



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

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Saturdays, 5PM,

Sundays, 8AM & 10:45AM  
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EDUCATION HOUR AT 9:30AM

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If you want an audio recording (CD) of  
the Sunday 8AM service, please notify  
the office. We also send out bulletins,  
weekly newsletters, and DVD recordings  
(visual) to those who request them.

#### CHURCH OFFICE

CHECK WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR UPDATES  
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## The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost News & Notes for June 22-23, 2024

**WELCOME TO EVERYONE** joining us for worship today.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Submit prayer requests by filling out a prayer card and putting it in the offering basket, or by calling or emailing the church office. Confidential prayer requests are shared with the Pastor but not published.

**Please take time today to review the prayer lists. Let us know if prayers may have been answered so our lists remain updated. Thanks.**

**WE PRAY for our members:** Dennis Benassi; Barbara Benigno; Marie Benigno; Paul Bertram; Mary Kay Bethke; George Beyer; Kacey Booth; James Boyd; Jerry & Darlene Bradley; Nancy Caldwell; Jenny Conrad; Mike Dawdy; Kathleen Day; Shirley Day; Bob & Carolyn Delohi; Brenda Duncan; Donald Duncan; Renea Erickson; Rich Franzer; Janice Fred; Peggy Gallagher; Tom Gallagher; Connie Gamache; Phyllis Gronewald; Karen Heckman; Marie & Vernon Herrington; Lizzie Johansmann; Al Ketsenburg; Ron Kettler; Deborah Kiely; Debra Korte; Jim Kramer; Barb Krieger; Bob Kunz; Joyce Lang; Betty Lee; Terry McCann; Neil W. McDaniel; Shirley Niewald; Bill Price; Gloria Rariden; Zeita Reed; Ron Rutledge; Jim Salarano; Carol Santoyo; Vita Sayers; Nancy Scaglione; Winnie Thornton; Mike Vesper; Larry Williams; Ernestine Wilson, Judie

Woelfer, Mark Ziolko.

**WE PRAY for our family and friends:**

Milton Alton (Byron & Elaine Alton)  
Joanne Bonney (Greg Bonney)  
Rachel Butkovich (Tom & Sue Haywood)  
Elizabeth Cash (Heather Koepke)  
Mark Chiodini (Nicholas Chiodini)  
Charles Claxton Jr. (Matthew Claxton)  
Debbie Collier (Ron Rutledge)  
Gorman Cooper (Tina Morrison)  
Jim Coots (Doris Coots)  
William Dafler (Wes Dafler)  
Maggie Dawdy (former member)  
Teresa Doerr (frequent visitor)  
Lowell Duncan (Don Duncan)  
Sandra Fleak (Becky Edgar)  
Jim Fowler (Lovisa Davison)  
Patty Gunnufson (Chris Price)  
Sharon Hesse (Barb Krieger)  
Jan Hilton (Zeita Reed)  
Marcia Hoemann (Mark Hoemann)  
Lois Jobe (Jan Flentke)  
Jeff Johns (Denice Johns)  
Sandy Longo (Randy Jones)  
Denora Lum (Darlene Wischmeyer)  
Lisa Markel (Grace Randazzo)  
Malu Martin (Dawn Kahler)  
Darlene McCarthy (Elaine Howard)  
Kenny & Lois Meyer  
~ (Carla Cooper, Karen Copper)  
Mike (Debbie Parks)  
Shirley Moore (Judy Bonney)  
Sarah Nichols (Brenda Marhanka)  
Paul Palombi (Diane Palombi)  
Virginia Pendley (Shawn Huber)  
Raymond Rasche (Todd & Liz Rasche)  
Rosemary Schreiber (Peggy Gallagher)  
Sara Shroth (choir accompanist)  
Shirley Tebeau (Ron Hunter)  
Stanika Todorova (Paul & Juliana Frerichs)

Sandy Wischmeyer (Marilyn Mana)  
Carol Zeigler (Ralph & Renea Erickson)  
John Allquist III, Duane Stuewe (Janet Allquist)  
Abigail Chavez, Lindsay Jaco, Penelope Karrenbrock (Amanda Alton)  
Carson Aston, Chlaara Aston, Sharon Staten (Lisa Aston)  
Jim & Amy (John Bertram)  
Denise Heins, Kevin Huber (Becky Coomer)  
Maureen King, Ryan Wells (Kathleen Day)  
Laura & Mark Gilson (David Gilson)  
Linda Elrod, Alicia Kleb, Jeanette Kruse, Jane Redhage, Marian Schwentker; Andy & Alicia Kincaid; Cindy Kincaid (Michelle Kincaid)  
Bill Knehans, Charlotte Taggart (Bob & Barb Knehans)  
Paul Rau, George & Sandra Roberts (Elma Jane Kramer)  
John Bach, Rachel Long (Betty Lee)  
Pat McCarty, Serena Whiteside (Orion Melton)  
Marsha Brown, Tim Colvert (Neil & Cynthia Menscher)  
David Oshia, Chase Russell, Carol Sills (Barb Parson)  
Pat Gunn, Susan Risinger (Gloria Rariden)  
Allan Miller, Loyce Sagez (Randy & Denise Sagez)  
Amy Mueller, Larry Schenk (Carol Santoyo)  
Blake Schmalzer, Susan (Rebecca Schmalzer);  
Charlotte Gaines, Nisseem, Daniel, Dr. Eric Semler (Sandra Semler)  
Sue Adams, Dennis Tracy (Bonnie Walkenhorst)  
Rosemarie & Steve Opp (Bob Williams)

**Holy Cross Weekly Calendar**

**Saturday, June 22, 2024**

5PM Holy Communion

**Sunday, June 23, 2024**

8AM Holy Communion

9:30AM Adult Bible Class (sanctuary)

+ Guests: Chris & Danielle Mizel

9:30AM Sunday School

9:30AM Ordination Choir Rehearsal

10:45AM Holy Communion

+ Holy Baptism: Theodore Kunzweiler

**Monday, June 24, 2024**

OFFICE HOURS: 9AM TO NOON

**KOINONIA MAILING**

9:30AM TOPS (gym)

10AM Quilt Setup

11am Line Dancing

**Tuesday, June 25, 2024**

OFFICE HOURS: 9AM TO NOON

9AM QUILTING

10AM Women's Bible Study

12:30PM Staff Meeting (off-site)

6:30PM Adult Bible Class

**Wednesday, June 26, 2024**

OFFICE HOURS: 9AM TO NOON

9:30AM Adult Bible Class

6:30PM Ordination Choir Rehearsal

In Balcony

6:45PM Summer Youth Night

**Thursday, June 27, 2024**

OFFICE HOURS: 9AM TO NOON

8AM News & Notes Deadline

**Friday, June 28, 2024**

OFFICE HOURS: 9AM TO NOON

**Saturday, June 29, 2024**

9AM CWST Dinner setup

2PM Holy Baptism: Emilia Eidson

3PM Holy Baptism: Milo Zimmerman

5PM Service of Prayer & Preaching

(no communion!)

**Sunday, June 30, 2024**

8AM Matins (no communion)

9:30AM Adult Bible Class (sanctuary)

9:30AM Sunday School

10:45AM Matins (no communion)

3PM Vespers: Ordination & Installation

of Jason Kohm (all welcome!)

4PM Installation Dinner (ticket needed)

**Church Attendance for June 15-16, 2024**

Service	Attendance	Communion
SAT., 5PM	57	52
SUN., 8AM	116	100
SUN., 10:45AM	99	88
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>240</b>

**Bible Class Attendance  
Week of June 16, 2024**

NA=not applicable; NR=not reported; C= cancelled

Little Lambs, Sunday	6
Sunday School: PreK to Gr 5	19
Sunday School: Gr. 6-12	8
Sunday Adult Bible Class	31
TLC/BASICS	NA
Tuesday Women's 10AM	C
Tuesday Evening, 6:30PM	NA
Men's Breakfast & Bible	NA
Wednesday AM	20
Summer Youth Night	C
20s&30s Thursday	C

**Weekly Offerings:  
June 10-16, 2024**

General Fund	\$ 9,597.42
Endowment	\$ 0.00
Building Fund	\$ 50.00
Missions Weekly	\$ 246.00
<b>Missions Total 2024 To Date</b>	<b>\$ 11,991.99</b>

**Year to Date as of 5/31/2024**

Income	\$ 326,612.66
Expenses	\$ 262,676.44
Surplus	\$ 63,936.22

**H.O.P.E. FOOD MINISTRIES  
Weekly Totals: June 19, 2024**

Families: 67  
Individuals: 195

**Prayer List for Active Military:**

**Dominic** Bisesi, **Andrew** Chema; **Timothy** Daniels, **Nathaniel** Einfeldt, **Isabella** Huber, **Zackary** Huber, **Cody** Kieffer, **Jeff** Kuerschner, **Josh** Linn, **Clint** Morrison, **Douglas** Mundt, **Justin** Quinn, **Joshua** Rainwater, **Jesse** Smith, and **Matthew** Thornton.

**HOPE Ministries** requests these items from Holy Cross for June: Boxed potatoes JELLO, pudding, granola bars, gravy, jelly, canned fruit, cereal, oatmeal.

Place items in the box under the Mission Board display in the Welcome Center. No expired goods can be accepted.

**GET OUT YOUR CALENDARS & SAVE THESE DATES:**

**July 11: American Red Cross Blood Drive** at Holy Cross; 9a to 3p.

**July 20, 5 to 7PM: CWST Third Annual Pork Steak Dinner and Cornhole Tournament.** All funds raised from this event will support current and future seminarians.

**August 10: Ladies Guild Rummage Sale,** 7PM to 2PM. Dropoff dates will be Aug. 7 & 8 (there's an election on Aug. 6 — so no drop-offs on that date!)

**Nov. 2 — Grace Guild Craft Expo!** Vendors, we need you! More information coming in next month's Koinonia.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE:**

Thanks to everyone who submitted a picture for our photo directory. The directories are available on the small table by the registration desk in the Welcome Center. A \$5 donation is suggested to help cover the cost of printing the directory.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER July—September** are now available in regular and large sizes on the Welcome Center table.

**THIS SUNDAY** we welcome **Christopher Mizel** and his wife **Danielle** to Holy Cross during **Adult Bible Study in the sanctuary**. Chris is currently serving as the Director of Spiritual Life and Identity at Concordia International School in Shanghai, China, and Danielle is serving there as a middle school RSB teacher. Danielle previously served Holy Cross for 10 years as DCE. Come and hear how God is working in and through them across the world!

**ALTAR GUILD** needs more help and welcomes anyone interested, including the newly confirmed class, to join us as we "serve the Lord with gladness" by preparing each service for communion. For information, please call or text Jan Flentke at 636-248-2892.

**GAME DAY CANCELCATION:** Due to ordination celebration preparations for the celebration of the ordination and installation of Pastor Kohm, the scheduled Church Game Day on Sat., June 29, has been canceled.

### **FAMILY AND CONFIRMATION CAMP sign-up is here!**

Come join us from **Aug. 30 to Sept. 2** for a weekend of fellowship, learning, and service with your church family at Camp Wartburg. This camp is for **all ages**, and the **theme is Prayer**. Registration is \$80 per person and covers the cost of the entire weekend's activities, including sleeping accommodations, meals, and swimming in the camp pool.

**Registration deadline is 6/30/2024.**

#### **Registration options:**

1. Paper sheet on the center table in the Welcome Center
2. Go to [hcross.com/youth](http://hcross.com/youth) (remember this is for all ages, not just youth!)

#### **Payment deadline is 7/28/2024. Payment options:**

1. Mail or drop off payment at church office (please include your name and indicate that the payment is for the Family & Confirmation Camp).
2. Drop an envelope with your name and payment in the offering plate during Church service
3. Contact Ashleigh Lacey directly at [stewardship@hcross.com](mailto:stewardship@hcross.com)

If paying by check, **please note "Confirmation Camp" on memo line.**

More information on the schedule, service projects, and recommended packing list will be made available closer to August. If you would like assistance in covering the cost of your registration, please contact Ashleigh Lacey at [stewardship@hcross.com](mailto:stewardship@hcross.com). If you have any questions about the weekend, please contact Ashleigh, Pastor Gimbel, or DCE Charity Smith.



### **THANKS TO LANDSCAPE VOLUNTEERS**

A BIG THANK YOU to the volunteers who recently mulched our flower beds at church. Volunteers included Barb Grosch, Tom and Susan Haywood, Bruce Richardson, and David Schlesselman. Take a moment to appreciate the beds in the front of the church which have been completely redone through volunteer labor. Barb Grosch and Sue Williams cleaned and replanted one bed, and Tom and Susan Haywood reworked and created a new landscape in the other bed. Great job!

### **Services Next Week**

Please note that next weekend we will have three different services. The Saturday service will be the Service of Prayer and Preaching — no communion. On Sunday, we will sing Matins at both services — no communion. The 3PM service for the ordination and installation of the new associate pastor will also not be a communion service.



### **ORDINATION & INSTALLATION DAY,**

**JUNE 30:** Ordination and Installation of Associate Pastor-Elect Jason Kohm will take place at a special 3PM service. A reception/dinner will follow (tickets are no longer available for the dinner).

### **CARD SHOWERS FOR THE NEW PASTOR**

Pastor-elect Kohm will join Holy Cross at the end of June when he has been ordained and installed at Holy Cross. In the past, the Church Workers Support Team (CWST) has been involved with the move, finding a home, cleaning the office, and any other jobs needed to welcome a new Called Worker. However, our prospective pastor has found his own place to live and has all the help he needs to move in; the CWST has even set a date to prepare his office.

The CWST invites the Congregation to shower Pastor-elect Kohm with gift cards. He is a young man who is moving into his first permanent home—he will need lots of things but he will have his preferences on how he wants his new home to look. **Gift cards from AMAZON, TARGET, LOEW'S, HOME DEPOT, and HOME GOODS** would be very appropriate!

Another thought is **grocery cards or restaurant cards** because we know he will have to eat!! Plan to pick up a gift card and drop it in a welcoming note. The **mailbox** will be out in the Welcome Center starting **THIS WEEKEND until June 30**. Thank you so much for your participation.

**SIGN THE WELCOME CARD:** Please help us welcome Pastor-elect Jason Kohm by signing the poster provided on the table in the Welcome Center. You may also want to include a few words of welcome or encouragement.

**GRACE GUILD DIAPER DRIVE** Thank you for your generous donations to Concordia Seminary! Your gifts will be delivered this week.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

### **Third Annual CWST Pork Steak Dinner and Cornhole Tournament Seminary Support Fundraiser**

Sat., July 20, 5 to 7PM.

The adult menu includes our now-famous pork steak, a choice of baked potato or potato salad, cole slaw, a choice of baked beans or corn on the cob, and dessert for \$16.

The children's menu includes a hot dog, chips, fruit cup, and dessert for \$5.

The Cornhole Tournament will have gift card prizes. Please join us in supporting our Concordia Seminary students (Isaac Conrad from Holy Cross).

*Tickets go on sale on Sat., June 29.*

**WE'RE HIRING!**

Be part of the awesome staff at Holy Cross!  
Positions open:

- part-time communications coordinator,
- part-time custodian,
- and substitutes for our preschool.

Go to [www.hcross.com/employment](http://www.hcross.com/employment) for more information.

**HOLY CROSS LADIES GUILD** collects **food** and all types of **soap** for the Concordia Seminary Food Bank.

**STAMP COLLECTION:** The Holy Cross Ladies Guild collects canceled postage stamps which raise money for mission projects worldwide. Tear or cut stamps from the envelope with about half an inch of paper left all the way around. Collection baskets are upstairs on the Welcome Center bookshelf and downstairs on the shelf outside the kitchen.

**MITES:** Pick up a Mite box from the LWML table to collect change for LWML grants to missions around the world. **THE MISSOURI LWML** chose new mission grants at its convention last week. Read about it in July Koinonia.

**MISSION BOARD** brings **fresh fruits and vegetables** to the Seminary. Write your check to Holy Cross with a memo line for *Mission Board Fresh Foods to the Seminary*.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for April-June **and** July-September are available on the Welcome Center table.

**Holy Cross Buy/Sell Facebook Group Now Available**

A new Facebook group for Holy Cross members allows member-to-member selling of large goods (not household rummage sale items) as a Stewardship Board fundraiser to support Holy Cross ministries. Selling members are urged to donate a minimum of 10% of the sell price to Holy Cross Stewardship Board: [stewardship@hcross.com](mailto:stewardship@hcross.com)

**SUMMER YOUTH NIGHTS**

Rising 6th graders to 2024 HS graduates

Every Wednesday, 6:45-8 pm

From May 22 - August 7

Expect fun, fellowship, and God's Word.

**HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL**  
2024-2025 Enrollment and Registration

2024-2025 TUITION STRUCTURE    ABOUT OUR PROGRAM    2024-2025 ENROLLMENT FORM

We hope to hear from you soon

**DONATING BLOOD ONLY TAKES ABOUT AN HOUR.**  
*Can you spare one?*

**Blood Drive Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

Gym  
8945 Veterans Memorial Parkway  
O Fallon, MO 63366

**Thursday, July 11, 2024**  
**10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: HolyCrossLC to schedule an appointment.

Get a **NEW Red Cross umbrella** when you come to give blood July 1 to July 14, while supplies last!



Please join us!  
**POOL PARTY**  
JULY 14TH 7:45-9:45PM  
Alligator's Creek Aquatic Center  
403 Civic Park Dr in O'Fallon

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All children must be accompanied by an adult.  
No alcohol allowed.  
Outside food and drink welcomed, just **NO** glass.