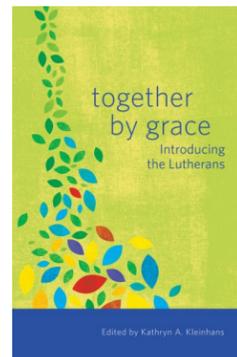




**SUNDAY September 17, 2017**  
**HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA**

### Join Vicar Hans for "Together by Grace"

In this quincentennial year, I'd like to invite you to join me in studying all that Lutherans have done and stood for in the past 500 years. We'll learn about our unique theology, history, worship, and missionary work. We'll study what it means to be Lutheran both here in the United States and throughout the world.



Everyone is welcome--you don't need to have been raised Lutheran or have your Small Catechism in hand to learn why 80 million people throughout the world today find Lutheranism a life-giving faith.

We'll be using the new book "Together by Grace", which we'll read together over seven weeks. Our discussions will be lively and rooted in prayer, combining our own stories and experiences with the larger story of the Lutheran movement. By placing our order together, we're getting a great deal on this full-color book--only \$10 per copy paid at the first session, which is the only cost to participate.

Two separate groups will be formed to study this book--sign up for the one that best fits your schedule:

- For those looking for something to do on Tuesday evenings, one session will meet in Holy Cross' chapel from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This will start on October 3rd and conclude on November 14th.
- For those looking to jumpstart their morning with prayer, study, and fellowship, a group will meet on Thursdays from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. at Ally's Bistro, which will be opening early especially for us! This group will begin on October 5th and end on November 16th.

Sign up either online (<https://goo.gl/forms/DHjCpiNiskY9JGSb2>) or in the Gathering Place by September 27th. Together, by God's amazing grace, we'll deepen our understanding and share in fellowship together.

Vicar Hans

### Bible Study Offering

Each week there is a gathering around God's Word through a *Daily Discipleship* Bible Study by the ELCA. The focus is from a Gospel or Epistle reading from the common lectionary of the upcoming week. What happens at the study? We reflect on a section of Scripture to address our all too human problems, sins and concerns. This last week we addressed: How many times must I forgive someone?, What is the difference between forgiveness and forgetting?, and What makes forgiveness so difficult? Are you up for some mutual fellowship around God's Word and shared experiences? Everyone is welcome to this study that meets on Thursday mornings at 11:00 am.

### Holy Cross Preschool

Many years ago, a small task force from Holy Cross had a vision of a state licensed preschool within our church. It soon became a reality and the Holy Cross Preschool just began its 18th year. It is a wonderful opportunity for outreach to our members and the community. The classrooms have been transformed into happy, fun and exciting learning places. We strive to provide the best possible preschool experience and be an important link in preparing children for future school years. We still have spots available for 2, 3 or 5 morning per week. Stop in for a visit or call the Preschool Office at 502-4104.

### Awesome New Children's Ministry

Bible Zoo is a ministry for kids who are 3 years through 1<sup>st</sup> grade and a parent or caregiver. Please join us for our first adventure which begins on September 21 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Each lesson will include a children's message, skit or puppet show, hands-on activities, games and snacks. Add these dates to your calendars.

Sept. 21: The Lions – Through the story of Daniel, kids learn "God loves me and keeps me safe."

Oct. 19: The Fish – Through the story of Jonah, kids learn that "God loves me and forgives me."

Nov. 16: The Birds – Through the story of Elijah, kids learn that "God loves me and takes care of me."

Jan 18: All the Animals – Through the story of Noah's Ark, kids learn that "God loves me and keeps his promises."

### Festival Choir Starts on October 4!

This festive choir is for members that want to sing in our Christmas concert on Saturday, December 9 at 7:00 pm and on Sunday, December 24 at 9:30 pm for the Christmas Eve Candlelight Carol Service. All are welcome to join this short term choir.

As you have heard from the beginning, His command is that you walk in love.

2 John 1:6b



### Fun for all at the Block Party

The 7th annual Block Party held last Saturday was a fun day shared by young and old alike. The entertainment tent was filled all day with members, friends and neighbors enjoying the great music provided by David Nunley, Zac and his band Tonight Only!, and VELCRO (Celebration Band and friends). The kids climbed and bounced, threw balls, blew bubbles and had their faces painted! The freshly grilled corn and sandwiches, snacks and cupcakes kept everyone going, and the Joy House service project packaged almost twice as many snack bags as planned—nice work everyone! The gorgeously costumed Reformation Fair actors and musicians added a very special element to the day. Thanks to all who attended and supported the event and special thanks to all the volunteers who made it possible!



### Northwest Trading Post Closing

Our Northwest Trading Post ministry will be closing at the end of this year. The Trading Post has served the Menomonee Falls and Northwest Milwaukee community for 15 years, opening every 3rd Monday, and only closed one evening in all that time, due to a blizzard. We are thankful for the dedication of Pat Luther and Lois Heider and all of the volunteers who have made the ministry possible, as well as those who donated items. We will stop collecting donations after October 31 and the last day the Trading Post will be open to the community will be December 18.

### Young At Heart

The senior group "Young At Heart" will meet on Wednesday, September 27 at noon in the Gathering Place. Based on the first letter in your last name, please bring the following dish to share: A-H a dessert and I-Z a hot dish or salad. Hostesses for the day are Donna Romano, Jean Stallter, June Flessert and Bea Nerad. This is the start of a new year for the group! The new president is JoAnn Hegarty and the new secretary is Mary Ann Holt. Future plans will be discussed at this meeting.

### PRAYER CONNECTION

Join the Prayer Chain or submit a request by emailing [prayerchain@holycrosslutheran.org](mailto:prayerchain@holycrosslutheran.org)

#### MEMORIALS

●Were received from Vida Stanton, Ken & Karen Kuhaupt, Paula Fiorvento, Carol Olszyk, Elizabeth Ostermeyer, Laura Klein, Doug Hein, Judy Haeberle, Andy & Terri Frailing, Theresa Erato, Ellen Kirchberger, George & Donita Bruder, Beth & Pat Dorsey, Patsy Baer, Ray & Joyce Jesmok, Melissa & Mark Rothe, Cary & Mary Sperl, Anthony Consiglio, Ingrid & Karl Koslowski, JoAnn Hegarty and Laura Klein in memory of Don Koehler.

#### MEMORIAL CHART

●Flower support is given in honor of the anniversary of Vern & Shirley Blankenburg and Jean & Greg Baermann.

●Flower support is given by Roger & Doree Meier in honor Jason & Melissa's 10th anniversary.

#### NOISY OFFERING

●Lutheran Campus Ministry

## SERVING ON September 23 & 24

### Ushers:

5:00 pm Bob & Lynda Ferguson team  
7:45 am Bev Green team  
9:00 am Glenn & Carolyn Schellhaas team  
10:30 am Mark Hacker team

### Lector:

5:00 pm Joan Reinke  
7:45 am Scott Stenstrup  
9:00 am Wendy Kalland  
10:30 am Eleonore Kamoske

### Worship Assistant:

Youth

### Altar Guild:

Connie Blahnik, Candice Ekstrom, Kim McCarty

### Greeters:

5:00 pm Mary Ann Holt, Arlene Watson  
7:45 am Pete Gullickson, Stan & Carole Grove, George & Betty Klaus  
9:00 am Donna Kennedy, Jill Konicek, Janelle Beckman & Gary Rudolph  
10:30 am Eleonore & Jack Kamoske, Stan & Mary Kay Winarski, Bobbi, Todd & Arabella Fochs

### Welcome Center:

4:40 pm Charlotte & Mason Draeger  
8:30 am Howie Westfahl  
10:00 am Jack Kamoske

## HOLY CROSS MINISTRY STAFF

Senior Pastor...Pastor Meredith Bedker Musaus  
\*Visitation Pastor...Pastor David L. Shelstad  
Minister of Care and Community...Deacon Ellie Schmidtke  
Intern...Vicar Hans Becklin  
Parish Administrator...Jeff Boardman  
Minister of Youth Faith Formation...Zac Meyer  
Minister of Children's Faith Formation...Sue Christiaansen  
Minister of Partnerships and Mission...Amanda Juedes  
Minister of Music...Michael Jacklin  
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Worship Schedule:

Saturday-5:00 pm

Sunday-7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 am



## TODAY

Reading: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

Lectors: Sue Haberman, Ron Jaeger, Brian Espinosa, Phil Smith

### TODAY-Sunday 17

Scrip Sale  
Worship 7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 am  
Celebration Band & Choir 9:00 am  
9th Grade Retreat 9:00 am  
Faith Development 9:00 & 10:30 am

### Monday 18

Preschool 9:00 am  
Northwest Trading Post 1:00 & 6:00 pm

### Tuesday 19

Preschool 9:00 am  
Staff Meeting 2:00 pm  
God Squad 6:00 pm  
King's Kids 6:00 pm  
Stewardship 6:00 pm  
New Beginnings Handbell Choir 6:30 pm  
Celebration Band & Choir 7:00 pm

### Wednesday 20

Preschool 9:00 am  
Quilters 9:00 am  
Heavenly Sounds Handbells 6:00 pm  
Chancel Choir 7:00 pm

### Thursday 21

Preschool 9:00 am  
Pr. David's Bible Study 11:00 am  
Bible Zoo 6:30 pm

### Friday 22

Preschool 9:00 am  
Church Office Closes At Noon  
Reformation Rehearsal 7:00 pm

### Saturday 23

Property Team 9:00 am  
Worship 5:00 pm

### Sunday 24

Scrip Sale  
Worship 7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 am  
Celebration Band & Choir 9:00 am  
Faith Development 9:00 & 10:30 am



### SAVE THE DATE.

From Conflict to Community  
Lutheran-Catholic Commemoration  
Saturday, October 14 at 5:00 pm

## JOIN US FOR

### Women

●Mary Circle is a women's Bible study and fellowship group at Holy Cross. The group meets in Room 109 one Sunday evening every month, (usually the 3rd Sunday) usually at 6:30 pm. We begin with some fellowship time and then follow with the Bible study from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Our first meeting of the fall is starting a little earlier because of the late Packer game (go Pack!)--join us at 5:00 pm for appetizers on Sunday, September 17. We'll get you home in time for the game! For more information contact Eleonore in the church office at [leonorek@holycrosslutheran.org](mailto:leonorek@holycrosslutheran.org) or 251-2740.

### Adults

●The semi-annual blood drive with the Blood Center of Wisconsin will be held on Monday, September 25 from 2:00-6:00 pm in the Trinity Center. Sign up in the Gathering Place, go online to Holy Cross' website ([www.HolyCrossLutheran.org](http://www.HolyCrossLutheran.org)) under "What's Happening", or call the church office with your time preference.

●If you have been worshipping with us and you 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, October 8 from 9:00 am until 12:30 pm. If you would like more information, please contact Eleonore at [leonorek@holycrosslutheran.org](mailto:leonorek@holycrosslutheran.org) or 251-2740 or use the Events Sign-Up insert.

●There is a need for people willing to sew squares together to make quilt tops. This is simple straight sewing and can be done at home or during the quilters times on the first and third Wednesday mornings of the month. We put 9 1/2 inch squares together with 7 squares across and 9 squares down. This creates a finished top of about 63 inches by 81 inches. Some squares have already been laid out so you don't have to decide a pattern. People are also needed to help put quilts together on quilter's work days. We place a backing piece, a filler and a top together with pins, tie knots in each of the squares and they are finished on a serger. The only skill needed is a willingness to put knots in to strengthen the finished product. These finished quilts are distributed by Lutheran World Relief to disaster areas like Harvey & Irma hurricane hit areas, as well as areas economically deprived.

●Six processional assistants are needed for the 7:45 and 9:00 am service on Reformation Sunday, October 29. Two people will carry the torch, 1 person will carry the bible, 1 person will carry the cross and 2 people will carry ribbons. Please call Mike in the church office to volunteer or for more information.

## PRACTICE 7 GIVE



Since my money is God's money, every spending decision I make is a spiritual decision.

John Hagee