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*Our Mission:
With the help of God,
Holy Cross Lutheran Church
grows disciples
and transforms hearts
for Christ.*

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Darlene Birk
Preschool Director

Michelle Sliger
Music Director

Greg Cissell
Choir Director

Service Times

Saturday: 5 PM
Sunday: 8 & 10:30 AM

Sunday Education Hour

9:15 - 10:15 AM
ADULT BIBLE STUDIES
SUNDAY SCHOOL & LYF

Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8 AM-NOON: 1-4 PM
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LIVE-STREAMING of 8 AM SERVICE

WEEKLY: Holy Cross live streams the 8 AM service each Sunday on a link at our website (hcross.com). We provide this service for our members who cannot attend worship. The video perspective from the choir loft looks toward the altar and shows all aspects of the service from the sixth row of pews forward. This includes baptisms, children's talks, and communion.

Weekly News & Notes

Day of Pentecost

June 8-9, 2019

WELCOME TO EVERYONE joining us for worship today! We invite both visitors and members to sign the red fellowship folders in the pew and return to worship with us regularly. If you are interested in membership at Holy Cross, please provide a phone number or email address, or speak to Pastor Gimbel about how you may become part of our fellowship.

PRAYER REQUESTS: We are happy to pray for those in need. Prayer requests can be submitted by filling out a card found in the pew and giving it to an usher, or by calling or emailing the church office.
Confidential prayer requests are shared with Pastor Gimbel but not published.

In prayers for health and healing today, we pray—

FOR OUR MEMBERS:

Delores Ahrens, **John** Allquist, **Brian** Belter, **Bob** Brueggeman, **Delsa** Dwyer, **Renea** Erickson, **Rose** Franzer, **Peggy** Gallagher, **Connie** Gamache, **Kenneth** Lee, **Judy** Rutledge, **Mary** Sampl, **Carl** Wardenburg.

FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Dorothy Bauer (Bob Williams); **Hilda** Breden (Deb Breden); **Deborah** Broussard (Darlene Robirds); **Anna Mae** Bumstead (Roy Bumstead); **Kelley** Christopher (John & Linda Jackson); **Kenny** and **Shirley** Coomer, **Kenny** Rogers (Jeff & Becky Coomer); **Dale** Davis (Sarah Smith); **Wayne** Doolin (Al Ketsenburg); **Ginny** Ehlers (Chris Ehlers); **Jim** French (Dina Polashek); **Jen** Gabathuler & her family (Dave & Peggy Kuerschner); **Eugene** Gronewald (Phyllis Gronewald); **Mark** Heisohn (Liane Higgins); **Robert** Heizmann (Werner & Laurie Heizmann); **Irene** Helsten (Denice Johns); **Frank** Boyer, **Sheri** Campbell (Jayne Jepsen); **Kristofer** Klette (Kara Klette); **Elizabeth** Cash, **Joe** (Doug & Heather Koepke); **Barlow** Koepke (Anna & Ren Koepke); **John** Bach, **Rachel** Long (Ken & Betty Lee); **John** Linnquist (Amy Schlesselman); **Karen** Martinez (David Pacheco); **Donna** Mayes (Greg & Beth Cissell); **Phil** Menzel (John & Marian Hoehner); **Alex** Moentmann (Bob & Sue Williams); **Shelly** Fluchel, **Tom** Hartman, **Vernon** Parr, **John** Perotti, **Amanda** Thornton (Mark & Tina Morrison); **Joy** Rodenberger (Mark Hoemann); **Sandie** Cardinale (Judy Rutledge); **LaCrata** Schnack (Shirley Amos); **Patty** Slye (Becky Edgar); **Janet** Todaro (Lizzie Johansmann); **Connie** Valliere (Sal & Barb Benigno); **Wendy** (Janine Haffer), **Jim** Wiederhold (Blanche Richterkesing); **Kylie** Williams (Carol Hofer); **Emily** Wymolre (Ken Goodwin).

FOR THE MISSION OF THE QUARTER: WELLS FOR AFRICA

FOR OUR PASTORAL CALL CANDIDATE

FOR THOSE WHO SERVE:

We remember and pray for our members, relatives & friends currently serving in the military: **Dominic** Bisesi, **Timothy** Daniels, **Braedyn** Dawson, **Nathaniel** Einfeldt, **Brooke** Georges, **Bella** Hoffer; **Wes** Justmann, **Cody** Kieffer, **Jeff** Kuerschner, **Josh** Linn, **Thomas** Matoushek, **Clint** Morrison, **Justin** Quinn, **Mitch & Brittney** Schneider, **Andrew** Shaw, **Michael** J. Silliman Jr., **Matthew** Thornton and **Conner** Walkenhorst.

Please review the prayer list for Family & Friends and update the Church Office this week.

This Week's Calendar

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

The Day of Pentecost

10AM VBS Volunteer Training
5PM Holy Communion

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

The Day of Pentecost

8:00AM Holy Communion
9:15AM Education Hour
10:30AM Holy Communion
Noon VBS Volunteer Training
6PM National Youth Gathering
Mandatory Last Meeting
& BBQ at Wischmeyers'

MONDAY, June 10

9:30AM TOPS
10:00AM Counters
10:00AM Ladies Guild Exec
11:30AM Line Dancing
4 to 8 PM VBS Setup
7 PM Handbells

TUESDAY, June 11

10AM Women's Bible Study
Noon Staff Meeting
4 to 8 PM VBS Setup
6PM Grace Guild (Off-site)
7PM Adult Bible Class

WEDNESDAY, June 12

9:30AM Adult Bible Class
4 to 8 PM VBS Setup
8:00PM AA

THURSDAY, June 13

8AM News & Notes Due
4 to 8PM VBS Setup

FRIDAY, June 14 — Flag Day

8AM **JULY KOINONIA Deadline**
4 to 8PM VBS Setup

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

Grace Diaper Drive + Final Weekend

5PM Holy Communion
Guests Rev. Charles & Connie Cortright

SUNDAY, JUNE 16 — Father's Day

The Holy Trinity

Grace Diaper Drive + Final Day!

8:00AM Holy Communion
9:15AM Education Hour
10:30AM Holy Communion
TBD: VBS Setup



Bible Study Opportunities

SUNDAY SCHOOL for Ages 3 through 8th grade

- ◆ Sundays at 9:15 AM in classrooms on the lower level

LYF--HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH Sundays, 9:15 AM in the Youth Room

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY AT 9:15 AM IN THE GYM

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Gimbel: Bible Book Club

- ◆ Tuesdays at 10AM in Rooms 1-2

ADULT BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Gimbel: Sunday Sneak Peek

- ◆ Wednesdays at 9:30 AM in Rooms 1-2

ADULT EVENING BIBLE CLASS with Bruce Linn

- ◆ **FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE ONLY**, class will meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7PM

CONFIRMATION AND MIDWEEK for Grades 3 through High School

- ◆ Classes on Wednesdays at 6:45PM: SUMMER RECESS

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY:

- ◆ Second Wednesday at 6:30 AM: SUMMER RECESS

THOSE WISHING TO BECOME MEMBERS OF HOLY CROSS:

- ◆ Transfer of Lutherans Class (TLC)
- ◆ B.A.S.I.C.S. Information Classes for non-Lutherans
- ◆ **Contact the Church Office for these Classes**

Saturday-Sunday: June 1-2, 2019 — SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Service	Attendance	Communion
5:00 PM SATURDAY	61	52
8:00 AM SUNDAY	83	67
10:30 AM SUNDAY	165	—
Total	309	119

Weekly Education Classes June 4-5, 2019

TUE AM Women's Bible Study	13
Tue PM Adult Bible Class	N/A
WED AM Men's B&B	N/A
WED AM Adult Bible Class	16
Total	29

Sunday Education Classes June 2, 2019

Sunday School	6
LYF	0
Adult Bible Classes	28
Total	34

H.O.P.E. FOOD MINISTRIES

Weekly Totals for June 5:

**Families 82
Individuals 326**

Totals for May

**Families 496
Individuals 1,801**

Weekly Offerings: June 1-2, 2019

General Fund	\$ 9,186.00
Building Fund	\$ 30.00
Endowment	\$ 5.00
Mission of the Quarter 2	\$ 293.00
Church Sign Fund	\$ 5,020.00
TOTAL Sign Fund 6/02/19	\$ 34,603.00
TOTAL MOTQ2 (to date)	\$ 3,348.00

Year to Date as of 04/30/2019

Income	\$ 218,669.47
Expenses	\$ 196,758.11
YTD	\$ 21,911.36

Thank You

*Thank you to **George Krieger** for his handyman talent to insert dividers in our Holy Cross kitchen utensil drawers! They are appreciated*

LUTHERAN WITNESS & Portals of Prayer are waiting for you in the *Welcome Center*. Please pick up your copies!



DIAPER DRIVE This is Grace Evening Guild's almost final weekend of its **Annual Diaper Drive!** Please place diaper donations in the *Welcome Center* porta-crib. All sizes are most welcome! Diapers will be given to Seminary families.

Sermon Theme: "One People"

This week's sermon, "One People," is based on the Old Testament reading of the story of the Tower of Babel from Genesis 11. Can't we all just get along? Unity is a big concept and idea for our society these days. There are areas in our life where we have unity (e.g. Let's Go Blues!) and areas where we do not have unity (e.g. politics). Today we look more closely at worldly unity as we look forward to the true and perfect unity brought by the Holy Spirit!

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS: This weekend we will be looking at a big picture overview of the Old Testament. Come and join us as we learn how the short sections of Scripture we hear in church and read for our devotions fit together in God's story of salvation for you!

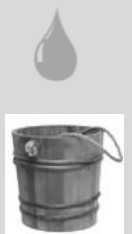
ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Mike Kelly, and in celebration of Darren & Brenda Marhanka's 6th wedding anniversary.

THE TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BOOK CLUB — Bible book club, that is! In this summer series, the class will look at the bigger picture of one of the 66 books of the Bible each week, including an overview of a Bible book's background, themes, and content, while highlighting some of the most important and most well-loved passages. This week we will look in –depth at the book of Proverbs. Join us Tuesdays at **10AM** in Room 1-2.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY—Sunday Sneak Peek! It's always fun to have a sneak peek to figure out what's coming up, isn't it? Whether it's reading a book or watching a movie, our curiosities always wonder what will happen next! Now, you can have an opportunity to find out what's coming up in church each weekend - a sneak peek — four days early! Join us as we look through the Scripture readings, prayer of the day, and even some of the hymns as our hearts are prepared more fully for our weekend worship services. Come and join us Wednesdays at **9:30AM** in Room 1-2.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS, led by Bruce Linn, has switched dates for the month of June. It will meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays: **June 11** and **June 25**, at **7 PM**.

MISSION OF THE QUARTER 2
MISSION CENTRAL: WATER WELLS
Join the Holy Cross "Bucket Brigade"



Be part of the bucket brigade sharing both drinking water and the Living Water of Faith of Jesus Christ!

Your contribution of \$25 will be a drop in the bucket that a child has to carry home from a water source. A full bucket, or 40 drops, is \$1000 closer to providing a well for a community.

We currently have 3 buckets full of 134 drops. With your \$25 in the bucket, we will help the children at Christ's Care for Children in Lenkishon, a boarding school run by the Lutheran Church in Kenya, get a well.

THANK YOU to **Terry Hardy** and **Byron Alton** who built shelving in the balcony for handbell storage this week.

KITCHEN CLEANING will be **Fri., June 21, from 9AM to noon**. On the agenda: cleaning refrigerators and countertops, and straightening out the drawers. Everyone is welcome! Join the fun! Contact Beverly Ketsenburg.



Pastor's 10-Year Anniversary:
We are celebrating all month long!
 If you would like to share your good wishes and thoughts with Pastor Gimbel about his ten years of ministry at Holy Cross, place your cards in the Welcome Center mailbox during the month of June.

Pastor Andrew J. Gimbel
 Ordained & Installed as **Assistant Pastor** at Holy Cross on June 28, 2009
 Installed as **Senior Pastor** at Holy Cross on July 2, 2016


Next weekend, please welcome:
REV. DR. CHARLES AND CONNIE CORTRIGHT

The Cortrights will be at Holy Cross for all three services and Bible study for the weekend of **June 15-16**.

The Cortrights serve the Lord through the LCMS in St. Petersburg, Russia. Charles teaches at the Theological Institute of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Ingria Russia (ELCIR), which is a partner church of the LCMS, and assists in the formation of ELCIR pastors. He teaches seminars and makes presentations to pastors and church workers throughout the region. He provides pastoral care to other LCMS personnel serving in the region.



Connie is a former elementary school teacher, librarian and office coordinator. She has written two novels, and you can enjoy her blogs and newsletters about life in Russia at charles.cortright@lcms.org.



Join us for VBS this Year!
JUNE 17-21
6:00-8:00PM
FAMILY MEAL AT 5:00 PM

Register at hcross.com/vbs or check out our Facebook Page!

See the June *Koinonia* for more details or contact Jenny Conrad sundayschool@hcross.com

VBS CRAFT DONATIONS REQUESTS:
 If you took 1 or more stars from the donation board in the Welcome Center last weekend, please return items to the donation box in the Welcome Center by this Sunday, June 9, so we have time to prepare the crafts



Join the Lutheran Lifters in helping Seminary families move this summer. Help with packing, loading, childcare, and providing food and water.

Contact Grace Conrad at lutheranlifters@hcross.com

FESTIVAL OF REDEDICATION is being held this **Sunday, June 9. Immanuel Lutheran Church**, 115 South Sixth St. in Saint Charles will celebrate the restoration of their sanctuary and organ at 3PM featuring Immanuel's Music Directors Andrew Schempf and Rachel Hahn on the restored organ and recently donated Yamaha grand piano. Immanuel's Adult Choir, Brass Ensemble, Woodwind Ensemble, and Orchestra will also participate.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL partners with *Kids Against Hunger* to pack 10,000 meals for children in Haiti. Volunteers are needed for this event. Packing will take place **Sat., June 15, from 9 AM to noon** at 1600 Midrivers Mall Dr, Space 2252, St. Peters. You do not need to be a member of Thrivent to volunteer. This event is led by the Cross Rivers Thrivent group rep. Space is limited: please sign up at www.crossriversmealpack.eventbrite.com.

FROM LUTHERAN HIGH OF SAINT CHARLES COUNTY:

- LHSSC is currently seeking applicants for...
- * Both full-time and part-time Building Custodian positions. Individual must be dependable, personable and able to work weeknights. For a full job description, visit <https://lutheranhighstcharles.com/about/employment/>. Individuals interested should submit a resume to Mr. Jon Bernhardt, Principal.
 - * A freshman girls volleyball coach for the 2019 season. Interested individuals should contact Dr. Doug Kuhlmann, Director of Activities and Development, at dkuhlmann@lhssc.org or 314.497.3014.
 - * Save the Date for the Lutheran High School Fundraising Auction! Friday, October 25, 2019, at Old Hickory Golf Club. New date, new location...this year's event promises to be a game changer!

Sunday, June 9—Last MANDATORY MEETING BBQ at 6 pm @ the Wischmeyers' House. Parents are welcome to join us. A main dish and drinks will be provided! Please bring a side dish or dessert to share! Bring ALL PAPERWORK FILLED OUT and LAST PAYMENT! If you would like to swim afterwards, please bring a suit!

THANK YOU: The Youth Board wants to thank our Holy Cross Family for supporting the youth of our congregation with flocking friends of the church and adopting our NYG participants! We are extremely blessed!

Congratulations, Graduates! Congratulations to all of those who graduated high school and college. Many blessings on your future endeavors!

VBS Help Needed: Our Savior Lutheran Church in St. Charles needs crew leaders or crew leader assistants for their VBS next week. Sixth graders can be assistants and older youth can be crew leaders. Register online at <https://vbspro.events/p/83ff62>. For questions, contact Cari Hannon at 636.947.8010.

OUR PRESCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- * Holy Cross Preschool is searching for people who love children, love adventures, and love JESUS! We are accepting resumes/applications for an **Extended Education Teacher** for Monday - Friday from 11:30 AM to 6PM Sept. to May. Please contact Darlene Birk at preschool@hcross.com or 636-272-4505.
- * **Thanks!** Holy Cross Preschool would like to thank everyone who joined us at *Chick-fil-A* on April 24. We received \$79.44 for the Preschool and had a great time connecting with church and Preschool families!
- * **Registration for the 2019-2020 school year** for our Holy Cross Lutheran Preschool is available: Children must be 3 or 4 years old before August 1. Brochures with registration forms are available on the *Welcome Center* Preschool Display boards and in the *Church Office*. All the information is on the hcross.com website (on the Preschool tab). Contact Preschool Director Darlene Birk at 636-272-4505 to schedule a tour.
- * **Save the Date!** Our annual Holy Cross and Child of God Preschool Golf Tournament is happening Sun., Sept. 8.

ELECTRONIC MESSAGE CENTER APPROVED:

Final approval was given by the May 19 Voters Assembly for a new electronic message center facing Veterans Memorial Parkway. More than \$34,000 has been donated to the sign fund. Another \$5,000 will complete the project. If you want to donate to the Sign Fund, use the **special pew envelopes** marked with that label for your check; **on the check, please write Sign Fund in the memo line** and record your church envelope number so records can be credited. **Thanks!**

Issues, Etc: This week's teachings include: The Vocation of Father, The Doctrine of the Trinity, The Gloria in Excelsis, The Apostle Barnabas, The Council of Nicaea, The Prophet Elisha and more. Tune in live weekdays from 3-5 PM on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis, or listen at www.issuesetc.org or on the LPR mobile app.

NEW The Lutheran Witness issue for June/July is waiting for you in the Welcome Center. Please pick up your copy! **ALSO, the July-Sept. Portals of Prayer** are displayed on the Welcome Center table. There are regular-sized and large-sized copies available. Get yours before they're gone!

NEW ENVELOPES: Everyone should be receiving envelopes for the third quarter (July-Sept) in the mail shortly.

CARD PARTY, Mon., June 17, from 11AM to 3 PM, in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, First Capitol & Sixth Street, St. Charles. The public is invited! RSVP Carolyn 636.724.7931 or Jeanetta 314.569.2622. Donation \$12. Includes plate lunch, dessert, and beverage. Sponsored by the Service Committee of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Together We Serve: Saturday, June 15, and Sunday, June 16 — The Holy Trinity			
	5 PM Holy Communion	8 AM Holy Communion	10:30 AM Holy Communion
Elders	Ralph Erickson	Joe Snyder, Ed Belter	Brian Storm
Ushers	Mark Ziolko, Bill Adams	Mark Ziolko, Ed Fattman, Kent Haffer, Mike Vesper	Jerry Bradley, Mike Kahler, Bill Price, Brandon Shouse, Ken Goodwin
Greeters	Bill & Joy Adams	Al & Bev Ketsenburg	David & Amy Schlesselman
Altar Guild: Carol Crafton, Ned & Judy Koprowski		Counters: David & Amy Schlesselman, Paul Woelfer	
If you need to change your service assignment, contact: Ned Koprowski (Altar Guild), Don Wischmeyer (Elders), Mark Ziolko (Ushers), Michelle Kincaid (Greeters), or Darlene Drilling (Counters).			