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Under Construction Newsletter

Pastor Chu is on vacation so look for his article in the October issue of Cross Currents.

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Luther's Seal

Hello to all of Holy Cross Lutheran members. I am the new editor of Cross Currents and as you can see, things are very different from Grace Gin's wonderful publication. Grace was kind enough to send the last issue to me but our copies of Microsoft Publisher do not match. Therefore it was not possible for me to use it with my downloaded program. I am working through this copy in Microsoft Word and I ask your forgiveness with the many changes. After I learn the new Publisher program, the newsletter will be in a slightly different format. I have been around church newsletters for many years and was the proof reader for many school publications. With this background, I have realized how difficult it is to publish material in a newsletter form that you are developing from scratch. Many thanks to Grace Gin for her outstanding work on Cross Currents in past years. It is easy to take the professional look that Grace has achieved for granted, but I am very much in awe of her work as I progress through this copy. Please take the time to thank her for her work on this publication and thank you for your understanding and support as I work through this job.

Prayer List



Those who are in need of our prayers:

Sue Saalfeld, Muriel Strieter (hospice care), **Joy Parker** (Gayle Bothe's sister-healing), **Wanda Schwartz, Dorothy Taylor, David Grandt** (Liz Aduan's brother), **Elizabeth Bothé** (Gayle Bothe's granddaughter, non-churched), **Abbi and Alex Roman, June Stewart** (Judy West's friend-fainting), **Jan Tammiste** (Roman's nephew-brain injury, healing), **Betty and Cal Kallsen, Jeannine Godsey** (inner peace), **Steven Liedtke** (healing), **Bob Oliver** (healing), **Herbert and Clara Huppert** (Herbert- heart, kidney healing, guidance), **Julie Oback** (Diana Meux sister-healing), **Andrew Gamble** (Gamble's grandson-juvenile arthritis), **Bob Hartman** (healing), **Blake Frances** (Bill Luker's grand nephew-chemo, brain cancer), **Suzanne Stadler** (chemo treatment, healing), **Michael Mewhinney** (Ann Caruso's brother- healing), **Linda Pass** (healing), **Jack and Doris Mortenson** (healing), **Eyona Pargman** (healing), **John Gainer** (Marilyn's nephew-healing), **Michael Meitzer** (Eyona's son in-law, prostate cancer), **Shafighah** (Eyona's daughter-Cheryl's mother in-law, hospice, healing), **Ann Caruso**-healing, **Ron Gamble**-healing, **Dennis Cross** (Chris Roman's uncle-cancer surgery, healing), **Nick Campanella** (Reiter's neighbor-healing, kidneys, liver transplant), **Dorothy Hansen** (Janet Villa's mom-healing), **Stenson Family**-comfort, **Gail Baker** (healing), **James Hardesty** (Marilyn's son-west Nile, healing).

Chaplains among the armed forces and those serving in the military: **Taylor Bothe-Yates** (Gayle Bothe's grand-niece, Texas), **Cadet Megan Gemar, PFC Kevin Hayworth** (Glenda's grandson-Hawaii), **Lt. JG Aaron Bell**, Navy Chaplain CB Unit, Gulport, MS (Rev. & Sherry Bell's son), **P.O.W. and M.I.A.'s.**



September Birthdays

- 3 Eric Ingle
Ray Krause
Eleanor Tyson
- 5 Karen Gamble
- 10 Linda Pass
- 12 Judy West
- 16 Brandon Voss
- 19 Mitzi Albano
Roberta Morfeld
- 20 Steve Villa
- 21 Violet Griffin
- 23 Marlene Roberts
- 24 Melarie Seidel
- 25 Howard Scouten
- 26 Brian Gin
Jann Kaigas
- 27 Caitlin Pass
Christina Ellsworth
- 28 Ken Ballard
- 30 Cooper Syrovatka

September Anniversaries

- 3 Bill & Gayle Bothe
- 4 Bill & Roberta Morfeld
- 13 Mike & Melarie Seidel



CHOIR RESUMES on

Tuesday, September 8 at 7:15pm in the choir loft.

Please join us in singing thanks and praise to our gracious and merciful Lord God, for He is the fount of every blessing in our lives, and especially for His Son Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. For any questions, please contact the choir director, **Diana Meux (510-526-3294 or dianamcm02@yahoo.com)**. "Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before Him with joyful singing." (Psalm 100:1-2)

**September Choir
Rehearsal Schedule
September 8, 15, 22**

at 7:15

Nifty Fifty's September 2015 Outings

**Friday September 11 2015
The Red Lobster in Pittsburg**

Our first outing for the Nifty Fifty Seniors is lunch at The Red Lobster Restaurant located at 4095 Century Blvd., Pittsburg, CA This is a favorite of Trudy's, one of our board members and I certainly enjoyed the delightful assortment of good food offered whenever I have dined there. The Shrimp Jambalaya with tender shrimp, sweet roasted peppers, onions, celery, andouille sausage and spicy creole seasonings over wild rice was \$8.25 and Shrimp Linguine Alfredo at \$10.75 are samples of the extended Menu they offer for lunch. The Restaurant is located in the Shopping Center just off Somersville Rd. Lunch is planned for 1:00 so plan to meet at Church at 12:15 and leave at 12:30 or meet at the restaurant. Please sign up so we know how many to plan on. As always bring a friend....

Friday September 25 at China Wall Buffet

Our 2nd Activity is set for September 25th. It is lunch at the China Wall Buffet located in the Park & Shop Shopping Center 1673 Willow Pass Rd Concord CA 94520 Lunch is \$8.19 including tea and from what I have read of the reviews the food is excellent. Nothing fancy just wholesome good Chinese food. Here is a sample of a review "I went to the buffet and helped myself to King Crab legs, Salt and Pepper Shrimp and Lobster Puffs and that was the first trip. 2nd trip I had Sushi, fried chicken and Walnut Prawns, 3rd trip more King Crab legs, 4th trip Soft Ice Cream and some cookies for dessert." At least you have a choice of items and can eat as much as you want of what you want. When I was traveling, even though I was on expenses, I still used to stop at a buffet because they always had fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, some of my favorite food. Meet at Church at 12:15, leave at 12:30. Sign-up sheet is in the Social Hall We need to know how many to plan on.

What's Happening with the WoHC? by Joyce Liebe, President

The WoHC (Women of Holy Cross) Board, along with a couple visitors, met over the summer to finalize our upcoming years' program. This year all of our Board positions are filled & we had a fun time planning the various activities. It's truly a blessing to spend time with all these special women.

We've varied the days, times, and content of our activities in hopes that each woman will be able to join in at least one of them.

Please mark your calendar with the upcoming key activities:

- **Sunday, 9/27.** LWML Sunday AND our Welcome Back "Mugs and Muffins" gathering after church (11am). Bring your favorite mug and we will provide the beverages and muffins. This is one event you must attend - it's after church, so just plan to stay and spend some time with us! It's a great way to meet the Board and many other women at HC - last year we had close to 40 attend and the mug stories were funny, sentimental, & emotional. Plus we will hand out the 2015-2016 Program, which includes the upcoming year's activities, birthdays, anniversaries, etc.
- **Saturday, 10/17.** Fall Zone Rally at Our Savior Lutheran, Livermore. Carpool from HC will be available.
- **Monday, 10/19.** General Meeting, 6:30pm Bible Study & Dessert. Host: Grace
- **Monday, 12/7.** Annual Christmas Dinner, 6pm. We are still working on the location. Regardless of the location or menu, this Annual Dinner is by far the best attended, most festive, uplifting, & entertaining WoHC event of the year. Save the date as you will not want to miss this special Christmas tradition.

Check out the WoHC bulletin board and Sunday bulletins for more details on these and all activities.

As always, please feel free to contact me or any of the Board if you have questions, comments, or suggestions.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (NIV)

⁹Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor:

¹⁰If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up

Dear Pastor Chu and Holy Cross family,

Praise and thankfulness to our God for providing for all of our needs! I am on the mend and feeling much better each day.

Your prayers and encouraging words really helped me get through a difficult time.

My heart is full of love for you all and I plan to visit and worship with you as soon as I am able.

God bless you,

Gail Baker

NFS Activity Recap—Presidio Trip

We were scheduled to meet at church at 8:15 and leave at 8:30 with the idea that we would be sort of in the middle of the commute traffic to San Francisco. Well we met at 8:15 left at 8:30 and all the way to the San Francisco Bridge. I had Erna Beutel, Terry Hawkyard, and Trudy Huenninghaus riding with me and each said we would have less traffic at a different place. But you know we had traffic all the way. Most of you know when you arrive in SF you have to follow Highway 101 to get to the Golden Gate Bridge and most know that a part of the approach to the Bridge is on local streets such as Van Ness which we were on until we hit Lombard which has a gate into the Presidio. Just inside we turned left on Ruger Rd. the place where we were to meet. When we arrived everyone including Cheryl and Gregg Syrovatka were waiting. There was a quaint eating establishment called The Presidio Social Club and we all decided to use the bathroom facilities there if we could. They most graciously let us in even though they didn't open until 11:30. Bill talked with them and tried to make reservation for later and they said they were sold out. Our only hope was to wait there until 11:30 and eat early. It was almost 11:00 when we were there so we all decided to wait and it was the best decision we made all day. Promptly at 11:30 we were ushered into the best eating location in the place. A round table that seated eight with linen table cloths and napkins and real silverware. Six of us had the meat loaf dinner with mashed potatoes gravy, vegetables and baking powder biscuits, a real treat (the meat loaf was a big hunk). Cheryl and Gregg had a meatloaf sandwich that looked yummy. It was a real relaxing meal after which we went to the Officers Club and had a docent show us around. Bill showed us where he would unwind in a beautiful huge bar overlooking the ocean. You could tell he was proud of the club and the part he played in the war effort. We had a little trouble getting down to the Fort Point National Historic Site as they were rebuilding Doyle Drive, but Bill kept trying and we finally succeeded. It was overcast but there still was a couple swimmers in wet suits below the Golden Gate Bridge. It was well worth the time spent getting there. After which I followed Bill back to our starting area were Cheryl and Gregg had left their car and they continued to site see and I started home. They went to Baker Beach and were lucky enough to see a pod of

whales. Anyway we all had a terrific time thanks to Bill Luker. Unfortunately I had an accident after coming over the Bay Bridge. I had a little space in front of me and a driver in a pickup tried to swerve in the space in front of me and clipped my left front wheel. We think we got the correct license number and I reported it and am getting my car repaired at a cost of thirteen hundred dollars. I have collision insurance and haven't had an accident in thirty some years so they waved my deductible of \$500.00. I don't know if it will affect my future insurance or not. I have posted pictures on the bulletin board in the Social Hall of our outing (not the damage). See you at our next outing. Get to know your fellow church member and bring a friend!



NFS Trip to Mac's Old House



We had 10 people that went to Mac's Old House for lunch. Trudy Huenninghaus, Karol Reynolds, Eberhard & Anka Weiss, Bill Luker, Bill Reichmann, Herb Neumann, Bill & Roberta Morfeld and me. What a really great group of Christians. Some met at Church and several met at the restaurant as we have gone there many times before. They seated us in the front room as I knew the waitress and she had our table all ready for us. For a change I had the Red Snapper along with their great Minestrone soup and potato salad rather than pasta salad and as always a basket of bread and plenty of butter. Bill Reichmann had what I usually have, the Ground Round with the soup, potato salad and vegetables etc. for (believe it or not) still \$6.95 +1.00 for potato salad instead of pasta. We used my calculator to figure our bills and which, in many cases, included a beer ending up under \$15.00 How's that for a great outing at a fabulous price? Really great Minestrone soup always. Some of you may want to try it on your own. Remember I told you it was "Rustic" with great food at a great price and even greater drink pricing. Single \$2.50 Double \$3.00 and (they say a really big) triple at \$3.50 Cash only. They are only open for lunch 11:30 to 2:30 Dinner 4:30 on. I'm not sure if the bar is open from morning to close.. It's located at 3100 18th St Antioch Ca. What a wonderful place and great fellowship. If you would like further directions on how to drive there, feel free to ask me at any time. Enjoy!

SEPTEMBER 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6 <i>Mite Box/Hat Sunday</i> 9:30am Worship/ Communion 11a Sunday School/ Bible Study 2-6 p Myanmar Christian (H)	7 Labor Day 2:30 WoHC Board Meeting 7p Boy Scout	8 7:15 p Choir Rehearsal (cl)	9 1p Senior Brd (L)	10	11 Meet 12:15 p NFS The Red Lobster	12
13 9:30am Worship 11a Sunday School/ Bible Study 2-6 p Myanmar Christian (H)	14 12:30 p Wm Bible Study (C) 2:30 WoHC Board Meeting 7p Boy Scout	15 7:15 p Choir Rehearsal (cl) 6:30 p Elders	16	17	18	19
20 9:30am Worship/ Communion 11a Sunday School/ Bible Study 2-6 p Myanmar Christian (H)	21 12:30 p Wm Bible Study (C) 12:30p Bridge 6:30p Church Council 7p Boy Scout	22 7:15 p Choir Rehearsal (cl)	23	24	25 Meet at 12:15p NFS outing to China Wall Buffet	26
27 9:30am Worship/ Communion LWML Sunday "Mugs & Muffins" 11a Sunday School/ Bible Study 2-6 p Myanmar Christian (H)	28 12:30 p Wm Bible Study (C) 7p Boy Scout	29	30			

(cl=Choir Loft, C=Conference Room, E=Ed Bldg, H=Parish Hall, L=Library, ws=wing room)

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Office Hours: M-F 9 AM-1:00 PM

Worship Schedule:

Sunday Service	9:30 AM
Communion	1 st , 3 rd , and 5 th Sundays
Adults Bible Studies	11 AM
Sunday School	11 AM

Week Day Bible Study Schedule:

Monday (Ladies)	12:30PM (Conference Rm)
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Choir Rehearsal:

Tuesday	7:15PM-8:45PM
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Outreach:

Fourth Sunday of each month after service

Publication Deadline:

Bulletin: Noon, Tuesday
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