

Weekly Announcements

Week of October 27, 2019

Worship Times | 8:30 & 11am

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

Worship

NEW—PREPARING FOR WORSHIP | OCTOBER 27

It is not possible to serve both God and money well. You will neglect one while serving the other. This is such challenge in today's culture – since money seems to have all the power. Jesus instructs us to look at power and influence differently...and how it relates to our finances. To prepare for worship read Romans 8:31-39 & Luke 16:1-15.

NEW—Fall Stewardship Campaign Letter & Video

We pray you've received the recent **stewardship letter** & Giving is Living **step chart** in your mailbox or watched the **video** from Pastor Brian. It's an opportunity to discover that the discipline of financial giving leads to greater freedom & contentment. Our opportunity to lay those commitments before the Lord will be November 10.

NEW—SELAH [AN EVENING OF PRAISE & PRAYER} | NOVEMBER 10 | 6PM SOUP POTLUCK | 7PM SELAH | MISSION HALL

Join us for our final Selah of the 2019. Bring your favorite soup and join us as we sing songs of thanks and praise. Come for a part of it or all of it! We will see you then!

NEW—HONORING OUR VETERANS | NOVEMBER 10

We will be honoring our Holy Cross veterans at both worship services. Please contact the church office at office@holycrossjenison.org or 457-2420, if you are a veteran and tell us what branch you served in OR see the Veterans sheet on the Welcome Desk to update our information, if needed. Thank you!

PREACHING SERIES "GIVING IS LIVING"

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 new sermon series, *Giving is Living*. 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

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

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-55+ Adult Ministry | "The Miracle Worker" | November 7 | 7:30pm | Jenison Center of the Arts

A block of seats have been reserved to see the Jenison High School play "The Miracle Worker." The cost is \$8 per person. Please register at the table in the Narthex. Need a ride? Contact Karen Fox for help.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR THE FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ADDICTS | STARTING NOVEMBER 7 | 7PM

Have you ever wanted to help someone suffering from alcohol addiction and did not know what to do? Have you tried to help someone and ended up making things worse? An Al-Anon Family Group can help. "Life Recovery" supports those addicted. Al-Anon cares for the family and friends of those struggling with addiction. This care group will begin with an informational meeting on November 7 and continue every following Thursday with normal Al-Anon curriculum. Come to the informational meeting to hear from a couple that has been helped by both Al-Anon and "Life Recovery" type care groups. They'll help you see how you or someone you know can find the help, hope and support they need in facing the complex problems stemming from the illness of addiction. See https://al-anon.org/ for more details.

55+ ADULT MINISTRY BOOK CLUB | NOVEMBER 7 | 10AM

Please join our Adult Ministry for their next Book Club at the home of Shirley Kelly, 1643 E. Shore Ct., Hudsonville. Discussion of the book, Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger, will be led by Joni Novinski. Please see the display in the Narthex to register.

NEW—PARENT'S NIGHT OUT | NOVEMBER 9 | 4-8PM | NURSERY ROOM

Attention Holy Cross Young Families: ***For children 2-10 years *Space is limited!** \$10.00 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, Children's Ministry Coordinator, at heatherp@holycrossjenison.org. To register, please visit holycrossjenison.org/parentsnightout

For Your Information

NEW—STAFF WELCOME

Please join us in giving thanks that Dave Zuidema has joined our church staff by serving as our new bookkeeper. Welcome, Dave!

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!

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 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. Visit the App store, on your phone, to download.

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!