

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

# THE CROSS CONNECTION

Providing Strength for the Faith Journey

June 2018

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THROUGH  
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SATURDAY EVENINGS

WORSHIP WITH  
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WORSHIP  
8 & 10 AM  
FELLOWSHIP HOUR  
9 AM

A congregation of the  
Evangelical Lutheran Church  
in America

## Showing Up

My mother would often offer words of encouragement to us when we were younger. There were days when I may not have wanted to climb out of bed at the beginning of another day. She would often say to me "Showing up is part of living." Her point was that if you don't show up for the day then who knows what you might miss participating in. In her way of framing her life she realized that each day is a gift and that in some way perhaps any given day may turn out to be one of those pivotal moments for your future.



Jesus seemed to value each day. He was open to the building of relationships and the effort that goes into developing trust. He had a spirit of gratitude for the simple moments that reminded him of the beauty of God created days. He embraced an appreciation for the joy that comes from being curious and willing to entertain the mystery of those moments in life that may go beyond our ability to understand.

In other words, Jesus showed up. Jesus showed up for the Samaritan woman at the well, for the healing of the ten lepers, for blind Bartimaeus, for the man who was lame and whose friends lowered him through the roof, for the 5,000 who were nurtured with the sermon on the mount, and, for the conversation with the rich young ruler. There was Nicodemus, the woman who was to be stoned to death, the conversations with the disciples, and, there was that first Easter. Of course there were many others whose lives intersected with Jesus in ordinary moments through the course of a day. What does it mean for us to "show up" each day?

I don't believe it is a waste of our time to reflect upon those intersections in our life. I remember the lessons I have learned from those moments when I made a mistake or maybe didn't choose as wisely as I might have and the individuals who helped me navigate through them. I think about those voices of grandparents, aunts and uncles when our extended family would come together to celebrate. I observed as my parents practiced their version of hospitality and compassion towards others. I think my parents had the humble belief that wholeness in life comes largely from the fact that we "show up" for people, causes, helping a neighbor, and, always ask ourselves the question, "What else can I do?" I am grateful for the educators and mentors who have walked with me at critical moments and gifted me with their clarity. I am blessed with friends who are willing to have those kinds of honest conversations that define us beyond our limited perspective.

I realize that these people and experiences still influence my thinking and guide my moral compass. "Showing up" is a simple enough concept. It may not seem to be that profound on the surface of life. Here's the good news: no matter how discouraged or distracted we may get, Jesus walks with us. As the Emmaus experience revealed, we can improve our faith journey by looking for Jesus in the past as well as the present. The Gospel narrative radiates with the good news of the power and the presence of Jesus. Jesus leads. Jesus restores. Jesus provides. Jesus anoints. Jesus' goodness and mercy are with us always.

We can live in a new way when we are both aware that Jesus is with us and we can trust our very lives with Jesus' guidance. In his book *Resident Aliens: Life of the Christian Colony*, Bishop Will Willimon wrote that "this story demands an offensive rather than a defensive posture by the church. The world and all its resources, anguish, gifts, and groaning is God's world, and God commands what God has created. Jesus Christ is the supreme act of divine intrusion into the world's settled arrangement."

In Christ, God refuses to occupy a prescribed space. Jesus calls us out where we are buried, buried in our fears, our pain, our grief, our worries, life's pressures. Thank God Jesus is still showing up...

Peace,

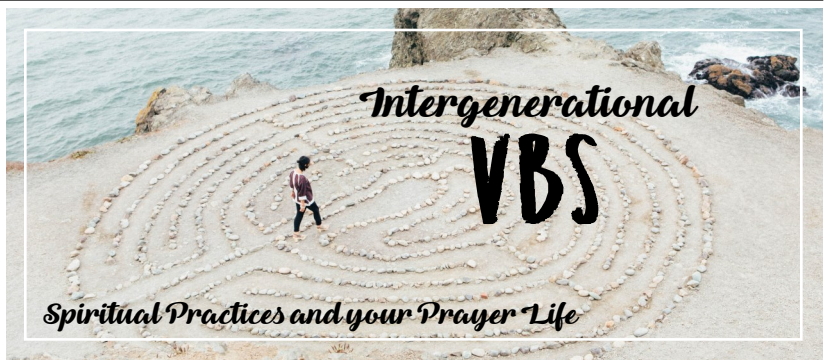
*Pastor Bob*

## Summer

Worship Schedule  
through Labor Day Weekend,  
Sunday, September 2

**Saturday Evenings**  
Worship at 5:30 pm  
with Holy Communion

**Sunday Mornings**  
Worship at 8 & 10 am  
With One Voice/Bread of Life Liturgy  
Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd  
Sundays and on Festival Sundays  
Fellowship Hour at 9 am



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Time: 6 - 8 pm  
 Cost: Free  
 Ages: All

June 5: Lutheran Rosary/Prayer Bracelets  
 June 12: Living a Prayer Path/Walking a Labyrinth  
 June 19: Modern Icons/The Sanctuary Mosaic

Summer is here! Hopefully it is a time to renew yourself from the hustle and bustle of the school year. What have you been missing? Do you have a summer goal? Perhaps it is to renew and inspire your faith in a new way! Join us at our Intergenerational Vacation Bible School for an opportunity to experience God in a way you may not have done so before through three different spiritual disciplines. Each of these disciplines have ancient roots and are still very inspirational today. Music and dinner is included!

This is for everyone; all ages and stages of life and faith. Individuals welcome. Families with children attend together. Come as you are!

**Registration is now open** and will help us with a head count for dinner and supplies, but it is not mandatory. Each session is autonomous and stands on its own. We would love to see you at all of them, but join us as your schedule allows.

Register using this case-sensitive link:

***bit.ly/VBS18***



## Saturday Night Live

## ON THE PATIO

**Worship, Holy Communion, and Fellowship Dinner with Live Music.**  
 Rain or shine! All welcome! 5:30 - 8 pm



**JUNE 16 - CIBO ITALIANO**

Chicken Parmesan and Mostaccioli entree.



We will provide the entree and water/lemonade. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share to accompany these Italian entrees. BYOB.

Val Maxwell and Manny Flores are our lead volunteers for each evening. If you are able to help set up or clean up, contact Val at [vmaxwell48@aol.com](mailto:vmaxwell48@aol.com)

**COMING UP:**

**JULY 21 - CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

Roast Turkey entree.

Bring your favorite Christmas side dish or dessert to share.

**AUGUST 18 - SOUTHERN COMFORT**

Beef brisket entree.



## Final fundraisers for our trip!



**2018 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING**  
JUNE 26 - JULY 1 + HOUSTON, TX

### Car Wash Youth Fundraiser

**Sunday,  
June 3  
8 - 11 am**  
Holy Cross  
Parking Lot



Free-will donations.  
In case of rain, we will run  
our car wash fundraiser on  
Sunday, June 10 instead.

### Gather 'n Grill Raffle Fundraiser

Our youth fundraising efforts for the year conclude with summer themed "gathering" raffles, including the grand prize of a Traeger pellet grill valued at \$1,000. *Thank you Ace Hardware Libertyville!*

- Grill raffle tickets: \$5/each or \$20/5
- Non-grill raffle tickets: \$1/each
  - Gather on the Court
  - Gather at the Lake
  - Gather at the Beach (2 baskets)
  - Gather under the Stars (and Stripes!) (4 baskets)



**In person raffle tickets sales: Sundays, June 3, 10 & 17**

**Online raffle ticket sales until June 14: [bit.ly/youthraffle](http://bit.ly/youthraffle)**

**Winners will be drawn after in-person sales close on June 17.**

**Please pray for us as we travel and work in Houston.**

### Final Youth Gathering Participant & Parent Meeting Sunday, June 3

**\*12 noon to 1:30 pm (\*time change)**

We will meet to discuss details and make final preparations, just a few weeks left before we head to Houston!

**All outstanding payments should be turned in prior to this meeting.**

**Tuesday, June 26** All participants will meet at Holy Cross at 9:30 am (sharp!) and will be transported as a group to O'Hare. Our anticipated return to Holy Cross on July 1 is at 9:30 pm.

### 2018 Youth Stockholders Banquet

**Sunday, July 29 at 11:30 am**

Attend to hear all about our 2018 Youth Gathering experience. Thank you for your support!

## A Whole Lot of Weird

*by Pastor Sally Hanson*



"That's weird." Recently I found myself thinking that - I may have even said it out loud. I can't even remember why. Has that ever happened to you? As you reflect internally or externally, the only thing that can sum up that experience is - that's it's just weird. Not good or bad, just weird.

I wonder how many times the disciples gave each other side glances which implied, "that's weird." Was it when the water was turned into wine? When the lady touched Jesus's cloak and was made whole again? When he walked on water? When they stayed in houses of sinners?

While I am convinced that weird isn't either good or bad, I do believe that "weird" feelings inspire growth. When we have an experience, big or small, positive or negative, that we self-determine as "weird," we make a value and judgment call that leaves us convinced "there has got to be a reason" for that weird thing to have happened. Weird makes us wonder, weird makes us reflect and evaluate, weird keeps an experience or moment at the forefront of our minds as a constant reminder of the reconciliation we are doing with ourselves to make the situation, well, less weird. The human mind can rationalize just about anything, but "weird" makes us pause, stop and wonder.

By pausing, stopping, wondering and reflecting, we are invited into a space of introspection and interior work. That sounds a lot like faith work to me. Or prayer work. Or discernment. It sounds to me like the Holy Spirit is active in a way that may be new for us to discover God's presence with us in a new way, even in the weird. It seems to me that the weird is a sacred space of renewal and insight. This summer we are offering an Intergenerational VBS (see page 2) that may be a little weird for some, simply because it is new and different. When was the last time you used a prayer bracelet, a piece of art or walking a path to intentionally spend time with God?

What might those "weird" moments be calling you to pause, stop and wonder about in your own life? Perhaps some of those "weird" moments are really "God Sightings" in disguise? (see page 11) What weird moments in your life have been transformative? Perhaps they aren't as weird as you once thought, or perhaps they're still unexplainable and just a whole lot of weird . . .

Blessings,

*Pastor Sally*

## MEMBERSHIP AT HOLY CROSS

Are you interested in becoming a member of Holy Cross? To learn more about membership, please contact the church office at [office@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:office@holycrosschurch.org) or (847) 367-4060.

Individuals and families who are interested in joining Holy Cross Lutheran Church are invited to our next New Member Breakfast and Reception.

### NEW MEMBER BREAKFAST

**Saturday, August 25 at 8:30 am**

RSVP to the church office by Friday, August 17.

### NEW MEMBER RECEPTION

**Sunday, August 26 during 10 am worship**

## PASTORAL ACTS

### BAPTISM

**Raylan Richard Szalkowski**  
son of Mark & Sara Szalkowski  
May 20, 2018

### FUNERALS

**Linda J. Ellsworth**  
April 29, 2018

**Sally L. Schmidt**  
May 12, 2018

**William Fuller**  
May 21, 2018

### WEDDINGS

**Karen Deiss and Jeff Meyer**  
May 5, 2018

**Megan Liaboe and Christopher Ramos**  
May 27, 2018

# 2018



**THE GLOBAL  
LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**

**at Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

**Thursday, August 9 - Friday, August 10**

Register by June 26 for the Early Bird Rate of \$89\*!

## Everyone Has Influence

Grow your influence at the 2018 Global Leadership Summit (GLS). Holy Cross is one of over 600 satellite locations in the nation which receive a live feed of the GLS. Get a unique blend of vision, inspiration and practical skills you can immediately apply. Whether you lead at home, at church, in your career or in your community, please use this opportunity to invest in your leadership training. Transform yourself and your community!

Watch a brief video here: [bit.ly/YouHaveInfluence](http://bit.ly/YouHaveInfluence)

### 2018 Faculty:

Angela Ahrendts	Rory Vaden
Rasmus Ankersen	Craig Groeschel
Erwin McManus	Sheila Heen
Simon Sinek	John C. Maxwell
Danny Meyer	Bishop T.D. Jakes
Dr. Nthabiseng Legoete	Carla Harris
David Livermore, Ph.D.	Strive Masiyiwa

\*After June 26, the price is \$119 for the 2-day summit. Holy Cross members may register for **\$89 by June 26** here:

[bit.ly/GLS18atHC](http://bit.ly/GLS18atHC)

Promo Code: **18HSFAMILY**

## Watering Help this Summer

*Calling all green thumbs!*

Our watering volunteers could use a couple extra hands during the summer months to keep the beautiful flowers in the planters outside our building doors and on the patio watered. Occasional pruning and dead-heading helps too. This could be a weekly or bi-weekly commitment and takes less than 30 minutes. [office@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:office@holycrosschurch.org)



# Being Authentic

Fellowship & Conversations for Men

**3 Sessions**

June 25, July 16, August 20  
6 - 8:30 pm

As men, how do we not just show up, but actively participate in our appointment with life? What are the essentials for keeping our relationships healthy and vibrant? How does spirituality give us courage, strength, and resilience in the face of adversity and challenge?

Please join us at Holy Cross for three evenings this summer to share food and fellowship, and to explore these questions and more. Each evening will begin on the patio from 6 - 7:15 pm with some grilling, a meal together, and live music featuring Dale Tippet, Jr. (Meal provided by Holy Cross - bring your own beverage.) Interactive conversation will follow from 7:15 - 8:30 pm. Sessions will be co-facilitated by Pastor Bob and Phil Kirschbaum. Phil is a friend of Holy Cross with over 30 years of experience as a local counselor and consultant. Participation in earlier sessions is not a prerequisite for partaking in the latter evenings. Come alone or bring a friend. Registration is optional but it will help us with planning food for each session.

## Dates and focus of each evening:

Monday, June 25 - Authentic Living  
Monday, July 16 - Authentic Relationships  
Monday, August 20 - Authentic Spirituality



**RSVP:** [bit.ly/authmen](http://bit.ly/authmen)

Please contact Pastor Bob ([pastorbob@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:pastorbob@holycrosschurch.org)) with questions.

Open to members of Holy Cross  
and the community.

Ladies Night Out  
Presents

## Everything under the Harvest moon









CrossWays Preschool & Celebration! Childcare Fundraiser

**Thursday, October 25**

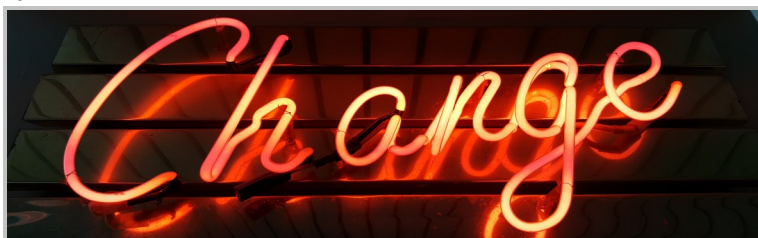
**6 - 9 pm**

**Holy Cross, Fellowship Area**

**FREE ADMISSION**

-  UNIQUE SHOPPING
-  APPETIZERS & WINE BY THE GLASS
-  PERSONALIZED WINE LABELS
-  HOLIDAY GIFTS
-  TAFFY APPLES
-  RAFFLES & SILENT AUCTION, INCLUDING CRAFT ITEMS MADE BY CHILDREN FROM CrossWays Preschool AND Celebration! Childcare





**Journey** faith, discipleship, generosity

### **Bill & Melinda Gates:**

#### **“Why we give our money away.”**

*by Steve Oelschlager*

*From a recent CNN article:*

“It’s not because we think about how we’ll be remembered. We would be delighted if someday diseases like polio and malaria have been forgotten, and the fact that we worked on them has been, too.

We do this work because it’s important, it’s rewarding and it’s in line with how we were raised. We both come from families that believe in leaving the world better than you found it. Melinda’s parents made sure their children took the social justice teachings of the Catholic Church to heart. When Melinda was in high school – at Ursuline Academy of Dallas – she volunteered in the public schools, tutoring students who were falling behind in math. Bill’s parents advocated for a dizzying number of important causes and local organizations in Seattle, everything from United Way and the University of Washington to school levy campaigns.

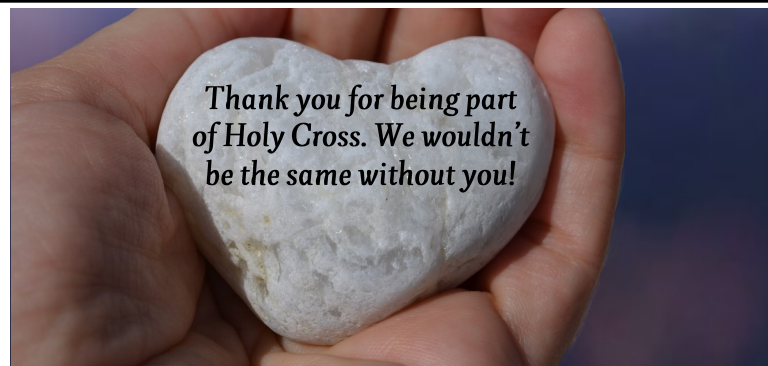
Of course, these values are not unique to the two of us. Millions of people give back by volunteering their time and donating money to help others. We are, however, in the more unusual position of having a lot of money to donate. Our goal is to do what our parents taught us and do our part to improve the state of the world.

The two of us have been doing this work, more or less full time, for close to two decades. That’s the majority of our marriage. It’s almost the entirety of our children’s lives. By now the foundation’s work has become inseparable from who we are. We do the work because it’s our life.

We’ve tried to pass on values to our children by talking with them about the foundation’s work, and, as they’ve gotten older, taking them with us on trips so they can see it for themselves. We’ve spent thousands of hours learning together, meeting with scientists, educators and world leaders. Where we go, who we spend our time with, what we read and watch and listen to – these decisions are made through the prism of our work at the foundation.

Maybe 20 years ago we could have made a different choice about what to do with our wealth. But now it’s impossible to imagine.”

*Question: What motivates your generosity?*



### **Summer Generosity**

Please remember that everything that happens at Holy Cross is made possible by people like you who support our ministries through their contributions of leadership, participation, and finances. All the ways our ministries make a difference - from children to seniors, within and beyond - ultimately are a reflection of your generosity and how you see meaning and purpose transcend your self-concern. It is a remarkable thing in our world today. Thank you!

As we enter the summer months, we ask that you would continue to remember how important your support is. If possible, use our electronic giving system ([donate.holycrosschurch.org](http://donate.holycrosschurch.org)) to automate your giving at the level and frequency of your choosing. We currently have over 100 households at Holy Cross that give this way. If you haven’t reflected on your giving recently, we encourage you to take a fresh look and thoughtfully consider the spiritual opportunity to grow in your giving.

We look forward to seeing you in the months ahead as we support and care for each other, strive to follow Jesus, and make the world a better place.



### **Make Generosity a Habit**

Thank you for being on the spiritual journey of generosity and for your contributions to God’s mission through Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Without your gifts of participation, leadership, and financial support, we wouldn’t be the same or have the impact that we do. Giving is a spiritual practice that enhances meaning and purpose in our lives, and witnesses to our children and others that following Jesus is about connecting to something bigger than ourselves. Please use these opportunities to talk with your kids about the significance of giving in your life.

Holy Cross makes online giving easy with many different giving options available. Visit the giving page on our website at [holycrosschurch.org/giving](http://holycrosschurch.org/giving) for more details.

“I Give Electronically” cards are available in the seat backs for use during worship to participate in the offering.



## ***The Language of Music***

*by Randy Casey*

Since my Poulenc program last November I have learned two pieces of music that are new to me. One is the English Suite #6 of Bach and the other is the Sonata #28, Opus 101, of Beethoven. Both men had huge hurdles to face in their music making. Although the powers that be do not like to talk about it, the truth is that Bach was miserable much of his time in Leipzig. The city fathers were not that all accommodating to him and he was not much of a politician. In a word, Bach did not suffer fools gladly, while he was functioning on a creative level of which few people have even dreamed. Beethoven had no “people skills” whatsoever and rarely took a bath. And, of course, there is the detail that for much of his adult life, he was deaf. I have read that he fell down at age 27 and got up with ringing in his ears. From then on his hearing degenerated into total deafness and he died at age 57. All the same, he transformed the piano sonata, the string quartet, and the symphony. In music history one has eras known as the Renaissance, the Baroque, the Classical, Beethoven, the Romantic, and the modern. Beethoven was that distinctive.

In truth, it is humbling to attempt to play the music of Bach and Beethoven. One never plays a complex Bach piece the same way twice. One just tries anew to play it each time and hopes the result can be perhaps as good as or even better than the previous effort. With a complicated Beethoven sonata, one is just in awe that Beethoven never heard a note of much of what he had composed, except within his head.

I have been studying German, the language of Bach and Beethoven, for quite a while now. My initial motivation, which is still relevant, was to attend a BACHFEST in Leipzig and understand much of what is said there, in addition to comprehending the music. This summer, starting on July 9, I will be studying German at a language institute in Freiburg to give my German study a boost. I will be living with a family in Freiburg who I hope will speak German to me and not want to try out their English on me. In short, my music making has provided the impetus for my language study to such a degree that the two experiences are now intertwined.

Alex and Daniella Würfel, a delightful couple from Germany who attend Holy Cross with their two children, have arranged for me to play two Sundays in July at their home church in Wiesbaden. For better or worse, I will be able to try out my German on their friends. And, of course, the whole reason I will be able to immerse myself in this arena of German speakers in the first place is because I can play the organ. When I play a church service conducted in Germany, the organs and the music in question are not a huge challenge. My biggest task is to keep track of what place we are at in the service. I recall last summer at the church in the village of Westheim when the pastor announced after the sermon that he was skipping the offering and going straight to the closing hymn. He then looked at me as if to say, “Did you get that?”

The good news is that I did indeed realize what he was doing and proceeded accordingly.

To put all of this another way, music itself is its own language. And it is the language the members of the Holy Cross Choir and I use to enhance the Word of God as we worship. Before I leave for Germany, I hope to have set up a schedule of the choir’s singing for the months ahead. The unusual aspect of next season is that Epiphany has 9 Sundays. Easter, April 21st, 2019, is one day short of coming as late as it can be. I will be compelled to find music anew that celebrates the twin Epiphany themes of light and missions.

I practice piano just about every day and study German daily. My ultimate motivation is to keep my brain going in high gear in this autumn of my life. The conundrum, of course, is that the more one learns, the more one realizes there is to learn. One of my fantasies about the next life is to be able to talk to Bach, a fellow church musician, about how he managed to do all that he did here on earth. I would not want to bother Beethoven, who I trust is busy listening to all of the music he could not hear while dwelling among mere mortal men.

### ***Winchester House Worship***

**Please mark your calendar, and join us for our summer Winchester House worship services.**

**June 24, July 22, August 26**

Volunteers gather in the lobby off the back parking lot at 2 pm to bring residents downstairs; services are held from 2:30 - 3 pm. Family and friends are always welcome to volunteer together. Residents especially enjoy having children and families visit.



### ***Pianist openings for Winchester House***

Do you play the piano? We’d love to add your name to our group of pianists who play for our monthly Winchester House services. Student pianists welcome!

Pianists play three familiar hymns during the service and some light gathering music before and after the service. If you are willing to play occasionally at these services, please contact Patty Moyer at [patty@concertedsystems.com](mailto:patty@concertedsystems.com). We will email you with upcoming dates so you can choose services when you are available.

## Reducing Plastic Pollution

by Marge Stueckemann



### Reusable Grocery Bags

Holy Cross and the Care of Creation team members have been fostering the initiative to use reusable bags and reduce the use of single-use plastic bags for at least 10 years. Since 2008, Holy Cross has added approximately 745 reusable ChicoBags into circulation within our congregation. If we assume these bags are all still in use and are used even just twice a week, these reusable bags are keeping 77,480 plastic bags out of the environment. Quite an impressive total!

Of course the most important thing is to remember to put the bag back in your purse or pocket after unloading whatever it was holding! (If you forget your reusable bags in the car and are using a shopping cart, consider putting your groceries back in the cart and pack your own groceries at your trunk!) Did you miss the opportunity to purchase ChicoBags on Earth Day? Bags are available to purchase for \$5/each during office hours.

### Say "No Thank You" to the Straw

There is another single-use plastic item that we can also try to eliminate to help God's creation - plastic straws. Some of us remember when straws were made of paper, and yes, they did get a bit soggy if you left them in your drink too long, but the plus was they disintegrated in the landfill. Plastic came along and straws never got soggy. They were cheaper to manufacture, and plastic straws took over. However, plastic straws do NOT break down.

The Shedd Aquarium is promoting a "Shedd the Straw" campaign to encourage all of us to decline a straw with our drinks. This spring, Starbucks started offering customers a "sippy lid" that doesn't require a straw for iced drinks.



Fun Fact: Recently the Chicago White Sox became the first team in Major League Baseball to serve drinks during games without an accompanying plastic straw for nearly an entire season! Let's all #SheddTheStraw.

## TOP 3 REASONS TO #SheddTheStraw



- 1) Roughly 19 BILLION POUNDS OF PLASTIC wind up in the oceans annually.
- 2) Because plastic straws don't biodegrade and are nearly impossible to recycle, it's likely that EVERY STRAW EVER USED still exists on our planet.
- 3) Americans use an estimated 500 MILLION STRAWS A DAY - roughly the same weight as 1,000 cars.

## Back to School Backpacks for LSSI

by Deb Sherrock

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) has asked Holy Cross members to help contribute to their back to school backpack and school supply collection for the elementary school students they serve. Last year we were able to provide 300 backpacks thanks to your generosity!

We found that it was most cost-effective and efficient for the church to shop for bulk prices for the backpacks and their contents. We are asking for monetary contributions in increments of \$35 to defray the cost for the backpacks and the required school supplies. We will make purchases based on contributions received by **Sunday, July 15.**

Your \$35 (or more) contribution, will help provide backpacks with requisite school supplies for each LSSI client recipient. Thank you in advance.

Plan ahead to help 'pack the backpacks' on **Sunday, August 5.** The packing will occur between worship services, beginning at 9 am.



**\$35**

Suggested  
Donation

**Contribute in increments of \$35 to cover the cost for backpacks and the required school supplies.**

**Two ways to donate:**

**By check: Payable to Holy Cross ("LSSI Backpacks" in memo)**

**Online: Visit [donate.holycrosschurch.org](https://donate.holycrosschurch.org)**



## Boy Scout Garage Sale Fundraiser

Benefitting Troop 194 - Green Oaks/Libertyville

**June 19, 20, 21**  
**8 am - 3 pm**

1008 W. Golf Road  
Libertyville



Spring Cleaning? Please help with one of the biggest fundraisers for Troop 194. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Item drop off will be June 16 and 17, but if you need to drop off sooner, please contact us.

Call Nairy Hagopian at (847) 602-0172 with any questions.

If you need assistance moving large items, please call Susan Price (847) 363-5395 and she will arrange help with the scouts for pick up.

## Libertyville Senior Council Hall of Fame Dixon Brandt



Each year the Senior Council of Libertyville honors area senior citizens who stand out because they have contributed to enhance the quality of life for others in the community. This year Holy Cross nominated Dixon Brandt.

As a volunteer at Holy Cross, Dixon is responsible for all Information Technology installation, repair, back up and purchase for our church office and for Celebration! Childcare and CrossWays Preschool. He has built the network of computers and installed software and computer security for the church facility for many years. Additionally, Dixon was instrumental in the selection and installation of a new security system for Holy Cross following two break-ins in 2016. We are thankful for his volunteer efforts here at Holy Cross! Dixon also volunteers for the NE IL Council of Boy Scouts of America - and has done so for at least 50 years!



## 15th Annual Golf Outing Glen Flora Country Club, Waukegan

**Monday, July 9 at 11 am**

11 am - Check-in and a light lunch

12 pm - Play begins "best-ball scramble"



Prizes awarded for lowest team score, longest drive, closest to the pin, and more! Golf for one includes: greens fees with a power cart, light lunch, dinner, and entry into prize drawings at a cost of \$150 per person.

The proceeds will benefit the COOL Food Pantries and Family Housing Program.

Online registration is available at [coolministries.org](http://coolministries.org)

- **Food of the month for June:** Canned vegetables (please no food past expiration date.)
- **Foodstock 2018 Annual Concert to Benefit COOL**  
**Sunday, June 24 from 4 to 7 pm** on the Lake Bluff Village Green. Spend the afternoon with us and enjoy some great music, food and friendship. Bring non-perishable food items to fill the COOL Ministries truck. Cash donations also welcome (\$20 buys nearly 200 pounds of food for the hungry in Lake County). Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the music and snacks.



## Volunteer at FMSC

**Wednesday, June 27 from 12 - 1 pm**

Looking for something fun and meaningful to do with the kids this summer? Pre-register to pack meals with other Holy Cross members and friends at the Libertyville FMSC location. Volunteers may also use the link to sign up for other days to pack meals. Minimum age to volunteer is 5 years. Student/adult ratio applies. For more information, visit [fmssc.org](http://fmssc.org)

Feed My Starving Children  
742 East Park Avenue (Hwy 176)  
Libertyville



**Register at: [bit.ly/packFMSC](http://bit.ly/packFMSC)**

# SUNDAY SCHOOL



## Happy Summer!

by Judith Frank-Gonwa & Felicia Brandt

This past year, our Sunday School programs offered the children a variety of Bible stories and activities while creating many memories!

Our ages 3-5/K children heard stories about Creation, Queen Esther, Noah, Jonah, the Good Samaritan, Moses, David and Goliath, the Easter story, Jesus is with us, and Zacchaeus. We joyfully thank our 3-5/K teachers for their leadership and creativity. They are: Reagan Craven, Jill Pink, and Jen Clark. Our great student helpers included: Hannah, Maddy, Reagan, Reilly, Alison, Zachary, Dana, McKenna, and Mia!

Children in grades 1-5 also had a busy year! We offered four rotations this year with stories and activities about Esther the Courageous Queen, the Good Samaritan, the Exodus Story, and Peter and John. We also devoted one Sunday to learning about Martin Luther. A huge thank you goes to our Sunday School teachers and subs for this age level. They are: Angie Lindsey, Marcella Hawkins, Joe Taylor, Colin Rosten, Susan Price, Heidi Gutowski, Laura Carothers, Morgan DeGregor, and Becky Bartsch. Thanks, too, for the support from all of our parent Shepherds as well as our student helpers! Thanks Sara, Andrew, Josh, Kara, and Katherine!

We involved the children in service projects including the decorating and filling of treat bags for the children who visit the COOL Ministries food pantry with their families. Almost 200 bags were sent to COOL this year! During our Sunday S'Kool sessions, the children planted flowers, learned to use sign language to say Bible verses, and made Mother's Day cards. And, of course, everyone enjoyed FIELD DAY!

All of our children participated in the Christmas program and Spring Sing, raising their voices in praise and adoration. We are so grateful to Carrie and Jamey Mack for sharing their musical talents with the Sunday School children.

June will bring Intergenerational VBS for "kids" of all ages, and then, before we know it, September will be here with another full year of Sunday School! Have a blessed and safe summer and we will see you in Sunday School in the fall!

### Sunday School Coordinators:

Ages 3-5/K: **Felicia Brandt** (847) 362-0924

Grades 1-5: **Judith Frank-Gonwa** (847) 363-8783

## RALLY DAY

Sunday, September 9

Rally Day is the first day of Sunday School for 2018/19.

Watch for more information in August.



Support for their faith journey...

Our faith journey occurs from birth through life eternal. Milestone Ministries serve as an important way of connecting, supporting, and equipping families and the congregation to pass on the faith, to live out the promises that are made when someone is baptized and to provide strength for their faith journey.

### 2018 High School Graduation Recognition

**Sunday, June 3**

**9 am Fellowship Hour, 10 am Worship**

Graduation from high school is an important milestone and a time of transition for students and families. We celebrate this milestone with a cake and coffee fellowship hour at 9 am and then in worship at 10 am with prayer and blessing of those who graduated and their families.

Congratulations to all who have earned a degree this year. Join us June 3 as we lift up our high school graduates. Please keep them and their families in prayer as they transition to a new stage of life.

### First Word: 2 years old and under

**Saturday, June 9**

**9:30 - 10:30 am in Celebration! Childcare, purple room**

*Enter building at the west wing, after playground*

At this Milestone, children and families will have an opportunity to explore the First Words of faith by introducing Bible stories and stories of faith into their child's life. How is it that we begin discussing faith with our children before they can even talk? Participants will also receive a children's Bible and an opportunity to get to know other folks at Holy Cross with children the same age. For more information, contact Pastor Sally at [PastorSally@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:PastorSally@holycrosschurch.org)

**RSVP by Tuesday, June 5 to [office@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:office@holycrosschurch.org)**

### Welcome to Sunday School: 3 years old and up

**Saturday, September 8**

**9:30 - 10:30 am**

*Meet in the sanctuary*

At this Milestone, we welcome 3 year olds (3 by 9/1/18) and others new to Holy Cross to walk through what a Sunday morning looks like. Older children new to HCLC are welcome!

**RSVP by Tuesday, September 4 to [office@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:office@holycrosschurch.org)**

### Rally Day and Blessing of the Backpacks

**Sunday, September 9 during 9:30 am worship**

*First day of 2018/19 Sunday School*



## **“Faith On the Go” Summer Series**

*by Pastor Sally Hanson*

Summer often allows us to switch up our routine a little. Here at Holy Cross, that means summer worship schedules change and we take a pause from our formal faith formation with children.

This summer we are exploring what it means to carry our faith on the go. Each month there will be a different idea and hashtag to inspire “faith on the go” moments in your life. These are simple activities or ideas that you can take with you anywhere and create your own faith teachable moments.

In June our focus is on “God sightings.” Whether you are in the car, at the field or sitting in the backyard, where have you seen faith active through love? Where have you seen the Holy Spirit’s interaction in the world? Where have you seen God?

We encourage you to ask about those “God sightings” every day or even every week. When you’ve had a God sighting, you could even light a battery votive at the kitchen table or another area of the house to let your family and friends know that you have had a God sighting and encourage them to ask you about it. (If you didn’t receive a battery-operated tea light on Pentecost, more are available at church in the narthex.)

What conversations and faith formation can occur by simply sharing our God sightings with one another? We can’t wait to hear all about the God sightings you have this June!



Share your summer experiences with us  
on [fb.com/holycrosslibertyville](https://www.facebook.com/holycrosslibertyville)  
**#FAITHONTHEGO #GODSIGHTING**

## **Attention 9th Grade 2018 Confirmands**

As we head toward the culmination of your Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation on **Reformation Sunday, October 28, 2018**, we invite you to put these dates on your calendar.

**June/July** - Expect a mailing with materials for your Confirmation service as well as the Confirmation Faith Statement packet in preparation of your Confirmation Conversation with one of the pastors.

**July/August** (before school starts) - Schedule and complete your Confirmation Conversation with the pastoral staff. Please contact the office to make an appointment once the schedule is published and mailed to you.

<b>August 25</b>	Back to School Bonfire (grades 9-12)
<b>September 9</b>	Parent/Student night at Confirmation
<b>September 16</b>	9th grade Confirmation meets
<b>September 22 - 23</b>	<b>9th grade Retreat</b> at Lutherdale Bible Camp
<b>October 27</b>	Confirmation dress rehearsal and pictures (8:30 am)
<b>October 28</b>	Confirmation service (11 am)

### **Summer Service Projects**

Confirmation and Youth service projects continue throughout the spring and summer. While PADS lunches ended in April, we have the opportunity to help at Winchester House once a month during the summer, and serve as an acolyte on Sunday mornings.

#### **Winchester House Sundays June 24, July 27 & August 26**

Meet in the Winchester House lobby at 2 pm.  
Families are encouraged to volunteer together.

#### **Worship Participants** Sunday mornings

Please watch for emails seeking Acolyte subs. Would you like to read lessons this summer? Contact the church office to schedule [office@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:office@holycrosschurch.org) or (847) 367-4060.

Looking for other service projects on summer break?  
Please contact the church office to inquire.

### **Confirmation Parent Night**

**Sunday, September 9 at 6:30 pm**  
6 - 8th grade students and parents

## **Early Childhood Ministries Board**

Thank you to the 2017/18 Early Childhood Ministry board that supports CrossWays Preschool and Celebration! Childcare. This board consists of members of Holy Cross as well as parent representatives. A special thank you to all who served this year!

Wayne Luplow, President  
Judith Frank-Gonwa, Vice President  
Katy Hurvitz, Secretary & Celebration! parent  
Karl Nygard, Church Council liaison  
Elizabeth Moy, Director CrossWays Preschool  
Kathy Pfister, Director Celebration! Childcare  
Pastor Sally Hanson

Rachelle Dio, CrossWays Preschool parent  
Cara & David Heiser, Celebration! Childcare parents  
Val Maxwell, Marketing Chair  
Danielle Meyer, Celebration! Childcare parent  
Krystal Padfield, CrossWays Preschool parent  
Betsy Wells, CrossWays Preschool parent  
Beth Zupkus, Holy Cross Financial Administrator



## Celebration! Childcare



## CrossWays Preschool

### ***It is Garden Time***

The fairy garden at our front entrance off the parking lot has been a big hit in past years. It has become a favorite place for families to gather at the beginning and end of the day.

You may view our main children's garden through the windows in the hallway in the west wing. The children's garden has featured several themed areas throughout the years. New this year, we have decided to construct a mini dinosaur garden. Our "Dino Garden" will be located in the main children's garden area and will be constructed out of a low depth trough that will be filled with pebbles, slate chippings, terra cotta pots, plants, Styrofoam "mountains" and lots of little dinosaurs to move around in this make believe mini dino land. We know the children will love it and it will encourage a lot of exploring in the garden.

In May, Eagle Scout candidate Michael Gadek installed brand new raised beds in our garden as part of his Eagle Scout Project. Thanks to Michael and volunteers from his troop, planting the beds is sure to be much more efficient. As a result, we may get a greater yield on the produce we grow and donate to the COOL Ministries food pantry.

**Kathy Pfister**, Celebration! Childcare Director  
*celebration@holycrosschurch.org*  
 (847) 367-6208



**Game at 6 pm**  
**Sponsorship Celebration at 7 pm**  
**Butler Lake Park - Rookie Field**

Please join CrossWays Preschool and Celebration! Childcare in cheering on our little league team, the Yankees, through The Libertyville Little League. We are very excited to be the sponsors of this team of 4-5 year olds this year! Let's make this party extra special by showing our support in the stands and joining the team for some food and beverages once the game has ended. Pizza, beverages, chips, and ice cream will be provided so please bring your team spirit! All are welcome!

### ***Welcome Summer!***

Reading and playing with young children is one of the most enjoyable activities for parent and child alike. We all know the value of exposing children to books (for prompting their own literacy), but it seems there is an even greater benefit to engaging in these activities with young children. Dr. Alan Mendelsohn conducted a study on the subject, and the findings were recently published in the journal *Pediatrics* in April, 2018. The study, "Reading Aloud, Play, and Social-Emotional Development," followed children who were part of a parenting intervention to see if the intervention had any impact on the children's development. The researchers gave parents toys and books to use when interacting with their children. These interactions were videotaped and then shown to the parents. A parenting coach helped parents see what kind of interactions were valuable for their children and which were not. The results were remarkable, in that not only did the children who received the intervention show greatly diminished occurrences of aggressive and hyperactive behavior as compared to the control group, the effects were long lasting. The conclusion Dr. Mendelsohn arrived at is that positive parenting activities, such as reading and playing with their children, make a huge difference in cognitive, social, and emotional development.

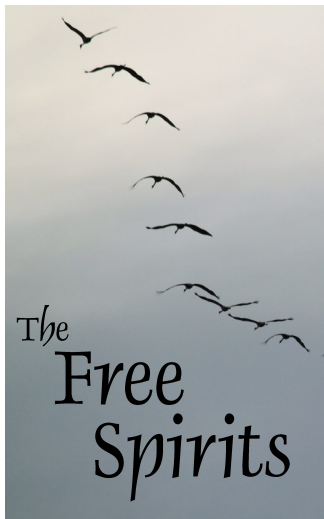
CrossWays engages in these valuable activities with our students every day, and we encourage our parents to be active partners with us in their child's growth and development. I encourage you to make these activities a priority for you and the young children in your life. The coming of summer is a great time to try to include this in your daily schedule.

CrossWays Preschool ended a very successful year on May 24. We celebrated the end of the year with an all-school picnic. It was wonderful to come together and rejoice in all that our students have accomplished over the past school year! We wish the best for our students who are moving on to Kindergarten. Please come back and visit us! We want to hear all about your success in your new school!

Although we will see some of our two year old and three year old friends over the summer, we are looking forward to seeing them all next fall when school starts back up again! We will be closed for a few weeks while we rest and prepare for summer camp, and then we will be back in full swing mid-month. There are a few spots still open for camp, but please contact me right away if you are interested in signing your child up, as those spots are limited.

**Elizabeth Moy**, CrossWays Preschool Director  
*crossways@holycrosschurch.org*  
 (847) 367-4367





### THE FREE SPIRITS

THE FREE SPIRITS ARE A GROUP OF RETIREES AND OTHERS AGE 55 AND MORE WHO ENJOY PARTICIPATING IN OUTINGS TOGETHER.

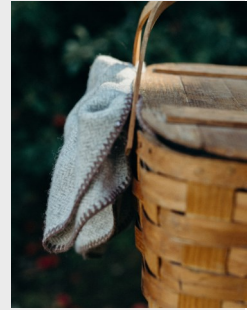
#### ANNUAL POTLUCK PICNIC

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20 AT 11 AM

AT THE HOME OF REINI & CAROL WASEMILLER, 4694 MIDDLE RD, GURNEE

Meet at Holy Cross to carpool at 10:45 am if you prefer.

Chicken and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. RSVP if you plan to attend by contacting Carol Wasmiller at [clinnea@yahoo.com](mailto:clinnea@yahoo.com) or (847) 625-0046.



### PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS SUNDAY, JUNE 17 AT 4 PM, ROOM 208

Parents who have a child with any special need (whether or not formalized by 504 or IEP) can meet to offer ideas, guidance or prayer. This group, open to all members of the community regardless of religious affiliation, meets at Holy Cross on the third Sunday of each month at 4 pm. For more information, please contact Terry Berger (847) 680-3578 or Lisa Dunbar (847) 309-6035. Snacks are furnished by the Lexi Kazian Foundation for the members who attend.



### PROJECT HEALING WATERS (PHW) FLY FISHING NORTH CHICAGO

DAY SESSIONS: WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 13 AND 27, AT 11:30AM

Location: Fellowship Area/or Century Park, Vernon Hills if good weather

EVENING SESSION: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13 AT 7 PM, FELLOWSHIP AREA AT HOLY CROSS

We will meet twice for our Day Sessions this month, enjoying meals and hopefully getting out to the water if weather cooperates. We extend an open invitation for veterans to participate, and for volunteers to help with hospitality. Please contact [office@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:office@holycrosschurch.org) with questions.



### GROUNDING IN GRACE: FRIDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S GROUP FRIDAY, JUNE 1 FROM 6:30 - 8:30 PM, FELLOWSHIP AREA

*"...and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." - Ephesians 3:17-19*

Join us as we conclude our study of the **Twelve Extraordinary Women** series for the season. We will discuss *Chapter 11: Lydia*. Please bring your beverages and a snack to share.

Missed out on the fun and kept thinking you wanted to come but just never made it? Mark your calendars for Friday, September 7 as we launch a new DVD discussion series! Contact Pastor Sally with any questions at [PastorSally@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:PastorSally@holycrosschurch.org)



### PILATES

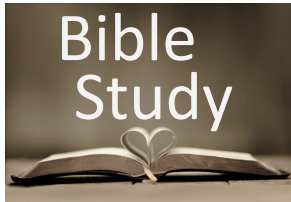
JUNE 3, 10, 17 & 24 6 - 7 PM, CELEBRATION! ATRIUM (WEST WING)

Please join us for the final month of the May/June session of Pilates. Class is led by a certified instructor. Cost for the second half of session runs will be pro-rated. If you're not sure Pilates is for you, join us for a class for free to check it out. Questions may be directed to the coordinator, Jodi Zombolo at [jzombolo@chicagobotanic.org](mailto:jzombolo@chicagobotanic.org) or (224) 595-8573.

**BOOK CLUB****TUESDAY, JUNE 26 AT 7 PM**

HOST: DEB SHERROCK, 38447 N ADAM ST, LAKE VILLA, IL

***The Radium Girls*** by Kate Moore. The Curies' new discovery of radium makes gleaming headlines as the fresh face of beauty, and wonder drug of the medical community. The popular new element shines bright in the otherwise dark years of 1st World War. Meanwhile, hundreds of girls toil in the glowing dust of the radium-dial factories. The glittering chemical covers them from head to toe; they light up the night like fireflies. With such a coveted job, these "shining girls" are the luckiest alive - until they begin to fall mysteriously ill. All are welcome to join the discussion.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY****MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 11 AND SEPTEMBER 25 AT 11 AM**

**Please note that we are not meeting in June, July or August.** On Tuesday, September 11, we will begin our study of the Gospel of Mark with Pastor Bob. If you have been thinking about attending, please join us in September! Bring along a copy of the Bible, any edition.

**COMMON THREADS****WILL RESUME ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 AT 1 PM**

The Common Threads relational group is made up of volunteers who like to knit and/or crochet. We are taking the summer off from meeting, but please drop off any completed prayer shawls and blankets at the church office. Questions? Please contact Judy Luplow at (847) 367-0242.

**WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP****TUESDAY, JUNE 5 FROM 9:30 - 11 AM, FELLOWSHIP AREA**

On June 5, join us to discuss the final chapter (*Life With Love*) of ***With: Reimagining the Way You Relate to God*** by Skye Jethani. This group, led by Pastor Sally, will also celebrate with a potluck brunch. Please bring a brunch item/dish to share.

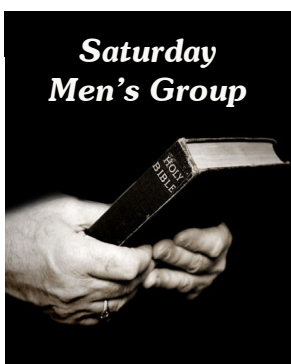
All women are welcome to join us. Consider attending this group when we start back up again on Tuesday, August 7 at 9:30 am. We typically meet the first and third Tuesday mornings of each month.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP****EVERY TUESDAY MORNING FROM 6:30 TO 7:30 AM**LOCATION: *THE LIBERTY RESTAURANT*, 419 S. MILWAUKEE AVE, LIBERTYVILLE

This is a wonderful way to begin the day. We promise to provide you with thought-provoking and stimulating fellowship and conversation. All men are welcome to join us.

**CARE OF CREATION**

Focused on caring for God's wonderful creation, our goal is to inspire our congregation by providing information about environmental issues. We share pertinent articles on the 3-sided kiosk in the gathering space and on Sunday mornings throughout the year. We are members of Lake County Green Congregations, and many of our members help with the Adopt-a-Highway program at Holy Cross. Through our email list we share environmental news with each other. If you would like to subscribe to our email list please write to [CreationCare@holycrosschurch.org](mailto:CreationCare@holycrosschurch.org) with "Subscribe" in the subject line. See **page 8** for more news!

**SATURDAY MEN'S GROUP****SATURDAYS - JUNE 2, 16 AND 30 AT 7 AM, FELLOWSHIP AREA**

All men are welcome to join us even if you haven't had the chance to view the previous sessions. We are continuing with "Living the Questions 2.0" (LtQ2), an open-minded alternative in exploring what's next for Christianity. LtQ2 consists of 21 sessions which may be offered in sequence or as three independent flights of seven units each: "Invitation to Journey," "Honoring Creation" and "Call to Covenant." LtQ2 is a popular video and internet-based small group exploration of progressive Christianity featuring premier religion voices of our day. The 20-minute video segments include conversations with leading voices of faith, digital stories illustrating aspects of an evolving faith, and concrete spiritual practices and disciplines.



**Friday, June 1****July Newsletter Content Due**

6:30 pm Grounded in Grace

**Saturday, June 2**

7:00 am Saturday Men's Group

5:30 pm Saturday Evening Worship  
with Holy Communion**Sunday, June 3**

7:45 am Car Wash Youth Fundraiser

8 &amp; 10 am Worship with Holy Communion

9:00 am Fellowship Hour/  
Graduate Reception10:00 am *Milestone Ministry:*  
H.S. Graduation Recognition12:00 pm 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering  
Prep Meeting, fellowship area

4:00 pm Private Event, fellowship area

**Monday, June 4**

6:00 pm Pilates, Celebration! atrium

7:00 am BSA Troop #194, 402

**Tuesday, June 5**

6:30 am Men's Breakfast @ The Liberty

9:30 am Women's Discussion Group/  
Potluck brunch6:00 pm Intergenerational VBS:  
Spiritual Practices & Prayer Life

6:30 pm BSA Troop 194 Committee, 207

**Wednesday, June 6**

9:00 am Quilting &amp; More, 404

9:30 am ECM Marketing, fellowship area

**Thursday, June 7**

6:00 pm Libertyville Little League game

7:00 pm Sponsorship Celebration

**Friday, June 8****Metropolitan Chicago Synod Assembly****Saturday, June 9****Metropolitan Chicago Synod Assembly**9:30 am *Milestone Ministry:* First Word5:30 pm Saturday Evening Worship with  
Holy Communion**Sunday, June 10****Rain date Car Wash (if necessary)**

8 &amp; 10 am Contemporary Worship

9:00 am Fellowship Hour

**Monday, June 11**

1:00 pm Common Threads

6:00 pm Pilates, Celebration! atrium

7:00 pm BSA Troop #194, 402

**Tuesday, June 12**

6:30 am Men's Breakfast @ The Liberty

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

6:00 pm Intergenerational VBS:  
Spiritual Practices & Prayer Life**Wednesday, June 13**

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

9:00 am Quilting &amp; More, 404

11:30 am Project Healing Waters,  
Century Park

6:30 pm LNO planning meeting, offsite

7:00 pm PHW Evening Program

**Thursday, June 14**

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

7:00 pm ECM Board Meeting, 208

**Saturday, June 16**

7:00 am Saturday Men's Group

5:30 pm Saturday Evening Worship  
with Saturday Night Live on  
the Patio - *Cibo Italiano***Sunday, June 17**

8 &amp; 10 am Worship with Holy Communion

9:00 am Fellowship Hour

4:00 pm Parents of Children with  
Special Needs, 208**Monday, June 18**

6:00 pm Pilates, Celebration! atrium

6:00 pm BSA Troop #194, 402

**Tuesday, June 19**

6:30 am Men's Breakfast @ The Liberty

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

6:00 pm Intergenerational VBS:  
Spiritual Practices & Prayer Life**Wednesday, June 20**

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

9:00 am Quilting &amp; More, 404

11:00 am Free Spirits: Potluck Picnic

**Thursday, June 21**

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

6:30 pm BSA Wood Badge Staff, 207

7:00 pm Church Council

**Friday, June 22**

6:00 pm Set up for Wood Badge, 402

**Saturday, June 23**

6:00 am NE IL BSA Wood Badge, 402

5:30 pm Saturday Evening Worship  
with Holy Communion**Sunday, June 24**8 & 10 am Contemporary Worship  
with Holy Communion

9:00 am Fellowship Hour

2:30 pm Winchester House Worship

**Monday, June 25**6:00 pm Being Authentic: Fellowship &  
Conversations for Men

6:00 pm Pilates, Celebration! atrium

7:00 pm BSA Troop #194, 402

**Tuesday, June 26****Departure 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering****Early Bird Rate for GLS ends**

6:30 am Men's Breakfast @ The Liberty

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

9:30 am Gathering Participants depart

9:30 am Newsletter Assembly

7:00 pm Book Club, Deb Sherrock's  
home**Wednesday, June 27****2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston**

9:00 am Quilting &amp; More, 404

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

**Thursday, June 28****2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston**

8:45 am CrossWays Summer Camp

**Friday, June 29****2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston****Saturday, June 30****2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston**

7:00 am Saturday Men's Group

5:30 pm Saturday Evening Worship  
with Holy Communion**Sunday, July 1****Return from 2018 ELCA Youth  
Gathering**

The Metropolitan Chicago Synod will  
convene **June 8 and 9** at the Tinley Park  
Convention Center.

Please keep all Holy Cross delegates  
and the Metropolitan Chicago  
Synod in prayer as they discern the  
business matters of the synod.



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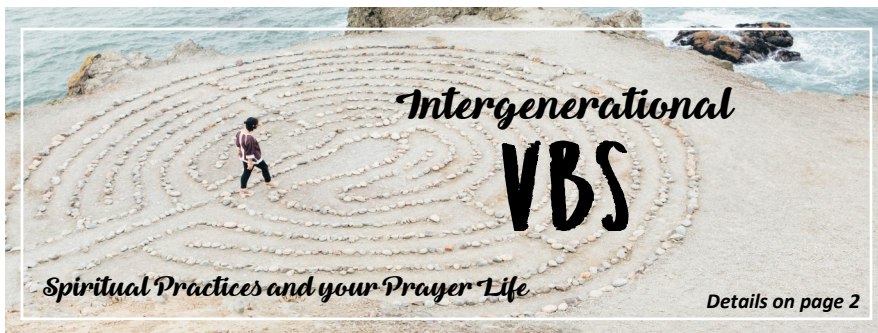
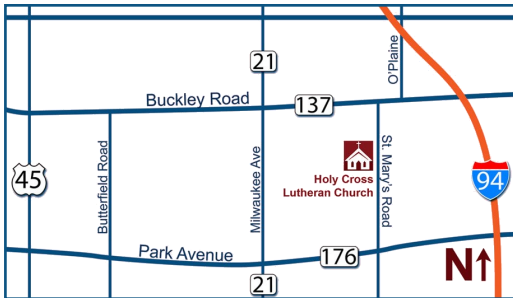
**Newsletter Assembly - Please Join Us!**

Assist with preparing the July newsletter for mailing. Fellowship included. **Tuesday, June 26 at 9:30 am.**

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**Saturday Night Live**  
**ON THE PATIO**

**Worship with Holy Communion and Fellowship Dinner on the patio**  
**June 16, July 21, August 18 at 5:30 - 8 pm**

Main entree is provided. Guests are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. BYOB.  
Rain or shine! Family friendly. Invite friends and neighbors! *More information on page 2.*



## CURRENT EVENTS

**Summer Worship Schedule**  
*Memorial Day Weekend through  
Labor Day Weekend, September 1/2*  
Every Saturday Evening at 5:30 pm  
Sundays at 8 & 10 am  
Fellowship Hour at 9 am

### June 2018

- 3 Car Wash - Youth Fundraiser  
*Milestone Ministry: H.S. Graduates*
- 5, 12 & 19 Intergenerational VBS 6-8 pm
- 9 *Milestone Ministry: First Word*
- 16 Saturday Night Live on the Patio
- 25 Being Authentic: Fellowship & Conversations for Men
- 26 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering  
GLS Early Bird Discount Ends

### July 2018

- 4 Independence Day - Building closed
- 15 LSSI Backpacks donations due
- 25 Being Authentic: Fellowship & Conversations for Men
- 21 Saturday Night Live on the Patio
- 29 Youth Stockholders Banquet