



Welcome

We're so glad you're here!

JANUARY 11 & 12, 2025

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

SERMON MESSAGE: "Connected to Christ and Each Other"
Luke 3:15-22

We invite you to join us again soon!

- SATURDAYS** 4:45 pm 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

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7
("I have called you by name; you are Mine.")

Epistle Reading

Romans 6:1-11
(By Baptism, we were united with Christ into His death and resurrection.)

Holy Gospel

Luke 3:15-22
(Jesus is baptized in the Jordan River by John.)

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 This weekend is the first of the bookends that mark the Epiphany season—the Baptism of Our Lord and His Transfiguration. We hear the command from the Father to “listen to Him.” We begin our journey of listening to the Lord and acknowledging the revelation of the Lamb of God in baptismal water, and looking to Him, the Word made flesh. In His Baptism, our Lord was not washed because He was unclean but because we are. The Father saw the prophetic words of Isaiah fulfilled in the water of the Jordan, and He claimed Jesus as His own Son and our appointed Redeemer. “You are Mine,” said the Lord to Jesus. Because He said those words to Jesus, they are now addressed to us—the people for whom Jesus was baptized.

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

“Our God”
“Revelation Song”

RITE OF BAPTISMAL RENEWAL

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READINGS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG

“Baptized”

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

GUATEMALA VIDEO

PRESENTATION OF 2ND GRADER BIBLES

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

“The Blessing”



Sunday 8:00 a.m. Order of Worship

PRELUDE "Day by Day the Shepherd Leads"
— Arr. by Ron Mallory

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" #394

RITE OF BAPTISMAL RENEWAL (see screen)

PSALM 29:1-4, 10-11 (sung)

KYRIE.....p. 204

GLORIA IN EXCELSISp. 204

SALUTATION AND COLLECTp. 205

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ANTHEM Adult Choir
"I Surrender All" — Arr. by Mark Hayes

EPISTLE READING

ALLELUIA AND VERSEp. 205

HOLY GOSPEL

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

"To Jordan's River Came Our Lord" #405

SERMON

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
GUATEMALA VIDEO

PRESENTATION OF 2ND GRADER BIBLES

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"The Star Proclaims the King is Here" #399

POSTLUDE "St. George's Windsor"
— Arr. by Mary McDonald

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Order of Worship

PRELUDE "Day by Day the Shepherd Leads"
— Arr. by Ron Mallory

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Lord, Jesus Christ, You have Prepared"
#622, v. 1-4

"Have No Fear, Little Flock" #735

"God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It" #594

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

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Worship Participants

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

Saturday

Music.....Praise and Worship Team; Ricardo Pinedo, Leader
Acolytes Austin Noel and Elijah Myers
Media Team Jon Paschka and Debbie Irvin

Sunday

Organist..... Ted Boettcher
Handbells Ron Mallory
Adult Choir DirectorTeresa Hauschild
Acolytes Ethan Dunleavy and Aaron Livernois (8:00)
Landon Ayers and Annabel Boring (11:00)
Media Team Jon Paschka, Jim Johnson, Mike Davis, Jamie Riddle (8:00)
Martin Tuck (11:00)
GreetersCarl and Gail Burger, Brad and Sheryl Deutsch (8:00)
John and Susan Evans, Vicki Engelhardt, Barb Griffith (11:00)
Communion AssistantsStan Koster, Pat Hoskinson, Frank Miller, Matt List, Heath Bradbury
Blessing Place..... Karen Copeland and Joann Bruce-Mushi (9:30)
Erica Hoskinson, Anna Woltjer, Claire Bruce-Mushi (10:30)

Prayers and Joys

PARISH PRAYERS

—Please pray for the family of **Carolyn Kuhlman** as they grieve her death on January 8. The memorial service will be held at Holy Cross on January 14 at 10:30 a.m.
—Please pray for the family of Robert Bulis, grandfather of **Haley Schempp**, as they grieve his death on January 9.
—Please pray for **Doreen Fenn, Leona Repshire and Janet Dobler** as they all recover from knee replacement surgeries this past week.
—Please pray for **Aaron Mayes** as he recovers from surgery to repair a broken bone leg.
—Please pray for **Larry Kuhlman** as he recovers from surgery to repair a broken hip. Larry fell while visiting family in California and he is now in a rehab facility there.
—Please pray for Barbara Davis, daughter of **Ellen Ketteman**, as she recovers from surgery on January 7.
—Please pray for **Tripp Stratton** as he travels to New York City for continued medical tests.
—Please pray for **Dorothy Zellers** as she is scheduled for knee replacement surgery on January 14.

WEDDINGS We rejoice with the following couples who were recently united in marriage:

Joel Keinath and Victoria Henry (December 14), Casey Steward and **Austin Broadie** (December 30), and **Peyton Jensen** and Hanna Wiebe (January 4).

News & Events

Join us for Second Saturday this **Saturday, Jan. 11** immediately following the 6:00 pm service. The meal will be Irish beef stew, macaroni and cheese, rolls, salad & dessert.

Voters Assembly Meeting following the 11am service this Sunday, **January 12**. The meeting will be held in the Worship Center at approximately 12:15 pm.

Coffee & the Word at Fairmont Coffee Co. (3815 E. 17th. St.) **Saturday, Jan. 18** at 9:00 am. Bring a friend and join us! Hosted by LWML (*Coffee, tea, muffins provided*). Please bring donations or 'Gifts from the Heart' for their food pantry to give to those in need. Suggestions: They need individual packages of: granola bars, cereal, chips, canned meals with pop tops (chili, spaghetti etc.), soup packets (ramen).

Join us **Saturday, February 1 (5-7 pm)** for our annual **Chili Cook Off & Cornhole Tournament!** Sign up to play and/or bring a crockpot of chili or just come and join the fun. Everyone is invited so be sure to bring a friend. Details and signup are available on our app or online at <https://holycrosslutheran.net/chiliandcornhole/>.

BIRTHDAY

The family of **Joe Yount** is requesting a card shower in honor of his 90th birthday on **February 1**.
Send cards to:
**940 N. Woodlawn
Wichita, KS 67208**

Attendance for Jan. 4/5, 2025

Worship (61, 62, 32 Online 188)	343
Children's Sunday School	4
Adult Bible Classes	2
Youth Bible Study	14

Record of Our Response as of Jan. 5, 2025

Year-to-date offering budget	\$1,347,709
Year-to-date offering receipts	<u>\$1,250,460</u>
<i>Difference (shortfall): (\$97,249)</i>	

SECOND GRADERS AND BIBLE BUDDIES Our 2nd graders will be presented with their Bible during the worship services this weekend. **The Bible Buddy Reception is THIS Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the GYM.** All second graders, their parents, and Bible Buddies are encouraged to attend. The Family Life Committee would like to thank the Holy Cross members who have agreed to serve as Bible Buddies to this year's 2nd grade class.

Bible Buddies: Nicole Amey, Pastor Ankersen, Katie Austin, Morgan Boxman, Kevin Deutsch, Hannah Grant, Claire Hansen, Eilleen Kombe, Kendra Kontz, Cari Koster, Sandy Leithoff, Tina Lenz, Marilyn Miller, Jamie Poulos, Pastor Snow, Dan & Helena Stephens, Kevin Taylor, Nataly Taylor and Molly-Ann Wells.

2nd Graders: Sion Adelaide, Ellie Ankersen, Joelle Boss, Landon Brotemarkle, Annabelle Campbell, Emma George, Mary Jonas, Brooke Kontz, Mila McKay, Kinsley Meyer, Eden Myers, Cambria Nelson, Ben Ochs, Charlotte Peters, Harlow Salyers, Liam Shields, Rick Taylor, Judah Trussell, Micah Willis, Levi Woltjer and Minnie Zepick.



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 9:30am. Join us as we use a study of the Ten Commandments.

Wednesday Bible Study: Join us **January 8** at 7pm in the Lighthouse. We will be studying "The Case for Christ."

Pastoral Call Meeting and Lunch! January 12, 12:15-2:30pm. Join us as we attend the Call Meeting and then have lunch together.

New Schedules are available online!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Sunday morning Bible Class 9:30-10:30am. This weekend, we are meeting in the youth room, as the Bible Buddies will be in the gym.

Wednesday, Jan 22nd - Middle School Night, 7-8:30pm, starting in the Lighthouse (youth room).

Quake Registration is Open! Go to our Student Ministries webpage, under Middle School, to register. The cost is \$155. Registration closes **January 15**.

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me.

-Matthew 25:40



HOLY CROSS
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Mark your calendar for the **Kindergarten Classroom Open House** on **Tuesday, February 25** at 6:30 pm.

The Kansas District is now sponsoring the Kansas Lutheran Schools Scholarship Foundation. To make a donation, visit <https://klssf.org> and complete the Donor Form. You will receive a 75% Tax Credit on your donation! Some of our Holy Cross students may be eligible for the scholarship, based on their financial need. Information is available at the Holy Cross Welcome Center.

The Homeless Meal signup sheet is located on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall doors. The numbers of those who need this meal are increasing so we need more help with supplies! Please take this opportunity to help those in need of a hot meal.

There is a huge need for volunteers to help serve at the **Lord's Diner**. Holy Cross is scheduled the first Thursday and the last Tuesday of every month. Please consider this once-a-month commitment. Contact Maria Keil at 680-6750 to join the Holy Cross team or for more information.

Zippered Bags (the kind in which sheets and blankets come) can always be used for various outreach projects. Please drop them in the Church Office.

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 Life and Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer led by Pastor Snow at 9:30 a.m. in the Worship Center.

A Study of Romans led by Pastor Myers and Troy Nordman on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. in the Parlor and on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Concordia Room.

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

Women's Bible Study, "Meant for Good: A Study of Joseph" with Kris Osler at 9:30 a.m. in the Church Office Conference Room.

John, Part 10, 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.

Revelation Demystified—The study of the Book of Revelation with Carl Nelson in the 2nd Grade Classroom (by the Bell Tower) at 9:30 a.m.

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.

Prayers

- **Level 2 Confirmands (group 2):** Nate Olsen, Camden Salyers, Corbin Suter, Ashlyn Walker, Joseph Webster, Calum Willis, Weston Woltjer, Avery Zimmerman.
- **Our College Students (group 3):** University of Kansas: Emily Chilewa, Jackson Kleeman, Magnus Marciniak, Mya Marciniak Lydia Sharpe and Maggie Uhlenhop. Emporia State University: Paige Kalitta, Brooke Kientz; Southwestern College: Dawson Schoning and Kaitlyn Walker; Washburn University: Austin Broadie; Fort Scott Community College: Blake Bonnes.
- **For "Adopt-A-Student" seminarian:** Tucker Wright at Concordia, St. Louis.
- **Those who are expecting children:** Adam & Melissa Edwards; Ian & Erica Hoskinson; Alex & Kaylee Menke.
- **Those with health concerns:** Karlyn Brown, Aubrey Chinberg, Barbara Klaus, Leo Klaus, Patricia Linhardt, Richard Linhardt, John Marten, Carla Ridener, Trudi Stigge, Don Vesper and Roberta Yacko.
- **Our troops:** Lillian Brown, Audrey Darden, Marshall Darden, Nicole Davis, Adam Edwards, Evan Fiegenbaum, Joshua Gerstenberger, Joanna Hannum, Ben Herts, Nathan Mavia, Peace Mwamunyange, David Nordman, Courtney Schnell, Andrew Shepherd, Joshua Weidner and Reggie Williams.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 62:1-5 | 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 | John 2:1-11

This week at Holy Cross

Saturday, January 11—2nd Grader Bible Buddies

Contemporary Worship 6:00 pm
2nd Saturday Meal 7:00 pm

Sunday, January 12—2nd Grader Bible Buddies

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
Voter's Assembly Meeting 12:15 pm

Tuesday, January 14

Book Club 7:00 pm
Stewardship Commission 7:00 pm
Management Commission 7:00 pm
Worship Commission 7:30 pm

Wednesday, January 15

Men's Bible Study 6:30 am
Braille 8:00 am
Chapel 8:20 am
Women's Bible Study 10:00 am
Adult Bell Choir Practice 7:00 pm
Confirmation 7:00 pm
High School Bible Study 7:00 pm
Adult Choir Practice 8:00 pm

Thursday, January 16

Men's Bible Study at Jimmie's Diner 8:00 am
LifeLight Bible Study 9:00 am
Sewing Sisters 9:00 am
Senior Game Day 1:00 pm
Alzheimer's Support Group 1:45 pm
LifeLight Bible Study 4:30 pm
10:37 Praise Band Practice 6:00 pm
Stephen Ministries Supervision 7:00 pm

Men's Basketball 8:00 pm

Friday, January 17

HCLS Step-Up Day 2:45—3:15 pm

Saturday, January 18

Contemporary Worship w/Communion 6:00 pm

Sunday, January 19

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!

January 11: Casey Blair, Curtis Holtzen, Chrystal Lindeman, Alicia Martin, Ksana Nelson

January 12: Chad Albin, Brett Hansen, Dakota Hutter, Tish Kemp, Brian Maxson, Carol Nelson, J.D. Shackelford

January 13: Leslie Bradley, Kim Caliendo, Jaden Hutton, Nina Markos

January 14: Jan Aberle, Emmalee Daniels, Brandon Elder, Nova Jenkins, Cari Koster, LaRue Rains, Ron Zimmerman

January 15: Ryan Ast, Criscenda Eilers, Jeff Johnson, Tracy Lawson, Jesse Wallace

January 16: Keri Ankersen, Gracie Ast, Jennie Walton

January 17: Sophia Beers

January 18: Henry Livernois, Jason Rose

January 19: Erin Ball, Liam Craig, David Katzenmeier, Brett Klepacki, Tracy Silver

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