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Weekly Announcements

Week of April 8, 2018

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

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

Worship

NEW—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.

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP – APRIL 8

Have your doubts ever lead you to doubt about your faith? Is there a role for doubt in the life of a follower of Jesus? Could it even be a healthy role? Today we'll explore the essential role of doubt in the life of a believer and learn to embrace it. To prepare for worship, read James 2:14-26 & John 20:19-31.

NEW—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.

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

Twenty 8th 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!!

DONATIONS OF EASTER FLOWERS

Beautiful flowers remind us of our beautiful risen Savior, JESUS! Thank you to all who donated flowers to beautify our Sanctuary. [Click here](#) to see a printable full list of those that donated flowers. Thank you! HE IS RISEN!

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!

Bible Study

NEW—TUESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS WITH PASTOR JIM

We are looking at lessons from the Gospel of Luke. Join us for enlightenment, challenges, fellowship, and food. We meet on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

NEW—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 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. **Confirmation Sunday** is April 29, at the 11:00 a.m. service.

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUP: NEW STUDY, NEW ROOM – APRIL 8TH

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 three Wednesdays in April (4.11, 4.18 & 4.25) 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

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS – “GOD'S WORD CONFRONTS THE NEWS”

The Adult Bible Class meets every Sunday in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. We look at a current news story and explore how God's word applies to it. Join us for Bible study, conversation, food, and fellowship. It's all free.

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—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.

NEW—KNITTING FOR OTHERS MEETS APRIL 10

We will meet on Tuesday, April 10th at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. Please bring whatever project you are working on. Everyone is welcome to come. If you would like to learn how to knit or crochet, we will teach you. If you have any questions, contact Sue Kerbel or Bev Secor.

FAMILY NIGHT – APRIL 20

All Sunday School families are invited to participate in our April 20th 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 Or to sign up go to this link, <http://holycrossjenison.org/familynight>

For Your Information

NEW—MEETING NOTICE

- Deacon Meeting on Monday, April 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

NEW—ISRAEL TRIP WITH PASTOR LARSEN

This fall Pastor Larsen is leading a trip to Israel from October 9-18 with an optional extension to Petra, October 18-21. There are only 6 openings left. For more information pick up one of the brochures on the ministry table in the Narthex or contact Pastor Larsen at 616-258-8396 or pelpel@sbcglobal.net.

NEW—CAMP CONCORDIA NEWS

Camp Concordia in Gowen MI. has open registration for kids & families to attend their various summer camps offered. Camp Concordia is a recognized service organization of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Go to their website at camconcordia.org to find out more!

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.

HOLY CROSS MENS GOLF LEAGUE – 2018

The League will play on **WEDNESDAY EVENINGS** at **The Meadows Golf Course** located on the campus of Grand Valley State University. The fee is \$340.00 for 16 weeks of golf (includes green fees each week, prizes, and two cook-outs). There is a \$50.00 fee for members of The Meadows. League play will start on Wednesday, April 25 and continue through August 15. (No play on July 4.) Our first tee time will be 5:00 p.m. A signup sheet is now available on the table in the narthex. If you have any questions, call Jack Kelly at 318-6680 jackkelly1@att.net or Mike Reed at 616-460-3933 or email golfermike@mail.com. See you at the first tee!

MARCH MICHIGAN IN TOUCH SUPPLEMENT AVAILABLE ONLINE

The LCMS – Michigan In Touch Online Supplement is available to read online. Go to michiganintouch.com to read March's supplement.

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.