Welcome To Our Newest Staff Member.
Amanda Juedes (Yay–des) grew up in Tomahawk, Wisconsin. Her family includes her parents and brother who live in Minneapolis. Amanda graduated from UW-M with a degree in Architecture. While there, she was very involved in Lutheran Campus Ministry at the Corner House where she served as a Peer Minister. Following graduation she served for one year in Lutheran Volunteer Corp at All Peoples in Milwaukee. In the Gospels, Jesus calls his disciples to fish for people and Amanda was hooked on serving in God’s church! A lifelong Lutheran, Amanda also worked at Our Saviors in West Bend for seven years. She spent the last few years working at All Peoples, but due to funding challenges they could no longer afford her position on staff. The Holy Spirit works in amazing ways because Amanda is a perfect fit for our new position as Director of Partnerships and Mission.

Marquette Basketball Game-March 4
Holy Cross is organizing a trip to the Marquette University Basketball Game to watch our very own member Luke Fischer #40 in his final season. The March 4 game, against Creighton, is senior night and Luke will be honored. Our group will meet at Balistreri’s Bluemound Inn (6501 W. Bluemound Rd., Milwaukee) at 11:30 am for lunch and take a free shuttle to the 1:30 pm game. Or, you can choose to skip lunch and drive on your own. Look for details in next week’s GROW on how to purchase tickets.

Annual Meeting
The Holy Cross annual meeting will be held on January 29 at 11:30 am in the Sanctuary. All confirmed members are encouraged to attend this important meeting. Come and exercise your privilege as a voting member of this congregation. Childcare will be available.

New Member Class
If you have been visiting Holy Cross and are ready to grow in your commitment to our Lord and to this congregation, we invite you to attend our next New Member Class. It will be held on Sunday, February 12, from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. If you would like more information, please contact Eleonore at eleonorek@holycrosslutheran.org or call 251-2740.

Holy Cross Blood Drive
The semi-annual blood drive with the Blood Center of Wisconsin will be held on Monday, January 30 from 2:00-6:00 pm in the Trinity Center. To sign up, look for that poster in the Gathering Place, go online to Holy Cross’ website (www.HolyCrossLutheran.org) under “What’s Happening”, or call the church office with your time preference.

Thanks!
Each weekday Luther Manor volunteers serve refreshments to the 200+ residents. They visit each resident, offer them treats and bring a bit of news from the community. Please consider joining this cause by donating homemade or purchased cookies that are soft and without nuts or seeds. You may drop off the cookies in the Gathering Place kitchen.

The Preschool Board will be hosting Coffee Hour on January 29. Please enjoy some treats and learn more about our Ministry.

Falls Area Food Pantry
Do you know anyone who is in need of some food assistance? Please let them know we are here to help. We want to get the word out that our Food Pantry is available for either a regular or short term basis.

The Falls Food Pantry exists for people in the communities of Butler, Brookfield, Colgate, Germantown, Hubertus, Lannon, Menomonee Falls, or Richfield. They distribute food on Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00-2:00 and 5:00-7:00 pm. Once registered, clients can receive food twice a month.

To register for Falls Food Pantry services, you’ll need to present two forms of ID as listed below showing residence in one of the communities that we serve.

Forms of ID required:
1. Picture ID such as a valid Wisconsin Driver’s License or other photo ID (examples include a Senior ID, Wisconsin ID, Student or Military ID).
2. Utility bills, bank or medical statements, car registration, or any other first class mail received from the US Post Office with a current date and address.
3. Once a year, you will also need to provide identification for each member of your household. Documents for minor children can include birth or baptismal certificates, Wisconsin immunization records, or report cards.

The pantry is located at N85 W15382 Menomonee River Pkwy, Menomonee Falls. This is north of the Village Hall/library and southwest of the Community Center/Riverside School complex. The phone number is 262-251-6848 or visit their website at www.fallsfoodpantry.org. Food can be dropped off 24 hours a day...seven days a week in their vestibule.

The Living Daring Faith Bible Study launching in February takes seriously the commitment of faith and the call to respectful conversation. Led by Pastor Steve Jerbi of All Peoples, monthly topics engage matters of justice and sharing the stories of individuals most closely affected. The first gathering will draw on guidelines for how we talk from different perspectives, opinions and experiences. Join us the first Thursday of every month, beginning February 2, at 7:00 pm in the Gathering Place.
TODAY-Sunday 22
Cookie Dough Retreat, Bible Sunday, Scrip Sale
Worship 7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 am
Faith Development 9:00 & 10:30 am
New Member Fiesta Lunch 11:30 am

Monday 23
Preschool 9:00 am
Women’s Retreat Meeting 5:30 pm
Stephen Ministry 6:00 pm
Christian Ed. 6:30 pm

Tuesday 24
Preschool 9:00 am
Staff Meeting 10:00 am
TNT-All People’s 5:30 pm
God Squad 6:00 pm
King’s Kids 6:00 pm
Celebration Band 6:30 pm
New Beginnings Handbell Choir 6:30 pm

Wednesday 25
Preschool 9:00 am
Young At Heart 12:00 pm
Hephatha Meal Prep 5:30 pm
Heavenly Sounds Handbell Choir 6:00 pm
Chancel Choir 7:00 pm
Student Ministry Night 7:00 pm

Thursday 26
Preschool 9:00 am
Friday 27
Preschool 9:00 am
Church Office Closes At Noon
Saturday 28
Property Team 9:00 am
Worship 5:00 pm
Sunday 29
Scrip Sale
Worship 7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 am
Hephatha Meal 8:00 am
Faith Development 9:00 & 10:30 am
Annual Meeting 11:30 am

SERVING ON JANUARY 28 & 29
Ushers:
5:00 pm Nancy Barelmann team
7:45 am George & Nanette Hegerty team
9:00 am Don & Sandy Earnest team
10:30 am Jeff & Kim Young team
Lector:
5:00 pm Stephanie Truckenmiller
7:45 am Carolyn Schellhaas
9:00 am Scott DeChant
10:30 am Arlene Watson
Altar Guild:
Lisa Burmeister, Sandy Earnest, Jen Schultz, Nancy Whalen, Rosalin McNeir
Greeters:
5:00 pm Mary Ann Holt, Stephanie Truckenmiller, Arlene Watson
7:45 am Eileen Corbeille
9:00 am Kelly & Steve Stapelman, Howard Westfahl
10:30 am Bob & Lisa Burmeister, Kim & Scott Rasmussen, Betty Redding
Welcome Center:
4:40 pm Pam Oliversen
8:30 am John Eliertson
10:00 am Stan & Mary Kay Winarski

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Worship Schedule:
Wednesday-6:00 pm
Saturday-5:00 pm
Sunday-7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 am

JOIN US FOR
Children
○ More than a Movie Night - Join us on February 3 from 6:30-9:00 for The BFG.
A young girl is launched on an enormous adventure when she crosses paths with a mysterious being called the Big Friendly Giant. We’ll also play some games, have a snack and meet up with friends. Movie night is for anyone in 2nd through 6th grade and their friends. Younger children are discouraged from attending due to the movie rating and level of difficulty of games we play. If a younger child is attending they must be accompanied by an adult, not an older sibling. Please bring along an item for the food pantry.

○ Young At Heart is a group of Seniors that meet one a month, usually on the 4th Wednesday in the Gathering Place at Holy Cross. They enjoy a pot luck luncheon, fellowship, and sometimes games, entertainment or an outing. The next gathering is on January 25 at noon. Food donations are brought according to the first letter in your last name...A-H should bring a dessert, K-Z a hot dish or salad. If you are unable to bring food, please deposit extra money in the kitty when you arrive and pay your $2.00 dues. There will be a short meeting after lunch and BINGO to follow. Please bring a wrapped gift as a prize.
All Seniors are Welcome!
○ Start your new years weight loss program with TOPS-Take Off Pounds Sensibly! TOPS has a chapter that meets at Holy Cross on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. Check it out...Visitors are Welcome.
○ Do you have a walker that is not being used? We have been made aware of a need by an elderly woman. If you have a walker to donate, please call the church office.
○ On Saturday, March 18 the Boy Scouts will be holding their annual food drive. Help is needed at the Falls Area Food Pantry (N85 W15382 Menomonee River Pkwy) between 9:30 am-1:00 pm. You do not need to sign up in advance. Children who are old enough to do the required work are welcome, but children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult. On Saturday, May 13 the Post Office is holding their food drive. Help is needed at the Food Pantry from noon to 6:00pm.
○ The Holy Cross Memorial Chart, located in the Gathering Place, provides an opportunity to remember a loved one or celebrate an important day in the life of your family by supporting the purchase of flowers, one of our Mission Partners or Coffee Hour for Holy Cross throughout the year. Each square on the calendar is $25.00 and detailed sign-up instructions are available on the Memorial Chart Board. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps us to sustain these activities and ministries. Please see the Memorial Chart for more information or call the church office if you have questions 262-251-2740.

“THE BIBLE IS ALIVE, IT SPEAKS TO ME; IT HAS FEET, IT RUNS AFTER ME; IT HAS HANDS, IT LAYS HOLD OF ME”
Martin Luther