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# Weekly Announcements

Week of September 1, 2019

# September 1 worship times | 8:30 & 10:15am Church office closed | September 2 September 8 worship times | 8:30 & 11am September 8 Education Hour for everyone | 9:45-10:45am

# Worship

## **NEW**—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP | SEPTEMBER 1

What does acting in love look like? Jesus is praised and held up today as the one whose love knows no bounds. People arrive at this conclusion rightly because He gladly hung out with the outcasts; the ones others shunned and avoided. He offers forgiveness to all who request it no matter how great the sin. However, as John reveals his confrontation with the religious elite, who are ready to execute a prostitute, we learn that He has more than a "you're forgiven" to offer... If we're going to love like He loved, so do we. To prepare for worship, read Romans 8:1-17 & John 8:2-11.

## NEW—CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED | SEPTEMBER 2

In observance of the Labor Day holiday, the church office will be closed Monday, September 2.

## NEW-New Preaching Series "Identity Crisis" | Begins September 8

Most of us, when we hear church, think of a building or something we do for an hour or so on Sunday. But, the church of the New Testament, was a radical community of believers. A community who was on a mission together - the mission of making disciples who could make more disciples. It was a community whose very rhythms were lived together between the temple and the house church. A radical community who endeavored to serve their neighbors well; to bring mercy and care to those in need. It was a radical community on 1 Mission in 2 locations as it invested and lived in 3 relationships. In our upcoming preaching series, **Identity Crisis**, we'll explore the DNA of Christ's New Testament Church and rediscover what it means to BE the church in 21st century America.

## NEW—SELAH {AN EVENING PRAISE & PRAYER} | SEPTEMBER 8 | MISSION HALL | 6PM APPETIZERS POTLUCK | 7PM SELAH

Join us for an appetizer potluck and a night of music at Selah! Come for a part of it or all of it! Bring your best appetizer or tailgate favorite - and a friend! We will see you then!

## FALL SCHEDULE | BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8

Mark your calendars! Education Hour begins for all ages on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:45am, and worship schedule changes to 8:30am (traditional) and 11am (contemporary). Watch the e-announcements for details about the bible class designed for your season of life. Plan to make time for worship and bible study.

# **Bible Study**

## NEW—FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINS SEPTEMBER 6 | 6:30AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Men of Holy Cross & friends, join us at the early morning bible study. 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 it through the security door. We look forward to seeing you!

## NEW—SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS | "BECOMING MORE THAN SPECTATORS" | BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8 | MISSION HALL | 9:45-10:45AM

All adults are invited to attend this bible class on Sunday mornings, which will be led by Pastor Brian. Jesus says some pretty incredible things! Things like, *"Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move."* Things like *"Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise"* to a convicted criminal. But what really blows my mind is this, *"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these..."* WHAT THE WHAT!! Do greater things than Jesus? **Is this what your life is like? Would you like it to be?** There is an expectation in the mind and heart of Jesus, that those who believe in HIM will do, at minimum, WHAT HE DID. We're not called and equipped to just watch the game, but be in the game. WE are called and equipped to be more than spectators. In an age of consumers, Jesus followers are to be producers. This fall, we'll journey with Jesus through Luke's Gospel as we learn what Jesus knew to do what Jesus did.

## MILESTONE MINISTRY - 2 YR. OLD STARTING SUNDAY SCHOOL | SEPTEMBER 8

This milestone ministry is an introduction to the 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. Let's grow in faith together! **The "Starting Sunday School Blessing" for 2 yr. olds and their parents will be September 8 at the 11am service.** Contact Miranda, Nursery Coordinator with any questions, mdaniels@holycrossjenison.org.

## NEW—TUESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS | BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10 | 10:30-11:30AM | CONFERENCE ROOM

Adults of all ages are invited to join our Tuesday Adult Bible Class This bible study is led by church lay leaders. Come and enjoy a nice time together with friends. Come as often as you are able. See you then!

## NEW — MILESTONE MINISTRY – CONFIRMATION DEDICATION FOR 6<sup>™</sup>, 7<sup>™</sup> & 8<sup>™</sup> GRADERS | SEPTEMBER 15 | 8:30AM OR 11AM SERVICE

All 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents are invited to join us 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.

## NEW—New Steps/New Member Class | Begins September 15 | Resource Room #210 | 9:45-10:45am

Join in the class that will help you take your next step in faith. Whether you're a member looking for how to grow in this season of life, a regular guest looking toward membership, or just want assistance in your walk with Jesus, we have options to meet you where you're at and help you take your next steps. Not sure where to start? Please sign up on the welcome center or email Pastor Adam at pastoradam@holycrossjenison.org.

## Serve

#### BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES | HAND2HAND MINISTRY | SEPT. 1 LAST SUNDAY FOR COLLECTION

We are collecting donations of school supplies for our Hand2Hand schools. Click here to see the supply list. They can be placed in the bins under the display. Thank you!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION | CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 8 | 9:45AM

Kids, are you ready to build stronger friendships and develop a deeper faith? Come join us as we learn more about God's word and all the blessings that flow from Him. Parents, we are in need of Sunday School volunteers. There are many different ways you can participate in this wonderful ministry. Look for the registration table in the Narthex or sign-up online at holycrossjenison.org/sundayschool. Contact Heather Pytlowanyj, Children's Ministry Coordinator, at heatherp@holycrossjenison.org with questions.

# Connect

## KIDS TIME | BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

ATTENTION parents! Need a break? Our Kids' Time program is designed for the stay-at-home parent/grandparent. It is 4 hours of Christcentered 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.

## ADULT MINISTRY "PICNIC IN THE PARK" | SEPTEMBER 12 | 11AM | HAGER PARK

Adults, you won't want to miss this fun time of fellowship & good food. Meet at Hager Park (8212—28th Ave. Jenison) & look for the colorful balloons to join us for a picnic in the park! Lunch will be provided. See the display in the narthex to register. In case of inclement weather, we will meet at Holy Cross.

## CONFIRMATION STUDENTS (6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS) FALL RETREAT 2019 | OCTOBER 18-20 | CAMP ARCADIA

Our fall Confirmation retreat to Camp Arcadia is coming soon! We will have a weekend of growing in faith, making friends, and having a great time. The cost for the weekend is \$70. Check out the **information page** about the retreat. To sign-up, please go to **camparcadia.campbrainregistration.com** If you have any questions, contact DCE Jim at **dcejim@holycrossjenison.org**.

# **For Your Information**

## NEW—YOUTH PRAISE TEAM MUSICIANS NEEDED

Are you interested in joining the Youth Praise Team this year? We are looking for vocalists, instrumentalists, and even A/V techs. Please email Johanna Dexter at jdexter@holycrossjenison.org if you'd like to become a part of this great fine arts team!

#### STAFF OPENING: BOOKKEEPER

Do you love numbers, have an attention to detail and desire a flexible, part-time work schedule (approximately 12 hours/week)? If so, please take a look at the Bookkeeper Ministry Description **here** or pick up a copy in the narthex. To apply, contact Karen Petzold at **kpetzold@holycrossjenison.org**.

#### REV ON THE ROAD | SEPTEMBER 13 & 14 | FRONTLINE CHURCH (4411 PLAINFIELD AVE, GRAND RAPIDS)

Men and women...come be encouraged and supported in wellness for your body, mind and spirit. At this Friday evening and Saturday morning wellness event by *Revelation Wellness* ministry, you'll experience the Good News of the Gospel message through worship, bible study and cutting edge fitness. The fitness classes are accessible for every body shape and size and adaptable for every fitness level. It is led by various instructors from around the country and a few right here from Holy Cross. (Also, Pastor Brian & Tim Church will be helping lead the worship). Register and find more information at **revelationwellness.org/rotr** (\$15 entry fee). Sponsored by Holy Cross Women's Ministry. Contact Shawn Smith at **loveydancing@yahoo.com** with any questions.

#### FALL & WINTER KID'S CONSIGNMENT SALE | SEPTEMBER 20 FROM 9AM-3PM | SEPTEMBER 21 FROM 9AM-1PM

Holy Cross fall & winter kid's Consignment Sale is coming soon! Gently used maternity, infant thru teenage clothing, toys, electronics, books and more will be at our sale. Proceeds benefit our summer youth mission 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**.

#### **CHURCH EXTENSION FUND NEWS**

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