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Week of April 22, 2018

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Selah – an evening of praise + prayer - April 22 @ 7 p.m. Worship Services are 8:30 & 11 a.m.

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

Worship

NEW—CONFIRMATION WITNESS DAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 22 AT 9:45 A.M. IN THE NARTHEX

Once again it is time to celebrate the confirmation of faith for a wonderful group of 8th 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 8th 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.

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP – APRIL 22

Is God really good? If He is, why does so much evil exist? Why do we struggle with heartache, distress, turmoil, pain etc. All of that is a result of evil in the world, perpetrated by the devil and his allies. But God, working in and around His people, enables us to overcome those and come out stronger in faith and perseverance. Yes, God works out all things for good. To prepare for worship, read Romans 8:28-37 & James 1:2-4.

NEW—SELAH (A NIGHT OF PRAISE + PRAYER) RESCHEDULED!!! APRIL 22 AT 7 P.M.

Come join us April 22 for a night of prayer, praise, and interactive stations in the Mission Hall at 7p.m. 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!

NEW—CONFIRMATION IS SUNDAY, APRIL 29 AT 11:00 A.M.

Nineteen 8th Graders will confirm their faith at the 11am service on April 29th. Please come support these maturing followers of Jesus. The service will run normal length. If your schedule permits, plan to stay a little longer to support these 8th graders & their families for the individual blessings that will occur after the sending prayer.

Bible Study

NEW—PASTOR JIM'S SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS – NEW ROOM!!

The Sunday morning Adult Bible Class will now begin to meet in the Conference Room #302. This room is near the church office. Class begins at 9:45 a.m.

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.

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

April 25 from 8-9 pm, men from Holy Cross and your friends are invited to gather at White Flame Brewery (5234 – 36th 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

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 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.

Connect

NEW — PARENT'S NIGHT OUT – MAY 5

Attention Holy Cross Young Families: The Nursery will be offering Parent's Night Out on Saturday, May 5, from 4pm-8pm.*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 & registration, please visit holycrossjenison.org/parentsnightout

NEW—KIDS BIBLE CAMP – REGISTRATION IS OPEN ONLINE!

Save the date – June 18-21, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Our theme this year is **Game On! Gearing up for life's big game.** This week will be filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences for kids 3 years old to entering 6th grade to see, hear, touch, and even taste! Sign up to volunteer or register your kids online at holycrossjenison.org/kbc. Contact Heather Pytlowanyj, Children's Ministry Coordinator with any questions, heatherp@holycrossjenison.org.

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 30th and runs for 9 weeks. The cost is \$25 + the jersey.

For Your Information

NEW—MEETING NOTICE

• Vestry meets on Monday, April 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

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.

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.

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.campconcordia.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, call 800.242.3944 or visit 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.