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Weekly Announcements

Week of September 8, 2019

September 8 | Worship times | 8:30 & 11am
September 8 | Education Hour for everyone | 9:45-10:45am

Worship

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP | SEPTEMBER 8

Mark your calendars! Education Hour begins for all ages on September 8th at 9:45am, and worship schedule changes to 8:30am (traditional) and 11am (contemporary). Plan to make time for worship and bible study. There is one mission – to make disciples (who can make more disciples) of every nation. Jesus is clear: His plan to make disciples of every nation is to be accomplished by disciples. It is the mission of every single Christian to be a disciple maker. There is no plan B. This is Jesus' only plan to reach the world. He's inviting us to join Him as His kingdom unfolds on earth. To prepare for worship, read Matthew 5:13-16.

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.

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!

Bible Study

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 lesus 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.

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 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.

MILESTONE MINISTRY - CONFIRMATION DEDICATION FOR 6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADERS | SEPTEMBER 22 | 8:30AM OR 11AM SERVICE

All 6th – 8th 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.

FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY | 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!

Serve

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 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.

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.

NEW—FAMILY CONNECT | SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 | 3PM | PIONEER PARK (12™ AVE. IN JENISON)

Come connect with other families at for a dessert social. This event is open to **ALL** families. So, bring a friend, a cousin or a neighbor and enjoy time together. Contact Heather Pytlowanyj, Children's Ministry Coordinator, at **heatherp@holycrossjenison.org** with questions.

For Your Information

NEW—PLASTIC BAGS FOR FOOD PANTRY

Our LOVE, Inc. food pantry, here at Holy Cross, is in need of plastic grocery bags for packing weekly orders. If you have extra to spare & donate to us, please leave them in the church office. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry.

YOUTH PRAISE TEAM MUSICIANS NEEDED

Are you interested in joining the Youth Praise Team this year? We are looking for high school aged 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. (Pastor Brian, Tim Church & Holly Carmichael will be helping lead the worship music). 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.

NEW — 25[™] Anniversary Celebration For Epiphany Lutheran | September 29 | 4pm

You are cordially invited to a special service of thanksgiving to God for 25 years of His blessings at Epiphany Lutheran Church of Dorr, MI. The service will be followed by a meal. If you have any questions, please visit **epiphanydorr.org/anniversary** or call the church office at (616) 681-0791.

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND NEWS

Now is the time of year many parents are filling freshmen pockets or thinking about their student's future plans. How about getting a CEF ExtensionPlusVisa®/ATM Card? Opening an ExtensionPlus Account is a great way to provide savings dollars for college students with easy access to funds. For 18-year-olds, this is a perfect solution. Parents can give college students a fixed budget (there is no credit associated with the card), and the whole family participates in the ministry of Church Extension Fund. Your account will be earning competitive rates of interest while building places for the Gospel of Jesus Christ to be shared. For more information, contact Congregation Representative Mike Reed 460-3933 or call toll-free 800-242-3944.

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