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Weekly Announcements

Week of April 7, 2019

Worship times are 8:30 & 11am | Education Hour is from 9:45-10:45am

Worship

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP | APRIL 7

When God seems silent, it is unnerving and unsettling, but it should not be unexpected. How would life be different if we considered that silence is a tool that He wisely uses to communicate? What if it's an opportunity for your trust in God to grow? What if silence is one of God's best tools to help you hear? To prepare for worship read, 1 Samuel 28:3-19 & Luke 18:1-8.

INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR PASTOR BRIAN | APRIL 14 | ONE SERVICE AT 10:15AM

We have exciting news to share: Pastor Brian's **installation service** is set for **Sunday, April 14 at 10:15am**. We will have **ONE worship service** that morning 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 that morning and no Selah on the evening. After the service, we will enjoy a catered luncheon. RSVPs for the luncheon are now closed. Please continue to keep Pastor Brian and family, and the congregations of Trinity and Holy Cross in your prayers as God accomplishes His will for us during these transitions.

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:

- Palm Sunday & Senior Pastor Brian's Installation: April 14 | One Service at 10:15am
- Maundy Thursday: April 18 | 7pm
- Good Friday: April 19 | 7pm
- Easter Morning: April 21 | 7am | 9am | 11am
- Easter Breakfast: April 21 | 8-9am

NEW—CONFIRMATION SUNDAY | APRIL 28 | 11AM

Eleven 8th 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 8th graders' Witness Day. 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.

Bible Study

CURRENT SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION HOUR OPTIONS

- **Marriage Conference "A Lifelong Love"** | Mission Hall | Led by Pastor Adam
- **Romans: The Letter That Changed the World** | Conference Room | Led by Jay Fox
- **Narthex Conversation Cards** (Narthex) Casual opportunity to connect with and care for others; cards related to weekly message available on narthex tables to help conversations get started.

NEW—NO EDUCATION HOUR ON APRIL 14 & 21

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

Serve

EASTER CARD MINISTRY | APRIL 7 IS THE LAST SUNDAY

This Easter season, we would like to remember those in our congregation who are unable to join us in worship. There will be a bag for each person, and cards can be placed in the appropriate bag by April 7. At that time, they will be delivered as a gift of love from our congregation. Please see the display in the narthex for a list of names and/or to leave your cards.

FOOD TRUCK & PANCAKE BREAKFAST | VOLUNTEERS NEEDED | APRIL 13 | 10AM-12PM

Volunteers are needed for our upcoming Food Truck & Pancake Breakfast. Areas of service include: helping with the truck (i.e. unloading food, unpacking food, greeters, helping our guests etc.), the 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 8:30am - 1:00pm. For more information or to volunteer your time, contact Kelli McCreedy at kmccreedy@holycrossjenison.org or call 457-2420. **We now allow children age 5 and up to serve with a parent.** You will not want to miss this day serving with love, in the name of Christ.

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 overnigher 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 5th if you plan to participate. Questions? Contact Jim at dcejim@holycrossjenison.org

Connect

FAITH + FITNESS EXERCISE CLASSES | TUESDAYS, 7PM (BEGINNING APRIL 9) | SATURDAYS, 8:45AM (BEGINNING APRIL 13) | 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.

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT | APRIL 13 | 4-8PM

Attention Holy Cross Young families: Our Nursery staff will be offering Parent's Night Out. ***For children 2-10 years *Space is limited!** \$10 per child. Pre-payment is required. Pizza and snack will be provided along with a bible story, craft, and special activities. For more information & questions please contact Heather Pytlowanyj, Children's Ministry Coordinator, at heatherp@holycrossjenison.org. To register, please visit holycrossjenison.org/parentsnightout

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 6th grade**. We need many volunteers entering 7th 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 on 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

YOUR THINGS MISS YOU

Did you misplace a coffee mug? A coat? One glove or mitten? Please check the lost and found in the Narthex coat rack (near the restrooms). Anything remaining on April 8 will be donated.

EASTER FLOWERS SALE | NOW THROUGH APRIL 14

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.

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](#).