



SUNDAY September 24, 2017  
 HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA

### Meru Diocese

In 1998 the Greater Milwaukee Synod entered into a partner relationship with the Meru Diocese of Tanzania. The Meru Diocese is the smallest in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania located in the upper northeast area of Tanzania. There are 1,104 congregations in the ELCT with 1,500 ordained pastors. In 2016 Racine Pastor Elias Kitoi, who had left the region in 2003, was elected Bishop of the Meru Synod. The largest city in Meru is Usa River. Holy Cross began a partnership with Seela Parish located on the southern mountain slope of Meru. It is one of the poorest congregations in the Diocese but steadfast in faith. One of the ways we can make a difference in partnering with the Meru Diocese is by purchasing Mt. Meru Coffee, which provides fair trade coffee bean prices for many small local farmers in the Meru Diocese.

Amanda Juedes



**Sala ya Bwana**  
 (Lord's Prayer in Kiswahili)  
 Baba yetu uliye mbinguni, jina lako litukuzwe, ufalme wako uje, mapenzi yako yatimizwe hapa duniani kama huko mbinguni. Utupe leo riziki yetu, utusamehe makosa yetu, kama sisi tunavyowasamehe waliotukosea. Usititie majaribuni, lakini utuokoe na yule mwovu. Kwa kuwa ufalme ni wako, na nguvu, na utukufu hata milele. Amen.

### Reflections on Fact-Finding in Israel and Palestine

For ten days in August and September, I was able to visit Israel and Palestine with a group of ten other ELCA leaders. While most Christians visit the Holy Land as pilgrims, I was informed by our group leader prior to departure that our trip would not be a pilgrimage.

What we would be doing, however, was fact-finding. While this meant that while there are no pictures of Flat Martin at the Sea of Galilee, our group did have lots of productive meetings with politicians, journalists, and religious leaders from both Israel and Palestine.

"Vicar Hans, squinting on the Mount of Olives".



A normal day began with an early breakfast at our hotel (we stayed in Jerusalem the whole time, since it is centrally located). Then, we'd get on our bus and go to our meetings, usually two or three a day. We'd return to the hotel for a late dinner, followed by prayer and reflection time. I was very lucky to be with a group of leaders who were willing to put aside their preconceived notions and grapple with the complexity that we perceived each and every day.

We hear a lot about Israel and Palestine, from leaders, friends, and reporters. A lot of these stories are in conflict with one another. But if there's one thing that I learned from my fact-finding in Israel and Palestine, it's this: don't believe any story that places all the blame all on one side and leaves the other blameless.

Why is this an important way to look at the conflict over the land that the three Abrahamic religions call holy? Well, it respects the complexity of the issue. In closed-door meetings with respected leaders and journalists, even the most hard-line politician would admit to the ambiguity of the political situation, the fear of both Israelis and Palestinians when faced with conflict that so often turns violent, and the deep connection to the land on both sides.

After hearing so many stories, I came to this conclusion: only with God's help will this complex conflict between Israel and Palestine be resolved. Jerusalem--the city at the center of the conflict, the hoped-for capital of both states--has been a contested place since biblical times. So let us pray with the psalmist:

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

"May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers." For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, "Peace be within you." For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good. (Psalm 122:6-9, NRSV)

Vicar Hans

But I call to God and the Lord saves me.

Psalm 55:16



### SAVE THE DATE

Stephen Ministry Workshop-Oct. 21 at 9:00 am

### New Member Class

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 [eleonorek@holycrosslutheran.org](mailto:eleonorek@holycrosslutheran.org) or 251-2740 or use the Events Sign-Up insert.

### Join Us For...

Dinner tickets are now on sale for the Reformation Concert! This wonderful meal, served by The Kitchen Angels, will be held on October 21 from 5:00-6:30 pm. Tickets are \$7.00 each and children under the age of 12 are free. The last day to purchase a dinner ticket is Sunday, October 15. Tickets are on sale after worship services and in the church office. After dinner, get ready to enjoy our Reformation Concert.

### Flu Shots At Holy Cross

Holy Cross and Walgreens will be offering flu shots on Sunday, October 1 from 8:30-10:30 am in the Chapel. Walgreens supports the Get a Shot. Give a Shot® program which helps provide lifesaving vaccines to families in developing countries through the United Nations Foundation. The cost is \$24.99. There is no charge for Medicare/Medicaid enrollees and some insurances cover this cost, so bring in your card to see if you are covered.

### Pet Blessing

Celebrate God's Creation and Love for all Living Things! A worship service focusing on the blessing of animals will be held on Saturday, October 7 at 5:00 pm in the Trinity Center. All living things are welcome to attend! Animals are encouraged to be in crates, cages, bowls or on leashes.



### PRAYER CONNECTION

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

#### MEMORIALS

- Were received from Caryl & Lola Braaten, Ken & Wilma Borgwardt, Adam & Darlene Offenbecher, Greg & Brenda Trautman, Linda & Dave Doucette, Nancy Blatnik and Betty Lissack in memory of Don Koehler.
- Was received from Cynthia Aspen in memory of Eileen Momsen.

#### MEMORIAL CHART

- Flower support is given in memory of Elsie Radke.

#### THANKS

- Were received from Falls Area Food Pantry, Crossways Camping Ministry, and Outreach for Hope for our generous donations.

#### NOISY OFFERING

- Lutheran Campus Ministry

## October 2017 Connection

### **Ushers**

#### Oct. 7 & 8

5:00 pm Marvin Jacobson team  
7:45 am Arlene Mahnke team  
9:00 am Ken Dux team  
10:30 am Andy & Teri Frailing team

#### Oct. 14 & 15

5:00 pm Pat Hansen team  
7:45 am Ron Jaeger team  
9:00 am Walter Blahnik team  
10:30 am Mark Barelmann team

#### Oct. 21 & 22

5:00 pm Dave & Janet Blank Team  
7:45 am Randy Kressin team  
9:00 am Bill Marohl team  
10:30 am Oliver Olsen team

#### Oct. 28 & 29

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

### **Greeters**

#### Oct. 7 & 8

5:00 pm Lowell & Mary Carl,  
Wendy Kalland  
7:45 am Glen & Gail Borchardt,  
Bruce & Sandy Schwoch, Bob &  
Deb Stresing  
9:00 am Carol Miller, Donna  
Wechlo, Quentin Redding, Caden  
Peifer  
10:30 am Mark & Cheryl Schmitz,  
Dave & Diane Jewell

#### Oct. 14 & 15

5:00 pm Barb Berg & Mary Ann  
Holt  
7:45 am Patsy Baer, Glenn &  
Carolyn Schellhaas  
9:00 am Donna James Romano,  
Avis Dallman, Richard & Donna  
Hoffman  
10:30 am Nancy Barelmann, Susan  
Gartzke

#### Oct. 21 & 22

5:00 pm Paul & Anne Lindemann,  
Kaeley Gensler, Stephanie  
Truckenmiller  
7:30 am Don & Sandy Earnest,  
Marilyn Heyde, Sandy & Bob  
Schlag  
9:00 am Bob & Coleen Reshel,  
Betty Redding  
10:30 am George & Donita Bruder,  
Darlene Kullmann, Nick & Vicki  
Montijo

#### Oct. 28 & 29

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

### **Worship Assistants**

#### Oct. 8

Deni Naumann

#### Oct. 15

Youth

#### Oct. 22

Mark Christiaansen

#### Oct. 29

Deni Naumann

### **Lectors**

#### Oct. 7 & 8

5:00 pm Kalli Young  
7:45 am Joan Timmerman  
9:00 am Mike Naumann  
10:30 am Steve Tretheway

#### Oct. 14 & 15

5:00 pm Pam Koutecky  
7:45 am Cathy Brill  
9:00 am Arlene Watson  
10:30 am Brandon Montijo

#### Oct. 21 & 22

5:00 pm Lowell Carl  
7:45 am Mary Fieldhack  
9:00 am Bill Winge  
10:30 am Sue Lievrouw

#### Oct. 28 & 29

5:00 pm Paul Bedker  
7:45 am Ron Jaeger  
9:00 am Deni Naumann  
10:30 am Michael Burnham

### **Altar Guild**

Avis Dallman, Michelle Moderski,  
Robyn Zinda, Julie Bandt

### **Welcome Center**

#### Oct. 7 & 8

4:40 pm Pam Oliveresen  
8:30 am Evangelism  
10:00 am Evangelism

#### Oct. 14 & 15

4:40 pm Evangelism  
8:30 am Kelly & Steve Stapelman  
10:00 am Stan & Mary Kay  
Winarski

#### Oct. 21 & 22

4:40 pm Mary Ann Holt  
8:30 am Avis Dallman  
10:00 am Angie Nelson

#### Oct. 28 & 29

4:40 pm Charlotte & Mason  
Draeger  
8:30 am Linda Schmidt  
10:00 am Carol Miller

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 7:45am - Worship @ 8:30am - Flu Shot @ 8:30am - Scrip Sale @ 9am - Celebration Band 9am - Faith 9am - Worship @ 10:30am - Faith 10:30am - Worship/Bart	2 9am - Preschool @	3 9am - Elizabeth Circle @ 9am - Preschool @ 10am - Staff Meeting @ 6pm - God Squad @ 6pm - King's Kids @ 104 6:30pm - Book Club @ 6:30pm - New 6:30pm - Vicar Hans 7pm - Baptism Seminar 7pm - Celebration Band	4 9am - Preschool @ 9am - Quilters @ 6pm - Heavenly Sounds 7pm - Chancel Choir @ 7pm - Student Ministry 8pm - Festival Choir @	5 6:30am - Vicar Hans 9am - Preschool @ 9:30am - Preschool 11am - Pr. David Bible 6:30pm - Youth Team @	6 <b>Church Office Closes At</b> 9am - Preschool @ 5pm - Shelstad/Barthel 6:30pm - Movie Night @ 7pm - Rehearsal for	7 10am - Orchestra 2pm - Shelstad/Barthel 5pm - Worship - Pet
8 7:45am - Worship @ 8:30am - Scrip Sale @ 9am - Celebration Band 9am - Faith 9am - New Member 9am - Worship @ 10:30am - Faith 10:30am - Worship @	9 9am - Preschool @ 6pm - Stephen Ministry	10 9am - Preschool @ 10am - Staff Meeting @ 6pm - God Squad @ 6pm - King's Kids @ 104 6pm - MEB @ 6:30pm - New 6:30pm - Vicar Hans 7pm - Celebration Band 7pm - Glocal @ 102/103	11 8am - Young At Heart 9am - Preschool @ 9:30am - Preschool 1pm - Martha Circle @ 6pm - Heavenly Sounds 7pm - Chancel Choir @ 7pm - Student Ministry 8pm - Festival Choir @	12 6:30am - Vicar Hans 9am - Preschool @ 11am - Pr. David Bible 5:30pm - Community 5:30pm - Internship 6pm - Preschool Open 7pm - Council @ 7pm - Preschool Board	13 <b>Church Office Closes At</b> 8am - Food Pantry 9am - Preschool @	14 3pm - D.A.F @ 5pm - Blood Pressure 5pm - Worship- 6pm - Catholic and
15 7:45am - Worship @ 8:30am - Blood 8:30am - Mt. Meru 8:30am - Scrip Sale @ 9am - Celebration Band 9am - Faith 9am - Worship @ 10:30am - Faith 10:30am - Worship/Zam 6pm - Mary Circle @	16 9am - Preschool @ 1pm - Northwest 6pm - Northwest	17 9am - Preschool @ 10am - Staff Meeting @ 6pm - God Squad @ 6pm - King's Kids @ 104 6pm - Stewardship @ 6:30pm - New 6:30pm - Vicar Hans 7pm - Celebration Band	18 9am - Preschool @ 9am - Quilters @ 6pm - Heavenly Sounds 7pm - Chancel Choir @ 7pm - Student Ministry 8pm - Festival Choir @	19 6:30am - Vicar Hans 11am - Pr. David Bible 6:30pm - Bible Zoo @	20 <b>Church Office Closes At</b> 10am - Stephen 7pm - Reformation Full	21 7:30am - Men In 8am - Stephen Ministry 5pm - Concert Dinner @ 5pm - Scrip Sale @ 5pm - Worship @ 7pm - Reformation
22 <b>Receive New Members</b> 7:45am - Worship @ 8:30am - Scrip Sale @ 9am - Celebration Band 9am - Faith 9am - Worship @ 10:30am - Faith 10:30am - Worship @	23 9am - Preschool @ 6pm - Stephen Ministry 6:30pm - Christian Ed @	24 8am - Luther Manor- 9am - Preschool @ 10am - Staff Meeting @ 6pm - Evangelism @ 6pm - God Squad @ 6pm - King's Kids @ 104 6:30pm - New 6:30pm - Vicar Hans 7pm - Celebration Band	25 9am - Preschool @ 9:30am - Preschool 12pm - Young At Heart 5:30pm - Care & 6pm - Heavenly Sounds 7pm - Chancel Choir @ 7pm - Confirmation 7pm - Student Ministry 8pm - Festival Choir @	26 6:30am - Vicar Hans 9am - Preschool @ 9:30am - Preschool 11am - Pr. David Bible 5:30pm - Community	27 <b>Church Office Closes At</b> 9am - Preschool @	28 9am - Property @ 109 5pm - Worship @
29 <b>Reformation Sunday</b> 7:45am - Worship @ 8:30am - Scrip Sale @ 9am - Celebration Band 9am - Faith 9am - Worship @ 10:30am - Faith 10:30am - Worship @ 11:30am - Tween's 12:30pm - Confirmation 2:30pm - Confirmation	30 9am - Preschool @	31 9am - Preschool @ 10am - Staff Meeting @ 6pm - God Squad @ 6pm - King's Kids @ 104 6:30pm - New 6:30pm - Vicar Hans 7pm - Celebration Band	1 <b>All Saints Day</b> 9am - Preschool @ 9am - Quilters @ 6pm - Heavenly Sounds 7pm - Chancel Choir @ 7pm - Student Ministry 8pm - Festival Choir @	2 6:30am - Vicar Hans 9am - Preschool @ 11am - Pr. David Bible 6:30pm - Youth Team @	3 <b>Church Office Closes At</b> 9am - Preschool @ 6:30pm - Movie Night @	4 <b>Daylight Savings</b> 5pm - Scrip Sale @ 5pm - Worship @ 6pm - High School

## SERVING ON September 30 & October 1

### Ushers:

5:00 pm Pat Hansen team  
7:45 am Arlene Mahnke team  
9:00 am Ken Dux team  
10:30 am Andy & Teri Frailing team

### Lector:

5:00 pm Robyn Zinda  
7:45 am Carolyn Schellhaas  
9:00 am Mark Christiaansen  
10:30 am Stephanie Truckenmiller

### Worship Assistant:

Stan Winarski

### Altar Guild:

Connie Blahnik, Candice Ekstrom, Kim McCarty

### Greeters:

5:00 pm Lee & Judy Paul, Pat Stelzer  
7:45 am Glen & Gail Borchardt, Bruce & Sandy Schwoch, Bob & Deb Stresing  
9:00 am Carol Miller, Donna Wechlo, Quentin Redding, Caden Peifer  
10:30 am Mark & Cheryl Schmitz, Dave & Diane Jewell

### Welcome Center:

4:40 pm Patti Fetzner  
8:30 am Sandy Earnest  
10:00 am Scott Rasmussen

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



## TODAY

Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Lectors: Joan Reinke, Jill Konciek, Wendy Kalland, Eleonore Kamoske

### TODAY-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

### Monday 25

Preschool 9:00 am  
Blood Drive 2:00 pm  
Stephen Ministry 6:00 pm  
Christian Ed 6:30 pm

### Tuesday 26

Preschool 9:00 am  
Staff Meeting 10:00 pm  
Evangelism Team 6:00 pm  
God Squad 6:00 pm  
King's Kids 6:00 pm  
New Beginnings Handbell Choir 6:30 pm  
Celebration Band & Choir 7:00 pm

### Wednesday 27

Preschool 9:00 am  
Young At Heart 12:00 pm  
Care & Community 5:30 pm  
Heavenly Sounds Handbells 6:00 pm  
Chancel Choir 7:00 pm  
Student Ministry Night 7:00 pm

### Thursday 28

Preschool 9:00 am  
Pr. David's Bible Study 11:00 am  
Community Banquet 5:30 pm  
Worship Team 6:00 pm

### Friday 29

Preschool 9:00 am  
Church Office Closes At Noon  
Knop/Chudy Rehearsal 5:00 pm  
Reformation Rehearsal 7:00 pm

### Saturday 30

Knop/Chudy Wedding 2:00 pm  
Worship 5:00 pm

### Sunday 1

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



## JOIN US FOR

### Children

●It's time for the best movie night ever! We welcome all 2nd-6th grade students and their friends to attend the first fall movie night on Friday, October 6 from 6:30-8:30 pm. We'll be showing the film "The Long Haul" from the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series. In the movie, Greg Heffley is done spending time with his family -- he'd rather have fun this summer so he can forget about a humiliating video. His plans are foiled when his mom plans a cross-country family road trip to Greg's great-grandmother's house for her 90th birthday. When it doesn't seem like things could get any worse, his mom declares it a technology-free vacation! We'll provide the snacks and even play a couple of games during an intermission. Kids may want to bring along blankets and pillows to get comfortable. If you are interested in being a chaperone please contact Sue at [suec@holycrosslutheran.org](mailto:suec@holycrosslutheran.org).

### Adults

●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.

●Young at Heart, a senior group at Holy Cross, will meet on September 27 at noon in the Gathering Place. JoAnn Hegarty will introduce the PBS presentation "Luther and the Reformation" by Rick Steves. The showing will begin at 1:15 pm. All are welcome to view this interesting story. There will also be a short talk by Dawn Hinton regarding volunteer opportunities. Dessert and coffee will be served afterwards. Mark your calendar...their Christmas Party will be held on December 13 at Village Bowl.

●Festival Choir starts on October 4! This 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 group.

●The Holy Cross CrossThreads group recently gave 57 baby/child size blankets to the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and 12 to the outreach program at Hephatha Lutheran Church. Thank you to those volunteering their time and skill to this program. If you would like to help create children's blankets or quilts; we prefer sizes close to 30"x40"; 36"x50"; or 40"x60". They can be knitted, crocheted or sewn but must be made of all new fabric for hospital donation.

## PRACTICE 7 GIVE



If your investments are limited to this earth, you are the world's worst investor.

John Hagee