

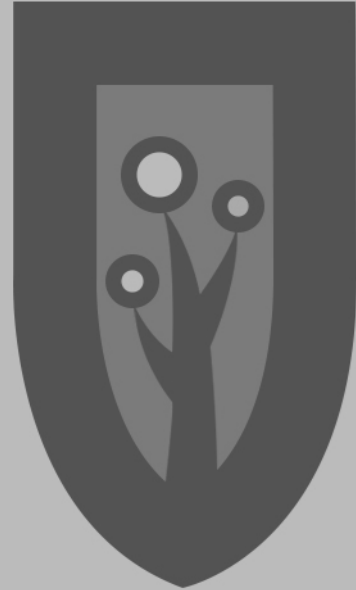
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Weekly Announcements for March 24 at ...



HOLY CROSS

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship each week is at 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.: Each week we offer two services—an early more traditional service at 8:30 a.m. and a later more contemporary service at 10:45 a.m. The blessing of this schedule is that it allows for at least 45 minutes of fellowship over coffee and goodies in our Fellowship Hall with all worshipers from both services together. Please plan to join us for fellowship and worship! Fellowship is at 9:45-10:30 a.m.

Offerings: We thank each of you for your continued financial support of Holy Cross. Donations may be made through our website, through your bank, through automatic transfers, by mailing a check into the office, or at one of the in-person services. Donations received from March 11-17, 2024 were \$16,922.01. Questions? Need help? Contact the office at 509-483-4218 or secretary@holycrosslcms.net.

Sunday School starts at 10 a.m.: Sunday School teachers will round up kids from the Fellowship Hall at a few minutes before 10 a.m. and take them to their rooms. Sunday School will run until 10:35 a.m. and kids can be picked up from their classrooms. Kids will be divided into preschool-1st grade and 2nd-5th grade. Parents of little kids are invited to come help their little ones

Middle & High School Bible Class is in the Youth Room from 10-10:35 a. m. led by Pastor Mike & Ben Anderson.

Stephens Ministry: As we are here together on Palm Sunday, consider all that Jesus shares with us. It seemed that He shared everything. Yet we see from the example of Him in garden that He kept some things in **confidence**, strictly between Him and God. . . Our sins He keeps in **confidence**, yours and mine, carrying and forgiving them. This week your Stephen Ministers are discussing **confidentiality**, while there are some things they will share with their supervision, they will learn not to share a care receiver's burdens, heartfelt sharing, and concerns. Those things shared in **confidence**, will be kept between the Stephen Minister and God. Please say a prayer for us this week as we continue this learning journey.

Feed My Starving Children envelopes are out on the round oak table in the narthex. Grab 1 or a few, donate the amount shown inside the envelope and drop it in the offering box on Sunday morning. Thank you for your donations! Volunteer registration is now open at FMSC 2024-053 ME. Packing sessions are at Redeemer Lutheran Church on April 12-13, 2024.

Registration for Son Shine Preschool is open: You can register online, pick up a registration by the preschool or on the round oak table in the narthex.

RSVP's Needed! If you are planning on attending the farewell lunch for Pastor Mike and his family, please turn in your RSVP or call the office this week.

Attention all Crafters! We would like to invite you to join us on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month from 10:00am-12:00pm in room 30 at Holy Cross. Bring your crafts (needlepoint, embroidery, paper crafts, etc.) and join us to socialize and hopefully share our talents with each other. We will meet again on April 4th. Please join us!

Cross My Art is joining the above Crafters. If you have taken a glass fusing class in the past or if you like to paint pottery, you may also join us on the above Thursdays in the art room. Other art forms may be added at a later date.

LWML is collecting items for Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits, for shipment in May. The detailed list of items is available on our bulletin board. Please take one and give as you are able. The bin for donations will be underneath our Mite Box table in the narthex. May God's LOVE move us to share our blessings with others! Thank you.

Handbells are starting up again at Holy Cross! Regular weekly rehearsals are on Thursdays from 5:45-6:45 pm in the sanctuary. Interested in joining? Contact Cathy Fink at 509-279-4839.

Easter is just a hop away! Thank you for your donations to help make the Easter Egg Hunt a fun activity for the kids.

Easter Brunch: Mark your calendar for Easter Sunday, March 31st, and come hungry because we've got a scrumptious breakfast spread waiting for you from 9:30 -11:00 a.m. We'd be absolutely thrilled to have you and your family join us for this special morning. **Like to help?** There are sign-up sheets on the round table in the narthex with items needed and time slots to volunteer.

God for Us Class for those New to Holy Cross: At 1-3pm today, April 7 and April 21. We'll have a conversational study in the Fellowship Hall, facilitated by Pastor Mike and Pastor Shaun. It is an introduction to the Christian faith, to the distinctives about what we believe as Lutheran Christians and an intro to Holy Cross. All are welcome. Join anytime, even if you miss a week.

CHANGE OF DATE for Photo Club meeting: It is Wednesday March 27 at 6:30pm.

SOLA Spokane Church Plant: Our next meeting is on Sunday, April 14th at 4pm, and they will continue weekly for the foreseeable future. Come and learn how you can support SOLA. You can give directly to SOLA Spokane by making your check out to Holy Cross, writing "SOLA Spokane" on the memo line and putting it in a red SOLA Spokane envelope found on the round oak table in the Narthex and deposit it in the Holy Cross offering box. If you have questions or want to know more, contact Pastor Bill Hartley at hartleyglobal@gmail.com or 480-388-2635

OWLS (Older, Wiser, Laughn' Souls) Our next get together is April 3, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy lunch, fellowship, and a fun group of people. Lunch will be provided this month, and we will play Pass the Prizes.

BACHathon is Sunday, April 7. It's a free admission traveling team of organists that will play in four different locations. See kiosk for flyers.

THANK YOU! Lenten Soup Suppers were full all the way through Lent. Thank you to everyone for coming, serving, donating and enjoying.



Adult Bible Study Opportunities

New Sunday Morning “To Be” Groups: Sign up sheets are in the Narthex this morning, for you to sign up for a class. All are welcome!

9 a.m. Loving Jesus, a study on various aspects of the life of faith as found in the Gospels. Written by a Lutheran New Testament scholar, this is a great study for living a meaningful Christ-centered life. The study will be facilitated by Lisa Key. This study is continuing from Fall 2023, but you can jump in anytime. Meets in room 036.

10 a.m. 2nd Peter and Jude, a Bible study of the New Testament books of 2nd Peter and Jude. This is a shortened 35 minute study to accommodate parents with kids in Sunday School or Youth Bible Class. These two short letters at the end of the New Testament seek to root every believer’s faith deeply in God’s word as we wait the soon coming return of Jesus. This study is a God’s Word for Today publication of Concordia Publishing House and will be facilitated by Margie Indahl. This study is continuing from Fall 2023, but you can jump in anytime. Meets in room 029.

10:30 a.m. Church Year Bible Studies, a Bible study of the readings used in worship for that particular Sunday of the Church year. This will take you deeper into the scriptures for the week giving you more out of every Sunday service. This study is published by Concordia Publishing House and facilitated by David Gannaway. This study is continuing from Fall 2023, but you can jump in anytime. Meets in room 003.

10:30 a.m. The Spirituality of the Cross, a study of the fundamental themes in Lutheran theology and how these impact the way we live our everyday lives as believers in Jesus. This book is published by Concordia Publishing House and the study will be facilitated by Mike Shannon. This study is starting over fresh for those who did not get to take it in the fall. It starts Feb. 4 and meets in room 030.

GLOW meets on Fridays via Zoom: This is our Friday morning Women’s “To Be” group, currently meeting via Zoom. If you would like more information please contact Mardi Ellwanger 509-868-7354

Men’s Bible Study: This is a small group study on Thursday mornings at 6 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, currently studying 2 Peter. Participants may join any Thursday by entering through the back doors by the kitchen.

