



Welcome

We're so glad you're here!

APRIL 20 & 21, 2024
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SERMON MESSAGE: "Jesus, The Good Shepherd"
John 10:14-16

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 Worship
11:00 am Blended Worship

ONLINE holycrosslutheran.net/worship-online/

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

Scripture Readings

First Reading

Acts 4:1-12
(Peter and John are brought before the Jerusalem Council.)

Epistle Reading

1 John 3:16-24
(Followers of Christ are called to love in deed and in truth.)

Holy Gospel

John 10:11-18
(Jesus is the Good Shepherd.)

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



CHILD CARE: The Blessing Place Nursery (located in the Pre-3 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.

WORSHIP AIDS

Personal devices for the hearing impaired are available from an usher.

AS WE GATHER Very few of us have experience with sheep or shepherds. We recognize and love the familiar, Biblical image of Jesus the Good Shepherd caring for His sheep. As children we learn to sing, "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb." And each year, the 4th Sunday after Easter is always "Good Shepherd" Sunday. The image is well known and Psalm 23:1 is one of the best loved verses: "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want." But are these mere words, or does this confession of our faith make a difference in our lives?

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

"For All You've Done"

"I Speak Jesus"

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SERMON SONG

"Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

APOSTLES' CREED

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING SONG "The Potter's Hand"

COMMISSIONING OF THE VISION TEAM

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION SONG "King Of Kings"

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG "Your Grace Is Enough"

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Order of Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP Handbell Choir
"God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN:

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" #710

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HYMN OF THE DAY

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" #709

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RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC: "To God Be the Glory"
— Fanny J. Crosby and William H. Doane

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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CLOSING HYMN

"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" #740

POSTLUDE "My Shepherd Will Supply My
Need" — Arr. by Sondra K. Tucker

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Order of Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP Handbell Choir
"God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN:

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" #710

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING

ANTHEM Adult Choir
"Rejoice!" — John Leavitt

EPISTLE AND HOLY GOSPEL READINGS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" #709

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News & Events

Engage Wichita is this Sunday, April 21 3-6 pm, followed by a potluck fellowship meal. Serve our neighbors in the community, help our friends at Fairmount, build beds for children in foster care and more. All ages, family and friends are invited to help!

T.O.T. (Theology on Tap), **Sun, April 21**, 6-8 pm at Old School Tap House (210 E. Kechi Rd). Pastor Bingenheimer, from Ascension Lutheran will be the host.

Chicken N Pickle (1240 N. Greenwich) Spirit Day is this Tuesday, **April 23** 6-8 pm. Tell them you're from Holy Cross and 10% will come back to our school.

Confirmation testimonials are scheduled at 7:30 p.m., following the 6:00 p.m. church service, next **Saturday, April 27**. **Rite of Confirmation** will be **Sunday, April 28** during the 11:00 a.m. service.

The High School Senior Pizza party is May 1 at 6:30 pm. The Seniors, their parents and connectors (along with their families) are invited.

Blessing Books will be available to sign through May 1.

Recycle your **solar eclipse glasses** in the collection box in the Entryway to the Worship Center through **May 1**.

Attendance for April 13/14 2024

Worship (77, 194, 192, 121, Online 59)	643
Children's Sunday School	77
Adult Bible Classes	175
Youth Bible Study	34

Record of Our Response as of April 14, 2024

Year-to-date offering budget	\$2,076,611
Year-to-date offering receipts	<u>\$1,966,982</u>
Difference (shortfall):	(\$109,629)

SCUBA VBS at Holy Cross will be **June 3-7**, (9am-12pm). Scuba is designed for kids three-year-olds through going into 3rd grade. Fourth graders and up have an opportunity to help as volunteers. It's going to be a fin-tastic time! Register on the church website, HC app, or VBS event website: <https://bit.ly/HCVBS24>.

Holy Cross Preschool Summer Camps. June 10-14, 17-21 and 24-28. \$75/week. Available to all students P3 through kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year. Registration forms are available in the School Office. Contact Jen Myers at 684-4431 with any questions.

Explaining all the Scary Stuff in Revelation. The class was able to conquer this series in only two sessions! It's available to watch on the Lutheran Hour Ministries website.

Save the Date

Congregational Vision Event - May 22, 7-8:30 pm
Annual Meeting - June 9, 12:15 pm



HOLY CROSS STUDENT MINISTRIES

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 studying finances and biblical stewardship.

Wednesday Bible Study: Join us at 7pm in the Lighthouse. Our study is on healthy peer interactions using the video "To Save a Life." We will be celebrating our Senior class on **Wed. May 1**. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall from 6:30-8:30pm.

All Star Adventures: Sunday, April 21. Meet us at All Star from 6:30-8:30pm. Cost is \$10 per person. Bring your friends!

LVR Summer Camp June 2-7 for KS District Summer Camp. Cost is \$375. Registration is online. Space is limited!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Sunday morning Bible Class 9:30-10:30am. This week's lesson is, "What's the Point?"

Next event will be **Wednesday, May 1, 7-8:30pm.**

**I SOUGHT THE LORD AND
HE ANSWERED ME:
HE DELIVERED ME FROM
ALL MY FEARS.**

PSALM 34:4

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Last Friday, our school participated in the Jog-A-Thon and Fun Night. It was a beautiful day for both events and was supported by many congregational members, grandparents and parents. The PTL raised over \$3800 for the dessert auction. If you provided a dessert, a big thank you! The money will support teachers and students.

Accreditation: Next Monday night, Tuesday and Wednesday, Holy Cross will host an accreditation team. Three members from the team will be from Missouri and one from our District Office. The team will be speaking with students, parents, teachers and Day School. They will examine our data, surveys, visit classrooms and observe. We currently are accredited with the State of Kansas, National Lutheran School Association and Cognia (Advanced Ed). This visit occurs every 5-6 years to renew our accreditations.

Student Ministries Summer 2024

June 2-7

High School LVR Camp

June 26 - July 6

Fireworks Fundraiser

July 16-19

Summer Safari

August 3-4

Middle School Summer Retreat

September 8

Student Ministries Banquet

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).

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 Resource Room.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Acts 8:26-40

1 John 4:1-11 (12-21)

John 15:1-8

Prayers

- **Level 1 Confirmands:** Katy Atwater, Peyton Fenn, Takeshi Flores, Dominick Garrett, Mickey Garrett, Eva Glancy, Easton Holmberg, Elijah Myers, Nate Olsen, Camden Salyers, Corbin Suter, Ashlyn Walker, Joseph Webster, Calum Willis, Weston Woltjer, Avery Zimmerman.
- **Our College Students (group 1):** Butler County Community College: Andruw Weeks; Friends UNV: Michael Olivarez and Anna Wolgast; Newman UNV: Jeffrey Ball; Wichita State UNV: Aubrey Eilers, Lynn Goodwin, Robyn Hoskinson, Kyle Kelly, Zoie Liska, Jacob Ruiz and Amanda Tuck.
- **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; Larry & Karissa Harmon; 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

Saturday, April 20

Saturday Bible Class 4:45 pm
 Contemporary Worship w/Communion 6:00 pm

Sunday, April 21

Traditional Worship w/Communion 8:00 am
 Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes 9:30 am
 Modern Worship w/Communion 10:37 am
 Blended Worship 11:00 am
 Switzerland/Italy Travel Meeting 12:15 pm
 Engage Wichita 3-6:00 pm
 Financial Peace University 6:00 pm

Monday, April 22

HCLS—No School - Teacher Inservice
 LWML Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Tuesday, April 23

Lord's Diner 5:15 pm
 HCLS Spirit Night at Chicken N Pickle 6-8:00 pm
 Church Council 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 24

Men's Bible Study 6:30 am
 Braille 8:00 am
 Chapel 8:20 am
 Confirmation 7:00 pm
 High School Bible Study 7:00 pm

Thursday, April 25

Women's Bible Study 9:00 am
 10:37 Praise Worship Team 6:00 pm
 Men's Basketball 8:00 pm

Friday, April 26

HCLS Middle School Dance 7-9:00 pm

Saturday, April 27—Confirmation Weekend

Saturday Bible Class 4:45 pm
 Contemporary Worship 6:00 pm
 Testimonial Service 7:30 pm

Sunday, April 28—Confirmation Weekend

Traditional Worship 8:00 am
 Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes 9:30 am
 Modern Worship 10:37 am
 Blended Worship
 and the Rite of Confirmation 11:00 am
 Financial Peace University 6:00 pm
 High School YLT Meeting 7:00 pm

Happy Birthday!

April 20: Norma Beidler, Linda Burns, Scott Eilers, Jared Gross, Dan Mills, Lauren Walton

April 21: Andrea Barton, Chloe Brown, Courtney Brown, Grant Brown, Lauren Kahovec, Kenleigh Kapla, Ryan McDiffett, Duane Nagel, Haley Schempp, Sheree Segraves.

April 22: Kaylee Blair, Leah Davis, Steve Drehs, Braden Maltz, Lila Shields

April 23: Stella Allen-Mushi, Betty Amey, Carl Nelson, Kay Pamatmat, Atticus Shreve

April 24: Jennifer Babst, Susan Estes, Bryanna Hanschu, Jacobi Salyers, William Uhlenhop

April 25: Cassandra Boucher, Traute Nieuwoudt

April 26: Diane Cain, Justin Huelskamp, Grayson McGuire, Tasha Mehl, Nick Nordman

April 27: Mya Marciniak

April 28: Joanie Allenbach, Tristan Hoskinson, Ellen Ketteman, Diana Mark, Ezekiel Stephens, Elyse Veloza

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