

We're so glad you're here!

MARCH 9 & 10, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SERMON MESSAGE: "Lifted Up with Christ" Ephesians 2:1-10

We invite you to join us again soon!

SATURDAYS 4:45 pm Saturday Bible Study

6:00 pm Contemporary Worship

SUNDAYS 8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Studies

10:37 am Modern Worship11:00 am Blended Worship

ONLINE <u>holycrosslutheran.net/worship-online/</u>

First-time guest? Please fill out a check-in card! We'd love to acknowledge your presence with us.

Sharing God's love through faith in Christ

CHECK-IN: Complete a check-in card or scan here:

Classroom) is available for children up to 36 months during the Sunday School hour, 10:37 and 11:00 worship services. The Parlor (to the left of the Worship Center) is also available during worship services. Diaper-changing facilities are found in the nursery, Parlor and both restrooms.

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4-9 (Moses lifts up the bronze serpent to save the people of Israel.)

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 2:1-10 (We are saved by grace through faith.)

Holy Gospel

John 3:14-21 (God so loved the world.)

WORSHIP AIDS

Personal devices for the hearing impaired are available from an usher. **AS WE GATHER** We hear today of eternal life that is given to us because of God's great love for us, shown to us in perhaps the most familiar and best loved Bible verse, John 3:16. This verse speaks of God's genuine love for us and the world shown in Jesus' death on the cross for us. The love of God never ends. God's love is present here and now and extends into eternal life as eternal love. May we be so encouraged by God's love to share it with others. Thanks be to God for such love!

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the joyful, confident confession that it is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink (Matt. 26:26-29). Personal examination, prior to participation, is encouraged by the Scriptures (1 Cor. 11:28), and might include these questions:

- Am I a sinner?
- Am I sorry for my sins?
- Do I believe Jesus gives me His body & blood together with the bread & wine for the forgiveness of sins?
- Do I intend by the Power of the Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life?

As members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), we believe the Scriptures affirm that our participation in Holy Communion is an expression of our unity in faith. If you desire to participate and are not an LCMS member, please call the Church Office to speak to one of our pastors. You may also speak to a pastor or Elder before the worship service. If you are unable to speak to someone before the service, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Please fold your arms across your chest as the pastor comes to you to indicate that you wish to receive a blessing.

For more information, please see Matt. 5:23-24; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 10:15-17; 11:17-34.

Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.

Saturday 6:00 p.m. Order of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE

"Open The Eyes Of My Heart" "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READINGS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG

"In Christ Alone"

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

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RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SONG

"Who You Say I Am"

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

"Holy Is The Lord"



Sunday 11:00 a.m. Order of Worship Sunday 8:00 a.m. Order of Worship **PRELUDE** "Anthes" **PRELUDE** — Arr. by Franklin D. Ashdown - Arr. by Franklin D. Ashdown **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **OPENING HYMN: OPENING HYMN:** "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" #915 "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" #915 INVOCATION CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTIONp. 167 **OPENING SENTENCES** PSALM 107:1-9 (sung)see screen **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION KYRIE**.....p. 168 SALUTATION AND COLLECTp. 172 **PRAYER OF THE DAY OLD TESTAMENT READING SCRIPTURE READINGS** ANTHEM Adult Choir **HYMN OF THE DAY** "Lead Me to Calvary" — Mary McDonald "God Loved the World So That He Gave" #571 **EPISTLE READING SERMON APOSTLES' CREED** HOLY GOSPEL **RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS** SPECIAL MUSIC: "Cwm Rhonda" CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Arr. by John Hughes HYMN OF THE DAY "God Loved the World So That He Gave" #571 PRAYER OF THE CHURCH **SERMON** LORD'S PRAYER **NICENE CREED WORDS OF INSTITUTION OFFERTORY** (tune: p. 159) **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS** "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" #618 **RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS** "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice" #556, v. 1-5 SPECIAL MUSIC: "Cwm Rhonda" "Amazina Grace" #744 Arr. by John Hughes **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING** PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER BENEDICTION **BENEDICTION CLOSING HYMN CLOSING HYMN** "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" #918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" #918 POSTLUDE "Allein zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ" **POSTLUDE** "Allein zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ" — Arr. by Johann Pachelbel — Arr. by Johann Pachelbel

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Worship Participants Saturday Music......Praise and Worship Team; Ricardo Pinedo, Leader Sunday Organist.......Ted Boettcher Adult Choir Director......Teresa Hauschild Nate Olsen and Camden Salyers (11:00) Media Team Brian Amey, LaRue Rains, Mike Davis, Steven Segraves (8:00) Adam Heil (11:00) Betty Borchard, Ada Marciniak, Deb Schmidt (11:00) Communion Assistants Matt List, Steve Deutsch, Frank Miller, Pat Hoskinson, Jim Johnson Jennie Walton, Weston Woltjer, and Caleb Harms (10:30)

Prayers and Joys

HOSPITALIZED THIS PAST WEEK:

Ashley Heiber and Audrey (released) ···········Wesley

PARISH PRAYERS:

- —Please pray for the family of Ron Halvin, brother-in-law of **Cheryl Haas**, as they grieve his death this past week.
- —Please pray for healing for the mother **Jane Johnson**, who recently fell and broke her hip. She had hip replacement surgery and is recuperating.
- —Please pray for the family of Kay Noradee, mother of **Rattikan Powell**, as they grieve her death this past week in Thailand.
- —We rejoice with **Tyler and Ashley Hieber** on the birth of their daughter, Audrey Rose, on March 6.

The Commute, on the mobile app, is a new devotion Monday—Friday. It's an easy-to-access way to be in God's Word while you head to work, drop off the kids, or find yourself out and about.

We encourage you to post your prayers and view the prayers of others on the Holy Cross Prayer Wall: https://holycrosslutheran.net/pray/

News & Events

"JOURNEY OF STONES..." Join with the school students and teachers THIS Wednesday, March 13 at 8:20 a.m. or at 7:00 p.m. for "Upon this Rock."

We need someone, or some group, willing to serve the Lenten meal **March 13 & 20**. If you are willing, please contact Sheryl Deutsch or call the Church Office.

Wichita Grand Opera presents Fauré Requiem at Holy Cross on March 17 at 4:00 pm. Holy Cross members can obtain \$20 tickets (use promo code HCLC) at www.Wichitagrandopera.org.

Financial Peace University - at Holy Cross. You'll learn to pay off debt fast, save more money, and build lasting wealth. Class starts on **Sunday, March 17**, at 6:00 pm. Sign up at: https://www.financialpeace.com/app/classes/9EDD7C.

Spring Fest—March 23 1-3 pm. Fun for all ages! Egg hunt, kite-flying & more! Candy donations needed, collection boxes in the entrance to the Worship Center.

40 Days for Life is a peaceful prayer vigil outside Planned Parenthood going on now through Palm Sunday, from 7 am to 7 pm, seven days a week. We encourage everyone to consider signing up for at least one hour during the vigil. To sign up, visit 40daysforlife.com. Pastor Myers will be going on Thursdays from 10:30-11:30 am if you would like to go with him. Abortion-minded mothers and babies need our prayers and the visible witness of our presence!

Attendance for March 2/3, 2024

Worship (95, 241, 158, 242 Online 56)	792
Children's Sunday School	75
Adult Bible Classes	188
Youth Bible Study	38

Record of Our Response as of March 3, 2024

Year-to-date offering budget \$1,798,320 Year-to-date offering receipts \$1,710,864 Difference (shortfall): (\$87,456)

Cabrini is playing in theaters now. It's the true-life story of Francesca Cabrini, an Italian immigrant at the turn of the century, and her mission to serve the orphaned children on the streets of New York City.

The movie was produced by Angel Studios, the same people who brought you **The Chosen**. Go to www.angel.com/watch to see past and upcoming releases.

Housing Needed. Thursday, April 11, 42 members of Concordia University Wind Symphony will be here to share their music. Housing is needed for overnight Thursday after the concert. If you can provide housing for two or more of the students, please contact Pastor Myers or call the Church Office (684-5201).

Thrivent Choice Dollars expire on **March 31**. Go to <u>Thrivent.com/directnow</u> or call the Contact Center at 1-800-847-4836 to designate Choice Dollars to Holy Cross Church or School. Contact Danny Witt at 993-3488 if you have any questions.



COLLEGE MINISTRY

Sunday Morning Bible Class meets in the Parlor with other young adults and college students who are currently studying Hebrews.

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

Sunday morning Bible Class meets in the Lighthouse at 9:30 am. We are doing a study on Biblical conflict resolution using a Peacemaker study.

Wednesday Bible Study: We will not meet this week, March 13. Please join us in the Lighthouse from 5:30 to 6:55 pm next Wednesday. We will be studying Paul's letters. Then join us for worship!

Spring Break Trip After Party: Sunday, March 24 at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to join us!.

LVR Summer Camp June 2-7 for District Summer Camp. Cost is \$325. Registration is online.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Sunday morning Bible Class meets in the gym at 9:30am. During March, we are studying creation - the evidence of the Flood, dinosaurs, DNA and more... Come check it out!

Servant Event - Thursday, March 14 (during Spring Break) from 12-4 pm. Lunch is included. We will meet at Holy Cross. Bring a water bottle and wear work clothes (long pants and close-toed shoes). RSVP with Pam Amey (737-9559).

POWER Night - **March 22**, 5:30-9:30 pm. Meet in the gym.



HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

We have been blessed by excellent teachers throughout the years. Sometimes teachers step away to help take care of their families.

- Mrs. Boxman (1st grade) and Mrs. Maxson (5th grade) have elected to step away from teaching next year, as they prepare to welcome new babies to their homes. Mrs. Nelson has also elected to step away from her role as 2nd grade teacher in order to spend more time with her family
- Based upon current enrollment commitments for next year, we plan to have two classrooms in Kindergarten, 2nd grade, and 3rd grade.
- Attrition within our current Kindergarten class will result in combining first graders into one class. Additional assistance will be provided to help the students with language arts, math and in other subject areas. The class size will be capped at 22 students.
- As a result of these changes, we have openings for teachers in 2nd, 3rd, and 5th grades. In addition, we need part-time assistance in first grade for the core subjects. We are also looking for a band teacher. Applications are available in the School Office.

We thank Mrs. Boxman, Mrs. Maxson and Mrs. Nelson for their excellence in teaching. They have blessed the families and staff at Holy Cross!

Bible Studies

Are you in a **Bible Study?** We offer a number of opportunities both in-class and online. For more information, talk to one of the pastors or call the Church Office.

Luke: The Teaching Gospel led by Pastor Myers Saturday at 4:45 p.m. in the Parlor and Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the Worship Center.

The Chosen led by Pastor Snow at 9:30 a.m. in the Concordia Room (School Cafeteria).

HC 102—Discovering Our Faith led by Wes Powell and Pastor Ankersen at 9:30 a.m. in the Church Library.

Women's Bible Study, "Leaning on Jesus" with Kris Osler at 9:30 a.m. in the Church Office Conference Room.

John, Part 5: "The Life of Christ" with Dr. Lionel Alford in the 7th Grade Classroom at 9:30 a.m.

Christ-Centered Parenting. Led by Brett & Megan Klepacki in the Music Room at 9:45 a.m.

Bible Study on Being a Better Witness for God with Carl Nelson in the 2nd Grade Classroom (by the Bell Tower) at 9:30 a.m.

Young Adult Bible Study with Aaron Zimmerman in the Parlor at 9:30 a.m.

High School Youth Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in the Lighthouse.

Sunday School for those with Special Needs led by Linda Paschka at 9:30 a.m. in the 6th Grade Classroom.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:(32-34) 35-45

Prayers

- Level 2 Confirmands (group 2): Eilleen Kombe, Kyrsten Lindebak, Elisa Markos, Jayden Mocha, Colton Noel, Edric Ochieng, Blake Patty, Asher Turner, Nathan Turner.
- Our College Students (group 4): Concordia (Seward): Taylor Beal, Kayla Johnson and Anna Zimmerman; Concordia (CA): Ella Hemmings; Lewis & Clark Law School (OR): Abbie Hall; Oklahoma State UNV: John Sutherland; UNV of Tulsa: Kourtney Koster; UNV of Nebraska: AbbyLane Kloke; Michigan State UNV: David Koster; Grand Canyon UNV: Kyle Harms; Ottawa UNV (AZ): Jakob Scales. US Merchant Marine ACAD (NY): Mason Wingate.
- For "Adopt-A-Student" seminarian: Tucker Wright at Concordia, St. Louis.
- Those who are expecting children: Rob & Katie Barnes; Kevan & Danielle Boss; David & Morgan Boxman; Eric & Nicole Heinicke; Josh & Haley Marshall and Brian & Karen Maxson.
- Those with health concerns: Karlyn Brown, Aubrey Chinberg, Denise Dopps, Barbara Klaus, Leo Klaus, Carolyn Kuhlman, Carla Ridener, Trudi Stigge, Josie Vanwey, Don Vesper, Roberta Yacko.
- Our troops: Devon Alford, Lillian Brown, Steve Castagnola, Audrey Darden, Marshall Darden, Nicole (Gish) Davis, Adam Edwards, Joshua Gerstenberger, Joanna Hannum, Ben Herrs, Lizzy Johnson, Nathan Mavia, Peace Mwamunyange, David Nordman, Courtney Schnell, Joe Schubert, Andrew Shepherd, Joshua Weidner and Reggie Williams.

This week	at Holy	Cross
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Saturday, March 9		Saturday, March 16			
Saturday Bible Class	4:45 pm	Saturday Bible Class	4:45 pm		
Contemporary Worship	6:00 pm	Contemporary Worship w/Communion	6:00 pm		
2nd Saturday Meal	7:00 pm	Sunday, March 17	•		
High School Youth Service trip to St. Louis March 10-13		Traditional Worship w/Communion	8:00 am		
		Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes	9:30 am		
Sunday, March 10		Modern Worship w/Communion	10:37 am		
Daylight Savings Time Begins	2:00 am	Blended Worship	11:00 am		
Traditional Worship	8:00 am	WGO Fauré Requiem	4:00 pm		
Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes		Financial Peace University	6:00 pm		
Modern Worship w/Communion	10:37 am	•	0.00 pm		
Blended Worship Service w/Communi		Happy Birthday!			
·		March 9: Benjamin Hackett, Joel Kei	nath,		
<u>Spring Break</u>	_	Gabe Meyer, Lisa Rose, Wayne Schlueter			
No School March 11-1	School March 11-15 March 10: Rebecca Carr, Bill Cary, Ian				
Tuesday, March 12					
Book Club	7:00 pm	Hoskinson, Josiah King, Mike Linhardt, Hannah			
Management Commission	7:00 pm	Lowe, Simon Monahan, Will Schubert, Matthew			
Worship Commission	7:30 pm	Wolgast			
		March 11: Lilli Emery, Kayli McDiffett,	Kevin		
Wednesday, March 13	4.00	Royse, Jamee Shomberg			
Men's Bible Study	6:30 am	March 12: Kristen Daniels			
Braille	8:00 am	March 13: Brian Carduff, Laura Friedberg,			
Lenten Morning Worship	8:20 am	Braden Hootman, John Hutter, Cyndi Jackson,			
Women's Bible Study	10:00 am	Sarah Mix			
Lenten Meal	5:30 pm				
Bell Choir Practice	6:00 pm	March 14: Summer Gish, Todd King			
Lenten Worship	7:00 pm	March 15: Dennis Cernik, Noah Davi	s, Sue		
Adult Choir Practice	8:00 pm	Maloney, Mindi Ross, Camden Salyers, Nataly			
Thursday, March 14		Tayler, Clayton Windler			
Women's Bible Study	9:00 am	March 16: Suzanne Bowker, Amber H	lanschu.		
Talk & Tie	10:00 am	Sophie Lynxwiler, Joyce Webber, Re			
Middle School Service Event	12-4:00 pm	Wohlgemuth			
10:37 Worship Team	6:00 pm	<u> </u>	o Vlagor		
Guatemala Team	7:00 pm	March 17: Andrew Campbell, Vance Klager,			
Men's Basketball	7:00 pm	Anna Zimmerman			

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