



Welcome

We're so glad you're here!

FEBRUARY 15 & 16, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

SERMON MESSAGE: *"This Is How I Want You to Be-Attitudes"*
Luke 6:17-26

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.

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-8
(The one who trusts in the Lord is firmly planted.)

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-20
(Stand firm in what we believe.)

Holy Gospel

Luke 6:17-26
(Jesus preaches both blessings and curses.)

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 Blessing abound in today's readings! Jeremiah laments the one who "trusts in man." He sees the one who "trusts in the Lord," to be like a tree planted with abundant water that "does not cease to bear fruit." Luke tells of a time Jesus preached using beatitudes. The Beatitudes warn woes and laments for those who have all they need right now. Jesus concluded that we should rejoice and leap for joy, for our reward is great in heaven. Such grace! No wonder that Paul, in the Epistle, warns against those who doubt Christ's resurrection. Our Lord is "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep." Today our worship is full of rejoicing in the grace of God which gives us strength to produce fruit every day.

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

"Days Of Elijah"
"Count Your Blessings"

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SERMON SONG "I'll Fly Away"

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

APOSTLES' CREED

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC:

"This Is The Day/He Has Made Me Glad"
— Arr. by Jeff Anderson

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION SONGS

"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"
"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)/
Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Order of Worship

PRELUDE "Thy Word" — Arr. by Stan Pethel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" #684

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HYMN OF THE DAY

"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus" #729

SERMON

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RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Stephanos"

— Arr. by Charles W. Ore

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER

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"The Man Is Ever Blessed" #705

"Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense" #741

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BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" #477

POSTLUDE

"Resurrection Medley"

— Arr. by Ed Hogan

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Order of Worship

PRELUDE "Thy Word" — Arr. by Stan Pethel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" #684

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ANTHEM Adult Choir

"I Love to Tell the Story" — Arr. John Leavitt

EPISTLE READING AND HOLY GOSPEL

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Stephanos"

— Arr. by Charles W. Ore

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF THE DAY

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News & Events

Voters Assembly Meeting following the 11am service this Sunday, **February 16**. The meeting will held in the Worship Center at approximately 12:15 pm.

Bierock Fundraiser is going on through **Feb. 19**. To place your order and get all the details: www.fairmountministries.org/bierocks or call Karen Thurnau at 393-6180.

The Concordia Academy Phoenix Players invite you to attend their production of "Hamlet" on **Friday, February 21**. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the curtain rises at 7:00 pm. You don't want to miss out on an evening of Shakespeare, swordplay and scandal in the Fellowship Hall at CAW, (909 S Market St).

Parish Health Ministry Are you a healthcare provider or interested in health and wellness? If so, please join us **Tuesday, February 25**, at 7pm in the Church Library as we share our ideas and talents. For more information contact Lyn Pitman 734-5582 or Marna Atkinson 253-0582.

The Holy Cross Women's Retreat is coming **Saturday, March 1**. Author Deb Burma will lead us through a day of *Leaning on Jesus*. Check-in begins at 8:30 am and we will close our day by 2:30 pm. The price is \$30, and includes a light breakfast, coffee and tea, and a taco bar for lunch. Go to <https://holycrosslutheran.net/lwmlretreat/> to register.



Attendance for Feb. 8/9, 2025

Worship (93, 222, 143, 133 Online 60)	651
Children's Sunday School	53
Adult Bible Classes	158
Youth Bible Study	66

Record of Our Response as of Feb. 9, 2025

Year-to-date offering budget	\$1,590,039
Year-to-date offering receipts	<u>\$1,577,982</u>

Difference (shortfall): (\$12,057)

Looking Ahead to Easter

Lenten Midweek Wednesdays:
March *5, 12, 19, 26, April 2 and 9
Worship Times: #8:20 am & 7:00 pm

Maundy Thursday (April 17)
Worship Times: *#8:20 am & *7:00 pm

Good Friday (April 18)
Tenebrae Service at #7:00 pm

Blooming of the Cross (April 19)
Worship Times: *6:00 pm

Easter (April 20)
Worship Times: 6:30, #*8:00, #*10:37 & *11:00 am
Breakfast served 7:00-9:30 a.m. in the gym
Proceeds will be donated

*Communion
#Live-streamed

Blessing Place will be closed from
Maundy Thursday thru Easter Sunday.

Family Lenten Meals

Served in the Fellowship Hall 5:30-6:45 pm for a freewill donation, beneficiaries listed below.

March 5 - Pasta Bake, bread & salad
Anna Wolgast's Phillipines Mission Trip

March 12 - Ham, cheesy potatoes, green beans
Holy Cross Student Ministries

March 19 - Pulled pork, mac/cheese, coleslaw & cookies
Let Freedom Sing

March 26 - Tacos, Fruit & dessert
Special Needs Ministry

April 2 - Soup Bar
Girl Scouts Troop

April 9 - Bierocks
Fairmount Ministries



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 at 7pm in the Lighthouse. We will be studying apologetics using "The Case for Christ."

LCMS Gathering Family Group Meeting: Sunday Feb. 23 from 7-8:30pm in the Lighthouse. This is a mandatory meeting!

Spring Break Trip: March 19-22 in the Kansas City Metro area. This event is always an impactful one. The cost is \$40, which covers travel, housing and most meals. Register online at <https://holycrosslutheranwichita.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/77/responses/new> Hurry, space is limited!

LVR Summer Camp June 1-6: Registration is open online. Cost is \$375. Current 8th graders are welcome!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Sunday morning Bible Class 9:30-10:30am. meets in the gym. This week's topic is *relationships*. Come check it out!

Servant Event Feb. 22, 10-11:45am. Meet at Chisholm Place (Anthem Community), 1859 N. Webb Rd. RVSP w/Pam.



HOLY CROSS
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

We had an eventful week! The highlight of the week was on Wednesday when one of our first graders was baptized in Chapel. Praise God! We had a large number of students missing because of illness. Pray for healing!

The school library is in need of someone with woodworking skills to build a new bookshelf. Costs will be covered by HCLS. If you are interested, or would like more information, contact the School Office at 684-4431.

Looking for a part-time tech assistant (flexible hours). Contact Justin Cox at 684-5201.

Lifetime Plan for Giving: We can face competing priorities when we think about distributions from our estates someday, even as we consider gifts that will support ministry. You may be committed to supporting ministry but may have other charities in mind as well. In Matthew 25, Jesus said, "Whatever you do for one of the least of these you have done it for me." Your Holy Cross Gift Planning Counselor can help you gain information about the right way to support organizations, discerning if they are consistent with your beliefs and practices. Contact Bruce Wilgers (990-9938) for additional guidance.

If you have questions regarding your **2024 Tax Statement**, call Melissa at 684-5201.

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 4:45 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 6th 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 1 Confirmands: (group 1):** Luke Atwater, Landon Ayers, Anna Boring, Claire Bruce-Mushi, Claire Cutler, Max Davis, Rauri Deutsch, Ethan Dunleavy.
- **Our College Students (group 4):** Concordia (Seward): Rachel Amey, Taylor Beal, Morgan Davis, Avery Holmberg, Kayla Johnson, Noah Taylor, Danielle Turner and Anna Zimmerman; Lewis & Clark Law School (OR): Abbie Hall; Oklahoma State UNV: Maecie Maltz, Charlie Sutherland, John Sutherland; UNV of Tulsa: Kourtney Koster and James Webster; UNV of Nebraska: AbbyLane Kloke; US Merchant Marine Acad (NY): Mason Wingate.
- **For "Adopt-A-Student" seminarian:** Tucker Wright at Concordia, St. Louis.
- **Those who are expecting children:** Adam & Melissa Edwards; Jarrod & Kristen Fisher; 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, Marshall Darden, Nicole Davis, Adam Edwards, Evan Fiegenbaum, Joshua Gerstenberger, Joanna Hannum, Ben Hers, Nathan Mavia, Peace Mwamunyange, David Nordman, Courtney Schnell, Andrew Shepherd, Audrey (Darden) Wicker, Joshua Weidner and Reggie Williams.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURES

Genesis 45:3-15 | 1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42 | Luke 6:27-38

This week at Holy Cross

Saturday, February 15

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

Sunday, February 16

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
Special Voter's Meeting 12:15 pm

Monday, February 17—President's Day

HCLS—No School
School & Church Offices Closed
Witness & Service Commission 6:00 pm
Singles Bible Study 7:00 pm

Tuesday, February 18

Elders 7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 19

Men's Bible Study 6:30 am
Braille 8:00 am
Chapel 8:20 am
Women's Bible Study 10:00 am
Special Gifts Committee 6:00 pm
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, February 20

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
HCLS Early Childhood Family Fitness 6:00 pm
Stephen Ministries Supervision 7:00 pm
Men's Basketball 8:30 pm

Friday, February 21

HCLS Father/Daughter Dance 6:00-8:30 pm

Saturday, February 22

Saturday Bible Class 4:45 pm
Contemporary Worship 6:00 pm

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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
HS LCMS Gathering Family Group 7:00 pm

Happy Birthday!

February 15: Bob Elder, Everett Emery, Janaya Espada, Evan Fiegenbaum, Jim Heil, Bryan Mellington, Michael Milham, Gretchen Patty, Cathy Peters, Abby Phillips, Chan Yang, Logan Ziegelbein

February 16: Benjamin Propp, Rowen Ramirez, Carla Ridener

February 17: Jordan Kleeman

February 18: Cecily Bengtson, Jeremy Deutsch, Dan Groskurth, Kaitlin Macy, Pam Solomon

February 19: Sam Allenbach, Chris Clennan, Nicole Gerstenberger

February 20: David Kihn, Brian Klager, Max Liska, Jim Tangeman

February 21: John Aschbrenner, David Bieker, Karlyn Brown, Dan Kontz, Theresa Whitcomb

February 22: Wilson Chilewa

February 23: Lance Kemp, Morgan Linhardt, Judy Ratzlaff, Marlene Self

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