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Blessed are the Pure in Heart,



for they shall see God.

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151 Years of God's Grace

Sharing with Everyone the Good News of Salvation Through Jesus Christ!

Divine Service with
Holy Communion
9:00am

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

Welcome to
Holy Cross Lutheran Church
WARDA, TEXAS - LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD
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Sunday, September 1, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

✠ IN NOMINE JESU ✠
(In the Name of Jesus)

GUESTS & VISITORS: 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.

OUR COMMUNION POLICY: 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: *We Are Cleansed and Sustained by the Word of God* Wickedness and evil come "from within, out of the heart," and that is what defiles a person (Mark 7:21–23). Hence, we cannot save ourselves, because we are sinful and unclean from the inside out. But as the Lord Jesus "declared all foods clean" (Mark 7:19), so He cleanses us by His Word, the preaching of repentance and the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, "listen to the statutes and the rules" of the Lord, "and do them, that you may live" (Deut. 4:1). For His Word is righteous, and to live according to it is "your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples" (Deut. 4:6). Cling to His Word, and also teach it "to your children and your children's children" (Deut. 4:9). Put on this "armor of God" by hearing and heeding what He speaks to you, that you may "stand firm" in the evil day (Eph. 6:11–13). Gird yourself with the righteousness of Christ, by faith in the "gospel of peace," and take up "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God," by confessing Christ Jesus and "praying at all times in the Spirit" (Eph. 6:14–18).

PRELUDE - Selected

THE RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

Hymn 3

[Please stand]

INVOCATION

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

C **♪ 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 **♪ Who made heaven and earth.**

Psalm 124:8

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C **♪ And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

Psalm 32:5

C **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.

C **♪ Amen.**

[John 20:19-23]

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT - *Psalm 51:7, 10-12; antiphon v. 2*

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Your presence,
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

GLORIA PATRI

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☩ **♪** **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

☩ The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
☩ **♪** **And with thy spirit.**
☩ O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
☩ **♪** **Amen.**

[Please sit]

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

¹“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. . . .

⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the Lord, you His saints,

for those who fear Him lack nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for

me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel,²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C 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

Matthew 5:8

C **♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

C **♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:14-23

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

C **♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹⁴[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

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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 only-begotten 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 *God's Word is Our Great Heritage*

Hymn 283

SERMON “Cleanliness and Godliness”

[Please stand]

OFFERTORY

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☩ **♪** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Psalm 51:10-12

[Please sit]

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

PAUSE TO PONDER: Deuteronomy 4:6 – “Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’” There is no wiser, more fulfilling life than a life lived according to the Word of God. We should be encouraged by this when the world tempts us to think that the Word of God is harmful to us. Our Father loves us, so all His Word is meant to bless us. We may have to suffer for upholding the Word of God, as St. John the Baptist did. But the cross the Lord has for us to bear will be far better than any we would create for ourselves.

[Please stand]

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, be near us with Your Word and Spirit. Guide and lead us, that we may not stray from the way of Your commandments nor forget the wonderful blessings that You have given to us. Direct us always with Your Word of truth. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Remember, kind Father, the preachers of Your Word. Keep them from adding to it or taking from it. Give them grace to proclaim Your whole counsel in Christ Jesus. Raise up new laborers for Your harvest fields, and prosper Your Law and promises throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all knowledge and wisdom, grant us to know You and Your love. Bless pastors and teachers, parents and grandparents, and all teachers of the faith, that we may grow up into You. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, look with compassion on our nation and all who bear public office. Give them wisdom, courage and integrity. Destroy and hinder in our common life whatever is not pleasing to You, and bless and prosper whatever accords with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of life, bring health and healing to Your people. We pray for everyone in need of Your mercy today including Frances, Carolyn, Dana, Clayton, and all those on our hearts and minds today. Strengthen them with Your Word of grace, that they would look to You for comfort in the midst of suffering and pain. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Father, we thank You that Christ has given His body and blood into death for our forgiveness. Bless us as we receive this same body and blood in His Holy Sacrament, remembering and proclaiming with joy the salvation He accomplished for us in His death and resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, we offer You our thanks and praise for Your servants who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. Bring us with them to the unspeakable joys of Your new heavens and new earth at the day of our Savior's glorious appearing. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
- C** *♪* **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*
- C** *♪* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *[Psalm 136]*
- C** *♪* **It is meet and right so to do.**
- P** 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

- C** *♪* **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'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, 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:
- C** **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*

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*
- C** *♪* **Amen.**

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

- C** *♪* **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

<i>By Grace I'm Saved, Grace Free and Boundless</i>	Hymn 373
<i>Come, Thou Almighty King</i>	Hymn 239
<i>All Glory Be to God Alone</i>	Hymn 238
<i>I Come, O Savior, To Thy Table</i>	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

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C **♪** 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 We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C **♪** **Amen.**

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

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2 Timothy 4:22

P The Lord be with you.

C *♪* **And with Thy spirit.**

P Bless we the Lord.

[Psalm 103:1]

C *♪* **Thanks be to God.**

P 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 *✠* and give Thee peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C *♪* **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word

Hymn 261

POSTLUDE

OUTREACH THOUGHT: Mark 7:14-23: So many of the Pharisees and teachers of the law in Jesus' day were preoccupied with rituals and ceremonies instead of worshipping the only true God from their heart. Our hearts overflow with the truth of God's saving grace as we believers share the Good News of Jesus with people who are still living in spiritual darkness.

LOOKING AHEAD: Next week, our texts shift from Jesus responding to His critics back to a significant part of His ministry—healing the sick. But is Jesus for everyone?! When a woman from outside Israel approaches Jesus, that's the question in everyone's mind. Join us next week to see how it turns out! Readings are Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-10, 14-18; Mark 7:24-30, 31-37.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Pictorial Directory - Friday is the last day to submit your family picture for our church directory. Please email it to holycrosswarda@gmail.com by Friday, September 6th. Also, please be sure and verify your address and phone number are listed correctly. Lee Heselmeyer has taken on the responsibility of helping finish up our church photo directory. Group photos (Ladies Aid, Couple's Club, Youth, etc. also need to be sent over to Lee at leehesel@yahoo.com. Deadline for all photos to be included is Friday, Sept. 6th.

Sunday School - We are in need of volunteers to serve as Sunday School teachers. You can serve on a regular, rotating basis or just as a substitute we can call on when needed. If you are willing to help out or would like more info., please call Patty Schulze at 512-914-5748 or talk to any member of the Board of Ed.

NEW VIDEO SYSTEM - At the Voter's meeting on July 29th, the voters assembly approved the purchase of a new VIDEO SYSTEM for the church sanctuary. Donations are currently being taken for the Audio Visual fund to help offset the cost of this project. If you would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to Holy Cross Lutheran Church and note Audio Visual fund in the memo line. We look forward to getting this up and going and once again being able to record and broadcast our services!

Fried Chicken Dinner: The St. Paul Lutheran Church Adult Fellowship in Serbin are having their 27th annual fried chicken dinner on Sunday, September 8th from 10:00-12:00 at the Serbin Picnic Grounds. Preorders are preferred and all to-go plates will be sold for \$15.00. If you would like to order plates please contact Susan Michael at 540-0854 or Sharon Claxton at 540-7154 **by September 2nd**. All proceeds will be going toward future church/school projects. Thank You!

Camp Lone Star Family Fun Nights are back starting on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 5:30 at Camp Lone Star. Join us at our **La Grange Campus** one Tuesday a month during the school year from 5:30-7:30pm for an evening of family fun! For our next event on Sept. 10 — join us for a FREE night of FAMILY FUN with dinner, an outdoor movie (*The Prince of Egypt*), popcorn, and more! We'll have benches available, but feel free to bring your own blankets and lawn chairs for extra comfort. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors — everyone is welcome!

Lee County 4-H Annual Fried Chicken Dinner will be Sunday, September 15th, at the Lincoln Community Center. Drive-thru only from 10:00-12:30. Plates are \$15 each. Tickets can be purchased from Bryn Henderson, the Beck boys, or in line on the 15th.

WENDISH FEST: The 36th Annual Wendish Fest will be hosted by St. Paul Lutheran Church and the Texas Wendish Heritage Society on Sunday, September 22, 2024 in Serbin, Texas. Guest speakers for the 8:30 English Church Service and the 10:30 German Church Service will be Rev. Bernie Schey, Rev. John Schmidt, St. Paul Serbin (English Liturgy), and Rev. Thomas Obersat of Ebenezer Manheim (German Liturgy). Church tours will be offered at 12:30 & 1:30p.m. The day will offer lots of Wendish history, heritage, culture and family activities at the St. Paul Picnic Grounds. Tickets for the traditional Wendish noon meal will go on sale at 10:30 a.m. Adults are \$15 and children \$6. To-Go and drive-thru will also be available at 9:30 – all take-out meals are \$15. The joy of polka music will be shared throughout the day by the Jodie Mikula Orchestra, and students of St. Paul Lutheran School will present Ptači Kwas (Wendish Bird Wedding). The Texas Wendish Heritage Museum Complex will feature Wendish folkways, demonstrations and exhibits, a German Christmas Market and the traditional decorated Wendish Easter Egg demonstrations and sales. Research and genealogy assistance will be available. Wendish Fest is made possible through the work of many volunteers. We appreciate each and every one! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the museum or Katy Kasper. For information contact 979-366-2441 or museum@texaswendish.org or www.texaswendish.org

Attendance Last Sunday

Divine Service: 160 Bible Class: 46 Sunday School: 22

Our Response to God’s Blessings

	<u>Aug. 18</u>	<u>Aug. 25</u>
Estimated General Fund Weekly Need	\$ 5,505	\$ 5,505
Offering Received	\$ 4,657	\$ 3,735
Short/Over	\$ (848)	\$(1170)

Due to a significant increase in the church insurance policy, our weekly giving need is also being increased from \$5,220 to \$5,505. Please contact a Trustee if you have any questions.



Retreat Success

FLHS students were privileged to spend last Thursday and Friday at Camp Lone Star. This was part of our annual student retreat. Students were able to participate in challenge courses, learn about conflict-resolution from a Biblical perspective, grow together as a family, and have loads of fun!

Volleyball Season Underway

Faith Lutheran has their first ever volleyball team this season. The girls already participated in the Faith Academy Tournament on August 16 and 17, and got the program's first WIN! The next game is Thursday, September 5th at St. Paul Catholic in Shiner TX, beginning at 5pm.

Thank You!

Thank you for all the prayers and support you have offered on behalf of FLHS. As we have begun another year, we are thankful for each of you who faithfully pray and support the ministry God has created at FLHS. Thank you, on behalf of the students who will be instilled with wisdom as they become faithful leaders tomorrow, for your generous support!

Thrivent Action Team Grants

If you are a Thrivent member willing to submit an application for a \$250 grant to be used on projects at Faith, please contact Nikki Kueck by calling (979) 242-2889. Help us to be able to take advantage of these funds for the good of our school. *We are beginning to gather grants for our Oktoberfest event on October 26th.

Save the Date!

FLHS's annual Oktoberfest will be Saturday, October 26th. New this year will be **The Battle of the Vines**, in addition to **The Battle of the Brew** - both are home brew competitions, so start planning your brews now. Returning will be our traditional German meal, domino tournament, cornhole tournament, music, kids games, fellowship, and lots of fun!

Follow Us On Facebook!

With a new school year underway, you may want to see the exciting things happening inside here on a daily basis! By "liking" our Facebook page and "sharing" our posts, you will be in the loop on all the great things happening and sharing Faith with your friends as well. If you're not on social media, head to our website (fhlstx.org) which is updated regularly as well.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Frances Gray, undergoing treatment for cancer

Carolyn Jurk, diagnosed with Parkinson's disease

Dana Herzog Srubar, niece of Lorie Lehmann, cancer has returned

Clayton, brother-in-law of Debbie Knox, recovering from open heart surgery

Those who serve today: September 1, 2024

Rev. Dustin Beck	Pastor
Mrs. Gina Sanders	Organist
Mrs. Lorie Lehmann	Greeter
Mr. Jonathan Kueck	Lector
Mrs. Linda Hobratschk	Audio/Video System
Dylan Beck	Acolyte

Elder on Duty
Mr. Jonathan Kueck

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Holy Communion CHURCH PICNIC
MONDAY		Church Office Closed
TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Elders
WEDNESDAY	10:30 a.m.	FLHS Chapel
	11:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Jr. Confirmation - 2nd Yr.
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Jr. Confirmation - 1st Yr.
	7:00 p.m.	Nominating Committee
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Sewing Circle
THURSDAY-FRIDAY		Pastor Beck to LWML Mtg. at Camp Lone Star
Next Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Adult & Youth Bible Class & Sunday School

Soli Deo Gloria

(To God alone be Glory)