Holy Cross

Holy Cross Crossroads

Monthly Newsletter : September 2019

Mark your Calendar

9.9 (Mon) Council Meeting 5:30 pm

9.16 (Mon) AARP Driving Course @9:00 am 9.3, 9.10, 9.17, 9.24 (Tue)

Lectionary Study @ 6:00 pm

9.10, 9.24 (Tue) Hooks & Needles @ 9:00 am

9.18 (Wed) Senior Lunch Pot Luck @ 11:30

9.4, 9.18 (Wed) Women's Bible/Book Study @ 3:00 pm

9.4, 9.11. 9.18, 9.25 (Wed) Bible Study@ 1:30 pm

9.5, 9.19 (Thurs) Quilting @ 9:30 & 4:00

9.7 (Sat) Men's Breakfast @ 8:00 am 9.14 (Sat)

Spaghetti Dinner @4:00 pm

9.28 (Sat) Pet Blessing @ 9:00 am

Pastor's Corner...



Dear Friends,

As many of you know a couple of weeks ago, The ELCA voted to become a Sanctuary Denomination. This follows the lead of several Synods who have already elected to be Sanctuary

Synods at their Assembly Gatherings over the last several years, of which our Synod is one. Many of you have asked what does this mean for us at Holy Cross, and quite simply, it means that we continue to do what we do best, which is welcome people.

The practice of offering sanctuary goes back thousands of years, even to Biblical days when people would offer hospitality to strangers and foreigners. I t was customary and due to the harsh conditions of the land in, places, food, drink and shelter were necessary for survival.

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Pastor's Corner (cont'd)

In Medieval times, seeking Sanctuary at a church was a used to escape authorities.

The modern day Sanctuary Movement was created in the 1980's as a faith-based initiative to help refugees from Central America who were fleeing civil war and seeking safety here in the United States. In recent years, those efforts have been revived as faith-based communities walk alongside immigrants in the U.S. As a Sanctuary Denomination, the ELCA is very deliberate in using legal means to help those who are trying to immigrate.

The ELCA is not advocating for anyone to break any laws. The ELCA wants to help the humanitarian needs of those affected by a broken immigration system.

I understand that this is a very HOT TOPIC. Many, on both sides of this issue, have very strong opinions about it. And yes, we wonder what this really means for Holy Cross. So I invite you to come and talk about it. We're going to have a Hot Topic Conversation on being a Sanctuary Denomination on Tuesday night, September 10 from 6-7. We will look at Scripture, have a presentation, and we will have respectful conversation, so we invite all of you to come.

In order for us to look at other Hot Topic Issues from a faith perspective, we are planning to have Hot Topic Conversations about every other month or so. We aren't likely to solve the world's problems, but hopefully, we can understand and have empathy for our neighbors who may see the world differently than we do. If you have any questions, or ideas for topics, please don't hesitate to let me know!

Yours in Christ, Pastor Kathy



September 28th....

We will be offering the community a pet blessing (outdoors) on September 28th at 9:00 a.m. This will be a wonderful and fun event for Holy Cross and the surrounding community. If you would like to help, please speak with Angie Hart or Pastor Kathy. Council News

August 12 Meeting Devotions: By Sue Volinkaty, Psalm 111:4 "Have You Forgotten Something?"— a gratitude journal can be beneficial.

We received the following reports:

Financial Report: at July YTD revenue is \$152,723, above budget and the same period in 2018 and net income is \$23, 624 and above budgeted loss. Expenses remain tightly controlled, \$3,054 bill for resealing parking lot was paid in July. Future issue: 2 nd mgt. current interest rate 3.75% will re-set in November.

Pastor's Report: highlights: Gladys Krehlik and Joan Julius have agreed to co-chair the Funeral/Memorial reception ministry committee. We have someone who is considering chairing the stewardship ministry team. The Boy Scouts will host a troop at Holy Cross weekly. They will provide a leader and Holy Cross will work to schedule regular volunteers to help once a month. Pastor provided high lights and lead discussion about the ELCA Sanctuary denomination.

Liaison Reports: We received reports from Fellowship; Laurel Lindstrom and Richard Eggers-thank you for their work on committee descriptions for the Funeral and Memorial Reception Ministry committee; Administration and Support: Warren Kline —leading the "39 and Holding" Spaghetti Dinner celebration/fundraiser honoring Holy Cross 39 th birthday September 14. Cottage Meetings, Sue Volinkaty—will evaluate if there is interest in an additional cottage meeting. The meetings over the summer have been well attended and received.

Council News (cont'd)

Other Business:

On-God's Work our Hands Sunday September 8 the Service committee leads us in preparing bags for Eddy's House, and an Ice Cream Social with music for our neighbors at Silver Sage will be held, Fran Moses committee chair; and a Ministry Fair will be held following worship service on September 8. Each Liaison is asked to touch base with their group and committees to encourage participation. Tri-fold display boards are available in Pastor's office. Warren is heading a Spaghetti Dinner September 14---which will be focused on outreach into the community and Holy Cross –with the proceeds to be shared with the community and Holy Cross. Next year will be the 40th Anniversary of Holy Cross's founding. The Council continued discussion of the recognition and celebration of this significant achievement. Pastor lead us in the closing prayer and praying together The Lord's Prayer



September 14th.....

We will be having a "39 and holding" Birthday Celebration on September 14th. Tickets are on sale for our Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. This will be a GREAT event and a wonderful way to share Holy Cross' joyous occassion with our community. If you would like to help, please speak with Warren Kline or Pastor Kathy.



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES" NORTHERN NEVADA

A BIG thank you to all those who helped make food for the Ronald McDonald House on August 29th. We are so blessed we have such a caring congregation ready to serve the community and those in need.



Alright all you HCLC goers, it's that time of year again to spruce up the church. The fall clean up is scheduled for Saturday, 10/5 more information to follow. This go around we will be focusing in on 3 areas. First, the outside storage shed, secondly, the interior main hall closet, and finally, the general inside of the church.

The SHED under the guidance of Paula Featherstone needs about 4 people to help with this area. So if you are interested in helping out please see Paula or myself. Mainly getting rid

of boxes of old paperwork/records, and straightening up.

The CLOSET under the guidance of Natalie Tegio needs about 4-6 people. This is two fold. On Saturday, 9/28 (the weekend before) we need some men to bring their hammers, sludge hammers and a truck. We are planning to tear out the existing built in shelving. This then will require to Spackle up the walls, sand and paint. Then on the actual clean up date we will be installing 7 metal roller-cart style shelving. So we need a group for Saturday 9/28 for demolition day.

The CHURCH I will have a sign up sheet for the general cleaning of the church. As with before if you sign up and want to come do your part during that week of 9/29 - 10/5 that works too. All the general areas will need to be done.

I'm looking forward to a great turnout again. The more we have the faster we can get done. Sign up sheets will be out soon. If you have any questions please see Richard Eggers, Paula Featherstone, or Natalie Tegio.

Sincerely, Richard Eggers - Council Member

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Worship Services September 15th

1st Service 8:00 am 2nd Service 10:30 am

Service & Fellowship

Service

September $8th \sim$ Assembling the To-Go-Food Bags with the items we have collected all summer.

Giving Tree ~ November we will have the tree up collecting funds to purchase Win-Co gift cards for Pine and Smithridge schools.

Christmas set $up \sim$ Mark your calendars as we will be setting up the big Christmas tree on November 26th at 9:00 am and full Christmas decorations on November 30th starting at 9:00. ALL are welcome to come and help beautify our wonderful church for the Christmas season.

Fellowship

Make your calendars for upcoming events!! Watch for more information and sign-up sheets as the events get closer

OKTOBERFEST ~ Sunday October 20th

Ladies Advent Tea ~ Sunday, December 8th, 2:00-4:00 pm

Annual Appetizers and Wine ~ Open House - December 6th, 4-7pm

Next service Meeting will be held on October 1st at Noon. . ALL are welcome to join in the planning.

Senior Lunch

September 18th @ 11:30 Sept. begins our Senior Lunch group with a *Pot luck* on the 3rd Wed. the 18th at 11:30 AM. Come join us for fellowship and for new members to get acquainted. Thanks. Eldora

Ministry Fair September 8th!



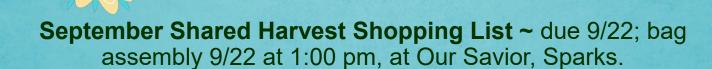
Amazing ministry work is being done through the many activities, committees, and ministry groups here at Holy Cross. As a way of providing members in the congregation an opportunity to learn more about these groups and activities and encourage involvement, we are planning a Ministry Fair in the fellowship hall on September 8th

while participating in God's Work, Our Hands. What better time to work together as a church community and learn other ways we can support each other at Holy Cross and continue on our mission of: *worshiping God and following Christ's call to discipleship as we give of ourselves to the community and those in need worldwide*

Each ministry group here at Holy Cross will host a table and provide information describing such things as activities or services the committee provides, when they meet, , how a person can be involved, etc. Please notify Dawn Braudo in the church office at 827-4822 or holycrossreno@gmail.com to confirm your group's participation. We look forward to this exciting event.



Pastor Roland Grumm will be continuing his Creation, Genesis, and Science class for another 2 weeks (9/4 and 9/11). You are most welcome to attend these special stand-alone presentations, even if you don't normally come to the study. We meet at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Becky at 775-360-0553 or beckyb485@gmail.com if you have any questions.



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Items needed: 20 powdered milk, bar soap, Gallon zip lock bags.

Thank you for your continued support of Shared Harvest.

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I hope that everyone one had a great summer. I know that I am ready to get back into the Godly Play room and begin our time together again. Godly Play will begin again on September 8, 2019. God's Work our Hands is that Sunday and there will be one service at 9:00. We will have Godly Play at 9:00 this Sunday. When we return to 2 services on the 15th we will return to starting at 10:20. Starting at 10:20 allows for the children attending Godly Play to join the congregation for communion at the completion of our Godly Play session. We will also continue to have the 1 st Sunday of every month be Family Worship. We encourage our families to take this time to worship together.

Godly play begins

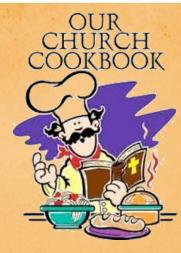
September 8th

September 8, 2019	Lesson 2: Creation
September 15, 2019	Enrichment Lesson 1: Second Creation "The Falling Apart"
September 22, 2019	Lesson 4: The Great Family
September 30, 2019	Enrichment Lesson 6: The Story of Moses

We are looking forward to a great year! If you are interested in story telling or door keeping please let me know! Thank you. ~ Jolene Jaillet, 775-224-1683



On Sunday, Sept. 15th, we return to the Fall-Spring worship schedule of two services. Join us at 8 a.m. with the choir, piano and organ or the 10:30 worship service with the praise team with piano, drums, guitar & more. Communion is served at both services. Godly Play for younger children begins at 10:15 a.m. and then children re-join the congregation for communion and the remainder of worship.



I was informed that there is a great deal of interest in the church cookbook. I've put out a few bulletins in prior months to receive some help on this and didn't get a great turn out. However, the cookbook is a go as part of our

40th anniversary. Theme: Remembering our past & Embracing our future. The cookbook will have 2 parts. A section honoring all our previous HCLC people and their passed down recipes and of course a new section with all of us that are still around :-). We are thinking of adding peoples pictures if possible. I NEED help. I can't do this project by myself. We're looking for 3-4 people to work with myself and Diane on this endeavor. Please contact Diane Torry or Richard Eggers. We need to get this ball rolling. Thank you for your support. Sincerely,

Richard Eggers Council Member

Men's Prayer

BREAKFAST

1st Saturday of every month

A reminder the next Men's breakfast will be on Saturday, September 7th at 8:00 am in Fellowship Hall.

This is a free breakfast however; free will donation can be made to help supplement the cost.

Please see Warren Kline if you have questions or would like to help.

God's work. Our hands.

The God's Work, Our Hands Day of Service will be Sunday, September 8th.

The God's Work, Our Hands Day of Service will be Sunday, September 8. God's Work, Our Hands is a national day of service throughout the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). We have two projects planned and we invite people to join us and help for one or more of them according to their interest.

- *Eddy House Bags:* Assemble all the collected items into bags in the Fellowship Hall after worship service on Sunday. Coordinators: Linda Schlosser and Sandi Christman.
- Host Ice Cream Social at Silver Sage: We will host an ice cream social for the residents in the Silver Sage Community Room after worship service. Christy Moses and Michael Tegio will provide music. Coordinator: Fran Moses.

Let's have a great turnout to help get those bags filled up and bring some smiles to our neighbors at Silver Sage. Join us as we seek to be good neighbors in our community.



We will have a LIVE NATIVITY MEETING SEPTEMBER 29th at 9:15



The quilt group is busy finishing up our quilts to be given away to our brothers and sisters young and old in our community and around the world.

We will have our annual guilt blessings at the October 13 Worship Services. All the guilts will be displayed in the sanctuary. We distribute our guilts locally and throughout the world in October. Holy Cross Quilters donate quilts to Lutheran World Relief at the "fall ingathering". This year we will join other guilt groups in Northern California and Nevada and deliver our LWR guilts to United in Grace Lutheran in Vallejo. Trucks from LWR travel throughout the country to pick up quilts from Lutheran Congregation Quilt groups. We work together with thousands of Lutheran Congregation Quilt Groups across the country, donating nearly 500,00 quilts each year. These quilts are given to our brothers and sisters in need around the world. A recent report from Lutheran World Relief provides moving information about the "good work" of this Lutheran Church worldwide ministry . "Every day, Lutheran World Relief Quilts give families around the world some of life's essentials, as well as a reminder that they are not alone". "First and foremost, recipients use their LWR Quilt to shield against the cold and rain, and for warm bedding. But their versatility also makes guilts useful as simple tents, floor coverings, or a wrap to hold a baby on a mother's back." From Niger; "The quilts provide comfort, particularly to women, while restoring the respect and dignity of the most vulnerable people in the world. Quilts are a welcomed comfort, as most could only afford to eat one meal a day. For many, the quilts serve as their bedding. Those who cannot afford to eat enough cannot afford to buy blankets. They gave us blankets to keep us warm when it is cold. Truly this is a blessing, for this year we will not be cold." From the Andes Mountains of Peru; The community struggles in the grip of chronic poverty, felt most acutely in the cold winter months.. Sabina Carranza was so grateful to receive her guilt which keeps her warm during the terribly cold nights. Lutheran World relief has been in the "quilt business" since the 1945, when Lutheran World Relief responded to the needs of families in post-World War II Europe.

Holy Cross Quilters have been making and giving quilts to people in need around the world and in our community for over ten years. We meet the first and third Thursday of every month. Please join us for creative work, fun and fellowship. "Gods Work, Our Hands".

Holy Cross Quilters



The Driver Safety Courses will be held Monday, September 16, 9 a.m. to 1p.m. October 14, 9 a.m. to 1p.m. and November 16, 9a.m. to 1p.m.

This course is available for anyone. Those over 50 Driver Safety may be eligible to receive a three-year discount on their car insurance.

We are taking advance sign ups for the September 16 class—sign up and invite a friend! - there is a signup sheet in the Narthex. Holy Cross and AARP will be advertising this event. Payment for the class will be taken the day of the class- please come with a check or exact cash. The Driver Safety instructor will collect payment prior to the class beginning. This is a four-hour class, feel free to bring a snack \$15 for AARP members, and \$20 for nonmembers Refresh your driving skills with the AARP Smart Driver Course! You will learn:

- Defensive driving techniques
- Proven safety strategies
- New Nevada traffic laws and rules of the road

Plus, there are no tests to pass. You simply sign up and learn. Upon completion you could receive a three-year discount on your car insurance (check with your insurance company for their discount)

Hooks and Needles

Hooks and Needles will meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in September, the 10th and the 24th at 9 a.m. We welcome all knitters and crocheters and/or those who want to learn how to knit or crochet.

We are a small group and make afghans/lap robes, scarves, hats and shawls for local causes here in the Reno/Sparks area along with for our family and friends. Come join us to make a difference for our local people and for a fun time.

September Scripture Readings

September 1st Proverbs 25:6-7

Psalm 112 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14

September 8th

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33

Coffee Hour

9/8: Sue Gonyou 9/15: Joan Julius (1st) Dotti Hynes (2nd) 9/22: Rees' (1st) Thompsons (1st) 9/29: Riglers (1st)

Lectors

9/8: Ray Streit 9/15: Laurel Lindstrom (1st) Logan Kunze (2nd) 9/22: Cathy Kline (1st) Cindy Thompson (1st) 9/29: Christy Moses (1st) Torry Tegio (2nd)

Altar Guild

September - Paula Featherstone & Linda Puckett **Offering Counter**

September – Laurel Lindstrom

September 15th

Exodus 32:7-14 Psalm 51:1-10 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

September 22nd

Amos 8:4-7 Psalm 113 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13

Communion Helpers

Susan McMurray & Karen Ford Tates (1st), Natalie Tegio & Carol Ritter (2nd) Linda Schlosser & Sue Volinkaty (1st) Jody Morrison & Sue McDonald (2nd) Paula Featherstone & Sue McDonald (1st) Sandi Christman (2nd) Cindy Thompson & Sandi Christman (2nd)

Ushers

Mike Ross & Russ Tegio. Tates (1st) Fords (2nd) Cross' (1st) Jody Morrison & Logan Kunze (2nd) Mike Ross & James Alanko (1st) Veralyn Combs & Marla Hoole (2nd)

September 29th

Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Psalm 146 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31

9/2 Katherine Barcaskey 9/2 Russ Tegio 9/2 Lucas Bergeson 9/3 Greg Martin 9/5 Constantino Crawford 9/5 Emily Amaral 9/5 Laine Christman 9/6 Kevin Sawyer 9/7 Christian Walker 9/8 Cindy Thompson 9/9 Warren Kline 9/12 Mark Jaillet 9/13 Katie Weldon 9/15 Jody Morrison 9/18 Brandi Streit 9/18 Kate Blair 9/20 Deseree Carper 9/20 Jean Rottman 9/20 Keri Schlosser 9/20 Ryan Parker 9/22 Lydia Karam 9/23 Colton Streit 9/23 Travis Mills 9/25 Mitchell Martin 9/27 Kim Lintz 9/27 Kerrie Rees 9/28 Barbara Minke 9/28 Brenton Hamblet 9/28 Ray Cross 9/29 Scott Grady Happy Anniversary

9/2 Ed & Sue Gonyou 9/2 Pat & Linda Schlosser 9/4 Jim & Jody Morrison 9/21 Randy & Shelly Rigler

