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MEMBER
MATTERS.**



“FAMILY”

The Day of Pentecost - May 19, 2024

Growing

IN FAITH

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Serving

IN LOVE

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Together

IN CHRIST

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HOLY CROSS

LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

Welcome to Holy Cross! We're glad you're with us to worship today, and hope God's Word will refresh you. We pray you might find peace and comfort in the forgiveness Christ freely gives. We believe you'll be renewed and refreshed by the Holy Spirit who gives and strengthens faith through the Word and Sacraments. You're always welcome to worship with us, and join any activities we host. We are excited you are here, and pray God's richest blessings upon you today.

GUESTS & VISITORS

We'd love to know that you were with us today. Scan the QR code below to check-in online, and we'll connect with you soon! *You can also use the check-in card you'll find in front of you, and either place it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher anytime.*

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We love kids in Church! There is a kids station as you enter the sanctuary, which has books and bags for younger children to borrow. Coloring pages and children's bulletins are for anyone to use. *Please return books and bags when you are finished.*

OFFERINGS & GIFTS

Giving back to God in thanks for all He provides is an important part of worship and our ministry to the community. If you have something to give, place it in the offering plate as it goes by. **You can also safely give online** using the QR code below or visit holycross.life/connect

HOLY COMMUNION

We believe Christ when He says He is truly present in the bread and the wine of Communion. Those who are baptized, and believe the promise of Christ; that His body and blood are given for you, for your forgiveness—are welcome to receive the Sacrament.

If this is not what you believe, or aren't sure whether to receive or not—we ask that you refrain until you've spoken with the Pastor. You are invited (kids too!) to receive a blessing. Come forward, with your arms folded across your chest, and the pastor will bless you.

**Gluten-free bread (individually wrapped) is available for those who need it. Simply ask the pastor when you come forward. White grape juice is also available in the center ring of the communion tray.*

CHECK-IN and GIVE ONLINE
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OPENING WORD

John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15

PRAYER & INVOCATION

SONG

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling” LSB 650

CONFESSIOAL READING

Matthew 7:3–5, 9–12, 24–27

³Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when there is the log in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.

⁹Which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? ¹¹If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

¹²“So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets. ²⁴“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”

CONFESSIOAL & FORGIVENESS

C Lord God, we are often hypocrites; we see and judge our neighbors for a speck of sin in their lives and deny the log of sin within ourselves. We also act foolishly, building our lives upon the shifting sand of our own thoughts and perceptions, not on the rock of Your word and truth. We deserve to be washed away in the flood of Your judgment, but instead, by Your mercy and grace, You wash away our sin and preserve our lives. Continue to enlighten us by Your word and keep us in true repentance and faith by the power of Your Spirit in us.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN

“Voices Raised to You We Offer” LSB 795

SERMON READING

Ephesians 5:1–2, 19–6:4

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9–13

- C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

HOLY COMMUNION

As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1 Corinthians 11:26

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PEACE OF THE LORD

John 20:19

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.

Those gathered are invited to offer a handshake, fist-bump, or hug with those around them, while saying "Peace be with you" as a way to share the peace we have in God with one another.

LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29

C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” LSB 809

“How Deep the Father’s Love For Us” (page 4)

THE DISMISSAL

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GOD’S BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” LSB 924



Go in God’s Grace and Peace

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“How Deep the Father’s Love For Us”



1. How deep the Fa-ther’s love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure,
2. Be - hold the man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders;
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, no gifts, no pow’r, no wis - dom;



that He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure.
a - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scoff - ers.
but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and res - ur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss— the Fa - ther turns His face a - way
It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer;



as wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
His dy - ing breath has brought me life— I know that it is fin - ished.
but this I know with all my heart—His wounds have paid my ran - som.

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PRAYER LIST

Holy Cross Members

Sabine Bonnar, Adele Buck, Cheryl Connic, Roberta Crocker, Donna DiLalla, Gary Jackson, Audrey Paray, Barbara Schneider, Maura Senft, Monika Seyal, Kim Testani, Laurie Vaitkus, Barbara White; our homebound— Myrtle Anderson, Thomasina Petrahai, Anita Schoch, and Effie Solaz.

Family & Friends

Jim Atkinson, Brett Bartling, Millie Bohac, Madeline Darcy, Tom Deloge, Laura Dick, Margaret Dittmar, Norman Dittmar, Susanne Dowling, Janet Enko, Marian Ernst, Will Fleming, Peter & Evelyn Gaug, Mike Goldey, Joao Paulo Silva Gomes, Bev Hahn, Kevin Hart, Liz Heppermann, George Hermes, Jenny Jablonka, Reinhard Krapalis, John Peter Melle, JoAnne Meyer, Ben Milositz, Alex Morelli, Veronica Musca, Hiedi Nyitrai, Marge Powell, Vincent Riccio, Ryan Rubega, Herbie Ryland, Bill Schiller, Joey Senft, David Sochacki, Kathy Sochacki, Christopher Stead, Mike Tavares, Ken Wilson, Audrey Winnick and Irene Zmarzlak.

“Lord, hear our prayer on behalf of those lifted before you”

If would like to offer prayers on behalf of yourself, or someone you know, visit holycross.life/prayer

GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Altar Flowers by the Sylling Family in memory of Andrew’s father, Charlie Sylling.

Bulletins by the Nyitrai Family in memory of Julianne’s father, Joseph Parker, Jr.

Communion Wafers by Donna and Dave Bogen to celebrate their 22nd wedding anniversary.

Communion Wine by the Nyitrai Family in celebration of Danny’s college graduation.

Oil for the Candles by Andrew Sylling in honor of his parents’ birthdays and anniversary.

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

SUNDAY, MAY 12

In-Person Worship 100
Offering \$6,757.50
Weekly Budget \$7,275.00



HOLY CROSS

LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

“We are passionate about sharing the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ with others. We believe God calls us to grow in faith, serve in love, and be together in Christ.”

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Worship | 9:30am

Sunday School and Bible Class | 10:45am

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Full-day and part-day options available.*

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Altar Guild Donna Senft
..... The Erb Girls
Counters Zach Wendling
..... Sherry Duff

HOLY CROSS HAPPENINGS

May 19, 2024

FLEA MARKET—LAST CHANCE!

Holy Cross' Spring Flea Market is this Saturday, May 25. Don't miss your opportunity to reserve your table in order to turn your castaways into pocket money. Registration forms are available on the narthex table. Don't want your own table, but have things to donate? Contact Kerry Geffert at president@holycrosstrumbull.com to let us know what you have. We're planning to have a Holy Cross booth where the proceeds will go to support Holy Cross ministries and activities. Thank you for your support!

BAKE SALE

Seeking donations for next Saturday's Bake Sale held in conjunction with our Flea Market. If you can help, please contact Edith Skoog. The Bake Sale is a great fundraiser for our congregation!

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The church office is updating the Holy Cross membership directory. Since upgrading to a new database, we have an extensive listing for each person/family that includes not only physical addresses and landlines, but cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses. That means your listing may look different than what is currently in the blue-colored directory dated Summer 2021. If you would like to see your listing before the new directory is distributed, Mary is happy to e-mail the information to you so you can make sure it is correct. All changes are needed by Sunday, June 9.

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Gbarnga Mission—

More than \$500 was donated by members for the Gbarnga Lutheran Mission Project, with additional contributions and sponsorships having been made directly with the Mission. Thank you! Your gifts and sponsorships demonstrate to the Gbarnga students and their families that they have Christian friends half a world away who believe in them and are interested in their education and success. If you missed your opportunity to provide support, gifts are always welcome through the Gbarnga Mission website:

<https://www.gbarngamission.org>.

Covenant to Care Ministry—

We received a lovely thank you letter from Mimose Ulysse-Laurenard, the DCF social worker that Holy Cross supports through the Covenant to Care for Children (CCC) ministry. This letter is posted on the church office window. It was sent to our CCC liaison, Mary Schrock, but is directed to the entire congregation, thanking us for the Easter baskets and Christmas presents. Please take a moment to read Mimose's words of thanks.

WEEK OF MAY 19

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SUNDAY	9:30am—10:30am -----Worship 10:45am -----Sunday School & Bible Class
MONDAY	7am—5:30pm -----Preschool
TUESDAY	7am—5:30pm -----Preschool
WEDNESDAY	7am—5:30pm -----Preschool
THURSDAY	7am—5:30pm -----Preschool
FRIDAY	7am—5:30pm -----Preschool
SATURDAY	9am—3pm -----Spring Flea Market
SUNDAY (5/26)	9:30am—10:30am -----Worship 10:45am -----Sunday School & Bible Class

ARE YOU A 2024 GRADUATE?

If you are graduating from high school, college or an advanced degree this spring we encourage you to share the details with your church family. Please take a “Graduate Information” form from the narthex table, fill it out, and return it to the church office by Sunday, June 9. We plan to share your exciting details in the summer edition of *The CrossWord*. We also want to include a photo of each graduate. Please email a photo to the church office by June 9—office@holycrosstrumbull.com

HOLY CROSS CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Registration is ongoing for the 2024-2025 school year at our preschool. Part-day and full-day programs are offered for Pre-K, 4s and 3s. **To find out more details, contact our Preschool Director, Michele Glennon: preschool@holycrosstrumbull.com or 203-268-6471.**