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Weekly Announcements

Week of January 28, 2018

Sunday worship times are 8:30 & 11 a.m.

Education hour begins at 9:45 a.m.

Worship

NEW—CONGREGATION FINANCE MEETING – JANUARY 28 AT 9:45 A.M. IN THE MISSION HALL

All households are encouraged to join us at the Congregation Meeting, January 28 at 9:45 a.m. in the Mission Hall. At this meeting we will share how we finished our year in 2017 and the income and budget plans for 2018. We will also be getting an update on the Senior Pastor Call Process and upcoming ministry happenings.

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP – JANUARY 28

What happens isn't what effects your relationships most; how you respond is. God's wisdom through St. Paul: Notice what's good. Be Generous With Compliments. Why? How? Because God has done this for you...while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. To prepare for worship read Romans 5:1-8 and Philippians 4:1, 4 - 9.

NEW—LENTEN WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP MEALS BEGIN ON ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

We will begin our celebration of Ash Wednesday with a free MEAL in the Fellowship Hall – 5:30-6:30 pm. As we worship at 7 pm, we will learn some lessons from Jesus' interactions on the night before His death, when He ate the Passover meal with His disciples. As a day for repentance & grace, worshipers will have the opportunity to receive ashes of repentance & participate in the Lord's Supper of grace.

Bible Study

NEW—TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS – 10:30 A.M.

We are just starting work on Lessons from the Gospel of Luke. Join us for an hour of fellowship, engaging study, and food. While many of our participants are seniors, the class is open to all. We could use some younger blood. We meet 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday.

NEW MEMBER CLASS - JANUARY 28

It's not too late to join our New Member Class on Sunday, January 28, 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. The class will be asked to attend the Congregation Finance Meeting on Sunday. This is for anyone interested in joining Holy Cross or simply learning more about our church. Topics include the Bible, Baptism, Lord's Supper, worship, and others. Members are welcome to take the class as a "refresher." Contact Pastor Peck at pastorpeck@holycrossjenison.org or the church office with any questions.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS MILESTONE

The First Communion preparation classes will be offered beginning on Sunday, February 4, 11, 18 & 25. All four classes are scheduled during the education hour (9:45 a.m.) for Fifth graders and their parents. These classes are also open to other teens and their parents who haven't yet taken these preparation classes and desire to receive Communion. Students will take their First Communion on March 4, 2018 at the 11 a.m. service. Contact DCE Jim Hueseman, dcejim@holycrossjenison.org, to register (anyone other than 5th graders) or if you have any questions.

MEN'S FRIDAY MORNING BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY – 6:30 – 7:45 A.M.

If you are a man and are looking to start a new habit of digging into God's word on a regular basis you are invited to join us every week. We will be studying Psalm 119 where we will look at the times God feels distant, His Word dry, and the vibrant intimacy we knew before seems absent leaving us wondering, "Where is the Lord in This?" In this series we will be using a video curriculum from nationally recognized Pastor Matt Chandler as our launching point. Check out this trailer for our series [here](#). If you plan to attend please contact DCE Jim at dcejim@holycrossjenison.org for the passcode to the security door.

Serve

NEW—FOOD TRUCK 2017 STATISTICS (STATS PROVIDED BY FEEDING AMERICA OF WEST MI.)

Holy Cross Lutheran Church provided 61,489 pounds of food to our local community which equates to 51,200 meals. We spent \$4,366 at Feeding America of West Michigan equating to an approximate retail value of \$133,431!

NEW—GET CONNECTED – FIND WHERE YOU FIT

Did you know it takes approximately 40 volunteers for our Worship Service each Sunday?! Please join us in being a part of our Sunday Worship Team by joining our team as an Usher, a Door Greeter, Altar Guild, a friendly face at our Welcome Desk, joining our Church Security Team or being part of our Audio/Visual or Hospitality Team. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Kelli McCready at 457-2420 or emailing kmccready@holycrossjenison.org.

ATTENTION WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS – PLANNING CENTER ONLINE (PCO) NEW INFORMATION

If you are serving as a volunteer for our worship services, please complete your PCO profile with all your current information and block out any dates you are unavailable. We ask you to **please respond promptly** when you are scheduled for a worship service. If you should have questions, or need help setting up your profile, please contact Kelli McCready at kmccready@holycrossjenison.org or by calling the church office at 457-2420.

Connect

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT – FEBRUARY 3

Attention Holy Cross Young Families: The Nursery will be offering Parent's Night Out on Saturday, February 3, from 4 p.m. -8 p.m. ***For children 2-10 years *Space is limited!** \$10.00 per child. Pre-payment is required. Pizza and snack will be provided along with a Bible story, craft, and special activities. For more information - sign-up at our [website](#).

For Your Information

NEW—WEST MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SCHOOL – FUEL THE FLAME

The light of Christ fuels the flame at West Michigan Lutheran. For 14 years, God's grace and the generosity of donors has helped "Fuel the Flame", providing a Christ-centered education for countless students in West MI. WML has now expanded serving grades 7 thru 12 to impact more lives for the future. Your partnership with WML will continue the mission. If you are interested in pledging to Fuel the Flame – Carry the Torch into the Future, please contact the school at 616-455-2200 or visit their website at www.wmlhs.org. WML is a 501©3 organization. Donations are tax-deductible to extent allowed by law.

HOLY CROSS FOUNDATION – OPEN GRANT CYCLE

We are so blessed for this opportunity to serve Christ's Kingdom. [Click here](#) to apply for a Grant supporting Community Outreach, Missions and Christian Education, or scholarship for future professional church workers attending an LCMS College or Seminary. Up to \$8,000 available. Grant applications are due February 28, 2018.

DAILY SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL & CHILD CARE CENTER – A CHERISHED MINISTRY OF HOLY CROSS

Enrollment for Holy Cross members and current Daily Shepherd families began Tuesday, January 2 for Summer 2018 and School Year 2018-2019. Enroll by January 31, and we will waive your enrollment fee (a \$45 savings). We provide a loving, secure Christian atmosphere where children can develop body, mind, and spirit. For ages 2 ½ (potty-trained) through 12. For more information or to set up a tour please stop by or call Molly at (616) 457-1780.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

For cancellations due to inclement weather, please check the Holy Cross Lutheran Church website, www.holycrossjenison.org, our Holy Cross Jenison Facebook page, and your local TV station.

- Evening programs – cancellations will be posted on our website by 4 p.m. and an e-mail will be sent out to our e-communications group. (Please note our decision to cancel evening programming is no longer connected to Jenison Public Schools.)
- Sunday morning worship services – cancellations will be posted on our website by 7:30 a.m.