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# Weekly Announcements

Week of April 14, 2019

# April 14 | ONE Service | 10:15am No education hour on April 14 & 21

# Worship

### NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP | APRIL 14

We will have **ONE worship service** at 10:15am, so everyone can be together to celebrate and participate in Pastor Brian West being installed as Senior Pastor at Holy Cross. There will be no education hour. On Palm Sunday, the people of God came together to celebrate the one that God provided for them--Jesus. Today we get to celebrate that God has provided a new leader to point us to Jesus. We get to be a community of believers on mission! To prepare for worship, read Matthew 21:1-11.

#### MOVING TOWARD THE END OF LENT...TO HOLY WEEK...AND EASTER

As Christians, we know the stories and the outcome. Jesus came to earth to reveal God and His love to us. Jesus – God and man – took the punishment for the sin of the whole world as He underwent God's wrath against our sin. Jesus was raised from death in victory – victory over death, over sin, and the devil. And so, while we prepare and look at our lives of sinfulness with contrite hearts, we know and rejoice that we are forgiven sinners – forgiven because of Jesus' sacrifice and glorious resurrection. We do not need to wait for Easter to rejoice. Rejoice daily in Jesus, who is really the center of life. He is truly our Rescuer. Our worship schedule is this:

- Maundy Thursday: April 18 | 7pm
- Good Friday: April 19 | 7pm
- Easter Morning: April 21 | 7am | 9am | 11am
  - o Easter Breakfast: April 21 | 8-9am

#### CONFIRMATION SUNDAY | APRIL 28 | 11AM

Eleven 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will confirm the faith begun at their baptism and seek God's help for a lifetime of faithfulness at this worship service!! Included during the education hour, on the same morning, will be the 8<sup>th</sup> graders' Witness Day. Each 8<sup>th</sup> grader has designed a creative 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.

# **Bible Study**

NO EDUCATION HOUR ON APRIL 14 & 21

We will have no education hour on April 14 & 21. Thank you!

#### Serve

# NEW—COFFEE MINISTRY | JOIN OUR TEAM!

Do you have the gift of hospitality? Volunteers are needed for our Sunday Morning Coffee Hospitality Team. Full training will be provided. Contact Kelli McCready at kmccready@holycrossjenison.org or by calling the church office at 457-2420.

#### WOMEN'S MINISTRY SERVICE EVENT | APRIL 26 | 6:30-9PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Ladies 14 & up are invited to participate in a service event where women are supporting and helping other women. Our guest speaker for the evening is Deb Ellinger, Director of Elli's House - a LCMS ministry, with a focus on street outreach and a home for women involved in sex trafficking in Detroit. We will partner with them by putting together wellness kits consisting of hygiene products and snacks, and writing notes of encouragement, to provide both physical and emotional support to the women at Elli's House. Suggested donation of \$5 per person. Dessert and drinks will be provided. Sign up in the Narthex or on-line at holycrossjenison.org/serviceevent

#### HIGH SCHOOL & CONFIRMATION STUDENTS SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | MAY 17-18 | CAMP CONCORDIA

We will be going to camp for an overnighter where we will be helping get camp ready for summer campers. Along with the work we will worship, play and eat together with students from other local Lutheran churches. The cost for this event is \$28. Sign up by May 5<sup>th</sup> if you plan to participate. Questions? Contact Jim at dcejim@holycrossjenison.org

## **Connect**

# NEW—Senior Adult Fellowship Luncheon | May 21 | 12noon | Brann's Steakhouse

Join us for our next Adult Fellowship Luncheon at Brann's Steakhouse & Grille in Grandville (immediately following Tuesday Morning Bible Study). Registration is required and can be found at the Welcome Desk in the narthex. Cost: \$10/person. Payment will be taken at the restaurant. Invite your friends, everyone is welcome.

#### FAITH + FITNESS EXERCISE CLASSES | TUESDAYS, 7PM | SATURDAYS, 8:45AM | MISSION HALL

These fitness classes are unique in that each class starts with a devotion, includes many Christian songs, and wraps up with prayer. We unpack the truth of God's promises in the songs—many have found those truths to lead to transformation. God's Holy Spirit is at work in these classes! These are so much more than just physical exercise — we grow physically, emotionally, and spiritually. \$5 drop-in or \$20 bundle for Tuesday's classes and/or \$20 bundle for Saturday's classes.

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | JUNE 17-20 | 6:30-8:30PM

Holy Cross invites children to "Roar VBS: Life is Wild, God is Good". Roar is for kids from **3 years old to entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade**. We need many volunteers entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade to 99 years young to help us. For more information, call/email Heather Pytlowanyj at heatherp@holycrossjenison.org or 616-457-2420. Sign-up online at holycrossjenison.org/vbs

#### HOLY CROSS GOLF LEAGUE SIGN-UPS

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 for 16 weeks of golf (includes green fees each week, prizes, and two cook-outs). There is a \$50 fee for members of The Meadows. League play will start on Wednesday, April 24 and continue through August 21. (No play on June 5 or July 3.) Our first tee time will be 5pm. A signup sheet is now available on the table in the narthex. If you have any questions, call Jack Kelly at 616-318-6680 | jackkelly1@att.net or Mike Reed at 616-460-3933 | email golfermike@mail.com.

### **For Your Information**

# **NEW**—April 14 is the LAST SUNDAY TO ORDER | Easter Flowers Sale

Order Easter lilies, tulips or hyacinths to decorate the sanctuary for our Easter morning celebration! See the display in the narthex for order & payment envelopes. **Cost is \$6 for each**. You may dedicate the flowers in honor of or in memory of someone dear to you. All orders must be received by Monday, April 15.

#### **NEW**—Church Extension Fund News

A good thing to remember, a better thing to do; work with the construction gang, not the wrecking crew! An investment in Church Extension Fund will make you a member of the construction gang. Come and join today! For more information, contact Mike Reed 460-3933 or call 800-242-3944.

#### GOOD FRIDAY TRE ORE SERVICE AT IMMANUEL LUTHERAN | APRIL 19 | 12-3PM

The Seven Last Words of Jesus. A man's last words are often the most significant. You are invited for a series of seven short segments which will focus on the words Jesus spoke from the cross. You may come and go as you are able during this three hour service. This service takes place at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2 Michigan St. NE, in downtown Grand Rapids.

#### **2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

2019 Offering Envelopes are at the Welcome Desk. Thank you for your financial support of the mission and ministries of Holy Cross! Many are blessed by using an electronic/online giving program. Enrollment information for these programs may be found on our website under 'Resources' CLICK HERE.