



# Welcome

We're so glad you're here!

**SEPTEMBER 7 & 8, 2024**

NEW MEMBER WEEKEND/SCHOOL 65TH ANNIVERSARY

**SERMON MESSAGE: "A Faith That Won't Give Up!"**

*Mark 7:24-30*

## We invite you to join us again soon!

- SATURDAYS** 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/](http://holycrosslutheran.net/worship-online/)

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

## Scripture Readings

### Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 35:3-7a  
*(God will come; His people will be saved.)*

### Epistle Reading

James 2:1-10, 14-18  
*(Love your neighbor as yourself. Faith without works is dead.)*

### Holy Gospel

Mark 7:24-37  
*(Jesus exorcises a demon and heals a deaf man.)*

*Sharing God's love through faith in Christ*

**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** The Readings for today tell us that God will change people's circumstances. Isaiah lists those who are blind, deaf, lame, and mute. God promises that He will take action, like water in the desert. Among the ways God will help is through His people. James reminds us that we who have been given the gift of faith are called to respect all people and to see that those around us are clothed and fed. Jesus casts out demons and heals a deaf man in the Gospel. He calls us to become His caring instruments so may His Word come into you today so that you bring God's healing and care to those in need.

### 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

"Graves Into Gardens"  
"One Thing Remains"

#### INVOCATION

#### OPENING SENTENCES

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### SERMON SONG

"Christ Is Risen"

#### MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

#### NICENE CREED

#### RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### OFFERING SONG

"Your Name"

#### PRAYERS

#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### BENEDICTION

#### CLOSING SONG

"Chain Breaker"

*Sunday 8:00 a.m. Order of Worship*

**PRELUDE** "O Jesu Christe, wahres Licht"  
— Arr. by Steven Wentz

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN:**

"Praise the Almighty" #797

**INVOCATION** .....p. 203

**CONFESSION/ABSOLUTION** .....p. 203

**PSALM 146:1-7a (sung)**

**KYRIE**.....p. 204

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** .....p. 204

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT** .....p. 205

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**ANTHEM** ..... "Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord"  
Men's Quartet

**EPISTLE READING**

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** .....p. 205

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Son of God, Eternal Savior" #842

**SERMON**

**NICENE CREED**

**RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"  
Men's Quartet

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN**

"O Christ, Our True and Only Light" #839

**POSTLUDE** "Lobe den Herren, o meine Seele"  
— Arr. by Robert Lind

*Sunday 11:00 a.m. Order of Worship*

**PRELUDE** "O Jesu Christe, wahres Licht"  
— Arr. by Steven Wentz

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN:**

"Praise the Almighty" #797

**INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**ANTHEM** ..... "Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord"  
Men's Quartet

**EPISTLE AND HOLY GOSPEL READINGS**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Son of God, Eternal Savior" #842

**SERMON**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"  
Men's Quartet

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" #680

"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" #524

"Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old" #846

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN**

"O Christ, Our True and Only Light" #839

**POSTLUDE** "Lobe den Herren, o meine Seele"  
— Arr. by Robert Lind

## Worship Participants

Preacher and Liturgist.....Pastor Scott Snow  
Liturgist (8:00 a.m.) .....Pastor Ryan Ankersen

### Saturday

Music..... Praise and Worship Team; Morgan Dunst, Leader  
Acolytes ..... Calum Willis and Elijah Myers  
Media Team .....Vance Klager and Curtis Holtzen

### Sunday

Organist..... Ted Boettcher  
Men's Quartet..... Marty Beard, Greg Harms, Dustin Nelson, Tyler Hieber  
Acolytes ..... Weston Woltjer and Joseph Webster (8:00)  
Mickey Garrett and Dominick Garrett 11:00)  
Media Team ..... Adam Heil, David Myers, Jamie Riddle, Steven Segraves (8:00)  
Larry Kleeman (11:00)  
Greeters ..... Carl and Gail Burger, Kevin and Barb Royse (8:00)  
Jerry and Jeanne Mehl, Nikki Adams (11:00)  
Communion Assistants ..... Stan Koster, Danny Witt, Frank Miller, Greg Holmberg  
Blessing Place..... Anna Linhardt and Anna Wolgast (9:30)  
Maria Shields, Lily Shields, Liam Shields (10:30)

## Prayers and Joys

### PARISH PRAYERS:

—Please pray for Jim Mayes, father of **Aaron Mayes**, who is under Hospice Care.  
—Please continue to pray for **Ellen Kettelman** and **Roy Stratmann** as they both recuperate from recent falls.

**ANNIVERSARY** We rejoice with **Keith and Sharon Lewallen** as they celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on September 12.

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** The family of Holy Cross member **Phyllis Biggerstaff** would like to invite you to celebrate her 90th Birthday! There will be a reception at Holy Cross on **Saturday, September 14** from 2-4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. She has requested no gifts.

**THANK YOU** for the thoughts and prayers following my surgery in January and during my recovery. ~Sandy Hamburger

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

**Engage Wichita** will be held **Sunday, September 22**. 1:00-5:00 pm. Lunch served at 1:00 pm, projects will follow. Events will be happening at Holy Cross, as well as throughout our community. One of the activities will include a Bed Build, benefiting the foster care system. Supplies will be provided and people of all ages are encouraged to join. For those who prefer sit-down projects, we will be making fleece tie-blankets and packing bags for the homeless. As in past years, there will be groups within our community doing yard clean ups and minor construction projects. Please register on our website to allow us to plan work sites accordingly.

### Women's Bible Studies

**Wednesdays 10-11:30 a.m. starting Sept. 11** in the Parlor. They will study *Promised Rest, Finding God's Peace in God's Presence*. Leaders will be Dorothy Zellers (640-4665) and Brenda Leshar (371-4585).

**Thursdays 9-10:30 a.m.** in the Parlor. They are studying *Ezekiel* (anticipated completion mid-November). Leaders are Ann Ross (655-1599) & Betty Amey (737-2973).

**Thursdays 4:30-6:00 p.m.** in the Parlor. They are studying *Ezekiel*. Please come prepared for the next lesson. Questions, contact Judy Zimmerman (636-2555).

**The Ladies Talk & Tie** group will begin meeting again this **Thursday, Sept. 12**, from 10 am until Noon in the Gathering Place. Join us for a morning of fellowship, devotions, and refreshments as we continue to tie quilts for Orphan Grain Train. See you there!

<b>Attendance for Aug. 31/Sept. 1, 2024</b>	
Worship (81, 187, 191, 126, Online 48)	633
Children's Sunday School	50
Adult Bible Classes	110
Youth Bible Study	25
<b>Record of Our Response as of Sept. 1, 2024</b>	
Year-to-date offering budget	\$386,928
Year-to-date offering receipts	<u>\$353,391</u>
Difference (shortfall):	<b>(\$33,537)</b>



**Join us for Second Saturday** next **Saturday, Sept. 14** immediately following the Saturday service. The meal will be chicken salad sandwiches, pasta salad, chips and dessert. Gluten-free options will be available. All are welcome to attend!

### **Fall Festival at Holy Cross**

Saturday, October 26  
 Craft Fair 10-2  
 Trunk-or-Treat 11-1  
 Vendors are encouraged to register on our website.





**HOLY CROSS**  
STUDENT MINISTRIES



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LUTHERAN SCHOOL

**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 9:30am. For our study, we will be using "The Chosen" season 3.

**Wednesday Bible Study:** Join us at 7pm in the Lighthouse. This week we will be discussing our fall fundraiser.

**Freshman Class Dinner Sept. 11:** Meet us at Braums on Greenwich at 6pm. We will walk back to church in time for Bible study at 7 pm

**KDYG November 15-17.** Registration is open online on the Student Ministry Page. **Cost is \$125, \$75 for Freshman, until 9/25.**

**LCMS Gathering** planning for July 2025 has started! Come to the informational meeting for **parents and students** on **Sept 29** at 7pm to learn more!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY**

**Sunday Morning Bible Class** 9:30-10:30am. We are studying *Dangerous People from the Bible*. Come check it out!

**Fiesta!** Join us on Sept. 8, 6-8pm.

Our next event is a POWER Night on **September 20**—5:30-9:30pm.

**Fairmount Ministries**

An outreach ministry of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. Located at 3815 E 17th.

**6:47** begins Tuesday, September 10. College-aged fellowship and Bible study.

Holy Cross School will celebrate 65 years of Christian Education this **Sunday, September 8**. Enjoy pictures from the past which are displayed in the entryway to the Worship Center and a cookie reception. Praise God for the many years of Christian teaching and excellent academics!

Holy Cross School has begun our annual trash bag fundraiser. The money raised from the sale will be used to provide items for recess, P.E., and our sports programs. Money will be collected at the time of sale. The final date to turn in orders and money raised is September 13th. Prizes will be awarded to the top boy and girl sellers in each class and also for the school. The trash bags should be available for delivery in early October. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Wolgast at [gwolgast@hcwichita.net](mailto:gwolgast@hcwichita.net).

**The Gathering**, an annual benefit for Fairmount Ministries, will take place on **Thursday, October 17**, at 5:30 pm at Botanica and is looking for Sponsors! If you would like to become a sponsor go to [www.fairmountministries.org/gathering](http://www.fairmountministries.org/gathering).

The Gathering 2024 will be celebrating 65 years of ministry at Fairmount Ministries (University Lutheran Ministry Association) and would like to highlight couples who met at the Lutheran Student Center (LSC). If you met your spouse there, please contact Fairmount at 684-5224 or [info@fairmountministries.org](mailto:info@fairmountministries.org).

## Bible Studies

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

**The Chosen led by Pastor Snow** at 9:30 a.m. in the Worship Center.

**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 8 "Current Issues and how to know the Truth" 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 to be 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

Isaiah 50:4-10  
James 3:1-12  
Mark 9:14-29

## Prayers

- **Level 1 Confirmands:** Luke Atwater, Landon Ayers, Anna Boring, Claire Bruce-Mushi, Claire Cutler, Max Davis, Rauri Deutsch, Ethan Dunleavy, Sam Frizzell, Reid Kaus, Nick Kloke, Aaron Livernois, Luis Markos, Austin Noel, Logan Patty, Blake Sorenson.
- **Our College Students (group 1):** Butler County Community College: Alyssa Patty, Riley Wantland, Harvey Zimmerman; Friends UNV: Michael Olivarez and Anna Wolgast; Newman UNV: Jeffrey Ball; Mason Wingate; Wichita State UNV: Aubrey Eilers, Summer Gish, Robyn Hoskinson, Kyle Kelly, Zoie Liska, Vaci Mihali, Jacob Ruiz and Amanda Tuck.
- **For "Adopt-A-Student" seminarian:** Tucker Wright at Concordia, St. Louis.
- **Those who are expecting children:** Derek & Becca Blessing.
- **Those with health concerns:** Karlyn Brown, Aubrey Chinberg, Denise Dopps, Barbara Kees, Barbara Klaus, Leo Klaus, Carolyn Kuhlman, Richard Linhardt, Carla Ridener, Trudi Stigge, Don Vesper and Roberta Yacko.
- **Our troops:** Devon Alford, Lillian Brown, Audrey Darden, Marshall Darden, Nicole (Gish) Davis, Adam Edwards, Evan Fiegenbaum, Joshua Gerstenberger, Joanna Hannum, Ben Herra, 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, September 7—New Member Weekend

Contemporary Worship 6:00 pm

### Sunday, September 8—New Member Weekend

Traditional Worship 8:00 am

Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes 9:30 am

Modern Worship w/Communion 10:37 am

Blended Worship w/Communion 11:00 am

New Member Luncheon 12:00 pm

Student Ministries Banquet 6:00 pm

### Monday, September 9

Call Committee 7:00 pm

### Tuesday, September 10

Book Club 7:00 pm

Management Commission 7:00 pm

Youth Commission 7:30 pm

Worship Commission 7:30 pm

### Wednesday, September 11

Men's Bible Study 6:30 am

Braille 8:00 am

Chapel 8:20 am

Women's Bible Study 10:00 am

Stephen Leaders 10:30 am

H.S. Freshmen Dinner at Brahms 6:00 pm

H.S. Fundraiser Weekend Planning 7:00 pm

Adult Bell Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Adult Choir Practice 8:00 pm

### Thursday, September 12

LifeLight Bible Study 9:00 am & 4:30 pm

Talk & Tie 10:00 am

Men's Basketball 8:00 pm

### Friday, September 13

HCLS Father/Son Fish night 6:00-8:00 pm

### Saturday, September 14—Church Worker Recognition

Parish Ed 8:00 am

Contemporary Worship w/Communion 6:00 pm

2nd Saturday Meal 7:00 pm

*Chicken salad sandwiches, pasta salad & dessert. Gluten-free options available.*

### Sunday, September 15—Church Worker Recognition

Traditional Worship w/Communion 8:00 am

Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes 9:30 am

Modern Worship 10:37 am

Blended Worship 11:00 am

**Happy Birthday!**

**September 7:** John Harris, Barb Royse

**September 8:** Ed Atwood, Jacqueline Brown, Mike Corby, Jennifer Gaudet, Adam Hunter, Sandy Miller

**September 9:** Ryan Blank, Susan Scheffer

**September 10:** Stephanie Adams, Autumn Boss, Tim Chinberg, Will Coultis, Stanton Lowe, Kim Smith

**September 11:** Maci Ellison, Doug Horstman, Elliana Overton, Dave Self

**September 12:** Patricia Edwards, Sonja Hathaway, Jayden Presnell, Ella Schaffer, Kevin West

**September 13:** Pastor Ankersen, Rheuben Johnson, Aaron Pitman, LaDonna Poulos, Casey Siebels, Philip Witek

**September 14:** Devon Alford, Phyllis Biggerstaff, Cody Scott

**September 15:** Jason Benton, Linda Godwin, Asher Turner, Nathan Turner, Dorothy Zellers

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