

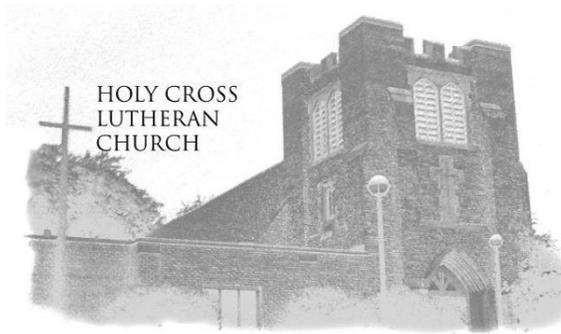
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June 2018

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR KEITH

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 am

Wednesday evening Worship Services at 7:00 pm

June 10th is Mite Sunday

June 24th is Pledge Sunday and the Annual Voter's Meeting

Bible Verse of the Month: Romans 5:1-5

“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us.”

Prayer of the Month:

Lord God, thank You for the love and hope You give us through Your son Jesus. Grant us the perseverance to stay close to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Prayers of Thankfulness for the Officers who have served faithfully and are now leaving their Positions:

President Steve McConley

Vice President Kimberly Blomberg

Deacons Lyle Horrmann and Peter Klatt

Trustees Judy Sorenson, Steve Blomberg, James Blomberg, and Edward Copeland

Prayers for our Members

Mark and Angela Newfield, Gloria Noetzelman, Steve and Judy Nyman, Lynn Oolman, Ivah Pannkuk, Milly Phelon, Tim and Jeanne Phelon, Amelia Phelon, Sheila Platt, George and Sandra Price and Harrison Riddle, Sue, Emily, and John Protzner, Diane and Alex Reyes, Kathy Riley, Jack and Marilyn Risser, Jerry and Carol Rusk.

For Your Thoughts:

A speeding car that ran the light, caused the crash on Highway 109 that night.

Injured folks were everywhere, sirens wailed and death was in the air.

A mother, trapped inside her car, was heard above the noise;

Her plaintive plea near split the air; ‘Oh God, please spare my boys!’

She fought like mad to loose her hands and struggled to get free, but mangled metal held her fast in grim captivity.

Her frightened eyes were staring back, to where the seat had been, but all she saw was broken glass and her children’s seats crashed in.

Her twins were nowhere to be seen; she did not hear them cry. She prayed that they had been thrown free, “Oh God, don’t let then die!”

The firemen came and cut her loose, and when they searched the back, they did not find her little boys, but the seat belts were intact.

They thought the woman had been alone, but when they turned to question her, they saw that she was gone.

Policemen saw her running, and calling above the noise, “Please, help me find my boys! They’re four years old and wear blue shirts; their jeans are blue to match.” One cop called out, “They’re in my car, and they don’t have a scratch.

They said their Daddy put them there and gave them each a cone, and told them they should wait for Mom to come and take them home.

I’ve searched for him both high and low, and just can’t find their dad. He must have fled the scene, I guess, and that is very bad.”

The mother hugged her twins and said, “There’s just no way he could have fled, it’s been a year since he’s been dead.”

The puzzled cop was forced to ask, “Now, how can that be true?” The boys said, “Mommy, Daddy came, and left a kiss for you.

He told us not to worry, that you would be all right, and put us into this big car with the pretty flashing light.

We wanted him to stay with us, because we miss him so, but Mommy, he just hugged us tight and said he had to go.

He said someday we'd understand and told us not to fuss, and he said to tell you, Mommy, that he's watching over us."

The mother knew without a doubt that what they spoke was true, as she recalled their Dad's last words, "I will watch over you."

The firemen's notes could not explain the twisted, mangled car, and how on earth the three of them walked off without a scar.

But the cop's report was scribed, in print so very fine, "An angel walked with us tonight on Highway 109."

THE SILENT SERMON

A church member who had been attending services regularly stopped going, so after a few weeks the pastor visited him. It was a chilly evening, and he found the man at home alone sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for his pastor's visit, the man welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited.

The pastor made himself at home but said nothing. In silence, he gazed at the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After some minutes, the pastor took the tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone. He sat back in his chair, still silent.

The host watched quietly. The lone ember's flame flickered, glowed momentarily and then its fire was no more. Soon it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The pastor realized it was time to leave. He picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the fire. Immediately it began to glow, with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

When the pastor reached the door, his host tearfully said, "Thank you so much for your visit, and especially for the fiery sermon. I will be in church on Sunday".

Because the world we live in today tries to say too much with too little, few listen. Sometimes the best sermons are the ones left unspoken.

For all the negative things we have to say to ourselves, God has a positive answer.

You say, It's impossible.

God says, All things are possible. *Luke 18:27*

You say, I'm too tired.

God says, I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28-30*

You say, Nobody really loves me.

God says, I love you. *John 3:16 and John 13:34*

You say, I can't go on.

God says, My grace is sufficient. *II Corinthians 12:9 and Psalm 91:15*

You say, I can't figure things out.

God says, I will direct your steps. *Proverbs 3:5-6*

You say, I can't do it.

God says, You can do all things. *Philippians 4:13*

You say, I'm not able.

God says, I am able. *II Corinthians 9:8*

You say, It's not worth it.
God says, It will be worth it. *Romans 8:28*

You say, I can't forgive myself.
God says, I forgive you. *I John 1:9 & Romans 8:1*

You say, I can't manage.
God says, I will supply all your needs.
Philippians 4:19

You say, I'm afraid.
God says, I have not given you a spirit of fear. *II Timothy 1:7*

You say, I'm always worried and frustrated.
God says, Cast all your cares on me. *I Peter 5:7*

You say, I'm not smart enough."
God says, I give you wisdom. *I Corinthians 1:30*

You say, I feel all alone.
God says, I will never leave you or forsake you. *Hebrews 13:5*

So you'd like to be a millionaire! **Test your Minnesota knowledge.** The answers are printed at the end.

\$100 - How many Super Bowls have the Vikings won?

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 0
- d. 4

\$200 - The Mississippi River starts at which lake?

- a. Lake Superior
- b. Lake Itasca
- c. Mille Lacs
- d. The General Mills Pond

\$400 - Choppers are worn on which body part?

- a. Hands
- b. Feet
- c. Head
- d. Over da lower end of yer backside der

\$1,000 - Which city is "further up nort der"?

- a. Ely
- b. Duluth
- c. St. Cloud
- d. Waseca

\$2,000 - The Minnesota state fish is?

- a. Bass
- b. Walleye
- c. Carp
- d. Eelpout

\$4,000 - St. Paul is smaller than which other city?

- \$8,000 - Lutefisk can be found where?
 - a. Mississippi River
 - b. Lake Superior
 - c. Mille Lacs Lake
 - d. The basement of a Lutheran church

\$16,000 - Which is considered a Minnesota state holiday?

- a. Deer opener
- b. Fishing opener
- c. Labor Day
- d. Hopkins Raspberry Days

\$32,000 - Who are Ole and Swen?

- a. The mayors of Bemidji and Elk River
- b. The Governor and Lt. Governor
- c. The perpetual stereotypes of dumb Scandinavian jokes

d. The former owners of the Vikings

\$64,000 - Which color becomes fashionable each fall?

- a. Brown
- b. Teal
- c. Blaze orange
- d. Gray

\$125,000 - W-A-Y-Z-A-T-A is pronounced which way?

- a. W AY-zat-A
- b. why-ZET-a
- c. Way-zot-a
- d. Why-zare-a

\$250,000-How thick should ice be before driving onto it?

- a. 1/2 inch
- b. 1 inch
- c. 10 feet
- d. 12 inches

\$500,000 - Which star was not born in Minnesota?

- a. Judy Garland
- b. James Amess
- c. Jessica Lange
- d. Peewee Herman

\$1,000,000 - Who was the first governor of Minnesota?

- a. Verne Gagne
- b. Alexander Ramsey
- c. Henry Sibley
- d. Nick Bockwinkle

Answers: \$100-0; \$200-Lake Itasca; \$400-Hands; \$1000-Ely; \$200-Walleye; \$4000-Minneapolis; \$8000-The basement of a Lutheran Church; \$16,000-fishing opener; \$32,000-the perpetual stereotypes of dumb Scandinavian jokes; \$64,000-blaze orange; \$125,000-why-zet-a; \$250,000-12 inches; \$500,000-Peewee Herman; \$1,000,000-Henry Sibley.

"IS YOU IS or IS YOUAIN'T?"

Rhythm and blues singer, song writer and band leader Louis Jordan, had a hit song back in the 40's entitled "Is You Is or Is You Ain't?" Interestingly, it went to number one that year on the country charts, number two on the Pop charts, and number three on the R&B charts. The song is about an important question that the song's main character has for his girlfriend; "Is you is, or is you ain't my baby?" That question (minus the "baby"), was one of the key questions between the two great Reformers of the day, the German Martin Luther, and the Swiss Ulrich Zwingli.

Is you "is"? If you were, then you were in Luther's **is** camp! For you believed Jesus' words, "This is my body and this is my blood," were to be taken literally, as Jesus clearly spoke and as Luther and his **is** camp professed. LCMS continues to maintain that Jesus' body and blood, in conjunction with His Word, is truly in, with, and under, the bread and wine. How? We can't explain it! We simply believe and trust it **is**, by God's gift of faith.

Is you ain't? If so you were in Zwingli's Reformed camp. According to Dr. John B. Payne, Zwingli argued from a Hurrian (a member of an ancient people who lived in Syria and Mesopotamia around 1500 BC) point of view, "Christ cannot both be in heaven and in the elements of the Eucharist. Therefore, the words of Institution, "This is my body" must be interpreted in a figurative manner as "This *signifies* my body." Yet, as Reformers, both Zwingli and Luther had much in common. They both rejected the authority of the Pope and held to the authority of Scripture alone; they both agreed to the principle of justification by faith alone; and they both rejected the

sacrifice of the Mass and the Catholic understanding of Transubstantiation, which holds that the bread and wine are changed into the very body and blood of Christ, as the bread and wine also remains literal bread and wine as the recipient takes it into his body and it passes through.

Look up 1 Corinthians 10:16

Q: What are the two answers to the two rhetorical “is” questions?

Q: Who is the “we”, and how do they “bless” the cup of blessing and the bread?

Q: Without the “blessing”, what is the bread and wine?

Look up 1 Corinthians 11:26

Q: According to the verse, what is it you are eating and drinking?

Q: What does faith have to do with proclaiming our Lord's death until He comes?

Q: Why do you think Luther was such a stickler on this point?

Look up Matthew 26:28

Q: What did Jesus say the disciples received upon drinking the wine/blood He offered?

Q: Why do we, as Lutherans, refer to the Lord's Supper as a 'means of Grace'?

Q: What does receiving this grace mean to you, personally?

Look up Romans 8:10

Q: What does this verse (if at all), have to do with our understanding of the Lord's Supper?

Q: Cross reference this verse to Romans 8:31-32 ... What further promise goes with Christ being with (in) us?

In Luther's Small Catechism, he reminds us of the gifts we receive in Baptism:

Forgiveness of sins

Life now in His Spirit and salvation, the promise of eternal life.

Victory over sin and death and the power to live our 'new life' in Him.

As well as that all important question, how can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

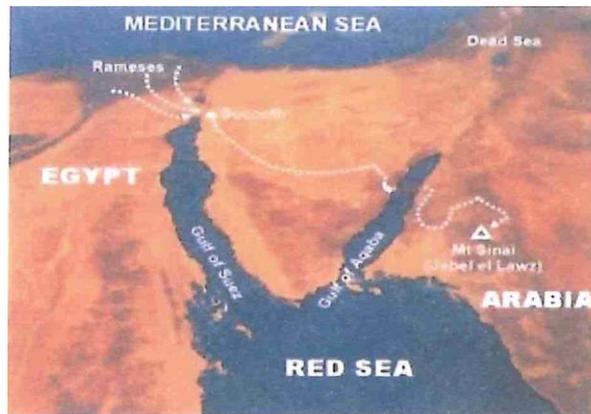
Certainly not just the eating and drinking do these things, but the words ‘given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.’ These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament.

By faith, we know in our heart He **is** ‘in’ us. We can try to define faith and how He is in, with, and under, the bread and wine – but we don't know. But that ‘not knowing’ is a good thing; for it is by faith alone that we are saved.

Is you is or is you ain't? By God's grace, we is!

Chariot Wheels found at the bottom of the Red Sea

Confirmation of the actual Exodus route has come from divers finding coral-encrusted bones and chariot remains in the Gulf of Aqaba.

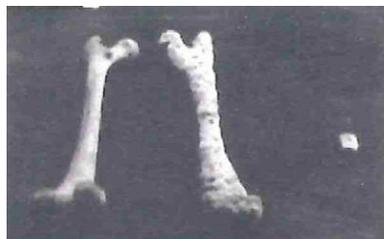


One of the most dramatic records of Divine intervention in history is the account of the Hebrews' exodus from Egypt. The subsequent drowning of the entire Egyptian army in the Red Sea was not an insignificant event, and confirmation of this event is compelling evidence that the Biblical narrative is truly authentic. Over the years, many divers have searched the Gulf of Suez in vain for artifacts to verify the Biblical account. But carefully following the Biblical and historical records of the Exodus brings you to Nuweiba, a large beach in the Gulf of Aqaba, as Ron Wyatt discovered in 1978.



Repeated dives in depths ranging from 60 to 200 feet deep over a stretch of almost 2.5 km, has shown that the chariot parts are scattered across the sea bed. Artifacts found include wheels and chariot bodies, as well as human and horse bones. Divers have located wreckage on the Saudi coastline opposite Nuweiba as well.

Since 1987, Ron Wyatt found three four-spoke gilded chariot wheels. Coral does not grow on gold, hence the shape has remained very distinct, although the wood inside the gold veneer has disintegrated making them too fragile to move. This coral-encrusted chariot wheel matches chariot wheels found in Tutankhamen's tomb.



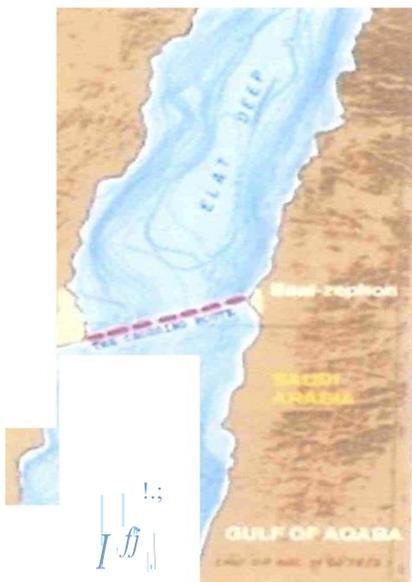
Many mineralized bones have been found at the crossing site. This one tested by the Department of Osteology at Stockholm University, was found to be a human femur, from the right leg of a 165-170cm tall man. It is essentially fossilized, 'i.e., replaced by minerals and coral, hence cannot be dated by radiocarbon methods, although this specimen was obviously from antiquity.

Exodus 14:25 "And took off their chariot wheels, that they drove them heavily..." When Ron Wyatt first visited Nuweiba in 1978, he found a Phoenician style column lying in the water. Unfortunately, the inscriptions had been eroded away, so the column's importance was not understood until 1984 when a second granite column was found on the Saudi coastline opposite, identical to the first, except on this one the inscription was still intact.

In Phoenician letters (Archaic Hebrew), it contained the words: Mizraim (Egypt); Solomon; Edom; death; Pharaoh; Moses; and Yahweh, indicating that King Solomon had set up these columns as a memorial to the miracle of the crossing of the sea. Saudi Arabia does not admit tourists, and perhaps fearing unauthorized visitors, the Saudi Authorities have since removed this column, and replaced it with a flag marker where it once stood.



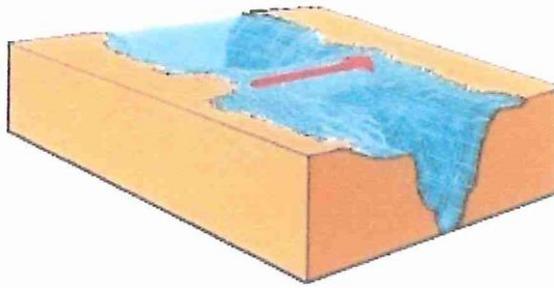
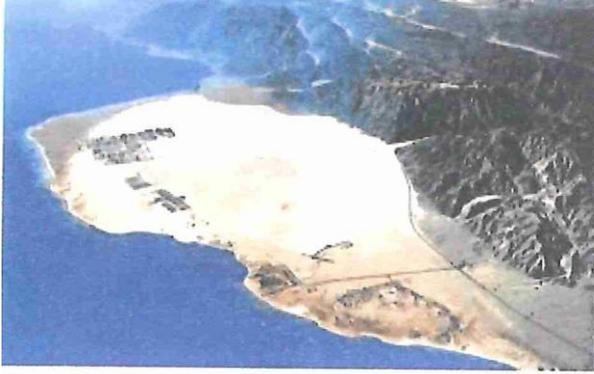
The Gulf of Aqabais is very deep, in places over a mile. Even with the sea dried up, walking across would be difficult due to the steep grade down the sides. But there is one spot, where if the water were removed, it would be an easy descent for people and animals. This is the line between Nuweiba and the opposite shore in Saudi Arabia.



Depth-sounding expeditions have revealed a smooth, gentle slope descending from Nuweiba out into the Gulf. This shows up almost like a pathway on depth-recording equipment, confirming it's Biblical description, "...a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters." (Isaiah 43:16)

The Bible writers frequently refer to the miracle of the Red Sea crossing, for it was an event which finds no equal in history. The Hebrew prophets describe the sea at the crossing site as "...the waters of the great deep...the depths of the sea..." (Isaiah 51:10)

Knowing the exact spot to which the Bible writers were referring, what is the depth there? The distance between Nuweiba and where artifacts have been found on Saudi coast is about 11 miles.



Along this line, the deepest point is about 2,600 feet. No wonder that writers of the Bible described it as the mighty waters. And no wonder that not a single Egyptian survived when the water collapsed in upon them. Nuweiba beach is the spot where the crossing began. The hope for future expeditions is to explore the deeper waters with remote cameras or mini-sub.

Below is your pledge card for 2018-2019.

Pledge Sunday is June 24 this year. Stewardship via Pledge Sunday is our annual reminder about our commitment, worship and faith toward God and to Holy Cross. It should be a time of reflection and renewal and it is a part of our Christian responsibility. Your pledge, your commitment of faith, will help move the Gospel message. Thank you.

This pledge is made to
HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
July 1 to June 30

For CURRENT EXPENSES \$_____weekly
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For MISSIONS: Synod \$_____weekly
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Signed _____

Please cut this card out to make your pledge, thank you.



Stewardship: Time, Talents, Treasures

“But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.” 2 Corinthians 4:7

The chief treasure we have is our faith, our connection to Jesus and all the blessings He bestows upon us: forgiveness of sins, the Holy Spirit, and spiritual growth into His image. St. Paul says we have these treasures in jars of clay, of ourselves we are still weak, stumbling, and powerless. The treasure is not us, but what the Lord has graciously given us. We are vessels for His blessings. But a treasure hoarded is a treasure wasted. How is the Lord calling you to share these and all the treasures He has given you?

“Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.” Mark 3:35

Doing the will of God starts with trusting Jesus Christ. Once we have faith in Him and have been reborn as new creatures through Holy Baptism, we strive to grow in this faith and in a life that agrees with our faith. Growing in generosity, kindness, and in love in the home, in church, and in society is growing into the family of God. All who do His will are his brothers, and sisters, and mothers.

“He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.” Mark 4:34

How blessed we are to be His disciples! The Lord has indeed explained everything to us. Why then are we ever so foolish as to disobey His clear Word? Our fight against

sin in the power of the Holy Spirit is truly a struggle. Therefore, let us receive the Lord’s help in His Word and Sacraments, and let us fight the good fight of faith and grow up into His image.

“He said to them, ‘Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?’ ” Mark 4:40

Faith means trust. If we trust the Lord, what do we have to be afraid of? Isn’t it fear that holds us back in our stewardship? Isn’t it fear that stops us from following the Lord’s Word to give generously toward His work in the Church? “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” The Lord has proved His trustworthiness by His cross. You can trust Him.

“There are three conversions necessary to every man: the head, the heart, and the purse.” Attributed to Luther, this statement echoes what Jesus taught about hearts and treasures. He said, “For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also”. Matthew 6:21; Luke 12:34

But which conversion comes first? I submit that the order is first the head, then the purse, then the heart.

Our Lord Jesus Christ dwelt among us to save us. He took on our flesh and suffered torture and death on our behalf, in order that we would be free from sin, death, and hell. He gives us what He accomplished through Baptism, Absolution, and the Lord’s Supper. And so, He makes what He did ours by making us His. Thus, we are called Christians, and have a new life in Him.

Through the preaching of Law and Gospel, God grants us repentance, a conversion of the mind. We are called to turn away from

our sins and turn toward Him for forgiveness, life, and salvation.

And thus, He calls us to a new life, with new deeds. This is the conversion of the purse. Jesus said that “it is easier for a camel to enter through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God” (Matthew 19:24). “For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”

Notice that our hearts follow our treasures, not the other way around. As Christians, God calls us to invest our treasures in His Kingdom to ensure that the gospel is preached and the sacraments are administered. He calls us to share all good things with the one who teaches us the doctrines of Christ. He calls us to be generous in giving to the church, for it is more blessed to give than to receive.

So where is your treasure? If it is not invested in the kingdom of God, then the only response is repentance, to begin doing just that. And as our Lord promised, where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

This is not to say that you earn your way into heaven. But as Christians, those who have been made to be temples of the Holy Spirit, who have been given a new life in Christ, who are dead to sin and now alive in Him, we are, actually, to live a new life in Him.

And when you fail, know that God in Christ loves and forgives you and still calls you away from that and to Himself.



Plan to attend the annual Voter’s Meeting after worship Sunday June 24. It will also be Pledge Sunday, please use the enclosed pledge card or pick one up in the narthex. Again, we thank our officers!

Nicholas Katasanov was confirmed in May. His Bible verse is John 3:16: *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whosoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.* Congratulations, Nick, and welcome to the Holy Cross family!

“Circle the afternoon of June 24th for our Holy Cross Golf Outing. Get out those golf clubs and return to Fort Snelling for some inspiring golf shots and some good laughs. We usually tee off between 3:15-3:30.” *Lyle Horrmann*

We thank those who helped with the Holy Cross Cleanup, what a difference you made! Lyle Horrmann, Dave, Tena and Mark Ubl, Mike Dennis, Linda, Steve and Kate McConley, Peter Klatt and his grandson, Pastor Meyer, and Errol and Judy Sorenson.

We thank Carol Horrmann and Sally Gorski for their lovely work planting flowers around the church. They will plant the pots by the office once the duck has hatched her eggs and moved out of the brick planter.

Our We Care fund is dedicated to help Holy Cross families who are in need. A donation box for the We Care fund is now located in the narthex. If God is calling you to support this mission please donate. If your family needs financial assistance,

please contact Pastor - all inquiries will remain confidential.

“Thank you to Pastor Keith, Pastor Holland and all our friends at Holy Cross for the warmth and compassion given to our family in the days following our mother’s passing. It was much appreciated and a comfort to connect with so many during a difficult time. We know Sharlene treasured not only her many friendships here but also the good times and fellowship over the years. Thank you again for the blessing you all have been to our mother.”

The family of Sharlene Mitchell

“We picked up baked goods from Cub worth \$2379.00 in May, sharing them with CES food shelf.” *Errol and Judy*

“Thank you for your donations of food. Monthly, we serve over 1,300 client visits serving individuals and families with our Food Shelf, Home Delivery food shelf, East African Food Program and our Bonus Friday program that gives away produce and other foods. Over 6,500 meals a month are delivered to seniors and homebound adults with our Meals on Wheels program. We are grateful for your partnership and care!”
Chris Nelson, CES

We congratulate Amelia Phelon, who came in 26th out of 205 competitors in the State Bowling tournament!

Make it easy on yourself. Check with your bank to set up automatic payment for your Holy Cross offering; many members use this time-saving method.

and weed the flower beds, flowers pots and planters this summer. The calendar is in the narthex. We need your help! During your week try to come once or twice (or more) to water especially if we’ve hit a dry stretch of weather and spruce everything up and water again — so everything looks great on Sunday morning!

If you’re new to the process or you’re considering volunteering for the first time, here’s all you have to do:

Pull out the hose from the southeast corner of the church and water the flower bed in front of the sign by the steps and the hostas behind the sign.

Next water the planters on either side of the front steps along with the forsythia and crabapple tree to the right.

Then head down the hill and water the planter in front of the sign.

Then head back up the hill and water the Memorial Garden including the grasses in the corners. When you’re done with the front of the church, pull the hose back to the starting point and continue along the side of the church. Water the two round pots by the bench and the hostas up by the bench.

Then coil up the hose back in its spot.

If you’ve been weeding while watering, having a bag along for the debris is a good idea.

You’re done! If you’re signed up this summer but a conflict comes up, please call the next person on the list and see if they can switch with you. The weekly gardener’s name will be posted on the church calendar and in the bulletin.

With all of us working together, we can keep our beautiful grounds looking that way. We need someone to sign up each week between now and mid-September. Feel free



HOLY CROSS GARDENS

Please consider
signing up to water

to take more than one week, thanks so much for your help!

Questions? Comments? Call Sally Gorski or Carol Horrmann

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Our staff and students were blessed by the wise and servant-hearted women in our community. We sat at the feet of women who have walked with Jesus for decades. They shared so vulnerably and opened the door for the college girls to share vulnerably as well. This is our second year of the Women’s Panel, but its opportunities for intergenerational ministry are great.

Man Maker, the overnight men’s retreat focused on the principle of biblical manhood is always a great event. The men are challenged to reject passivity and accept responsibility as leaders in God’s kingdom. They receive a lot of solid teaching over the weekend, and some of that comes from the upperclassmen. They fight for community and encounter challenges in team settings, play games and enjoy sweet fellowship. They spoke about sharing the gospel with their words and actions for a lifetime.

Please pray for us as we evaluate, plan and strategize as a staff team. We’re in deep discussion about how to better reach students in this generation, and also looking ahead to the upcoming fall semester. Pray for the Spirit to lead and guide us as we make decisions and as we raise up the next generation of leaders.

Erick and Courtney Horrmann

*For the word of God is alive and active.
Sharper than any double-edged sword, it*

penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit.
Hebrews 4:12

“One of our staff members was put in jail by the police and badly beaten. The Lord sent someone to help get him released. By God’s plan, his case was taken all the way up to the regional president. The president knew that this person was put in jail without any official accusation. The reason was because he had worked on translating God’s Word in to the local language. The president punished those police and asked for copies of the Bible which this brother had translated. We gave them six copies, and the president’s representative called for more, requesting a copy for each member of his office.”

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WEDDINGS

Jonathan and Denitsa Woltmann	6/2
Steven and Roberta Brooks	6/8
Jack and Marilyn Risser	6/9
Dan and Jackie Bock	6/25
Roger and Jan Holland	6/25

BIRTHDAYS

Karen Dibble	6/1
Tena Ubl	6/2
Katie Dennis	6/3
Linda McConley	6/5
Judy Sorenson	6/10
Kalin Woltmann	6/10
John Protzner	6/11
Lucas Sorenson	6/16
George Price	6/19
Julie Brammer	6/21
Sommer Bernard	6/23
Erick Horrmann	6/23
Carrie Yeager	6/24
Jasmine Witt	6/25
Barbara Schlueter	6/28
Reagan Riddle	6/29
Mike Dennis	6/30
Janell Trapp	6/30

USHERS

- 3 Oolman and Tatham
- 10 Blomberg and Blomberg
- 17 Horrmann and Horrmann
- 24 Phelon and Lange

COUNTERS

- 3 Woodraska and Oolman
- 10 M Blomberg and Klatt
- 17 A Horrmann and Woodraska
- 24 M and K Lange

DEACONS

Jim Scanlon and Lyle Horrmann

ALTAR GUILD

Arlene Kise

GARDENERS

- 3 Sally Gorski
- 10 M and K Lange
- 17 *Needed*
- 24 *Needed*

JUNE 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7:00 pm AA Meeting	2 8-10:30 AA Intergroup
3 9:30 am Worship Service 7:0 pm GA	4 6-9 Tupperware in Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm Craft Group	5 7 pm Deacons Meeting	6 10:30 am Bible Study 7 pm Worship Service	7 7:00 pm AA Meeting	8 7:00 pm AA Meeting	9 8-10:30 AA Graduation Party Fellowship Hall 1-8 pm
10 Mite Offering 9:30 am Worship w/Communion Service 7:00 pm GA	11 10:30 Prayer Group 6:30 ICAN	12	13 10:30 am Bible Study 7 pm Worship Service	14 2-4 pm Hands in Ministry 7:00 pm AA Meeting	15 7:00 pm AA Meeting 8am-6pm Lifeline Screening in Fellowship Hall	16 8-10:30 AA
17 9:30 am Worship Service 7:00 pm GA	18	19	20 10:30 am Bible Study 7 pm Worship Service	21 7:00 pm AA Meeting	22 7:00 pm AA Meeting	23 8-10:30 AA Birthday Party Fellowship Hall 1-8 pm
24 PLEDGE SUNDAY 9:30 am Worship Service w/Communion VOTER'S MEETING after Worship Svce HC Golf Outing 3:15? 7:00 pm GA	25	26	27 10:30 am Bible Study 7 pm Worship Service	28 7:00 pm AA Meeting	29 7:00 pm AA Meeting	30 8-10:30 AA