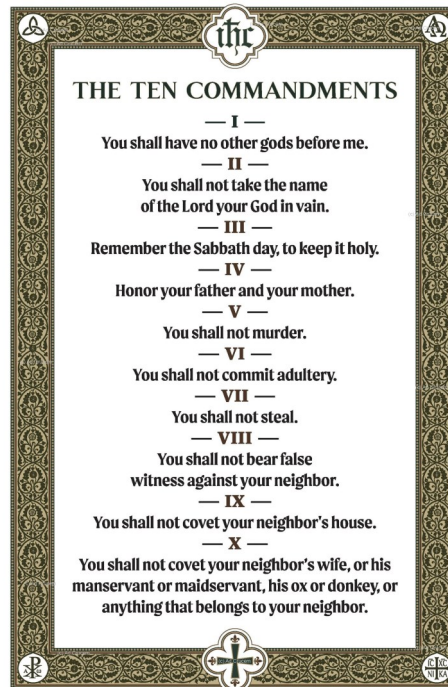


## The Ten Commandments in Schools: But Which Ten?

On Wed., June 20, the state of Louisiana signed into law a very controversial decision that has religion and Christianity at the forefront. The new law will require all Louisiana public school classrooms to display the Ten Commandments by the start of the 2025 school year. One astute Holy Cross member who followed this story asked me a question recently: "Pastor, now that the Ten Commandments are allowed to be posted, people are now arguing over which commandments those should be. Why do they have different ones anyway?"

The "problem" originates in the original Hebrew Bible. In scholarly circles, these are referred to as the "Ten Words," or in its Latin form, the Decalogue. The Hebrew Bible clearly states that there are ten, but the text itself does not number them in a numbered list, or even a bulleted list or itemized list. Therefore, while the Lord has stated that there are ten in number, it is left to interpretation about what the numbering itself looks like.

There are three main divisions of numberings (but there are arguably five additional ones): the Roman Catholic and Lutheran numbering, the Protestant numbering (i.e. many



The Ten Commandments: Lutheran Numbering

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denominations that are not Catholic or Lutheran), and the Jewish numbering as drawn from their Talmud.

The main reason for the differences is how the beginning commandments are numbered. Once the first few are numbered, each of the three lists continues in sequence until the end when one or more are combined if needed to make ten.

The LCMS Lutheran numbering begins with "Thou shalt have no other gods before me" as the First Commandment. This idea also will incorporate other teachings about this commandment as laid out in Exodus 20:3-6, including the prohibition of making graven images. The Second Commandment then is "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain." (Ex. 20:7). The commandments continue in a logical sequence from here with the Ninth and Tenth commandments addressing coveting the neighbor's house (#9) and coveting the neighbor's "neighbor's wife, manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor." (#10)

The Jewish Talmud begins with the first commandment ("Word" in the original Hebrew) as: "I am the Lord thy God." (Exodus 20:2) The second commandment for the Talmud is equal to our LCMS Lutheran First commandment, combining "Thou shalt have no other gods before me" with the idea of graven images rolled in underneath. In order to account for ten commandments, the coveting commandments (#9 and #10 for LCMS Lutherans) are combined together to make the 10th commandment.

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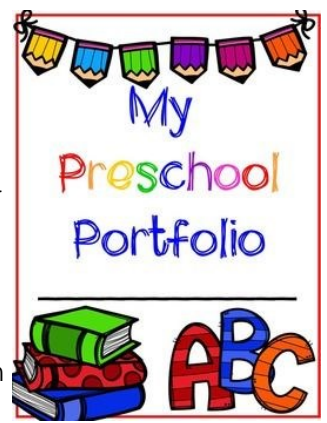
# Welcome to Preschool



2023-2024 3s class enjoying a field trip to the farm!

As we welcome our staff back into the building to prepare for the new school year, we have so many new exciting projects! Our preschool is welcoming new TVs for technology learning, new and updated toys, as well as a new staff member, Cindy White! Cindy will be working as a floater between our classrooms, and we are so excited to have her.

I am eager to get our kids back into our school and start another year of learning!



Our staff is truly blessed to have such fantastic students, and we are equally as blessed to have our staff here at Holy Cross Lutheran Preschool. We are also blessed to have such a supportive church staff, especially those who lead chapel and music class for our students!

Over the summer, we have been restructuring our portfolios and lesson plans to ensure that our children are being challenged and consistently learning!

We still have openings in various classes, so if you know of any parents or 3- or 4-year-olds searching for a school, please inform them of our school and pass on my email:

[mcalcaterra@hcross.com](mailto:mcalcaterra@hcross.com)

**GOLF FOR SCHOOLS TOURNAMENT**

Scheduled for **Sun., Sept 8, 2024 at 1:30PM.**

Registration deadline is Sept. 1.

Registration fee is \$110.

The 4-person scramble, which takes place at The Falls Golf Club, includes lunch and dinner, the driving range, unlimited drinks, and various games.

The tournament supports Holy Cross Lutheran Preschool and Child of God Lutheran School.

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# Monthly Music Minute for September 2024

*A series in which the music director shares some thoughts about the music coming up in church this month*

You are likely familiar, at least to some extent, with our liturgical calendar. I'm sure you know the rough pattern of seasons that we follow — Advent, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost; and you no doubt have some recognition of the liturgical colors of each of these: blue for Advent, purple for Lent, and so on.

The liturgical calendar is more detailed than just seasons, though. The church celebrates several "feast days," or individual calendar dates commemorating certain events, people, and occasions. At Holy Cross, we celebrate some major feast days every year: Easter, Christmas, and All Saints' Day. Some of the minor ones, however, rarely get mentioned.

The date of one of these minor feasts, St. Michael and All Angels' Day, falls on Sept. 29. Since the date is a Sunday this year, we at Holy Cross have decided to celebrate this unique day. It is important to note that this is not a day for worshiping angels; instead, it will be an opportunity to celebrate one way that God cares for His people--through the service of His angels.

To help prepare us for this date, I thought I'd share three attributes of angels to help us better understand what we are celebrating.



## Angels are created by God.

Just as God made the world, the sea, and everything in it, just as He gave life to plants and animals, and just as He breathed life into each of us, God also created angels.

## Angels are vessels to do God's bidding.

We see

throughout Scripture the different roles of angels and how they serve their creator. Some angels, like Gabriel, serve as messengers. Some are called to worship God, like the cherubim and seraphim in Isaiah 6, or like the multitude of the heavenly host in Luke 2. Still others, like the archangel Michael, fight in the spiritual battle against the forces of evil, as we see in the books of Daniel and Revelation.



**Angels serve God's people.** When someone passes away, you'll hear the phrase "Heaven gained another angel" or something along those lines. While a nice sentiment, this is not what happens and actually diminishes each of us. God didn't create us to become angels; He created angels to serve us. Hebrews 1:14 says, "Are [angels] not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?"

On Sept. 29, the choir will sing a setting of the assigned Psalm for St. Michael and All Angels' Day, Psalm 91, where we hear these comforting words: "He shall give His angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways."

I get tremendous comfort from this passage. For if God loves me so much that He sends angels to watch over me—armies and legions of beings who are powerful enough to fight the forces of evil, to appear in visions, to worship in the presence of God—how precious I must be in His sight!

So, as we commemorate St. Michael and All Angels' Day, we are celebrating our immensely loving God who loves and cares for us so much that He has created armies of angels to look over us, to guard us, and to protect us--His beloved children. - David Gilson

# The Ten Commandments in Schools: But Which Ten? — *continued from page 1*



## THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. I am the LORD your God. You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.
4. Honor your father and your mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

### Catholic Numbering

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## The Ten COMMANDMENTS

1. I am the Lord thy God, thou shalt have no other gods before me.
2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.
5. Honor thy father and thy mother.
6. Thou shalt not kill.
7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
8. Thou shalt not steal.
9. Thou shalt not bear false witness.
10. Thou shalt not covet.

### Protestant Numbering

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	Jewish	Catholic	Protestant
I	I am the Lord your G-d who has taken you out of the land of Egypt.	I, the Lord, am your God. You shall not have other gods beside me.	You shall have no other gods but me.
II	You shall have no other gods but me.	You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain.	You shall not make unto you any graven images.
III	You shall not take the name of the Lord your G-d in vain.	Remember to keep holy the Lord's day.	You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
IV	You shall remember the Sabbath and keep it Holy.	Honor your father and your mother.	You shall remember the Sabbath and keep it Holy.
V	Honor your mother and father.	You shall not kill.	Honor your father and your mother
VI	You shall not murder.	You shall not commit adultery.	You shall not murder.
VII	You shall not adultery.	You shall not steal.	You shall not commit adultery.
VIII	You shall not steal.	You shall not bear false witness.	You shall not steal.
IX	You shall not bear false witness.	You shall not covet Your neighbor's wife.	You shall not bear false witness.
X	You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.	You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.	You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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The Protestant numbering begins with “Thou shalt have no other gods before me,” but then adds a second separate commandment: “Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.” The Third commandment for Protestants then becomes equal to the LCMS Lutheran Second commandment, “Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.” The numbering remains “off” by one throughout the list. Like the Talmud numbering, the Protestant numbering also combines the coveting commandments into a single commandment at the end.

Perhaps now you can see where the problem lies. Search on Amazon for “Ten Commandments Poster” or search on Google Images for the same, and you will see they are numbered differently. This problem will continue to frustrate teachers, parents, and educators for years to come because they are so different.

So which one is best? Which numbering is what God had originally intended?

### **None of it matters.**

Christianity is no longer based on the Ten Commandments. We have Jesus Christ who kept the Ten Commandments perfectly, regardless of how one believes them to be numbered. Since He kept them perfectly, they are no longer a burden to us to attain salvation. They have been fulfilled by Christ, and so we now live in freedom from them!

Do we still need to love God and love our neighbor then? Absolutely! Christ still commands us to do those things faithfully. BUT the difference now is that salvation is no longer dependent on our obedience to the Ten Commandments and the rest of God's laws. And for that, we are eternally grateful!

~ Pastor Andy Gimbel



# CHURCH PICNIC

The Holy Cross Annual Church Picnic  
will take place on

**Saturday, Sept. 7, from 11AM to 4PM**

**NOTE: This is the weekend prior to Holy Cross Sunday.**

Invite your friends, your family, and your neighbors  
to celebrate Holy Cross' 64th Anniversary!

New this year: a giant tent will be placed on the back lot so the  
potluck and all activities will be in one spot for the day.

A **potluck lunch** will be served from 11AM to NOON.

The Picnic Committee will provide  
hamburgers, hotdogs, & drinks.

Those attending are asked to bring dishes to share:

**Last names A - M: bring a Side Dish and a Salad**

**Last names N - Z: bring a Side Dish and a Dessert**

**Festivities for the day** will include bounce houses, a cornhole  
tournament, giant yard games, and wonderful music from  
Dorsett Street Jazz. The littles will enjoy bubbles, chalk, and  
games as well. Want to see our Pastors and other volunteers  
plunged into water?! Come to the picnic and try your hand at  
the dunk tank, back this year!

Be sure to stop by and see a member of the committee (Kari  
Spearman, Ashleigh Lacey, Karen Belter, or Liz Belter) after  
church services in August to **obtain a meal ticket** for  
everyone in your party.

## TRANSFER FOR LUTHERANS CLASS (TLC) Sept. 8

Those transferring to Holy Cross  
from other LCMS Churches will  
gather with the Pastor during  
Education Hour for an orientation  
to Holy Cross—who we are, what  
we do, how we operate. New  
members will provide us with  
information about themselves as  
well. The Board of Elders meets on  
Sept. 1 to approve membership  
changes, and this class provides  
an opportunity to get to know  
each other. The next step is the  
New Member Luncheon — more  
on that on page 6.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY, Sept. 11

This monthly (except for summer)  
Bible Study starts with a delicious  
breakfast prepared by men of the  
congregation. (Someone once  
said they get to eat all the foods  
they can no longer get at home—  
bacon, gravy, sausage, eggs—  
but maybe that's an old wives'  
tale.) Anyway, bonding over  
food at 6:30AM is a good way to  
make new friends and get ready  
to get into the Word. Sign up in  
the Welcome Center on Sept. 8 so  
the preparers have an idea of  
how much food to make.

## CHANGES FOR THE ALTAR FLOWER FUND

The Altar Flower Fund has been  
run by the Altar Guild for many  
years. The Fund has now been  
turned over to Holy Cross. So, in  
the future, when you make a  
check out for altar flowers, please  
make it to "Holy Cross Lutheran  
Church" and put "Altar Flowers"  
on the memo line.

The other change is that you can  
pay for your flowers using the  
online giving site. This eliminates  
having to submit a check in the  
little box between the Welcome  
Center restrooms. Payment can  
also be submitted using the blue  
envelopes for the Flower Fund.

**Offering  
Envelopes**



### CHILDREN'S OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE:

Special offering envelopes made  
just for children are now  
available in a basket on the  
Welcome Center table. Take a  
few home so your children can  
have the offering ready before  
they come to church. The Breeze  
record-keeping system currently  
used by Holy Cross allows  
offerings to be credited to the  
child's full name, giving them the  
opportunity to see their total  
giving to the church.

**WELCOME**  
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!



## New Member Luncheon

Save the Date on **Sept. 22** for a celebration for our newest congregation members!

This luncheon is always fun because we get to meet the newest among us—and eat great food! The time is right after the 10:45AM service that day.

We ask current church members to furnish sides:

**Last Names A to K:** bring a side dish and dessert

**Last Names L to Z:** bring a side dish and salad

The Evangelism Board will provide the meat dish, and Grace Guild will take care of serving!

**Remember to wear your name tags!**



**All women** of Holy Cross are invited to attend meetings of either or both Guilds. Join us as we “serve the Lord with gladness” by raising funds for missions at home and around the world.

Holy Cross has two LWML groups:

**Holy Cross Ladies Guild** meets **Fri., Sept. 13, 10AM.**

**Grace Evening Guild** meets **Tues., Sept. 10, 6PM.**

**RUMMAGE**  
**SALE**

### RESULTS:

The Holy Cross Ladies Guild held its Annual Rummage Sale on

Sat., Aug. 10. They raised \$3,000 which will be donated to Turning Point Advocacy Center. Thanks to everyone who supported the Rummage Sale!

### QUILTING

**Ladies Guild Quilters** will meet 9AM, Tues., Sept. 17, and Oct. 1 in the gym to piece, sew, and tie quilt tops. Current quilt projects will be donated to Gentiva Hospice.

## CANDY & NUT SALE BEGINS

The Holy Cross Ladies Guild is holding its annual candy and nut sale again. Sales start Sept. 13- 14th at all three worship services and continue through the weekend of Oct. 19-20. Many varieties of delicious candies and nuts are available. Orders will be delivered in November in time for all your holiday baking. Order forms will be available at the sale table in the Welcome Center. Proceeds from the candy and nut sale will be donated to the Sparrow's Nest in O'Fallon. The Sparrow's Nest is a place of healing and learning for young women who have no place to go during a pregnancy.



“Grace Changes Everything” was the theme of the WINGS LWML Society Retreat at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Warrenton, on Aug.3. Holy Cross’s LWML groups showed up! From left: Cynthia Menscher, Sherry Piazza, Karen Copper, Jayne Jepsen, Adrienne Brewster, Marian Hoehner, Norma Helms, Joy Adams, (Christel Hundt is unseen but behind Joy), Jeanette Stewart, Joyce Niewald, Brenda Fore, Sue Williams, Elma Jane Kramer.



## Sowing Seeds of Faith with Animals

Holy Cross volunteers helped sow seeds of the Gospel by hosting a Petting Zoo and Pony Rides in the church's backyard on Sat., Aug. 10. Knowing that children and families with small children enjoy petting animals and riding ponies, the Evangelism Team hosted the event at Holy Cross and invited the community to join in. God granted us perfect weather for the day. It was a busy morning with church families and community members in attendance. They enjoyed petting a calf, sheep, goat, rabbit, chicken, bearded dragon, and a fluffy dog. In addition, more than 90 pony rides were given. Participants could feed the animals if they so desired.

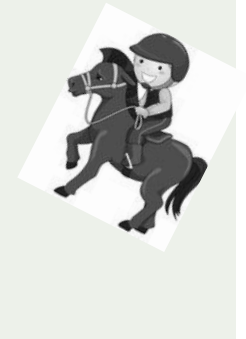
Most importantly, each child received a religious book, and each family had the opportunity to pick up free devotional materials. We pray that the spiritual seeds sown will help participants grow in their relationship with Jesus.



A larger crowd than usual came out on a beautiful August day. Children, parents, and grandparents enjoyed the petting zoo and pony rides arranged by the Evangelism Board. This annual event is hosted on the same day as the Ladies Guild Rummage Sale. This year both events benefited from added turnouts.



Photos courtesy of Dani Richardson and David Schlesselman





**ALTAR GUILD 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.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

6PM Beginning Bell Choir

6PM Children’s Choir

6:30PM Confirmation

6:30PM High School

6:30PM PreK to 5th Grade

6:45 PM Adult Choir

7:15PM Elementary (gym)

7:30PM Middle & HS (gym)



**Saturday,  
Sept. 28, 2024**

Doors Open  
from 9AM—2PM

Bring Games!

Bring Food!

Have Fun!

**USHERS:** Please sign up for dates before the weekend you serve so that Together We Serve is accurate. More volunteers are needed for ushering. See Ralph Erickson for information.

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## CRAFT EXPO

**NOVEMBER 2, 2024**

**9AM to 3PM**

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**New  
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Gifted Holy Cross crafters created paraments for the new lectern built by Jerry Lancour. Pastor Gimbel chose the design for the embroidery. Barb Grosch researched places that could do the embroidery and arranged for the first sample to be completed. Barb found and ordered appropriate fabrics. Sandy Dietz arranged for embroidery on each of the fabric colors, and she did the sizing and sewing of the paraments. Lead weights were added by Joe Snyder. The paraments were dedicated on July 28, 2024.



Come!  
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**HOPE Seeds**

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as more seeds are packed for those in need around the world.

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## Bylaw Committee Updates

Holy Cross Lutheran Church Council determined that a bylaw review and update was needed. The last review was completed in 2017. The Bylaw Committee has been working on revisions since March 2024.

### Why are we making changes to the bylaws?

In the recent history of our Church and its strategic planning, we have attempted to engage more of our younger members to participate in the Body of Christ at Holy Cross and in the community. In the past two years, the Church Council discussed using resources and members effectively. We have approximately 650 communicant members 18 years and older who are eligible voting members. Of those, 143 are part of the Voters Assembly. Our Bylaws currently require 48 elected positions across the Church Council and the Boards—this is 34% of the Voters' Assembly. Each term is two years and up to 3 consecutive terms. If elected, folks are expected to engage with all facets of a Board's activities. This is a large time commitment and we have continued to face challenges in filling all these positions.

### What are we changing?

We intend to establish a new model to allow for more flexibility for members to engage in projects and activities without the added commitment of an elected position. Under the proposed model, we will consolidate Boards to approximately 21 elected positions, which include the Council and the Elders. The new model will also incorporate what is called an Action Team. Action Teams are committees focused on a specific activity, event, or project. They are time-limited and do not require committee members to be part of the Voters' Assembly or even communicant members. Action Teams are open to all ages and all abilities within our church family, and they will work with the elected members to carry out their projects and tasks.

Any specific questions or feedback can be directed to any member of the Bylaw Committee. Committee members are Karen Belter, Ralph Erickson, Ashleigh Lacey, and David Schlesselman.

## QUILTING FELLOWSHIP



### Quilting Fellowship

Sat., Sept. 14,  
from 10AM to 3PM  
in the gym.

Bring your quilting projects and other crafting projects.

Get help from experienced quilters and crafters.

All experience levels are welcome.

Contact Cynthia Menscher for more information.

# Holy Cross Lutheran Church Calendar of Events – September 2024

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
<b>1</b>	Stewardship Family & Confirmation Camp At Camp Warburg, Aug. 31-Sept. 2	<b>2</b>	<b>Labor Day</b>	<b>3</b>	Preschool/ Opens Church Picnic Tent Setup 10 AM Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Staff Meeting 6pm Missions Board 6pm Stewardship Board 6:30pm Evangelism Board	<b>4</b>	9:30AM Adult Bible Class 6pm Beginning Bell Choir 6pm Children's Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm High School 6:30pm Prek to 5th Grade 6:45 pm Adult Choir 7:15pm Elementary (gym) 7:30pm Middle & HS (gym)	<b>5</b>	8AM News & Notes Deadline 9AM HOPE Seeds 6:30pm 20s&30s Bible Study	<b>6</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>Holy Cross Picnic</b>
<b>8</b>	8AM Holy Communion 9:30AM Education Hour + Transfer for Lutherans Class 10:45AM Holy Communion + Baptism (Rhys Langley) 1:30pm Preschool Golf Tournament	<b>9</b>	9:30 AM TOPS 11AM Line Dancing 5pm Bds of Educ & Youth 6pm Council Board Mgs. 6:30pm Handbells 7:30pm Council Meeting	<b>10</b>	Picnic Tent Teardown TBD 9AM Preschool Chapel 10AM Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Staff Meeting 2pm Preschool Board 6pm Grace Guild 6:30pm Adult Bible Class	<b>11</b>	6:30AM Men's Breakfast & Bible Study 9AM Preschool Chapel 9:30AM Adult Bible Class 1PM Preschool Chapel 6pm Beginning Bell Choir 6pm Children's Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm High School 6:30pm Prek to 5th Grade 6:45 pm Adult Choir	<b>12</b>	Circuit Meetings 8AM News & Notes Deadline 10AM ARC Blood Drive 6:30pm 20s&30s Bible Study	<b>13</b>	Koinonia Deadline 10AM Ladies Guild 6pm Wedding rehearsal	<b>14</b>	10AM Quilting Fellowship 11AM Grabanski Wedding 5pm Holy Communion
<b>15</b>	<b>Holy Cross Day</b>	<b>16</b>	9:30 AM TOPS 11AM Line Dancing 6:30pm Handbells	<b>17</b>	9 AM Preschool Chapel 9 AM Quilting 10 AM Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Staff Meeting	<b>18</b>	9AM Preschool Chapel 9:30 AM Adult Bible Class 1PM Preschool Chapel 6pm Beginning Bell Choir 6pm Children's Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm High School 6:30pm Prek to 5th Grade 6:45 pm Adult Choir	<b>19</b>	8 AM News & Notes Dead- line 4PM Applebee's Dine & Donate Preschool Fundraiser 6:30pm 20s&30s Bible Study	<b>20</b>	Koinonia Production	<b>21</b>	7AM to 3pm: Council Strategic Plan Day 11AM Garden Harvest (Pavilion) 3:30pm New Member Luncheon Setup 5pm Holy Communion
<b>22</b>	<b>New Member Luncheon</b>	<b>23</b>	8AM Holy Communion 9:30AM Education Hour 10:45AM Holy Communion Noon New Member Luncheon	<b>24</b>	Church Roof Repair 9 AM Preschool Chapel 10 AM Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Staff Meeting 6:30pm Adult Bible Class	<b>25</b>	Church Roof Repair 9AM Preschool Chapel 9:30AM Adult Bible Class 1PM Preschool Chapel 6pm Beginning Bell Choir 6pm Children's Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm High School 6:30pm Prek to 5th Grade 6:45pm Adult Choir	<b>26</b>	Church Roof Repair 8AM News & Notes Deadline 10:30AM 3s Preschool — Dad's Day (gym) 6:30pm 20s&30s Bible Study	<b>27</b>	Church Roof Repair 10:30AM 4s Preschool — Dad's Day (gym) 2:30AM 4s Preschool — Dad's Day (gym)	<b>28</b>	9AM to 2pm Family Game Day 3pm-8pm Private Event (Pavilion, Gym) 5pm Holy Communion
<b>29</b>	St. Michael & Angels (No Matins) 8AM Holy Communion 9:30AM Education Hour 10:45AM Holy Communion	<b>30</b>	9:30 AM TOPS 11:30AM Line Dancing 6:30pm Handbells	<b>1</b>	<i>October</i>	<b>2</b>	9AM Preschool Chapel 9:30AM Adult Bible Class 1PM Preschool Chapel 6pm Beginning Bell Choir 6pm Children's Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 6:30pm High School 6:30pm Prek to 5th Grade 6:45 pm Adult Choir	<b>3</b>	8AM News & Notes Deadline 9AM HOPE Seeds 6:30pm 20s&30s Bible Study	<b>4</b>	LWML Guilds setup 9AM LWML St. Charles Zone Board Meeting (gym)	<b>5</b>	5pm Holy Communion + LWML Weekend



# September 2024 Celebrations

*The LORD will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9*

## Happy Birthday!

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| 1: Kennedy Bartlett, Benjamin Piazza  | 10: Ray Karl, Kiersten Tichenor                                  | Don Wischmeyer   |
| 2: Isabel Cross, Susan Reidel, Andrew Schnoor, Chyrl Smith                          | 11: Harper McCulloch   | 22: Ryan Blackwell, Ray Schroeder, Pamela Schweitzer, Lucas Van Wave |
| 3: Ian Claxton, Raymond Karl II   | 12: Nicholas Benigno, Mabel McKinney (90), Bill Price            | 24: Jameson Alton, Jeremy Berjer, Albert Marhanka                    |
| 5: Collien Beyer, Logan Brown, Zeke Emerick, Hailey Fink, Laura Hoffman, Mark Losch | 13: Eric Cagle, Bailey Hunter                                    | 25: Solomon Conrad, Tom Gallagher, Curt Paulson, Phyllis Robinson    |
| 6: Melissa Eaton, Bess Frayne (97), Rick Walkenhorst                                | 14: Robin Cross, Addisyn Freand, Connie Gamache, Kaitlyn Markham | 26: Claire Ulrich  |
| 7: Alex Wiese   | 15: Becky Edgar, Ian Laufer                                      | 27: Norma Helms  |
| 8: Eugene Buehne, Erika Cross   | 16: Jill Danchus, Jim Kramer, Payton May                         | 28: Christopher Polashek, Gordon Robinson Jr.                        |
| 9: Gary Hardebeck, Mikayla Kirk   | 17: Edna Deubel, Steven Schweitzer                               | 29: Judith Brueggeman, Gloria Rariden (90), Judie Woelfer            |
|   | 18: Debbie Raymond   | 30: Emma Rheinecker  |
|   | 19: David Kunzweiler   |  |
|   | 20: McKenzie Kiely   |  |
|   | 21: Marc Maull, Justin Shouse,                                   |  |

## Happy Baptism Anniversary!

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| 1: Alice Buehne, Tom Haywood, Dianne Helvey, June Kirk, Doug Koepke, Lauren Kunzweiler, Jerry Lancour, Pat Temple, Keri Wardenburg | 11: David Alton, Jan Paulson, Zeita Reed           |
| 3: Dean Gooding, Evelyn Smith  | 16: Tidus Willis, Shana Ziolk                      |
| 4: Nancy Caldwell, Katherine Hoylman, Hazel Langley, Benjamin Wiese  | 18: Jeannine Bisesi, Penelope Elick, Jessica Maull |
| 5: Will Wiese IV   | 19: Mark Losch                                     |
| 6: Nick Chiodini, Josh Linn, Sandy Macke, Jennifer Powers  | 21: Mia Blackwell, Cassa Henderson                 |
| 7: Emma Estes  | 22: Kevin Smith                                    |
| 8: William Wichern   | 23: Autumn Jones, Aylah Jones                      |
| 9: Floyd Darling Jr., Matt Lackey  | 24: Andrew Schnoor                                 |
|  | 26: Carter Danchus, Ashlyn White                   |
|  | 27: Mikayla Kirk                                   |
|  | 28: Phyllis Gronewald                              |
|  | 29: Kayleigh Hardebeck                             |

## Blessed Wedding Anniversary!

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| 4: Mark & Christine Eaton, 50<br>Kevin & Janine Martens, 25<br>Clint & Liz Morrison, 4<br>Mark & Tina Morrison, 31 |
| 5: Paul & Judie Woelfer, 43  |
| 7: Bob & Judith Brueggeman, 86<br>Kevin & Lauren Rheinecker, 11  |
| 8: Lisa & Roy Byers, 34  |
| 10: Mark & Kathy Unger, 47   |
| 11: Dale & Christy Witte, 25   |
| 14: Greg & Judith Bonney, 33   |
| 16: Sarah & Eliason Black, 1,<br>Dale & Karen Dusheke, 46  |
| 19: Justin & Chyrl Smith, 12   |
| 20: Robert & Cindy Aubertin, 28<br>Michael & Susan Halm, 49  |
| 22: Karl & Dena Schoenike, 23  |
| 23: Dennis & Marilyn Benassi, 52   |
| 24: Werner & Laurie Heizmann, 19<br>Matthew & Angela Maue, 34<br>Kelly & Ryan Schlereth, 19                        |
| 25: Rachel & Ryan Tichich, 3   |
| 27: Tony & Carol Crafton, 44<br>Bob & Susan Williams, 55<br>Bob & Barb Knehans, 38                                 |
| 28: Erick & Ashleigh Wallace-Lacey, 5<br>Albert & Ingrid Marhanka, 66<br>Roger & Mary Sawall, 50                   |

P. 1: Lutheran Numbering of the 10 Commandments

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P. 2: <https://i.pinimg.com/736x/fc/3c/83/fc3c831ae46fc7292c2c2888f38e37b0--kindergarten-portfolio-preschool-boards.jpg>

P. 3, lower left: Property of Jesus: Saint Michael and All Angels 2014

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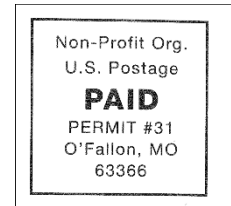
P. 3: upper right: Guardian Angels= 8"x11—F.C. Ziegler Company [www. Zieglers.com](http://www.Zieglers.com)

P. 4 chart top right: copied from Do We Really Know the Ten Commandments? <https://th.bing.com/th/id/OIP.imOPov1BnW6Zx81t1bMqgHaFC?pid=ImgDet&w=84&h=84&c=7>

P. 5: Children's Envelopes: <https://hopechurchca.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/offering-envelopes-clipart-1-680x618.jpg>

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### GROW YOUR FAITH THROUGH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**Preschool** for 3s & 4s — Classes begin September 3.

**Sunday School** for ages 3 through High School —Sundays, 9:30AM  
and **Little Lambs** (under 3s with a parent)

**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class:** 9:30AM in the GYM

**BASICS:** For those who want to join the Lutheran Church  
*Call the office for next date.*

**TLC (Transfer for Lutherans Class:** Sept. 8, Sunday, 9:30AM

**Women's Bible Study:** Tuesdays at 10AM, RMS 1&2

**Adult Bible Class:** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30PM, RMS 1&2

**Men's Breakfast & Bible Study:** September 11, 6:30AM

**Adult Bible Class:** Wednesdays at 9:30 AM, GYM

**Confirmation (grades 6-8); MidWeek Classes (grades PreK-5)**  
— *Classes start 6PM—see Wednesday night schedule, p. 8*

**High School** Wednesdays, 6:30PM; see calendar

**20s & 30s Bible Study:** Thursdays, 6:30PM, Rm 1&2