

# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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# He who loves money will not be satisfied with money...

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> Divine Service with Holy Communion 9:00am

Bible Class and Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

#### Welcome to

# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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Sunday, October 20, 2024

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

# + IN NOMINE JESU +

(In the Name of Jesus)

<u>GUESTS & VISITORS</u>: Welcome to Holy Cross and to today's worship service. We are glad you are here! Please register your attendance in the Fellowship Book in the pew (be sure to include the name of any children with you today). We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you have any questions, or have an interest in joining Holy Cross, please speak with Pastor or one of our Elders.

<u>OUR COMMUNION POLICY</u>: Communicant members of LC-MS congregations are welcome to join us for Communion. Please mark the Fellowship Book, providing us with your address and the name of your home congregation. In keeping with our confessional heritage, we practice "close communion." If you are not a member of an LC-MS congregation and wish to commune, we ask that you please visit with Pastor or one of our Elder's before partaking of Holy Communion. Thank you.

# **IN TODAY'S READINGS:**

# By the Voluntary Poverty of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of God

To love and trust in earthly wealth is vanity. For nothing of this earth will last forever, nor can any of it grant eternal life (Eccl. 5:10). But the one who trusts in God is "occupied with joy in his heart" and is able to sleep in peace, "whether he eats little or much," because he knows that the "days of his life" are "the gift of God" (Eccl. 5:12, 18–20). The person who trusts in riches cannot sleep, because he "shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand" (Eccl. 5:15). Therefore, it is difficult "for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God" (Mark 20:23). Indeed, it is impossible for man, yet "all things are possible with God" (Mark 20:27). Thus, the Rich Man, Jesus Christ, has made Himself poor and has gone through "the eye of a needle," through death and the grave, "to enter the kingdom of God" on our behalf (Mark 20:24–25). He is the "great high priest who has passed through the heavens" (Heb. 4:14), so that we may now enter His Sabbath rest by faith in His forgiveness (Heb. 4:3–9).

PRELUDE - Selected

## THE RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Lord, Open Thou My Heart to Hear

Hymn 5

[Please stand]

**INVOCATION** pg. 15ff

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

☐ ☐ Amen.

Matthew 28:20

#### CONFESSION OF SINS AND ABSOLUTION

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

  [Hebrews 10:22]
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- **C I** Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- $\square$  And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

- O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called an ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the 

  → Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
- **☐ Amen.** [John 20:19-23]

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

**INTROIT -** *Psalm 34:1-4, 17; antiphon v. 18* 

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted

and saves the crushed in spirit.

I will bless the Lord at all times;

His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the Lord with me,

and let us exalt His name together!

I sought the Lord, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

GLORIA PATRI Pg. 16ff.

☐ ☐ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### **KYRIE**

☐ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Mark 10:47

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King. God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT FOR THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

- **C And** with thy spirit.
- P O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

<sup>10</sup>He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. <sup>11</sup>When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? <sup>12</sup>Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

<sup>13</sup>There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, <sup>14</sup>and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. <sup>15</sup>As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. <sup>16</sup>This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? <sup>17</sup>Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

<sup>18</sup>Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. <sup>19</sup>Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. <sup>20</sup>For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL** Psalm 91:11; 103:1

He will command His angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 4:1-16

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup>For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup>For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

"As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest," although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup>For he has

somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." <sup>5</sup>And again in this passage he said, "They shall not enter my rest."

<sup>6</sup>Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup>again he appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts."

<sup>8</sup>For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. <sup>9</sup>So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup>for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup>Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup>For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

<sup>14</sup>Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

[Please stand and face the pastor in the center of the nave, a sign of Christ's presence among His people]

VERSE Mark 10:27b

- ☐ ☐ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- P With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.
- ☐ ☐ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:23-31

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.
- **□ □** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to

enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

☐ ☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED pg. 22

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

What Is the World to Me

Hymn 430

SERMON

"The Giver and the Gift"

CHOIR

The Lord is My Light

LSB Hymn 723

# **RECEIPT OF OFFERINGS -** Offering plates are available before and after service in the narthex

<u>PAUSE TO PONDER:</u> Mark 10:29–30 – "Jesus said, 'Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the Gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life." This is Jesus' encouragement for every faithful disciple — let it encourage you today.

[Please stand]

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

Lord, You are near to the brokenhearted, and You save the crushed in spirit. Deliver us from every fear and trouble, that the praise of Your name would continually be in our mouths. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

O God, with us salvation is impossible, but with You all things are possible. Give boldness to Your Church to proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, by whose death and resurrection the way to Your kingdom has been opened. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Gracious God, bless all who study at our universities and seminaries. Raise up more church workers, for the harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Spare the servants of Your Church from love of wealth and from fear of the difficulty of their task, that they would gladly set aside every comfort for Your sake and for the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Heavenly Father, lead our households to find eternal rest in Your Son and His Word. Give fathers and mothers diligence in teaching their children, and preserve us all from hardness of heart. Give us urgency to hear the good message of salvation today. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, guide our nation and its leaders in true wisdom to promote honest labor, temporal protection and fitting enjoyment under the sun. Guide Your Christians to serve Christ in their citizenship and callings. Do not let our hearts be occupied with the vanity of riches that perish, but with the true joy of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

When the righteous cry, You hear, O Lord, and deliver them out of all their troubles. Draw near to save the brokenhearted, the crushed in spirit, the sick and those in need especially Lawrince, Alicia, Betty, Clayton, and all those on our hearts and minds today. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Since we have a great High Priest, Jesus Christ, hold us fast in our confession through all temptation and preserve us from sin, O Lord. Give Your blessing to all who draw near to Your throne of grace, especially those who receive the blessed Sacrament this day, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord God, heavenly Father, Your Son left His earthly home to do His saving work, and so He knows what it is to leave family behind. Comfort Your children who have left home and loved ones for the sake of the Gospel. Set them firmly into the family of the Church, and sustain them in the hope of eternal life in the age to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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## PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- $\square$  And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- ☐ ☐ It is meet and right so to do.

2 Timothy 4:22

[Colossians 3:1]

[Psalm 136]

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

#### **SANCTUS**

☐ ☐ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; Heavn'n and earth are full of Thy glory; Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

# LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

  For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.

  Amen.

  Matthew 6:9-13

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#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24 Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

# PAX DOMINI AND AGNUS DEI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always!

John 20:19

☐ ☐ Amen.

If you are unable to climb the chancel steps without assistance, please come forward at this time.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen. John 1:29

## Silent Prayer before Communing:

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul at the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### DISTRIBUTION

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

| Salvation unto Us has Come     | Hymn 377 |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Take My Life and Let It Be     | Hymn 400 |
| Jesus, Priceless Treasure      | Hymn 347 |
| I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table | Hymn 315 |

# Silent Prayer after Communing:

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen. [Please stand]

NUNC DIMITTIS pg. 29ff

© ☐ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Luke 2:29-32

#### THANKSGIVING AND POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- **C And** His mercy endures forever.

Psalm 107:1

- P O God the Father, Fount and Source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness did send Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament; and we ask You not to forsake Your children, but evermore to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.
- ☐ ☐ Amen.

#### BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

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- **P** The Lord be with you.
- ☐ ☐ And with Thy spirit.
- **P** Bless we the Lord.

[Psalm 103:1]

2 Timothy 4:22

- **□ □** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless Thee and keep Thee. The Lord make His face shine upon Thee and be gracious unto Thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon Thee 4 and give Thee peace.

  Numbers 6:24-26
- Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Holy Father, in Thy Mercy

Hymn 643

## **POSTLUDE**

**OUTREACH THOUGHT:** Mark 10:23-31: When the disciples asked Jesus who can be saved, He answered by telling them that with man alone this is impossible but all things are possible with God! We may not understand why God chose us to be His own, but we rejoice that He did. We who have tasted the goodness of God have a powerful story to share with those who are still searching for meaning in their lives.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** Next Sunday we will observe Reformation Sunday, which commemorates the beginning of the Reformation when Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg on October 31, 1517. In the Gospel lesson, Jesus offers commentary on the peoples' fickle reactions to John the Baptist and Himself. The chief text for Reformation Sunday is always the Epistle: Romans 3:19-28, in which Paul describes the righteousness of God that is received by faith. Join us to sing A Mighty Fortress (and other great Reformation hymns, tool) and to hear the pure, forgiving Gospel of Jesus! Readings are: Revelation 14:6-7; Romans 3:19-28; Matthew 11:12-19.

#### **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NEW BIBLE CLASS!** If you've ever looked closely at the engraved stone on the outside wall of our church, you may have noticed the letters "U.A.C." carved just below the congregation's name. U.A.C. refers to the "Unaltered Augsburg Confession." What does this mean? I'm glad you asked! Beginning today, we're going to be studying the Augsburg Confession, one of the Lutheran Church's foundational documents. First presented on June 24, 1530, this confession demonstrated the Reformers' adherence to the faith once delivered to the saints and also called into question those teachings of Medieval Roman Catholicism that were contrary to the Word of God. Join us as we dig into history, doctrine, and of course, Scripture!

**Neighbors Night Out** is this afternoon starting at 4PM at the picnic grounds. Join us for a fun evening of community, good food and fellowship. Speakers will include Paul Biles with Camp Tejas, Terri Ann Strickland from Marsh Dog Kennels, Nikki Kueck, principal at Faith Lutheran High School, and Calvin Mersiovsky with Holy Cross Couple's Club. BBQ Sandwiches, hot dogs and Blue Bell Ice Cream will be served. See you there!

The Voters Assembly will meet again on Monday, October 28, at 7:00PM. Meeting packets are in voting members boxes this morning. New members are always welcome to attend a meeting and see if it's something you would like to be part of. New members who do join the voters assembly are eligible to vote at their second meeting.

Operation Christmas Child: The Post Oak GEMS group is collecting items for Operation Christmas Child to pack into shoeboxes and send to children in need throughout the world. Along with essential items, each child who receives a shoebox will also receive a New Testament in their own language to spread the Good News of Jesus to them. If you would like to contribute items to help the GEMS make as many boxes as possible, we would appreciate it! There will be a box in the narthex for your donations. We are accepting school supplies as well as small hygiene and personal care items like washcloths, socks, toothbrushes in individual packaging (but no toothpaste or soap, please!), and solid stick deodorant (no gel or spray). We are also grateful for any cash donations to put toward shipping costs. Please see Sunny Woelfel with any questions, and thank you for supporting our outreach project!

**GEMS**: Calling all girls 5th through 12th grade! We need your help to pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child at our meeting next Sunday, October 27, at 2:00 at Holy Cross, Warda. Thanks to some generous donations, we will be able to fill quite a few shoeboxes to share essentials and the love of Jesus with children in

need around the world. As always, snacks will be provided, and we will enjoy Christian fellowship as we meet. Please join us for this opportunity!

**Youth Group** - School is started again, and Youth Group has been meeting about once a month this Fall. We'll be getting together on Saturday, November 2 at the Varners' house for a Halloween themed party with food, games, and costumes. National Youth Gathering Registration is quickly approaching. Please let Mrs. Beck know if your Youth plans to attend!

The November game day will be held on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd, at 12PM in the fellowship hall with a light lunch provided. Bring a friend and come join us for a fun afternoon of games and visiting! NOTE THE DAY CHANGE due to FLHS Thanksgiving dinner on the 21st.

# **Attendance Last Sunday**

Divine Service: 171 Bible Class: 54 Sunday School: 21

| Our Response to God's Blessings                                       |  |   |
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| Estimated General Fund Weekly Need<br>Offering Received<br>Short/Over | Oct. 6<br>\$ 5,505<br>\$ 6,575<br>\$ 1,070 | Oct. 13<br>\$ 5,505<br>\$ 3,535<br>\$ (1,970) |



#### Oktoberfest Meal Tickets

Tickets for our annual Oktoberfest meal are <u>now available!</u> Meal includes brats, noodles, green beans, potato salad, kraut, bread and coffee cake. <u>Drive through only</u> meals will be available on Saturday, October 26 from 10:30 am to noon with pickup at the Holy Cross Picnic Grounds. Tickets are \$15 each and available for <u>pre-sale only!</u> Last day to get tickets is <u>Monday, October 21!</u>

Tickets are available at Faith Lutheran High School, First National Bank in Giddings, Schiavone & Bamsch Tax Services in La Grange, or ask a student, staff or Board member today!

#### Oktoberfest

FLHS will be hosting a family friendly event on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 26th</u> at the Holy Cross Picnic grounds.

Events for the day include:

**German meal** of brats, kraut, green beans, noodles, bread and coffee cake for dessert will be served Drive Through ONLY from 10:30 to noon. Tickets are available now for \$15/plate and available by pre-sale only.

**42-Domino Tournament** will begin at 2:00 pm - Registration begins at 1:30 pm

Cornhole Tournament will begin at 2:30 pm - Registration begins at 1:30 pm Battle of the Brew and Battle of the Vine Contest judging will begin at 3:00 pm. Submissions need to be received by 2:30 pm. See our Facebook page for more information regarding this contest. Sampling of the brews/wines begin at 4:00 pm to vote for the people's choice award.

**Children's games and activities** will begin at 4:00 pm and include activities such as a bounce house, temporary tattoos, photo backdrop, hayride, kids games and more!

Costume contest judging will begin at 5:00 pm.

**Live Auction** will begin at 5:30 pm.

**Concession stand** will also be available for purchase all afternoon and evening with items like chopped bbq on a bun, loaded pulled pork nachos, hot dogs, warm pretzels with beer cheese, as well as other snacks and desserts.

Please visit our website for more information! (www.flhstx.org)

# **Archery Competition**

The first archery competition of the season will be Tuesday, October 22nd at FLHS. The Falcons will host Waller ISD at 3:30 pm. The Falcons have 12 students participating in archery this season. Come cheer them on!!

# 7th and 8th Grade Visit Day

Our annual Visit Day events are coming up soon!

7th grade students will be joining us on the afternoon of Wednesday, October 30th. 8th grade students will be joining us on the afternoon of Wednesday, November 6th.

This annual visit event is a great opportunity for future students to see what FLHS is all about and what high school might look like. If you have a 7th or 8th grader, and would like to bring them for visit day, please contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck at (979) 242-2889.

# 7th and 8th Grade Game Night

FLHS will be hosting a game night for 7th and 8th grade students on Friday, November 8th from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm at Faith Lutheran High School. We will have lots of food, fun, and fellowship!

# **Cross Country Meet**

Faith Lutheran High School is hosting the 6th Annual Private Schools of Central Texas Cross Country Meet on Friday, November 1st for students in K to 8th Grade with the first race at 1:30 pm. We are excited to host this fun event on our campus!



Lawrince Heinrich

Alicia Moerbe, on bed rest pending arrival of baby Moerbe Betty Duke, diagnosed with cancer, now in Oakland Manor Nursing Home Clayton Wolf, son of Allen & Dolores Wolf and brother of Melissa Alford, scheduled to undergo additional treatments

# Those who serve today: October 20, 2024

Rev. Dustin Beck
Mrs. Ann Bamsch
Organist
Mrs. Brenda Woelfel
Mr. Jonathan Kueck
Mr. Mike Tabbert
Scarlett Landry
Acolyte

Elders on Duty Mr. Brian Varner Mr. Ron Zoch

# **CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

| TODAY          | 9:00 a.m.<br>10:15 a.m.<br>4:00 p.m.                            | Divine Service w/Holy Communion<br>Youth & Adult Bible Class & Sunday<br>School<br>Neighbors Night Out |
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| WEDNESDAY      | 10:30 a.m.<br>11:30 a.m.<br>6:00 p.m.<br>6:30 p.m.<br>7:00 p.m. | FLHS Chapel Bible Study Jr. Confirmation Bible Study Jr. Confirmation                                  |
| THURSDAY       | 9:00 a.m.   | Sewing Circle  |
| THURSDAY—FRIDA | Y   | Christine Out of Office  |

Next Sunday Reformation Observed

**SATURDAY** 

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Holy Communion 10:15 a.m. Youth & Adult Bible Class & Sunday

Faith Lutheran High School OKTOBERFEST

School

2:00 p.m. GEMS in the Fellowship Hall

Soli Deo Gloria

(To God alone be Glory)