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# Weekly Announcements

Week of April 15, 2018

**Selah – an evening of praise + prayer - April 15 @ 7 p.m.**

**Worship Services are 8:30 & 11 a.m.**

**Education Hour is 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.**

## Worship

### **NEW**—CONCORDIA LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND

Sometimes we have to wait for blessings and sometimes they just fall in your lap. We've had one fall in our lap this weekend. The Symphonic Band from Concordia Lutheran High School in Fort Wayne, IN is on tour in Michigan and had a last minute opening. We've welcomed them to make a stop on their Spring Tour here in Jenison. They are offering a free concert at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 14th, at 7:00 pm. The band will also play at both services on Sunday Morning, April 15<sup>th</sup> (8:30 and 11am). Led by Director Adam Friedrich, this band has a history of excellence in their music programs, consistently earning Division I at state solo and ensemble festivals and showing a passion for sharing one of God's greatest gifts--music. Bring a few friends and come support these talented musicians on Saturday at 7pm and during worship on Sunday morning.

### **NEW**—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP – APRIL 15

We probably wonder at times why the almighty and sovereign God, Who loves us with unfathomable love, seems to be absent. He isn't doing things the way we envision He should. Yet the Bible reminds us — teaches us — that God works out all things for good and that He truly "can do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine." To prepare for worship read Ephesians 3:14-21, Matthew 9:27-31, and Luke 24:13-25.

### **NEW**—SELAH (A NIGHT OF PRAISE + PRAYER) APRIL 15 AT 7 P.M.

Come join us April 15 for a night of prayer, praise, and interactive stations in the Mission Hall at 7pm. This Selah will be focused on the Resurrection. We hope this time, to pause & reflect before you begin another week, will allow you to re-focus on Who it's all about – JESUS!

### **CURRENT SERMON SERIES – "DOUBT IT?"**

Join us Sunday as we start a new series: "Doubt It?". We all face doubt in our lives. Doubt can lead to fear, questioning what God can do, whether He'll do it for me, or can He use me? We'll show you beyond a shadow of a doubt how Jesus leads us through doubt into greater trust in Him.

### **UPDATE ON THE SENIOR PASTOR CALL PROCESS**

We have great news to share! This week we received a listing of pastors from our District President, Dr. Maier. The individuals on the list all meet our pastoral experience and leadership skills criteria. We have begun contacting them to determine their availability to participate in the next step of our call process - initial interviews. Your Call Committee members have prepared themselves well and are ready to meet over the next few weeks and conduct the interviews. We will appreciate your prayers of support as we learn more about these men and their potential to serve as our Senior Pastor. On behalf of the Call Committee - Frank Novakowski, Chair.

### **CONFIRMATION IS SUNDAY, APRIL 29 AT 11:00 A.M.**

Nineteen 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will confirm the faith begun at their baptism and seek God's help for a lifetime of faithfulness at the 11:00 a.m. service!!

## Bible Study

### **NEW**—CHANGE IN BIBLE STUDY ROOMS FOR PASTOR JIM'S ADULT BIBLE CLASS ON APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>

Pastor Jim's adult bible class will meet in the Conference Room #302 this Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Our high school youth and Concordia Lutheran High School youth will be using the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

### **NEW**—TUESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR JIM

We are looking at lessons from the Gospel of Luke. On April 17, we will be exploring the "glory of God." What is it? Do we see it? Do we experience it? Do we have it? What difference does it make? Join us for enlightenment, challenges, fellowship, and food. We meet on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

### **CONFIRMATION WITNESS DAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 22 AT 9:45 A.M.**

Once again it is time to celebrate the confirmation of faith for a wonderful group of 8<sup>th</sup> graders. This year we are inviting all members to participate in "**Confirmation Witness Day**" during Education Hour on Sunday, April 22, in the Narthex. Each 8<sup>th</sup> grader has designed a colorful display to share their personal faith story with everyone at Holy Cross. Please come by and visit with all students and see the unique way that each will share his/her love for Jesus and their desire to continue growing in faith as a disciple of Jesus at Holy Cross. **Confirmation Sunday** is April 29, at the 11:00 a.m. service.

### **SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUP: NEW STUDY, NEW ROOM**

Join this caring group for "Luke—Gospel of Reassurance" as they meet in the "Resource Room" (just off the narthex between the coat rack and the main worship entrance). Take a fascinating journey through the lands of the New Testament as host Michael Card examines the gospel of Luke and stirs your imagination with insights into the life of Christ. Explore the historical and social context in which this gospel was written. Discover in this 8-lesson interactive study how God used the research skills of Luke, a doctor who lived when Jesus did, to communicate the amazing life and teachings of Jesus.

### HOLY CROSS MEN'S MINISTRY - FAITH ON TAP

For two more Wednesdays in April (4.18 & 4.25) 8-9 pm, men from Holy Cross and your friends are invited to gather at White Flame Brewery (5234 – 36<sup>th</sup> Ave., Hudsonville) to discuss how life and faith come together. Come join a conversation and find support as we seek to be men who follow Jesus. Questions – email Jim at [dcejim@holycrossjenison.org](mailto:dcejim@holycrossjenison.org)

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## Serve

### FOOD TRUCK & PANCAKE BREAKFAST – COME VOLUNTEER!

Our next Food Truck & Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, April 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for those in our community. Volunteers are needed in many areas of service – helping with the truck (i.e. unloading food, unpacking food, greeters, helping our guests etc.); Pancake Breakfast (i.e. cooking and kitchen help), and people who are willing to listen, care and share Jesus! The time commitment for all volunteers is 8:30 a.m. to approximately 1:00 p.m. For more information or to volunteer your time, contact Kelli McCready at [kmccready@holycrossjenison.org](mailto:kmccready@holycrossjenison.org) or call 457-2420. **We now allow children age 5 & up to serve with a parent.** You won't want to miss this day of serving with love, in the name of Christ.

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## Connect

### CO-ED & MEN'S SOFTBALL – TIME TO SIGN-UP – SEE THE DISPLAY IN THE NARTHEX

Men and women (age 18+) of Holy Cross come enjoy softball and get to know some more people from your church. Sign up at the table in the Narthex or by contacting the church office. Men's softball is Monday nights and Co-ed is Wednesday or Thursday nights. Season starts May 30<sup>th</sup> and runs for 9 weeks. The cost is \$25 + the jersey.

### FAMILY NIGHT – APRIL 20

All Sunday School families are invited to participate in our April 20<sup>th</sup> Family Night from 6pm-8:30 p.m. Please join us for fun & fellowship. This is a FREE event for families and we will enjoy dinner, activities and a relaxed atmosphere. For more information, please contact Children's Ministry Coordinator, Heather Pytlowanyj at [heatherp@holycrossjenison.org](mailto:heatherp@holycrossjenison.org) Or to sign up go to this link, <http://holycrossjenison.org/familynight>

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## For Your Information

### NEW – MEETING NOTICE

- Daily Shepherd Board meets on Monday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room.
- Foundation Board meets on Thursday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Resource Room.

### NEW – WELCOME NEW NURSERY STAFF

Please join us in welcoming Nursery Assistant, Hannah Tuinman and Nursery Leader, Allison Burke to our Nursery team. Thank you for your ministry in caring for our youngest members.

### NEW – THANK YOU FROM MARGE SCHMULDT

Thank you to my Holy Cross family. Thank you to Pastor Eggert & Pastor Peck for their visits, the many prayers, cards, flowers, meals and much love and compassion given to me during my recent surgery and hospitalization. Thanks to everyone, God is good! Marge Schmuldt.

### NEW – THE OUTER VIBE W/ JENISON ORCHESTRA BENEFITTING HAND2HAND

The Jenison High School Orchestras will be performing with professional rock band The Outer Vibe in a benefit concert for the local nonprofit organization Hand2Hand. The organization provides nutritious donated food for children who have a need for it over the weekend by mobilizing volunteers from schools and churches. The Outer Vibe has local roots. Trumpeter Lisa Kacos is a Jenison High School graduate. Sean Zuidgeest and Nick Hosford are both from Rockford. They are based in Nashville, playing concerts across the country. The trio will perform with the Jenison High School orchestra at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at the Jenison Center for the Arts, 8375 20th Ave. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For tickets, visit [jpsarts.org](http://jpsarts.org).

### CAMP CONCORDIA NEWS

Did you know 2 children from Holy Cross will be attending Camp Concordia (the Lutheran overnight children's camp) for a week this summer. For sixty summers, hundreds of parents have trusted Concordia with their children. They'll bring home a growing Christian faith, new-found friends, increased self-confidence and skills, lived-out values, and a suitcase-full of life-long memories! Check out the opportunities available for grades K-12 at [www.campcordia.org](http://www.campcordia.org) or call 616.754.3785 and join us.

### CHURCH EXTENSION FUND NEWS

Planting a seed is all it takes. Each and every seed" invested with the Church Extension Fund (CEF) serves a ministry purpose. These funds help ministries and church workers in the Michigan District while providing financial opportunities for our investors. Learn how you can invest in CEF, contact Mike Reed 460-3933 [golfermike@mail.com](mailto:golfermike@mail.com), call 800.242.3944 or visit [www.mi-cef.org](http://www.mi-cef.org).

### E – GIVING

Electronic Giving is a blessing to many who are trying to stay on top of their church offerings. If you would be blessed by this, consider using the e-giving options provided **here** on our website. If you connect your e-giving directly through your bank account, there are no fees charged to the church. You should know, however, if you use a debit or credit card, the church is charged a \$.45 per transaction fee and 2.75% of the donation. For example, if you make a \$100 contribution through e-giving using a debit or credit card, the church receives \$96.80.