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Weekly Announcements

Week of October 13, 2019

Worship Times | 8:30 & 11am

Education Hour for Everyone | 9:45-10:45am

Selah {an evening of praise & prayer} | October 13 | 6pm Hotdish Potluck | 7pm Selah

Worship

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP | OCTOBER 13

The writer to the Hebrews wants to encourage the church to not neglect the three relationship's Jesus lived – encouraging them to hold unwaveringly to faith, to meet together and to spur one another on toward love and good deeds (To a world in need of love). To prepare for worship read, Hebrews 10:19-25 & Luke 14: 25-35.

NEW—OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH!

Please join us in expressing appreciation and praying for Pastor Brian, Erin & their girls, Pastor Adam, Rachel & their girls, and Pastor Pete & his wife Pat. What a blessing they are to our congregation and community. *The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching.* ~ 1 Timothy 5:17.

SELAH {AN EVENING OF PRAISE & PRAYER} | OCTOBER 13 | MISSION HALL | 6PM HOTDISH POTLUCK | 7PM SELAH

Join us for a night of hot dishes and hymns! Bring your favorite Fall hot dish (casseroles, mac n' cheese, lasagna, etc.) and join us as we sing the historical songs of the church. Come for a part of it or all of it! We will see you then!

NEW—PREACHING SERIES "GIVING IS LIVING" BEGINS OCTOBER 20

Jesus says, *"I have come to bring life and life to the full."* This full life of Jesus is lived out as we join Him in the one mission, in two places, investing in three relationships. Jesus makes this full life possible by giving himself to humanity: to live, to die and to rise again. It's in His GIVING that we find our LIVING. And friends, this is vitally important - that life is primarily about giving and NOT getting. In our upcoming series **Giving is Living**, we'll explore the tension of giving our finances to God and our ability to trust in the midst of it. We'll also use this series to listen to God's whispers on contentment. Join us as we discover what it means to give and live and as we prepare for Commitment Sunday.

PODCASTS ARE HERE!

Now you can take church with you wherever you go! With our new podcast you can download our current bible study *More Than Spectators* and our sermon series, *Identity Crisis*. Listen anywhere to the Gospel that will feed your soul without eating up your data. Check it out now at: <https://holycrossjenison.podbean.com/> or on Spotify.

Bible Study

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY | TUESDAY'S, OCTOBER 15 – NOVEMBER 12 | 7-8PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for a 5-week bible study journeying through the book *"Free of Me: Why Life is Better When it's Not About You"* by Sharon Hodde Miller. We live in a culture that's all about becoming the best "me" I can be instead of becoming like Jesus. This me-centered message affects every area of our lives—our friendships, families, self-image, even our faith—and it negatively impacts each one. The self-focused life robs our joy, shrinks our souls, and is the reason we never quite break free of insecurity. In this 5-part series, this study invites us into a bigger, Jesus-centered vision—one that restores our freedom and inspires us to live for more. Two ways to register: 1) Sign-up table in the narthex after service. 2) Online at holycrossjenison.org.

NEW—MILESTONE MINISTRY 'LEARNING TO PRAY' FOR 4 YEAR OLDS | OCTOBER 27

Parents and 4 year olds are invited to celebrate the gift of prayer when we meet in Room 202 in the Daily Shepherd hallway. In this class your child will learn the importance of prayer. They will also learn to pray throughout the day and at special occasions. They will receive a prayer jar to share with their family. We will celebrate this milestone with a **special blessing at the 11am service** the same day. Please contact Heather Pytlowanyj at heatherp@holycrossjenison.org with any questions.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS | "BECOMING MORE THAN SPECTATORS" | 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.

Serve

MEN'S MINISTRY SERVICE EVENT | OCTOBER 18 | 8AM-2PM

Men from Holy Cross & friends are invited to serve one of our ministry partners – Camp Concordia. We will be working on a variety projects to help with some of the ongoing care of their facilities and grounds. After working in the morning, we will be grabbing lunch together. This will be a great opportunity to serve and enjoy fellowship. Sign up by emailing Jim Hueseman at dcejim@holycrossjenison.org

COLLEGE/MILITARY ADDRESSES NEEDED

Addresses are needed for Care Packages that will be mailed on Wednesday, November 13th to our college and military friends. Please send all addresses to kmccready@holycrossjenison.org or call the church office at 457-2420. If you would like to donate items to include in the packages, donations can be dropped off to the church office by Monday, November 11th.

Connect

NEW—FOOD TRUCK & PANCAKE BREAKFAST | OCTOBER 19 | 10AM-12PM

Join us for our next community Food Truck & Pancake Breakfast. Please share this information with anyone you feel would be blessed by this food-based ministry. Please join us in praying for this special day as we share the love of Christ to those in our community.

55+ ADULT MINISTRY POTLUCK & GAME NIGHT | OCTOBER 26 | 6-10PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Please join us for a potluck and evening of games. After dinner you can enjoy a Euchre tournament, Bunco, or Dominos/Mexican Train. If games aren't something you enjoy, feel free to come for the potluck and fellowship. Sign up in the Narthex by October 20. If your last name begins with A – H, bring a salad or side dish, I – P, bring a hot dish, and Q – Z, bring a dessert. Join us for an evening of fun with your Christian friends at Holy Cross. For more information, contact Karen Fox 616-340-9425, Shirley Kelly 616-667-9990, or Pat Norton 616-607-4455.

For Your Information

THANK YOU!

We are overwhelmed with thankfulness for the team of church friends that have helped to paint the church lobby and hallway area by the Fellowship Hall. The new colors are refreshing and we are blessed by the hardwork. Please take a walk through the church lobby and check out the new blue color on the wall. *"Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth."* 1 John 3:18. Thank you!

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND NEWS

Church Extension Fund has proven investment products with measurable results. Since 1901, CEF has been focused on funding the needs of Michigan District congregations through dedicated Christian financial management. For more information, contact Mike Reed 460-3933 or call 800-242-3944.

DAILY SHEPHERD COLLECTING SPARTAN NASH RECEIPTS

Daily Shepherd is currently collecting SpartanNash receipts (Family Fare, D&W, etc.) for a "Direct Your Dollars" fundraiser. Once \$150,000 in receipts are collected, Daily Shepherd will receive \$1,000 from the SpartanNash organization to be used for classroom and educational materials. Please bring your receipts in and put them in the box on the black table under the Daily Shepherd logo in the education wing of the building. Questions? Call the Daily Shepherd office at 457-1780. Thank you for supporting this important and cherished ministry of Holy Cross!

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.

HAITI WISH LISTS

Holy Cross is excited to support two teams going to Haiti in 2020 to support Nora with her mission work. We have created an Amazon wish list of items needed there. Please help us purchase as many things as possible to aid the people of Haiti. Below is the link to the site. Thank you. Click [HERE](#) to see the list and purchase products.

UNDERGRADUATE VISIT DAYS | CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY-ANN ARBOR

There is no better way to learn about all that a school has to offer than to see it for yourself. Visit Days are an excellent opportunity for you to get an all-inclusive view of life at Concordia, featuring time with current students, professors, coaches, and our admissions team! Plan on 8am-1pm for tours, academic info sessions, and more. [Click here](#) to register for either October 18 or November 16.

GIVEPLUS SMARTPHONE APP | DOWNLOAD TODAY!

Are you blessed by the ease of electronic giving options? You can now manage your tithes and offerings using the GivePlus smartphone app. Make one-time or recurring donations, anytime, anywhere.

PLACING FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR | BEAUTIFYING OUR SANCTUARY

If you would like to remember, honor, or celebrate a loved one or occasion by placing flowers on the altar you can do so by filling out the Altar Flower clipboard on the ministry literature table in the narthex. The cost of each arrangement is \$15.00. Envelopes & the payment box are available on the table for your payment. Any questions contact the church office at 457-2420.

PAPERGATOR RECYCLING

At Holy Cross we have a paper recycling program that the congregation and community can be a part of. Save all your papers, newspapers, & magazines and you can help fill up our green Papergator container. The Papergator program provides funds to help the ministries here at Holy Cross. The Papergator is located on the west side of church by the gate to the playground. Thank you for support!