



CONNECTIONS

Transitioning With God



Transitions can be unsettling. That's the nature of every transition; it upends a settled routine and places us into a time of uncertainty as we seek to establish new routines. As I prepare to transition from pastoral ministry at Holy Cross to pastoral ministry on a district wide level I'm anticipating it will be unsettling for me. I expect it will be the same for you.

I will already be picking up Northwest District duties April

1st and my last day with Holy Cross will be my Sending Sunday, April 14. After that I will not be available to serve your pastoral needs, my office will be cleaned out, and I'll be focusing on the next steps of what the Lord has in store for me. Again, if that sounds unsettling... It does to me too!

In unsettling times like these it's important to know, as David so aptly put in his Psalms, "*who is a rock, except our God?*" (Psalm 18:31). He, David said, "*made my feet like the feet of a deer*" (Psalm

18:33), so we might not slip or fall when the ground underneath us seems to shift, and "*by my God I can leap over a wall*" (Psalm 18:29). Holy Cross will leap over this transitional year or two with the gracefulness of a deer because you are founded on Christ. He is God, your Rock! God's already been working in incredible ways in the last few months to prepare the way for you. Paul said to the Corinthians: "*Thanks be to God, who has put into the heart of Titus the same earnest care*"

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Greetings from Shaun Adams Vacancy Pastor

I have the distinct pleasure of being your fellow worker in Christ while serving as Vacancy Pastor during this period of transition at Holy Cross. It is my prayer and hope to get to know each of you better over the next year as we prayerfully discern together what plans God has in store for leadership and ministry in North Spokane for the years to come.

I have lived in Spokane for most of my life and my parents were active members in several LC-MS congregations. As a child I was baptized at Bethany Free Lutheran Church (now New Vision), in middle school I attended youth groups events at Holy Cross, and I was confirmed at Pilgrim. At 17 I joined the Army and spent four years living in Germany, Texas, and Virginia. After the Army I moved back to Spokane and attended SFCC,

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Will Vogt Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator

Hello! My name is Will Vogt, and I am excited to serve as the Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator at Holy Cross. I have had the privilege of meeting some of you throughout the years through various connections and I am looking forward to getting to know all of you better in the months to come.

I grew up in Spokane attending Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church where I met Pastor Adams who was helping lead youth ministry while I was a teen. I graduated from Ferris High School in 2018 and went on to attend Gonzaga University to study business. During my freshman year of college, I became involved with several religious clubs on campus which is when my desire to serve in ministry came to life.

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I have for you. For he not only accepted our appeal, but being himself very earnest he is going to you of his own accord” (2 Corinthians 8:16-17).

We can say, “*Thanks be to God*” who put into the heart of Pastor Shaun Adams the same earnest care that I have for you. Not only has he accepted your appeal, but he, being very earnest, is coming to you of his own accord. We can also say, “*Thanks be to God*” that He put

into the heart of Will Vogt the same earnest care that I have for you. He too not only accepted your appeal, but is coming to you earnestly of his own accord.

Starting April 1, you will find Pastor Shaun and Will picking up most ministry duties. While I will be with you in worship and preaching April 7 and 14, Pastor Shaun, Will, and Lay Deacon Mark Werfelmann, will be the go to staff for ministry and care.

On April 14, the same Sunday as

my sending, we will be installing Pastor Shaun Adams as Vacancy Pastor and Will Vogt as Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator to affirm them as the transitional ministry team at Holy Cross working with our excellent existing staff leading you through this transition. So that you can hear too the heart that God has placed into each of them, they are each introducing themselves to you in this newsletter. Join me in giving thanks to God for them. May the Lord continue to be both your Rock and mine.

~In Jesus, Pastor Mike

followed by WSU. I eventually found a place at Lowe’s Home Improvement where I worked for the corporate office; the majority of my 13 years at Lowe’s was spent in merchandising and field services in WA, ID, and MT.

I met my wife Janna at Beautiful Savior and soon after we married and I began attending Concordia Seminary St Louis through the Specific Ministry Pastor program. Prior to seminary I had spent several years volunteering in youth ministry and teaching Sunday School. While at seminary, Pastor Mike served as my mentor and vicarage supervisor. Soon after my ordination Beautiful Savior entered into a pastoral vacancy during which time I served them as Vacancy Pastor, then as Youth and Family Pastor. Since October

I have had the joy of serving Holy Cross in a part-time capacity by coordinating Lutheran youth group events for Spokane-area churches as well as occasionally officiating over Word & Sacrament ministry at Holy Cross as needed.

Now as full-time Vacancy Pastor and serving alongside Will Vogt as your Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator, I am looking forward to joining in Holy Cross’ ministry as you lead with loving service to bring the greater Spokane community closer to Jesus. My family and I are grateful that I have the opportunity to serve and support the members of Holy Cross, who were so supportive and encouraging during my studies at seminary and during my vicarage at Beautiful Savior (which also

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included stops at Holy Cross!)



Our three children

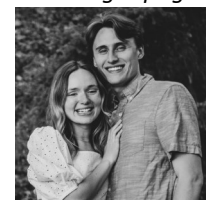
(Delia, Noah, and Lincoln) all love reading, art, and sports. My amazing wife Janna was born in OK but spent much of her childhood in IL. A Southern Illinois University alumna, she works at Fairchild AFB as a civilian flight chief over Early Learning, Childcare, and Youth programs. I enjoy playing volleyball and watching Dodgers baseball, and when I’m reading books apart from sermon preparation I especially enjoy U.S. History. When my family has time together we can often be found hiking, camping, or watching movies and shows in the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

This was the first time I had really been exposed to other Christian denominations and it led me to want to understand more about the Lutheran tradition and why I believed as I did. Around that same time, I was introduced to Pastor Von Behren. We started meeting for coffee and digging into theology. These meetings continued over the next four years with Pastor Adams joining on occasion.

The desire to pursue ministry after graduation led me to work at Camp Lutherhaven during my summers at college. I loved working with the kids as a counselor and getting to serve the staff mostly made up of young adults while on the leadership team. After graduating college, I began a full-time job at Lutherhaven serving as their Youth and Summer Program Coordinator for the last two years.

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My wife Sarah is from Grand Rapids, MI and we met during our first summer at camp. We got married in October 2023 and moved to Spokane a few months later. Sarah works at Holy Family Hospital as a Rehabilitation Aid. I am currently in the process of applying to seminary to pursue pastoral studies beginning summer 2025. We are very grateful to be a part of this community and for the welcome we have already received.



Sola Church Plant

SOLA

CLASSICAL CHRISTIANITY

SPOKANE

This year we voted to partner with SOLA, a new church plant in the Spokane area, and help support them as they get their ministry up and running. They are beginning weekly meetings at our church on Sundays at 4 p.m. beginning on April 14.

Right now their donation and expenditures are running through a designated fund at Holy Cross so if you would like to donate to them there are red envelopes on the round oak table in the narthex with the above SOLA logo on them to collect offerings. You should make your checks payable to "Holy Cross" with the words "SOLA Spokane" in the memo line and then deposited into our offering box at the back of the church.

If you would like to know more or have any questions, please contact Pastor Bill Hartley at hartleyglobal@gmail.com or 480-388-2635.

Ministry Leadership Team

The Ministry Leadership Team has been meeting monthly as the team works through the relaunch process.



The team has been working closely with Pastor Mike to organize the more than thirty-six active ministries at Holy Cross in groups and each member of the team will be responsible for one of the groups. Beginning in April the team will turn our attention to connecting with the ministries within each group. The intent is to support and equip the leaders of the various ministries so that they are as effective as they can be and act as a liaison between the ministries and the Pastor. If you lead a ministry at Holy Cross, please watch for next steps information from the Ministry Leadership Team in April and May. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mike Littrel at 509-499-9475.

Former Holy Cross Pastor Mark Benning and his wife Emily are Visiting April 14

Pastor Mark Benning served Holy Cross from 1994 to 2007. He was Pastor Mike's mentor on vicarage in 2003 – 2004 and senior Pastor to Pastor Mike from 2005-2007.

Mark and Emily have lived in Wisconsin since 2007 where Mark served as Pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Tomah, WI. Now Mark is retired and he and Emily live near their children and grandchildren in Mondovi, WI. We are overjoyed that they will be coming to participate in Pastor Mike's sending with us.



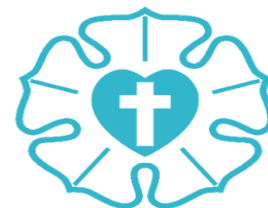
Cross My Art "Mug Your Mom"

LEARN. CREATE. REJOICE.

"Mug Your Mom" is a pottery class coming on May 4 at 10 a.m. in the Cross My Art room.

Come join us and glaze a special mug or other piece of pottery for your Mom on Mother's day. All pottery pieces will be available for pick-up on Monday, May 6 in the church office so that you will have them before Mother's Day.

Keep watching the church bulletins and the Cross My Art website for other upcoming fused glass and sewing classes.



Summer Camp at Lutherhaven & Shoshone Mountain Retreat



Registration is Open for Summer Camp!

We are excited to welcome campers back to Camp Lutherhaven and Shoshone Mountain Retreat for Summer 2024! Visit www.lutherhaven.com for a snapshot of the awesome summer camps planned.



If you need financial assistance for camp, we can help! Please begin with selecting the Lutherhaven option desired, then during the registration process where it asks if any scholarships are being applied, fill in “Holy Cross Campership” and for the amount needed up to \$200. That’s right, there are no forms to fill out to use a Campership—just ask and you will receive.



If you have questions or need help with the online registration process, please call the church office or Lutherhaven. Camperships are available to all families, so tell your nieces, nephews, grandkids, friends, and acquaintances all about summer camp and Holy Cross camperships!



Crossroads 25

“Crossroads 25” is a youth group for kids in grades 2-5, that meets monthly during the school year for dinner, worship/song time, Bible lesson, and games.



We are talking this year about how Jesus teaches life lessons through stories called “Parables” and how these parables apply to our lives. Each month this year we will explore a different parable. And learn about Jesus’ teachings.

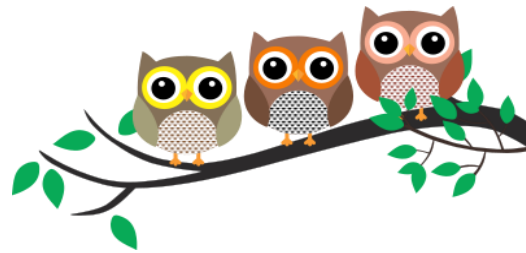
Our next meeting is on **Wednesday, April 10, from 5:30-6:50 p.m.**

Last month we served soup at the Lenten soup supper and the kids had a great time and really enjoyed serving others in the congregation. It is always a highlight for your youth.

LEADERS:
Don Comi
Susan Comi

See you there! Bring a friend!

OWLS (Older Wiser Laughn’ Souls)



OWLS (Older, Wiser, Laughn’ Souls) Our next get together is April 3, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy lunch, fellowship, and a fun group of people. Lunch will be provided for you this month, and we will play Pass the Prizes.

We will meet again on May 1 for a potluck and a bible study along with a garden themed game.

June 5 will be our last get together, giving everyone a summer break. It will again be a pot luck. Stay tuned for the theme.

Questions? Contact Staci @ 509-994-1299

Middle and High School Youth News:



Youth Group at Beautiful Savior!
We will be having Youth Group at Beautiful Savior on Sunday, May 5th from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. This event will include lunch, games, and devotional time!

Questions? If you have any youth-group related questions, please contact Will Vogt at wvogt@holycrosslcms.net or (509) 724-3068.

UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS:

Lock-In at St. John's!

We are gathering for an all-youth Lock-In at St. John's Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 20th! There will be games, devotional & bible study time, and lots of food. The lock-In will start at 5 p.m. on Saturday night with dinner and will finish as we attend worship and a brunch together on Sunday morning at St. John's. Please be sure to RSVP so we know you are coming!

Be sure to RSVP!

Help us better prepare by letting us know you plan to attend a youth event. You can see more information about our Spring events and RSVP at holycrosslcms.net/youth-ministry or scan the QR code below!



SCAN TO RSVP!

Feed My Starving Children

We are once again raising money to help with the Feed My Starving Children food

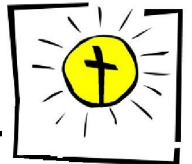


packing event through those colored envelopes in the narthex on the round table. Just pick an envelope, lift the flap, and discover the amount to give—then return the envelope with your money. Each set of envelopes provides 5,000 meals.

Packing sessions are April 12-13 at Redeemer Lutheran Church (3606 Schafer Rd.)!

Registrations are open for volunteers at the event and it takes many volunteers spread over the two days yet each session is only a 2 hour commitment. The best part is you choose the 2 hours that work best for your schedule. Sign up early though to make sure you get the spot you want and bring a friend!

Preschool Registration is Open For 2024-2025 School Year



This has been an awesome school year for us at Son Shine Preschool. God is good!

As of March 1 we are open for registrations for the next school year—2024-2025. We offer a \$25 discount for those that register prior to May 31. Children must be 3, 4, or 5 by August 31 and toilet trained.

The 3-year old class meets on Mondays and Wednesdays and the tuition is \$140 per month.

The 4- and 5-year old class meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and the tuition is \$175 per month.

If you know of someone who could benefit from our Christian Preschool experience, please let them know. Registration forms are available online, outside the preschool room, or through the church office and must be accompanied by an \$80 (\$55 prior to May 31) registration fee.



Confirmation Faith Essays

On Palm Sunday, March 24, we had the privilege of witnessing four of our young people confirm their faith in Jesus through Confirmation. The following essays are their "Faith Essay" and answers the question of either "What does Jesus mean" or "What does Baptism mean to me" and we hope you enjoy learning a little about these four young ladies.

Mallory Durrant:

What does Jesus mean to me?

To me, Jesus means pure, absolute loyalty. He died for our sins. He gave us his body and blood. He listens to our prayers. He helps us overcome our toughest obstacles. The list goes on. It's genuinely hard to imagine a world without Jesus. Sometimes, though, we take Jesus' loyalty for granted. I know I have. Everyone has because we're human. But, Jesus is the one who will always listen to your prayers. The one who will forgive. The one who will walk with you during the hardest times you will ever experience. He's the one who can give you strength and power to overcome whatever it is your dealing with. That means so much!! "The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus will be with you." (Romans 16:20)

What does Baptism mean to Me?

My baptism means the stress of having to feel overly guilty over something I've done can be lifted off my shoulders if I pray and ask for forgiveness. It means Jesus will give me another chance, even before I ask for one. It means I've been saved from the Devil. It means I'll go to heaven, through faith in him. Lastly, it means I can have endless strength in my faith, because of what Jesus has done for me. Going to heaven and being forgiven for my sins is not guaranteed because of what I've done. But, because of what Jesus has done for me, I know God the Father loves me and Baptism makes me his child so he will never let me go. "I give them eternal life and they will never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. My father who has given them to me is greater than all and no one is able to snatch them out of my father's hand. I and my father are one." (John 10:28-29)

Abbie Epps:

My baptism identifies me as one of God's children. This is so I am forgiven of sin and saved from death and the devil. Since I'm born into sin, my baptism promises my salvation as I do believe in God. My family are my sponsors in this and I look to them for guidance. My baptism assures that I am on the right path of my life.

Jesus is my savior and my God. He is one with the Father and the Holy Spirit. He died for our sins and rose again. This is what Jesus means to me. He must have listened to me as he brought my Mom and Dad together. Jesus listens as I pray because I have had a healthy up-bringing and a caring

loving family. I trust that Jesus will continue to bless our family even when our times are tough. As the Bible says "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing it is the gift of God, not the result of works, so that none will boast. For we are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus to do good works which God prepared in advance for us to walk in them." (Ephesians 2:8-10)

As I remember what it was like where I came from, Jesus shows me that there's work to be done every day because of his blessings.

Ariel Heidler:

What does Baptism mean to me?

Baptism gives forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and gives eternal salvation. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The Old has passed away; behold, the new has come." In baptism we are adopted as children of God and are made one with Christ. In John 3:5-6 it says "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he can not enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." I know that because of my baptism I have been born of his spirit.

Jesus has sacrificed himself on the cross for my sins. As it is said in Luke 24:46-47 "The Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead and repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations." Jesus is all round to protect me. As it is said in Matthew 28:20 "Behold, I am with you always." Jesus is a friend, I can talk to any time. As it is said in John 15:15 "I have called you friends, for all that I

have heard from my father I have made known to you.”

Having Jesus in my life makes me a better person because his spirit lives in me.

Kimi Heidler:

What does Jesus mean to me?

Jesus has died on the cross for me as I can go to heaven. As it is said in 1 Thessalonians 5:10 “Who died for us so that whether we are still alive or died, we might live together with Him and share his life.

Jesus’s spirit is like the wind blowing. I can hear and feel Him but I can’t see him but

know He is there. It tells us in John 3:8 “The wind blows where it wills and though you hear it’s sound, yet you neither know where it comes from now where it is going. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” His spirit, the Holy Spirit, is always with me.

Jesus is everywhere to keep me safe. I know when confessing my sins, I am forgiven. It is so beautiful to have the promises that Jesus gave us in my life.

What does baptism mean to me?

Baptism is a cleansing in God’s word and command which makes it divine water. As in 1 Corinthians 6:11 “You were

washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the spirit of our God of his promise.” It is written in Exodus 20:24 “In every place where I cause my name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you.”

I know that because of my baptism, I live in God’s blessing of love and forgiveness.



April Photo Challenge is “Capture the Signs of Spring!”



The theme for the April Photo Challenge is “Capture the Signs of spring!”

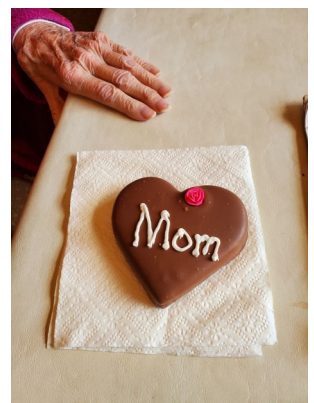
We’ve longed for

the coming of spring in the winter and now it’s here! This challenge is open to all Photo Club Members and *everyone* in our congregation! How will you convey through a photograph the season of rebirth, renewal, and regrowth? Spring is characterized by lush, leafy trees, buds in flowerpots, tall and wild meadows, and louder bird songs. It’s a time of happiness, optimism, and positivity.

Please send your digital copy to Mike Donahue at mikejoed@outlook.com by Saturday, April 30th.



Edit Photos On The iPhone 12 Pro Photos App.” The videos will be followed by plenty of “hands-on” demonstration time. Did you know that your smart phone can create stickers?



Our next Photo Club meeting is on Wednesday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

We’ll continue our “Smart Phones’ 101 Course” with a recap of the first two videos , “The Photos App for iPhone is AMAZING!” and for “How To






Women's Ministry—April 2024



Thanks be to God! We are HIS!

We are:

-  **Held by God's Word**
-  **Inspired to share HIS Gospel**
-  **Surrounded by HIS Grace**

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” Acts 1:8

Do you ever wonder where the end of the earth will be? It will be the last place and persons to hear about Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and the salvation he offers to all who believe. That is the event for which we are all waiting. If we are bold, we are working toward that day by telling everyone about the good news of the gospels. If we are very brave, we go to people in other countries and share that news with people of different cultures. We will hear about such a mission trip at our Spring Luncheon, on May 18. Barbara Tanke will be sharing more of her mission trip to Costa Rica. Many of you heard a brief message about the trip recently, at coffee hour. We have also invited another member of the mission group to join us, if possible. The offering we collect will be for the Holy Cross Missions Fund. Watch for your invitation as we get closer to May!

On Saturday, April 20, we're going to attend the Spring Rally at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Rathdrum, ID. All the details are on their

flyer on the bulletin board. Please consider joining us. We carpool, so you don't have to go alone. We must have everyone signed up by April 15, so we can RSVP. The weekend of June 21-23, our WA-AK District Convention will be in Everett, WA. Again, the flyer is on the bulletin board. There is also hotel information for making reservations. We are very excited to get together with all our sisters in Christ and to hear inspirational speakers including Donna Snow and Kim Wagner. The Spring issue of the Evergreen Echoes is on the table in the narthex if you want more information. If you are going and would like to be the Alternate Delegate, please see me!

Our next meeting will be on June 8, and we will be voting for new officers. We are currently looking for ladies interested in holding an office in our Holy Cross Society. I am stepping down as president since this was my seventh year in office. There may also be a couple of other openings. All officers serve two-year terms. If you have questions, please ask me or another LWML officer.

May God's peace be with all of you,
Marilee Griffith,
President, Holy Cross LWML

Options for Giving at Holy Cross

1. Traditional Envelope Offering has not changed for all who prefer to use this method of giving to help support Holy Cross. If you do not have envelopes and would like them, please contact Susan or Staci in the office at 483-4218. These may be mailed to the church.
2. We also offer a program called Simply Giving, which is a direct deposit method. To use this method, pick up a form from the church office and your donation can be taken directly from your bank account or credit card on a regular basis and deposited into the Holy Cross account. We receive notification in the office about donation and will continue to keep track of donations, giving you a statement at the end of the year.
3. Third, there is Automatic Bill Pay systems which is set up between you and your bank and donations will be mailed to us from the bank. Please be sure to include your envelope number to receive credit on your giving statements.



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Happy Birthday

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7	8 Leslee Lilly Kyle Zeller	9 ♥ Tim & Shawna Ford	10	11 Gayleann Barcome Leya Manirakiza	12 Charli Bevans Lucia Crone Kyle Durrant	13 Dawn Brand Pat Clark Jane Lilla
14 Sophia Baker Barbara Hutchinson	15 Jael Berger	16 Catherine Daniels ♥ Michael & Janet Spencer	17 Ellie Jensen Doug Myers Jeanette Zeller	18 Kristin Cartwright George Stottlemeyer Cohen Zeller	19 Matt Regel ♥ Frank & Kathy Unterseher	20 Kimi Heidler
21 Bob Derkey Ty Howard Connor Kopplin Evan Preuss Judy Zweifel ♥ Lee & Heather Selset	22 John Kirkedahl Waylon Kroll	23 Rachel Lail Sharon Rancour	24	25 ♥ Jonathon & Michelle Bishop	26 Mitch Kayser	27 Savannah Sundseth ♥ Phil & Heidi Malthaner
28	29 Jessica Jensen Karl Schaeffler	30 ♥ Travis & Kellie Poirier	1 Debra Mitchel Phyllis Opgrand	2 Mallory Durrant	3 Cathie Stottlemeyer	4 Chris Brandt Olivia Winkle

In Our Church Family ...

On March 3 we welcomed Shepherd John Pinos, son of Edward and Ashtin Pinos, grandson of Jim & Terri Martinson, and great-grandson of Jerry & LeDonna Stacey, into the family of God through Holy Baptism. On March 24, four of our youth took on their Baptismal vows through Confirmation: Mallory Durrant, Abbie Epps, Ariel Heidler, and Kimi Heidler. Congratulations and Welcome to all four.



Worship Volunteers

Ushers/Greeters, Readers, and Acolytes

These are the assignments for worship volunteers. Please watch the newsletter to see if you are assigned. A reminder card or mailing will be sent to you about 10 days prior to when you are scheduled to serve. These reminder cards/ letters will list the necessary duties and readings if needed for our usher/greeter, acolyte, and readers. Please look that over when you receive it as some items may changed. If you would like to volunteer in one of these roles please contact our office and let us know (we'll provide training if you've never done it before). If you prefer a different service than we have assigned you for or you have a request to work together with another person or a team, please discuss it with them first and then contact us and let us know.

April 7	Usher/Greet	Mike & Karen Lauritzen	Stan & Lisa Key
	Read/Assist	Claudia Randall	Savannah Johnson
	Acolyte	Lorenzo Salina	Carson Thiill
April 14	Usher/Greet	Jerry & LeDonna Stacey	Kelly Hilt & Barry Hilt
	Read/Assist	Mike Shannon	Bryan Mann
	Acolyte	Samuel Lail	Kimi Heidler
April 21	Usher/Greet	Jerry & Judy Zweifel	Phil & Patti Carlson
	Read/Assist	Karen Hartley	Carolyn Sievers
	Acolyte	Amari Salina	Lucus Johnson
April 28	Usher/Greet	Brent & Jacquie Romaneschi	Cathy & George Stottlemeyer
	Read/Assist	David Snyder	Don Comi
	Acolyte	Verity Reedy	Elika Ford
May 5	Usher/Greet	Chuck & Colleen Zeller	Sievers Family
	Read/Assist	Chuck Zeller	Cathie Stottlemeyer
	Acolyte	Gianni Salina	Ariel Heidler
May 12	Usher/Greet	Doug & Bev Myers	John & Tess Gillette
	Read/Assist	Joe Lewis	Kay Hilt
	Acolyte	Grace Sattgast	Benjamin Johnson
May 19	Usher/Greet	Mark & JoAnn Freeman	Lynn Petersen & Joel Sievers
	Read/Assist	Mark Wefelmann	Ingrid Sievers
	Acolyte	Allyson Cartwright	Elika Ford
May 26	Usher/Greet	Alan Meyers & Camille Haskins	Stan & Lisa Key
	Read/Assist	Art Ellwanger	Brooke Hilt
	Acolyte	Anna Sattgast	Carson Thill



- If you cannot serve on your assigned week, please contact our office (509-483-4218) or secretary@holycrosslcms.net and we will recruit another helper or switch with someone else on the schedule but please let the office know so we can send the reminders to the correct people.

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"To Be" Study Groups at 9, 10,
& 10:30 a.m.

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