

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH



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"Inspired by the Holy Spirit to serve"

MAY 2022 NEWSLETTER



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 on May 1 and then take a break for the summer—be sure to watch for Vacation Bible School dates!

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Ed will be held on Sunday mornings, May 1, 8 and 29, from 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. "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. No Adult Ed on May 15 or 22.

JOYFUL STEPS

Everyone is invited to come join us in the church basement at 10:00 a.m. Tuesdays for our weekly hour of fellowship and exercise. No equipment needed. Bring a friend or neighbor. You may wish to bring a bottle of water. See you all then!

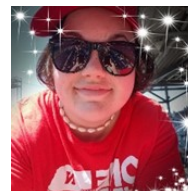


HOLY CROSS GRADUATES

Recognition of graduates will take place Sunday, May 1. We ask God's blessings on these graduates and their families:



Brookelynn Bahnsen will be attending Southeast Community College-Beatrice in the fall pursuing a degree in elementary education.



Mallory Helton will be graduating from Diller Odell High School and plans to continue her artistic work in her home studio in Wichita, Kansas.



Caleb Jobman plans to attend Southeast Community College - Beatrice for his general classes and then attend a trade school.



Bryce Karlin will be attending Concordia University, Seward, NE. He will be joining the Concordia University Wrestling family! Bryce is a 3x state qualifier and 1x state medalist.

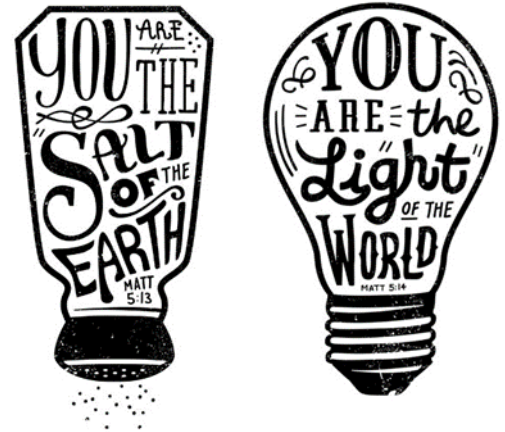
Beatrice High School Baccalaureate will be May 11 at 7:00 p.m.

CROSSROADS+

We are influencers. My words have weight and power. My life affects others. What am I doing to create positive change? Be intentional.

Jesus said: Be salt! Be light! (Matthew 5:15-16)

These are some of the things the Holy Cross confirmation class and I heard as Chris Allende spoke at St. John. He shared his life story and it was a difficult one to hear. Beginning at age 14 he began to make bad decisions, even with a very loving and supportive family. He was in jail multiple times, homeless, choosing the wrong friends and harmful behaviors.



One day in his mid-20's he saw a man mowing his grass, his wife carrying laundry and their child riding a bike. Such a simple thing and yet at that moment he became determined to have a life like that – with a family and purpose. In that moment of hope, he began to turn his life around and entered a Christian-based substance abuse program. He admitted it was not easy, and celebrated 16 years sober. This little blurb does not do justice to all that Chris shared, but by his willingness to be open and vulnerable Chris talked about how we all are influencers – one way or the other.

Chris gives us all a good reminder that we have choices in this life. And in it all, we have the words of Jesus to keep us on course – Be salt! Be light! Be thermostats! When you change a thermostat it affects the environment, as Chris Allende quipped. Our words and actions have weight and power.

As the delegates to the Nebraska Synod Assembly, Rose-Ann Parde, Jody Helton and I prepare for June 2-4. And we will gather together under a theme from this same Matthew verse: Let Your Light Shine. Please keep the work of the Nebraska Synod Assembly in your prayers, especially as a new Bishop is elected. For information on the Bishop's Election and candidates, go to <https://nebraskasynod.org/news-events/synod-assembly-2022/bishops-election/>

In Christ's mission that we share,

Pastor Kathee



MATT 25 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED!

Four \$500 Matt 25 Scholarships have been awarded this year.

- The first 2021 Holy Cross Matt 25 \$500 Scholarship has been awarded to Brookelynn Bahnsen.. Brookelynn plans to study elementary education and start her college career at Southeast Community College. She is the daughter of Kyle and Kim Bahnsen.
- The second \$500 scholarship has been awarded to Ian Scheele. Ian plans to study special education at Nebraska Wesleyan University. He is the son of Justin and Dina Scheele.
- The third recipient is Chelsea Leners. Chelsea plans to study physical therapy at the University of Nebraska-Omaha. She is the daughter of Laurie Leners and Scott Leners.
- The fourth recipient is Bryce Jensen. Bryce plans to study elementary education starting at Southeast Community College. She is the daughter of Mindi Higgins and Todd Jensen.

We pray that the Lord bless these young people, and all graduates, on their journeys. Angie Vogel and the Middle School Sunday School class would like to thank our entire congregation for their support and contributions to the Matt 25 Scholarship. Without all of your help, we would not be able to make these scholarships happen. We plan to continue this good work next year, as well!

For I was *hungry* and you gave me food,
I was *thirsty* and you gave me something to drink,
I was *a stranger* and you welcomed me.
MATTHEW 25:35



TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY

Let your Faithbuilder teacher know you appreciate her on Sunday, May 1, at the 9:00 a.m. worship service!

Our Parish Ed (Sunday School and Confirmation) teachers this past year were:
Faithbuilders— Natalie Coffin, Toni Janzen, Jackie Nielsen, Angie Vogel
Confirmation—Pastor Kathee, Mary Schuster -Graff

May 1 will be the final day of Sunday School until next fall.



SYDNEY MAE BRAUER was confirmed on Sunday, April 10, at St Paul's Lutheran Church (DeWitt). Her parents are Zachary and Natalie Coffin and Brian and

Nicole Brauer. Her sponsors are Kylie Christensen and Lori Kapke. Sydney's confirmation verse is Psalm 37:24 "Though they stumble, they will never fall, for the Lord holds them by the hand."

SOUND AND STREAMING SYSTEM

UPDATE: The contracts have been signed with Yandas Pro Audio and Video of Kearney. The down payment has been made. A second camera was added to the project since it was more budget friendly to add the camera now and avoid price increases and additional labor costs. **Installation is expected to begin May 2.** \$27,419.28 of the \$40,000 goal has been raised from donations, memorial gifts, Sunmart funds and Thrivent Choice Dollars. Thank you to everyone who has donated toward this project. The balance will be due upon completion of the project, so additional donations are needed. Envelopes are available in the narthex for those who would like to donate toward the project.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Thank you to the ladies who helped serve the rolls, coffee, and juice on Easter morning. Thank you to all who helped clean the kitchen on April 25. The ladies served at the Teacher, Graduate, and Matt 25 Scholarship Recognition on May 1. The four graduates each received a blanket made by the quilting ladies. Spring Gathering will be Saturday, May 21, in Lincoln at the U of N Lutheran Center. Registration forms and information sheets are in the narthex. The In-Kind offering will be small items that you use in your kitchen to be assembled into kitchen kits for Bridges to Hope Prison Ministry. Please bring items such as spatulas, rubber scrapers, potato peelers, paring knives, pot holders, dish towels, can openers, measuring spoons and cups, etc. and place them in the Bridges to Hope Basket in the narthex. Gently used items are welcome also!



Sheryl Harrington
WELCA President

Calendar: May 1, 2022- Graduate, Teacher, and Matt 25 Scholarship Recognition

May 9, 2022 – Hope Circle – 10:00 am

May 11, 2022 – Blanket Sewing – 9:00-3:00

May 21, 2022 – Spring Gathering, Lutheran Center, University of Nebraska Campus, Lincoln

August 15, 2022 – WELCA Board Meeting – 7:00 pm

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CONGRATULATIONS TO JODY BURES-HELTON who was installed at Zion United Church of Christ in Talmage, NE on Sunday, April 3. May you find joy and satisfaction in your ministry!



THANK YOU to everyone who helped assemble Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits and those

who donated items. 96 kits were put together and will be donated to Lutheran World Relief who distributes them to those in need around the world.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: You are invited to enjoy an informational evening **Wednesday, May 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Zion Lutheran, Pickrell** with guest speaker, Amber Lovitt, Executive Director CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Gage County for abused and neglected children hosted by Zion's WELCA. Amber recruits, trains and mentors volunteers who are appointed by the County Judge to gather information. These children are in the court system of no fault of their own but due to abuse and neglect. They offer training services and supplies to the community to help children and families thrive together. Area churches have been invited as well, so please bring a friend. Refreshments will also be served.

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. 26 items were donated to the Food Pantry in March and 22 in April.

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 \$112,946.00.

Recycling at Holy Cross

Item	Proceeds	Collection Area	Where to Recycle
Waste generated at home that may be brought to Holy Cross to be Recycled			
Aluminum cans	Proceeds to Youth	Containers outside and in basement	Beatrice Iron and Metal
Cell phones	None	Recycling center in narthex	Hope Crisis Center
Plastic sacks	None	Recycling center in narthex	Taken to people that are crocheting mats
Ink Cartridges	Proceeds to Youth	Recycling center in narthex	Shipped to company in PA
Waste generated at Holy Cross that is Recycled			
Batteries - Rechargeable	None	Recycling center in narthex	Batteries Plus
Cardboard	None	Remove all packing. You can recycle plastic and paper packing separately. Discard styrofoam.	Beatrice Recycling Trailers
Light bulbs and ballasts - any kind	None	Small light bulbs (any type) go to the Recycling center in the Narthex. Fluorescent Tubes go to the Work Room.	Batteries Plus
Glass	None	Rinse and put lids back on	Lincoln Recycling Trailers
Paper	None	Recycling containers in each office, narthex, and work room. Custodian will dump recycling containers from offices into the recycling container in the Work Room.	Beatrice Recycling Trailers
Paper - from shredder	None	Sandy will place in a brown paper bag	Lincoln Recycling Trailers
Plastic containers	None	Recycling container in kitchen entrance	Beatrice Recycling Trailers
Plastic - Flexible	None	Recycling center in narthex	Walmart
Steel cans	None	Recycling container in kitchen entrance	Beatrice Recycling Trailers



MAY BIRTHDAYS

(If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let the church office know. Thank you.)

May 1	Larry Wolken
May 5	Kirsten Baete
May 8	Cecilia Dunker
	Alysia Karlin
May 9	Aaron Nielsen
May 10	Rebecca Behrends
	Ina Jurgens*
	Rick Koenig
May 12	Jackie Nielsen
	Chandra Vitosh
May 17	Steve Smith
	Bentley Wolken
May 18	Chris Baete
May 21	Braxton Gartner
	Matthew Griffith
	Willy Hofeling*
	Alex Ideus
May 24	Glennys Lienemann
May 28	Ken Sillman
May 29	Morgan Nielsen
May 30	Deb Forke
May 31	Raven Mann
	CJ Wehrbein

Special Birthday Greetings to:

Ina Jurgens who will be 95 on May 10..... and to Willy Hofeling who will be 89 on May 21.

God's blessings to you both—may you have a happy & healthy year!



MAY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

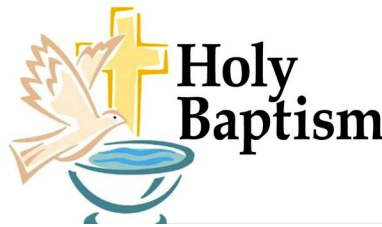
5- 1-1982	Ken & Lillian Fritch
5- 7-2004	Roger & Helen Huls
5- 8-1960	Burley & Genell Copas
5- 9-1981	Richard & Carol Fielder
5-16-1992	Jon & Teri Zimmerman
5-23-1965	Robert & Joyce Haecker
5-26-2007	Grant & Sara Buss
5-27-1972	Jay & Susan Kreft

Those celebrating 25, 50, 60 and above years!

CONGRATULATIONS to Burley & Genell Copas who will celebrate their 62nd Wedding Anniversary on May 8!

CONGRATULATIONS to Jay & Susan Kreft who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on May 27.

God's blessings to you—may you have many more happy and healthy years together!



SACRAMENT OF HOLY

BAPTISM: Riley Grace Ideus, daughter of Alex & Cortney Ideus, was welcomed into the family of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

on Easter morning, April 17. Riley was born September 28, 2021 in Lincoln, Nebraska and her sponsors are Austin & Jacqui Hendrickson, Adam Ideus, and Dusty Hendrickson. God's blessings to you and your family, Riley!



OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Dennis Byars who passed away April 14, 2022. Dennis' funeral was at St. John on Tuesday, April 19. We commend Dennis to God's care and ask His blessings on his family and friends.



JUNE 29, 6:30 P.M.
HOLY CROSS FELLOWSHIP HALL
Cooking for 1 or 2: No-Waste
Meals Made Easy
 with Tara Dunker, Extension Educator in
 Gage County

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Donna Johnson who passed away Tuesday, April 5. We also extend our sympathy to the family of Tara Southwick, Donna Johnson's granddaughter, who passed away March 24. We commend Donna and Tara to God's care and ask His blessings on their 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 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 402-806-0376 or ask the Pastor. Thank you for your ministry!

Saturday, April 30

Ushers/Greeters: Berlita Grell, Norma Huls
Reader: Denny Russell; Communion: Tom Karlin

Sunday, May 1

Greeters: Ferdie & Vi Kimminau
Ushers: Ryan & Angie Vogel family
Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Gene & Austin Wolken
Reader: Sheryl Harrington; Communion: Angie Vogel
Facebook Videographer: Larry Cole

Saturday, May 7

Ushers/Greeters: Sally Diekman, Beth Dunker
Reader: Beth Dunker; Communion: Gail Russell

Sunday, May 8

Greeters: Elsie Otto, Lanny Ropers
Ushers: Bill & Rebecca Behrends
Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Stacie Bruns, Kylie Belt
Reader: Bill Behrends
Communion: Rebecca Behrends
Facebook Videographer: Terri Huls

Saturday, May 14

Ushers/Greeters: Berlita Grell, Adonna Otto
Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Sunday, May 15

Greeters: LaVerne & Shirley Wolken
Ushers: Larry & Dianne Cole
Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Natalie Coffin & Chloe
Reader: Natalie Coffin
Facebook Videographer: Jackie Rinne

Saturday, May 21

Ushers/Greeters: Glennys Lienemann, Norma Huls
Reader: Berlita Grell

Sunday, May 22

Greeters: Burley & Genell Copas
Ushers: Robert & Joyce Haecker
Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Kodi & Misty Higgins family

Reader: Burley Copas

Facebook Videographer: Dallen Johnsen

Saturday, May 28

Ushers/Greeters: Duane & Inez Trauernicht

Reader: Denny Russell; Communion: Inez Trauernicht

Sunday, May 29

Greeters: Dorothy Hofeling, Barb Scott

Ushers: Terri Huls, Karen Jobman

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Steve & Toni Janzen

Reader: Sheryl Harrington; Communion: Terri Huls

Facebook Videographer: Larry Cole

Saturday, June 4

Ushers/Greeters: Sally Diekman, Beth Dunker

Reader: Denny Russell

Communion: Beth Dunker

Sunday, June 5

Greeters: Gloria Paben, Rondi Mettscher

Ushers: Aaron & Jackie Nielsen

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

Reader: Janet Byars

Communion: Kendall Hein

Facebook Videographer: Terri Huls

Saturday, June 11

Ushers/Greeters: Duane & Inez Trauernicht

Reader: Rose-Ann Parde

Communion: Inez Trauernicht

Sunday, June 12

Greeters: Alex & Cortney Ideus family

Ushers: Gloria Paben, Terri Huls

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Steve Rippe, Shirley Wiens

Reader: Gloria Paben

Communion: Terri Huls

Facebook Videographer: Jackie Rinne

Saturday, June 18

Ushers/Greeters: Norma Huls, Glennys Lienemann

Reader: Berlita Grell

Sunday, June 19

Greeters: Lanny Ropers, Elsie Otto

Ushers: Darrell & Jackie Rinne

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

Reader: Richard Schnaidt

Facebook Videographer: Dallen Johnsen

Saturday, June 25

Ushers/Greeters: Ken & Deb Sillman

Reader: Gail Russell

Communion: Tom Karlin

Sunday, June 26

Greeters: LaVerne & Shirley Wolken

Ushers: Bill & Rebecca Behrends

Door Greeters/Ass't Ushers: Stacie Bruns, Kylie Belt

Reader: Bill Behrends

Communion: Rebecca Behrends

Facebook Videographer: Larry Cole

MARCH 2022 TREASURER'S REPORT

Sandy Mahler, Treasurer

2022	March	Year to Date
Income	\$15,664.77	\$39,983.52
Expenses	\$14,475.04	\$41,552.06
Balance	\$1,189.73	-\$1,568.54

2022 General Operating	Balance Forward	Income	Transfer in	Transfer out	Expense	Monthly Balance	YTD Balance
JANUARY	\$0.00	\$10,251.23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,981.80	-\$2,730.57	-\$2,730.57
FEBRUARY	-\$2,730.57	\$14,067.52			\$14,095.22	-\$27.70	-\$2,758.27
MARCH	-\$2,758.27	\$12,664.77	\$3,000.00		\$14,475.04	\$1,189.73	-\$1,568.54

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.

With deep gratitude we thank all who support Christ's mission at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Our ministry continues to make a difference in the world by supporting so many ministries locally, nationally and around the world. There are many ways to give:

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ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Regular Offering</u>	<u>Faithbuilders Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>
Mar. 26/27	22-45	\$1337.69	5	\$10.00
March 30	36	\$240.00 (Midweek Lent Service)		
April 2/3	14-42	\$2212.69	5	\$10.00
April 6	44	\$370.00 (Midweek Lent Service)		
April 9/10	15-42	\$2212.69	5	\$10.00
April 14	33	\$317.00 (Maundy Thursday)		
April 15	37	\$315.00 (Good Friday)		
April 16/17	25-21-113	\$3605.50-Regular, \$1847.00 Easter		
April 23/24	17-45	\$1227.00	5	\$10.00

Other offerings/donations include: Benevolence-\$205.00, Holy Cross only-\$615.00, Ukraine-\$135.00, U.S. Tornadoes-\$20.00, Camp-\$10.00, Youth (Cans)-\$42.40, Sound & Streaming System-\$1305.00, March Noisy Offering (Mother to Mother Ministry)-\$36.23, Matt 25 Donations/Lenten Supper-\$466.00, Ukraine Lenten Supper-\$287.00, Easter Lilies-\$126.00, Facilities Use-\$50.00, Food Pantry-\$5.00, Reimbursement-\$76.59, April Noisy Offering (Iain Nicolson Audubon Center at Rowe Sanctuary)-\$128.59

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.

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!

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THRIVENT MEMBERS are now eligible to use the Thrivent online giving platform, under the Thrivent Choice link, to make your regular donations to Holy Cross. Thrivent pays the donation processing fees—that means 100% of your donation goes directly to Holy Cross.



Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Council Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2022

Council Present: Tom Karlin, Kodi Higgins, Bill Behrends, Dallen Johnsen, Pastor Kathee Forrest, Inez Trauernicht. Absent: Ryan Vogel

Council meeting called to order at 7:05 by Tom Karlin

A. Opening Devotions by Pastor Kathee "A Colorful Mosaic"

B. Agenda

A motion was made by Bill B. and seconded by Kodi H. to approve the agenda. Motion was approved. A motion was made by Dallen J. and seconded by Bill B. to approve the February 10 council meeting minutes. Motion was approved.

C. Pastor's Report

1. A motion was made by Tom K. and seconded by Kodi Higgins to approve Eugene and Donna Rosenthal for membership. Motion was approved.
2. Megan Morrow will be our supply Pastor on Aug. 27/28.

D. Information

Treasurer's report was presented by Kodi H. Tom K. made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Inez T. Motion was approved. \$3000 will be moved from the over/short from previous years to the checking account. The motion was made by Kodi H. and seconded by Tom K. The motion was approved.

E. Committee Reports

Stewardship, Nominating, Worship, Mutual Ministry-No report. Evangelism-Joyful Steps has started, led by Dallen and Nancy Johnsen. About 13 people have been attending. Facebook is doing good. Property-sink drains cleaned by Wrightsman Plumbing.

F. Financial Report

1. Accompanist pay for service and practice will be \$62.50. The motion was made by Dallen J. and seconded by Bill B. Motion was approved.
2. \$300 of Chuck Brown Memorial money will go to the Confirmation Camp Fund for Confirmation Camp this summer. Tom K. made the motion to approve it and it was seconded by Bill B. Motion was approved.
3. Constellation gas prices are going up in May from .4710 to .8079. Calling Black Hills to see if we can get a better deal.

G. Unfinished Business

1. Worship back to normal.
2. Playset to be set up in spring.
3. Sound/Video system to be installed after Easter.

H. New Business

1. Streaming services, looking to set up a Youtube account. Dallen J. checking into it.
2. Values/Hospitality- Emmaus learning opportunity with Brian Maas at 1:30 on March 29.
3. Sales Tax was discussed.

I. Adjournment and Closing with the Lord's Prayer

Tom K. made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a second from Dallen J. Adjourned at 8:15. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Inez Trauernicht
Council Secretary

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 Sandy Mahler-smahleris@gmail.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 GRADUATE & MATT 25 SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION, TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Faithbuilders, Reception 10:30 a.m. Adult Education	2	3 10:00 a.m. Joyful Steps	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
8 MOTHER'S DAY 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Adult Education	9 7:00 p.m. Hope Circle	10 10:00 a.m. Joyful Steps 6:00-7:00 p.m. Confirmation	11 9:00-3:00 Blanket Sewing	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 NO WELCA Board Meeting	17 10:00 a.m. Joyful Steps	18	19 9:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship @ Country Cookin' 8:15 p.m. N.A.	20 8:00 p.m. N.A.	21 WELCA Spring Gathering 6:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship
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A mother's prayer

Make me a wise mother, O Lord. Keep me calm and give me patience to bear the small, irritating things in the daily routine of life. Give me tolerance and understanding to bridge the gulf between my generation and that of my children.

Let me not be too ready to guide my children's stumbling feet, but allow me to be ever near to bind their bruises. Give me a sense of humor that I may laugh with them but never at them. Let me refrain from preaching with words.

Keep me from forcing their confidences, but give me a sympathetic ear when my children come to me. Make me humble. Keep my children close to me, O Lord, though miles may separate us. And let your light so shine upon me that they, too, will perceive your glory. Amen.

—St. Philip Episcopal Church, Rochester, Minnesota



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A Memorial Day Prayer

We remember, O Lord, all those men and women who have made the supreme sacrifice for our country. Do not let us breathe the air of freedom or claim the right to justice or enjoy the privilege of worship without remembering with great gratitude those who gave the last full measure of devotion - their very lives - for our benefit. May they now know the peace of eternity and the joy of your presence. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.