



# *Holy Cross Lutheran Church*

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*Making peace by the blood of his cross — Colossians 1:15-20*

Grace, peace, and mercy to you from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

The Bible begins with a week of creation. There is a rhythm to the evening and morning. God works six days and rests. He not only rests, but He also hallows the seventh day. From the beginning of time, God teaches us to mark a calendar.

At the end of March this year, we have what we call “Holy Week.” Holy Week refers to a week of devotion, remembering the week of Jesus’ death and resurrection. He came into Jerusalem with palms waving, greeted as a king, but by week’s end, the crowds jeered and He was crucified.

It was a week to fulfill all the calendars God gave His people. Just like Genesis 1, Jesus finished His work on a Friday and rested in the tomb on the Sabbath. Jesus observed the Passover, both remembering the angel of death passing over and looking ahead to the redemption He would win as the Lamb of God. It was a Jubilee to set the slaves free and forgive all debts.

The marking of time orders our lives. We celebrate birthdays and anniversaries because those people are important to us. If a birthday or anniversary is remembered by one but forgotten by another, it hurts.

The church’s calendar is more than that. For us, the marking of days is a way of expressing our trust that God is in control of our time. He made the world in six days. He redeemed the world on a sixth day and rose on the first day of a new week to show there would be a new creation. He will come again on the Last Day to give us eternal life.

“Teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom,” Moses said (Psalm 90:12). When we come together every first day of the week to begin with the family of new creation, we number our weeks rightly. When we observe Holy Week each year to remember Jesus’ Passover, we number our years rightly.

I cannot encourage you strongly enough to make Holy Week devotion a priority this year. Make time—what a phrase!—make time to come for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Daniel Guagenti



## *Celebrations in March*

### *Birthdays*

6- Pastor Henry Loppnow  
 6- Jennifer Harrod  
 7- Patrick Carnes  
 11- Ian Feole  
 12- Meagan Chapman  
 16- Joni Skellie  
 19- Courtney Chesher  
 22- Cindy Winchester-Howard  
 24- Barbara Eaton  
 26- Jax Yaroma  
 27- Barbara Dobring  
 28- Nathaniel Semeniuk  
 28- Zachary Semeniuk

### *Anniversaries*

7- Patrick & Mary Carnes (2003)

### **MEN'S NIGHT OUT: MARCH 8**

Mark your calendars! Men's Night Out will be dining out on Thursday, March 8 at La Cocina De Mama in Shelbyville. They will meet at the restaurant at 6:30pm. For more information please see Rod Shreve.

### **LADIES NIGHT OUT: MARCH 13**

Ladies Night Out will be on Tuesday, March 13. The ladies will be cooking their own dinner that evening. For more information please see Rita Whitehouse.

### **BOOK CLUB: MARCH 25**

Book Club takes up Janet Gillespie-Orsborn's *Humor on the Way to Heaven* for our March 25 meeting. We met Janet last year and she's now married former member Larry Orsborn. The book talks about caregiving at life's end and the positive role humor can play in that care.

## *Lent & Holy Week 2018*

February 21 - March 21

Wednesday Lenten Service 7PM

March 25

Palm Sunday 11AM

March 29

Maundy Thursday 7PM

w/ Communion

Prayer Vigil

March 30

Good Friday 7PM

April 1

Easter Sunday 11AM

*Please join us!*

### **DEEP ROOTS**

Deep Roots is suspended for the month of March. We will meet again in April.

### **CHILI COOK-OFF WINNERS!**

Congratulations to the winners of our annual Chili Cook-Off:

Red Chili- Charlie Moody  
 White Chili- Dave Themer  
 Hot Chili- Lori Franke  
 Unique Chili- Danielle Botkins  
 Overall Winner- Danielle Botkins



We raised \$450 for the flooring. Thank you to all who participated. A good time of fun, food, and fellowship was had by all!

### **THREADS OF GRACE CLASS: MARCH 20**

Threads of Grace is now meeting in Frankfort. Whether you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, needlepoint or just want to socialize - all are welcome. The next class will be held Tuesday, March 20, beginning at 7pm. Please see Anita Themer for more information.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT: MARCH 31**

The annual Holy Cross Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, March 31. We will soon begin requesting donations of individually wrapped candy.



## *Holy Cross Celebrates Ruth's 90th Birthday!*

### **LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES**

"The Lutheran Hour" is every Sun. morning at 6:30am on Louisville radio WHAS-840AM and at 7am on Cincinnati radio WLW-700 AM. Delivering the messages is the Rev. Ken Klaus. "On Main Street", sponsored by Lutheran Hour Ministries, is a TV program with Dr. Dale Meyer as host. It is broadcast each Sunday afternoon on Louisville Television Channel 24, at 5pm.

### **PROJECT OUTREACH DINNERS**

Project Outreach uses Styrofoam plates and cups, plastic utensils, tea, and desserts every month and those items are always appreciated. A donation box has been set up at the back of the church. They also need volunteers!

### **PRAYER CHAIN: PHONE OPTION**

Do you want to be on the prayer chain? You can give us your email or phone number and we will email or call you. We're just adding back in the phone call option now, so if you don't check email and want to pray, please see Pastor or Alena.

### **STEWARDSHIP CHAIRMAN**

We currently have a council vacancy for the position of Stewardship Chair. If you are interested, have a potential nomination or have questions about the position, contact me at your convenience. Thank you.

### **SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS GERMAN SUPPER**

Shepherd of the Hills is hosting its annual German Supper on Saturday, March 17, 2018, from 4 to 7pm. Tickets at the door are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 10. You can save a dollar per ticket if you purchase your tickets before the 16th at Shepherd of the Hills in Georgetown. This year's menu includes all you can eat fresh Merkley's sausages, German potato salad, green beans, sauerkraut, applesauce, bread, desserts, and beverages. Hotdogs and mac & cheese will be available to kids. The church is located 1 mile south of Georgetown exit at 5231 St Rt 62, across from Polly's Freeze. Any questions may be directed to the church office at 812-945-2101.



### EASTER LILIES

Orders are now being taken for lilies to decorate our church for the Easter Service. Forms will be located in your Sunday bulletin and also on the magazine rack.



Flowers may be ordered in memory of someone or in honor of someone. The last day to order is March 25. Please turn in the order form with your money to the church office or give it to Merrie. Make checks payable to Holy Cross Lutheran Church. The price will be \$8 each. Thank you.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

The flower chart has been updated for 2018. Please pencil in the date in which you will be providing flowers for the altar and fill out a form, located below the chart, with the information you would like to have printed in the bulletin. Please leave the form in the pocket provided, also located, beneath the chart. For more information please see Merrie Feole.

### CAMP LAKEVIEW

Where can your children experience Christian growth while riding horses, canoeing, swimming, and zip-lining? At Lakeview Ministries! Online registration for Camp Lakeview and Lakeview Villages opened on February 1st at 9am. Don't let your children miss the adventure, joy and wonder that a week at a Christian camp can bring. For more information, visit the camp's website at [www.lakeviewministries.com](http://www.lakeviewministries.com) or call the camp office at 812-342-4815.

### TREASURER'S NOTE

If you use Thrivent cards or pay for any item used by the church but do not want reimbursement please let the treasurer know. Thank you, Bob Myers.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SNOW REMOVAL

We're recruiting new helpers for removing snow from the church parking lot. We set up a blade on the front of the grasshopper we normally use for grass cutting. So we have the machine but we want to have a group of people at the ready for when the snow piles up. There's no set schedule on the snow removal, other than that it needs to be done between when the snow hits and we have a scheduled service. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Harrod, our Head Trustee.



### GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION

We will have gluten-free communion hosts available on communion Sundays. Let Pastor know before church if you want one.

## Congratulations!

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### PLANT SWAP EARLY START

This year in preparation for the Plant Swap and Giveaway, Thrivent Action Teams will help sponsor us starting some seeds months before we'd give them away. If you're willing and able to water some seeds for several weeks, we will provide the seeds, the pots and the dirt. Talk to Debbie Nelson.



### COLLECTING USED EYEGLASSES

Concordia Lutheran is collecting used eye glasses for Honduras. A box has been set at the back of the church for your donations.

### 2018 DIRECTORY

The 2018 Directory is now available. Please pick one up from the credenza at the front entrance of the church.

### PORTALS OF PRAYER

The April-June Portals of Prayer are now available. Please pick one up from the credenza at the front entrance of the church.



### LIFE QUOTES

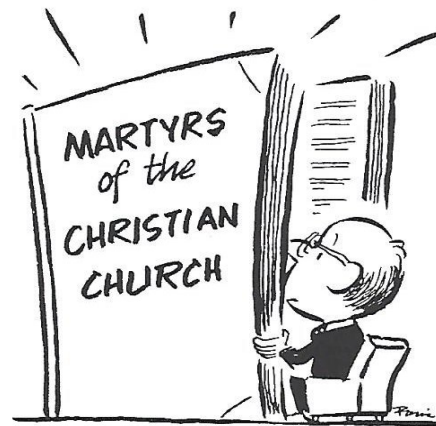
"Moreover, when Christ, the son of God, was to be conceived in His mother's womb and become incarnate, He certainly had to be already present in essence and in person in the Virgin's womb, and had to assume humanity there."

*Martin Luther (LW 37:62)*

A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life  
[www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)



### KNOW YOUR BIBLE



#### First Martyr

Who was the first Christian to be put to death because of his commitment to Christ?

Look for the answer in the April Newsletter  
 February's Answer: Athens (see Acts 17:15-34)

### VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

| SUNDAY   | ACOLYTE          | READER           | USHER         | USHER           | CLEAN           | NURSERY        |
|----------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| March 4  | Zoe Shreve       | David Themer     | Don Williams  | Bob Myers       | John Skellie    | Alena Guagenti |
| March 11 | Eden Guagenti    | Nancy Kovach     | Alex VanPelt  | Charlie Adams   | Kathy Vetter    | John Botkins   |
| March 18 | Elijah Smith     | David Franke     | Joel Franke   | Harlan Joseph   | Harlan Joseph   | Shelah Shreve  |
| March 25 | Isaac Guagenti   | Jeff Wilson      | Rod Shreve    | John Feole      | Brooks / Runner | Jennie Shreve  |
| April 1  | Gracie McKinley  | Madeline Botkins | Harlan Joseph | Aaron Franke    | Botkins family  | Alena Guagenti |
| April 8  | Kameron McKinley | David Themer     | Charlie Moody | Rita Whitehouse | Franke family   | Josh Botkins   |
| April 15 | Zoe Shreve       | Charlie Moody    | Don Williams  | Bob Myers       | Kathy Vetter    | Shelah Shreve  |

**If you cannot serve on the appointed day, please call someone to serve in your place.**

# MARCH 2018

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday   |
|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|
|  |   |  |   | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>   | <b>3</b>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gen. 45;</li> <li>Ps. 59;</li> <li>Matt. 26:57-75</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gen. 46:1-25;</li> <li>Ps. 60;</li> <li>Matt. 27:1-14</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gen. 46:26-47:12;</li> <li>Ps. 61;</li> <li>Matt. 27:15-31</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gen. 47:12-31;</li> <li>Ps. 62;</li> <li>Matt. 27:32-56</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gen. 48;</li> <li>Ps. 63;</li> <li>Matt. 27:57-66</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gen. 49:1-28;</li> <li>Ps. 64</li> <li>Matt. 28:1-20</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gen. 49:29-50:26;</li> <li>Ps. 65;</li> <li>Rom. 1:1-17</li> </ul>      |
| <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>   | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b>   | <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 1;</li> <li>Ps. 66;</li> <li>Rom. 1:18-32</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 2;</li> <li>Ps. 67;</li> <li>Rom. 2:1-29</li> </ul>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 3;</li> <li>Ps. 68;</li> <li>Rom. 3:1-20</li> </ul>               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 4:1-17;</li> <li>Ps. 69;</li> <li>Rom. 3:21-4:12</li> </ul>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 4:18-5:21;</li> <li>Ps. 70;</li> <li>Rom. 4:13-25</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 5:22-6:27;</li> <li>Ps. 71;</li> <li>Rom. 5:1-21</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 6:28-7:24;</li> <li>Ps. 72;</li> <li>Rom. 6:1-14</li> </ul>         |
| <b>11</b>  | <b>12</b>   | <b>13</b>  | <b>14</b>   | <b>15</b>  | <b>16</b>  | <b>17</b>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 8:1-19;</li> <li>Ps. 73;</li> <li>Rom. 6:15-23</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 8:20-9:7;</li> <li>Ps. 74;</li> <li>Rom. 7:1-6</li> </ul>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 9:8-35;</li> <li>Ps. 75;</li> <li>Rom. 7:7-25</li> </ul>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 10:1-18;</li> <li>Ps. 76;</li> <li>Rom. 8:1-17</li> </ul>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 10:19-11:10;</li> <li>Ps. 77;</li> <li>Rom. 8:18-39</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 12:1-30;</li> <li>Ps. 78:1-35;</li> <li>Rom. 9:1-26</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 12:31-51;</li> <li>Ps. 78:36-72;</li> <li>Rom. 9:27-10:4</li> </ul> |
| <b>18</b>  | <b>19</b>   | <b>20</b>  | <b>21</b>   | <b>22</b>  | <b>23</b>  | <b>24</b>  |
| <b>PASSION SUNDAY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zech. 9:9-12;</li> <li>Ps. 31;</li> <li>Phil. 2:5-11;</li> <li>John 12:12-19</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 13;</li> <li>Ps. 79;</li> <li>Rom. 10:5-21</li> </ul>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 14;</li> <li>Ps. 80;</li> <li>Rom. 11:1-10</li> </ul>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 15:1-21;</li> <li>Ps. 81;</li> <li>Rom. 11:11-24</li> </ul>    | <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 24:3-11;</li> <li>Ps. 116;</li> <li>1 Cor. 10:16-17;</li> <li>Mark 14:12-26</li> </ul> | <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is. 53;</li> <li>Ps. 22;</li> <li>Heb. 4:14-16, 5:7-9;</li> <li>John 19:17-30</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. 15:22-16:16;</li> <li>Ps. 82;</li> <li>Rom. 11:25-36</li> </ul>     |
| <b>25</b>  | <b>26</b>   | <b>27</b>  | <b>28</b>   | <b>29</b>  | <b>30</b>  | <b>31</b>  |

# The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

## Stewardship Ministry

### March 2018 Newsletter Article

Hudson Taylor, a Nineteenth Century British missionary to China, is reported to have said, "God's work, done in God's way, will not lack God's supply." To know God's way, we need to know His Holy Word. Or to say it another way: you need to know your Bible.

St. Paul, before he spends two chapters on giving, wrote that every thought is to be taken captive to the obedience of Christ (2 Cor. 10:5).

Doctrine matters. And doctrine matters because the Scriptures matter. And the Scriptures matter because this is where we learn the teaching of Christ. Our thoughts must be brought into line with the teaching of Scripture so that our work is what God wants done and so that we do this work in His way.

A good tree bears good fruit. A bad tree bears bad fruit. We have been made good trees in holy baptism. We are fertilized and pruned for bearing good fruit by constantly hearing God's Word preached and taught in sermon and Bible Class and in receiving the life-giving, faith-sustaining food of the Lord's Supper. Remember your doctrine, hold on to the Lord's teaching, and your thoughts will be taken captive to the obedience of Christ.

Bringing every thought captive to the obedience of Christ is recognizing that God does provide. The Lord's Prayer teaches us to pray for daily bread. Praying this day in and day out reminds us that the Lord is the giver of our daily bread, and that we are to give thanks for His daily provision of it.

God is rarely early and never late in His work, as Abraham learned, "on the mount of the Lord it will be provided" (Gen. 22:14). The Lord's generosity forms our generosity in return. Thus, we set aside for the work of God a generous, first-fruits, proportion of the daily bread that God has given to us. This act of trust in the Lord's provision is the working out of our faith in Him.

When budgetary discussions pop up, our natural reaction is to point fingers. But remember your doctrine, and what your mother taught about pointing fingers. Our first natural reaction is not always right. In fact, when our thoughts are brought into captivity of Christ, our first reaction should be repentance.

It should raise questions in our own lives. As good trees in Christ who are to bear good fruit, we should ask whether our thoughts are taken captive by obedience to Christ. Have we given generously? Have we given our first-fruits? You know. And God knows. "For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him" (2 Chron. 16:9).

God will provide. He always has and He always will. He gives His meat in due season. He has not left you as orphans, but has grafted you into His own family. You belong to Him. Remember this, letting this thought dwell in you richly. And you will then be rich toward others.



You might be a Lutheran If...

- requests you hear are preceded or followed by the phrase, "If it's not too much trouble then..."
- your idea of an affirmation is "This is most certainly true."

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LEAST IT WAS AN IMPROVEMENT



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**Palm Sunday March**

**25, 11:00am Service**

**Maundy Thursday March 29, 7:00pm Service**

**Good Friday March 30, 7:00pm Service**