	\$1,302.59
APRIL	\$1,302.59	\$15,535.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,833.89	\$3,701.85	\$5,004.44
MAY	\$5,004.44	\$12,222.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,008.77	-\$3,786.42	\$1,218.02
JUNE	\$1,218.02	\$8,131.66	\$3,955.39	\$0.00	\$12,977.52	-\$890.47	\$327.55
JULY	\$327.55	\$9,571.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,970.84	-\$1,399.83	-\$1,072.28
AUGUST	-\$1,072.28	\$18,410.64	\$1,750.00	\$0.00	\$16,150.50	\$4,010.14	\$2,937.86
SEPTEMBER	\$2,937.86	\$11,535.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,696.28	-\$1,160.50	\$1,777.36
OCTOBER	\$1,777.36	\$14,413.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,626.30	\$787.00	\$2,564.36
NOVEMBER	\$2,564.36	\$14,504.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,617.59	\$887.40	\$3,451.76
DECEMBER	\$3,451.76	\$16,386.03			\$13,303.91	\$3,082.12	\$6,533.88
TOTAL		\$162,491.74	\$5,705.39	\$0.00	\$161,663.25		\$6,533.88



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.

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

Worship			Faithbuilders	
	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>
Dec. 18/19	14-49	\$2297.00		
Dec. 22	39	\$123.00 (Midweek Advent)		
Dec. 24	94	Reg-\$2615.00, Christmas-\$1414.00		
Dec. 26	42	\$2470.00		
Jan. 8/9	20-48	\$3506.90		
Jan. 15/16	13-43	\$1917.00	9	\$10.00
Jan. 22/23	26-51	\$2240.71	7	\$10.00

Other offerings/donations include: Benevolence-\$200.00, Holy Cross only-\$1126.00, Advent-\$10.00, Repair light in parking lot-\$507.26, Facility Use-\$120.00, Confirmation Camp-\$25.00, ELCA Good Gifts-\$175.00, ELCA World Hunger-\$20.00, Oaks Indian Mission-\$240.00, December Noisy Offering (CASA)-\$77.68, Pastor's Salary-\$50.00, Sound & Streaming System Upgrades-\$3085.00, Poinsettias-\$32.00, Initial-\$147.00, Food Pantry-\$14.00, U.S. Tornados-\$30.00, Middle School Gathering-\$47.00. Memorials: Tena Behrens-\$20.00, Mark Jobman-\$50.00.



WORSHIP HELPERS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WORSHIP

HELPERS: Please remember that if you cannot serve on the day that you are scheduled, it is your re-

sponsibility 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!

Saturday, February 5

Ushers: Sally Diekman, Jane Ideus

Reader: Beth Dunker

Acolyte: Rylie Kreft

Sunday, February 6

Ushers: Darrell & Jackie Rinne

Ass't Ushers: Karen Jobman, Gene Wolken

Reader: Gloria Paben

Facebook Videographer: Dallen Johnsen

Saturday, February 12

Ushers/Greeters: Norma Huls, Glennys Lienemann

Reader: Berlita Grell

Communion: Norma Huls

Sunday, February 13

Greeters: LaVerne & Shirley Wolken

Ushers: Bill & Rebecca Behrends

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

Reader: Angie Vogel

Communion: Angie Vogel

Facebook Videographer: Terri Huls

Saturday, February 19

Ushers/Greeters: Ken & Deb Sillman

Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Communion: Tom Karlin

Acolyte: Liberty Sejkora

Sunday, February 20

Greeters: Stacie Bruns, Barb Scott, Ziel Tut

Ushers: Larry & Dianne Cole

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Kylie Belt, Chloe Brauer

Reader: Natalie Coffin

Communion: Natalie Coffin

Facebook Videographer: Jackie Rinne

Saturday, February 26

Ushers/Greeters: Duane & Inez Trauernicht

Reader: Denny Russell

Communion: Inez Trauernicht

Sunday, February 27

Greeters: Burley & Genell Copas

Ushers: Kodi & Misty Higgins family

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Robert & Joyce Haecker

Reader: Burley Copas

Communion: Joyce Haecker

Facebook Videographer: Dallen Johnsen

Wednesday, March 2

Ushers: Terri Huls, Rondi Mettscher

Reader: Janet Byars

Communion: Natalie Coffin

Facebook: Larry Cole

Saturday, March 5

Ushers/Greeters: Sally Diekman, Beth Dunker

Reader: Gail Russell

Communion: Beth Dunker

Sunday, March 6

Greeters: Alex & Courtney Ideus family

Ushers: Steve & Toni Janzen

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Karen Jobman, Steve

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Reader: Richard Schnaidt

Communion: Toni Janzen

Facebook Videographer: Larry Cole

Wednesday, March 9

Ushers: Dallen & Nancy Johnsen

Reader: Dianne Cole

Facebook Videographer: Dallen Johnsen

Saturday, March 12

Ushers/Greeters: Norma Huls, Glennys Lienemann

Reader: Berlita Grell

Communion: Norma Huls

Sunday, March 13

Greeters: Ferdie & Vi Kimminau

Ushers: Aaron & Jackie Nielsen

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

Reader: Sheryl Harrington

Communion: Jackie Nielsen

Facebook Videographer: Terri Huls

Wednesday, March 16

Ushers: Burley & Genell Copas

Reader: Burley Copas

Facebook Videographer: Terri Huls

Saturday, March 19

Ushers/Greeters: Jane Ideus, Berlita Grell

Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Communion: Jane Ideus

Sunday, March 20

Greeters: Elsie Otto, Lanny Ropers

Ushers: Ryan & Angie Vogel

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Kayleigh & Lucas Vogel

Reader: Angie Vogel

Communion: Angie Vogel

Facebook Videographer: Jackie Rinne

Worship helpers continued on pg. 9



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

(If we missed your anniversary or birthday this month, please give the church office a call at 228-3172. Thanks!)



FEBRUARY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2-16-80 Larry & Carol Vetrovsky
2-28-04 Aaron & Jackie Nielsen

Feb. 1 Ray Buss
Chris George
Feb. 2 Elsie Otto
Carol Vetrovsky
Feb. 4 Christopher Dunker
Feb. 5 Lillian Fritch
Shawn Hein
Feb. 6 Todd George
Feb. 10 Kristen Buhr
Feb. 11 Ally Kreft
Feb. 13 Dale Otto
Daniel Otto
Dillon Rinne
Feb. 14 Kyle Bahnsen
Austin Wolken
Feb. 15 Nick Vrtiska
Feb. 18 Deb Sillman
Feb. 23 Brandon Creek
Feb. 24 Erica Karlin
Feb. 26 Zachary Coffin
Feb. 27 Madelyn Nielsen
Mary Schuster-Graff
Feb. 28 Randy Johnson

Worship helpers, continued...

Wednesday, March 23

Ushers/Greeters: Gene & Austin Wolken

Reader: Beth Dunker

Facebook Videographer: Jackie Rinne

Saturday, March 26

Ushers/Greeters: Ken & Deb Sillman

Reader: Denny Russell

Communion: Tom Karlin

Sunday, March 27

Greeters: LaVerne & Shirley Wolken

Ushers: Bill & Rebecca Behrends

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Gloria Paben

Reader: Rebecca Behrends

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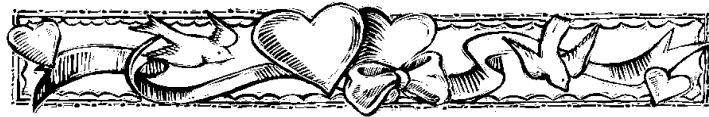
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Wednesday, March 30

Ushers/Greeters: Robert & Joyce Haecker

Reader: Joyce Haecker

Facebook Videographer: Dallen Johnsen



PLEASE LET THE CHURCH KNOW

Your church family wants to know about the important events in your life. Please call or email the church office when you need prayers, either for thanksgiving or healing. If you prefer confidential prayers, please contact the pastor directly.

Let us know when you:

- Enter the hospital or have a serious medical problem, even if you don't want visitors
- Lose a loved one
- Have a baby or other new member of the family
- Get married
- Have a change of address.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2021

Council: present -- Tom Karlin, Dallen Johnsen, Kodi Higgins, Ryan Vogel, Pastor Kathee Forrest, and Joyce Haecker.

Council meeting called to order 7:00 pm by Tom Karlin

A. Opening Devotions by Pastor Kathee.

Matthew Woolsey joined at the beginning of council meeting by Zoom with updates on the meetings with the Vision Team to be presented at the annual meeting in January. Matthew was thanked for his leadership in leading this team.

B. Motion by Dallen J. with a second by Kodi H. to approve the agenda and motion was approved. A motion made by Dallen J. and 2nd by Kodi H. to approve the November 11th regular council mtg. minutes. Motion carried.

C. Information:

1. Pastor Kathee presented her report. Motion made by Tom K. with a second from Ryan V. to approve the transfer of Matthew and Robert Ames Woolsey from Holy Cross to Zion Lutheran Church, Ferndale, WA. Pastor Kathee will be out of the office the week after Christmas – December 27th through January 4th. There will be someone to check the phones remotely when Sandy and Pastor are out at the same time.

2. Treasurer's report presented by Kodi H. Joyce H. made motion with a second from Ryan V. to approve the treasurer's report. Motion was approved.

D. Committee Reports:

Financial report – Budget wise, finances are doing well. Memorials & Gifts – Dallen made a motion that memorial funds from Leroy Folkerts, Roger Siems, and Mark Jobman plus \$600.00 from the Sunmart funds for a total of \$5,870.00 be used for the Video & Sound system. Ryan V. seconded the motion and motion carried. A motion by Tom K. with a second from Dallen J. that the estate gifts from Delma Paul & Shirley Bruns for a total of \$4,235.33 also be used for the Video & Sound system. Motion carried. With these gifts, will now be able to send in the down payment needed and sign contracts with Yandas to lock in the costs for the Video & Sound System. Nominating – have nominees for most of open positions. Evangelism & Social Ministry – Facebook Live doing well according to number of views. Parish Education – Faithbuilders program will be December 12, beginning at 5:30. Stewardship, Youth, Worship, Property, and Mutual Ministry – no report.

E. Unfinished Business:

1. Worship methods – Will continue with worship as we have been.
2. Ryan V. will check on prices, etc. for new playset.

F. New Business:

1. Budget discussions were held, and some changes were discussed. Motion by Tom K. with 2nd from Ryan V. to approve recommended changes to the budget to be presented at the annual meeting.
2. Annual meeting will be January 23rd to begin at 10:15.

G. Adjournment and closing with Lord's Prayer.

Dallen J. made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a 2nd from Kodi H. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:25. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

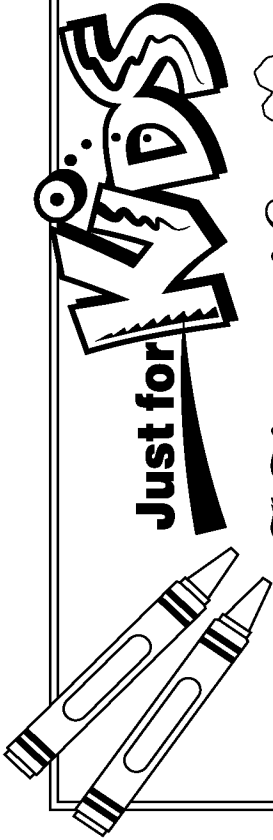
Joyce Haecker,
Council Secretary

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	4 8:00 p.m. N.A.	5 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
6 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Faithbuilders, Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Adult Ed	7	8 6:00-7:00 p.m. Confirmation	9 9:00-3:00 Blanket Sewing	10 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 7:00 p.m. Council 8:15 p.m. N.A.	11 8:00 p.m. N.A.	12 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
13 SOUPERBOWL SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Faithbuilders, Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Adult Ed 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. WELCA Soup Luncheon	14 10:00 a.m. Hope Circle	15	16	17 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	18 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE 8:00 p.m. N.A.	19 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
20 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Faithbuilders, Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Adult Ed	21 7:00 p.m. Women of the ELCA Board Meeting	22 6:00-7:00 p.m. Confirmation	23	24 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	25 8:00 p.m. N.A.	26 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship/Noisy Offering/Food Pantry Ingathering
27 9:00 a.m. Worship/ Noisy Offering/Food Pantry Ingathering 10:15 a.m. Faithbuilders, Fellowship	28					

Holy Cross Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion in worship each Saturday and Sunday unless noted..



A Message of Love

Luke 10:27 has a wonderful message to live by.

Find the message by writing the opposite words next to the ones given.
Then transfer the letters to the numbered lines they match below.

cool	1 2 3 4	soft	20 21 22 23
under	5 6 7 8	old	24 25 26 27 28
out	9 10	after	29 30 31 32 33 34
large	11 12 13 14 15	false	35 36 37 38
quiet	16 17 18 19		

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_____ 2 10 23 1 9 35 20 21 14 15 24 5 37 8 4 9 10 23 _____

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