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Weekly Announcements

Week of September 16, 2018

Worship services are 8:30 & 11 am

Education Hour begins at 9:45 am

Worship

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP—SEPTEMBER 16

What do you need to do to be a disciple of Jesus? How do people move from not trusting in Jesus to following Him? Do you know that sometimes the barrier is us, those who already follow Him, and we don't even realize it? Let's see if today, we can turn to following Jesus in such a way that welcomes as many people along as possible. To prepare for worship read Romans 15:1-9a & Matthew 4:18-25.

NEW—NEW MESSAGE SERIES: FOLLOWING JESUS AT HOLY CROSS—STARTING SEPTEMBER 16

How would you like your walk with Jesus to be different a year from now? How does God want our church to grow? Do you know what your next step is...or why you might pick one step over another? Unless we know where we're aiming for, both individually and together, we'll never get there. This series will help us continue focusing our aim. We will look at how Jesus described the mission that He began, which He has now entrusted to us, and the results He intends. We'll let Jesus help us see where he's leading us next...both as individuals and as a church supporting one another in those next steps. Get ready to be both encouraged and challenged to follow Jesus together at Holy Cross.

TEACHER BLESSING ON SEPTEMBER 16

On September 16, at both services, 8:30 and 11 am, we will be offering a special prayer and blessing for all teachers, including Sunday school teachers, and educators. If you are or know a teacher, school administrator, or educator, we want to pray God's blessings on the beginning of a new year!

Bible Study

NEW—PARENT CONNECT CLASS

Parenting at all stages is challenging and often leaves you feeling like you are alone in this journey. We have found at Holy Cross that it is a good thing to gather together with other parents in a similar stage of life to talk about the many challenges of parenting. We would love for you to join us the next three Sundays (Sept. 16, 23, 30) for **Parent Connect**, which will be taking place during the education hour (9:45-10:45 am).

- **Parents of Elementary Students** will meet in the Choir room which is located in the Kids' Zone.
- **Parents of High School and Confirmation students** will meet in the Heritage room, near the church office. Sunday 9/16 we will look at this article "[Building Bridges with your Kids.](#)" Sunday 9/23 we will look at this article "[Help Kids Make Wise Choices.](#)" Sunday 9/30 we will look at this article "[Kids and Screen Time](#)" *Questions?* Contact DCE Jim at dcejim@holycrossjenison.org

MILESTONE MINISTRY—2 YR. OLD STARTING SUNDAY SCHOOL

Starting Sunday School—"Jesus and Me" is an introduction to Sunday School Ministry. Grab your little one's hand and join us in learning bible songs, stories, and prayer. Show your child how important they are to you and to Jesus. 2 yr. old's and their parents meet at 9:45 am in the Nursery. The **Starting Sunday School Blessing for 2 yr. old's and their parents will be this Sunday, September 16 at the 11 am service.** Contact Heather, Children's Ministry Coordinator with any questions, heatherp@holycrossjenison.org.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS LED BY PASTOR LARSEN—BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16

On Sundays September 16, 23, and 30m from 9:45 to 10:45 am, Pastor Larsen will lead a discussion on: "*The Seasons of Our Lives*", studying 3 Biblical heroes: Abraham, Moses, and Paul. Please join us in the Mission Hall for class.

MILESTONE MINISTRY—CONFIRMATION DEDICATION FOR 6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADERS

All 6th – 8th graders and their parents are invited to join us at either the 8:30 or 11:00 service on September 23 for the Confirmation Dedication. At this Milestone, each youth takes a more active role in their faith training through Bible study, service, and community building. Parents continue to be the most influential role model for living a faith-filled life.

TUESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS AT 10:30 A.M.

Adults of all ages are invited to join our Tuesday Morning Adult Bible Class. This bible class meets from 10:30 to 11:30 am in the Conference Room. It will be led by DCE, Jim Hueseman & Dennis Dressler. Come and enjoy a nice time together with friends. Come as often as you are able. See you then!

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our men's early morning bible study meets every Friday morning at 6:30 am in the Fellowship Hall at Holy Cross. Come and be fed by the word, have a great breakfast and a cup of coffee or two. Contact DCE, Jim at 457-2420 to get a door code to get in through the security door. We look forward to seeing you!

Serve

NEW—SHINE THE LIGHT—EDUCATION SUPPORT FOR THE CHILDREN OF HAITI

In the poverty stricken country of Haiti, education is not free. Shine the Light needs your help to make a better life for these students and their families. If you would like to donate to help these students grow in their knowledge and their faith please view this brochure [here](#) for more information.

Connect

RESCHEDULED NEW NIGHT!! FAMILY NIGHT – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 | 6 – 8:30 PM

Come and join us for a family night filled with food, fellowship and fun. We will be grilling hotdogs and playing outside. Come reconnect with other families in the same stage of life. This event is FREE and open to all families of Sunday school age kids. Sign up in the Narthex or online at www.Holycrossjenison.org/familynight Contact Heather Pytlowanyj, Children's Ministry Coordinator, at heatherp@holycrossjenison.org with questions.

KIDS' TIME – TUESDAYS THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR – 10 AM TO 2 PM

ATTENTION parents! Need a break? Our Kids' Time program is designed for the stay-at-home parent/grandparent. It is 4 hours of Christ-centered care every Tuesday for your young kids not yet in school. We accept kids from 18 months through 5 years old. We play, learn about Christ and enjoy a craft. This program is \$12/child with discounts offered. Please contact Miranda Daniels, Nursery Coordinator, at mdaniels@holycrossjenison.org if you would like more information.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS (6TH – 8TH GRADERS) FALL 2018 RETREAT

Our fall Confirmation Retreat to Camp Arcadia will be October 5-7! It will be a weekend of growing your faith, making friends and having a great time. The cost for the weekend is \$70. Check out this [information page](#) about the retreat. Students need to register online by [following this link](#). Questions – contact Jim at dcejim@holycrossjenison.org.

For Your Information

NEW—MEETING NOTICE

- Daily Shepherd Board Meeting on Monday, September 17 at 6:30 pm in the Conference Room.
- Foundation Board Meeting on Thursday, September 20 at 7 pm in the Resource Room.

NEW—HCLC STAFFING NEEDS: BOOKKEEPER & FACILITY CARE LEADER

We are hiring a Bookkeeper & Facility Care Leader! For an application for either job opening or if you have any questions, contact Karen Petzold at kpetzold@holycrossjenison.org.

- If Bookkeeping is a skill of yours, pick up a Ministry Description in the Narthex.
- Facility Care Leader will provide oversight and coordination in our Facility Care area. This individual could work a variety of daytime, evening, and/or weekend hours, approximately 18 hours per week.

NEW—STAFFING – YOUTH PRAISE TEAM LEADER - UPDATE

Johanna Dexter will be taking on the additional role of Youth Praise Team Leader beginning October 1. Thank you in advance for your support and encouragement to her in this role. We look forward to the blessing she will be to the High School Youth and our congregation in worship.

NEW—THANK YOU FROM THE FAMILY OF BETTY BARNES

The family of Betty Barnes would like to thank the Holy Cross congregation for the outpouring of love shown at her passing. Thank you to all who sent cards, reached out with words of sympathy, sent flowers, or attended the visitation or funeral. Thank you to the ladies who provided the wonderful luncheon. A special thank you to Pastor Peck for the beautiful funeral service, as well as the hospital visit. Thank you also to Pastor Larsen for the many visits with Mom. We feel blessed to be part of such a loving, compassionate congregation.

NEW—PREFERRED GIFTS LIST – UPDATE!

Thank you to a donor who provided a new desk chair for the Senior Pastor's office. To see what else is needed, check it out on our [website](#) or in the Narthex.

FALL & WINTER KID'S CONSIGNMENT SALE — SEPTEMBER 28 & 29

Holy Cross fall & winter kid's Consignment Sale is Friday, September 28 from 9 am to 3 pm & Saturday, September 29 from 9 am to 1 pm. Gently used maternity, infant thru teenage clothing, toys, electronics, books and more will be at our sale. Proceeds benefit our High School Youth servant event trips. Consigners are much needed!! Are you ready to gather your kid's things and sell? Then this sale is for you! Contact the church office with any questions. Download the seller application & tagging instruction paperwork [HERE](#).

MICHIGAN IN TOUCH ONLINE SUPPLEMENT

The LCMS – Michigan In Touch Online Supplement is available to read online. Go to michiganintouch.com to read the September 2018 supplement.

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND – JOY FILLED INVESTING

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