



# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

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I am  
the LORD  
your God  
Who brought  
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*Sharing with Everyone the Good News of Salvation Through Jesus Christ!*

Divine Service  
9:00 a.m.  
Holy Communion  
1st & 3rd Sundays

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

*Welcome to*  
**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**  
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Sunday, March 3, 2024

Third Sunday in Lent

✠ 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:**

***The Crucified and Risen Body of Jesus Is the True Temple of the Lord***

The Lord rescues His people, Israel, "*out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery*" (Ex. 20:2) and makes His gracious covenant with them, defined by the Ten Commandments. Since He has become their God by His grace, they shall be His people, having "*no other gods*" before Him (Ex. 20:3). He is "*jealous*" for them as a husband for his wife and as a father for his children. He has named them with His name and called them to rest in Him (Ex. 20:5–9). The incarnate Son, Christ Jesus, is likewise jealous for His Father's house, because it is to be a place of divine grace and Sabbath rest for His people, and not "*a house of trade*" (John 2:16–17). His zeal consumes Him as He gives up "*the temple of his body*" to the destruction of the cross, but in three days He raises it up again to be the true temple forever (John 2:17–21). By His crucifixion He cleanses the entire household, and in His resurrection He becomes "*wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption*" (1 Cor. 1:30).

**PRELUDE - *Selected***

# THE RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### OPENING HYMN

*“Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain”*

*Hymn 288*

*[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.**

*Psalms 124:8*

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

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

*Psalms 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 and 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** - *Psalms 69:14-16, antiphon v. 9*

For zeal for your house has consumed me,

**and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.**

Deliver me from sinking in the mire;

**let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters.**

Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up,  
**or the pit close its mouth over me.**

Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is good;  
**according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.**

For zeal for your house has consumed me,  
**and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.**

## 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*

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT FOR THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

**☩** **♪** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; 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

*Exodus 20:1-17*

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup>“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>“You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>“You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will

not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>“You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>“You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>“You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL

*Hebrews 12:2*

O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

**the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

**and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

## EPISTLE READING

*1 Corinthians 1:18-31*

<sup>18</sup>The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is

wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

**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]*

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 2:13-25*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

**C** **♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.” <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to him, “What sign do you show us for doing these things?” <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, “It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?” <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking about the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

<sup>23</sup>Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. <sup>24</sup>But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people <sup>25</sup>and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

**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**     *“The Law of God Is Good and Wise”*

*Hymn 295*

**SERMON**                             “God’s Good Law”

*[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**

**PAUSE TO PONDER:** John 2:16 – “And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.”” The Lord’s house is not a place to sell, but a place to receive and a place to give. It’s not a place for our schemes and plans. Instead, the church is a place for the Lord’s gracious giving and our faithful sacrifices in response.

*[Please stand]*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

O Lord, You are a jealous God. Save the third and fourth generations that will come after us from Your punishment. Fill us with Your Son's zeal for Your house, that we may cast every idol from our hearts and be devoted to You and Your commandments. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, Your Son's cross and crucifixion is folly to the world, but it is the source of repentance and forgiveness for all His elect. Preserve the preaching of the cross in our midst, that from this life-giving tree we would continually receive Your faith-preserving gifts. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, preserve and bless all Christian households, that husbands and wives would live in love and service to each other, that fathers and mothers would diligently bring up their children in Your fear, and that children would honor their parents and be well equipped for service to their neighbors in this life. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord of the perfect Law, You have called us to honor our parents and all other authorities, that it may go well with us in our land. Bless and all who govern us. Make them wise in Your ways, that Your justice may be upheld among us. Help us to serve and obey them in accord with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our God, Your steadfast love in Christ is good. Turn in Your abundant mercy toward all who suffer in our midst especially Conway, Wilma, Jeanette, Travis, Whitney, Wesley, Cindy, Audrey, Charles, Clayton, Sandra, and all those we name in our hearts. Do not let the flood sweep over them nor the pit close its mouth on them. Deliver them and grant them healing, comfort and peace. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer, though we cannot even discern all our errors, declare us innocent in Christ of all hidden faults, and by Your Holy Spirit keep us back from presumptuous sins. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, You bless this day and make it holy with Your Word and the gifts of Your altar. Grant that we may come before Your presence to eat Your Son's body and blood, not boasting of ourselves, but of Christ alone. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer, three days after the temple of Your Son's body was destroyed by wicked men He raised it up again. Grant that on the Last Day we and all the saints who now rest in Your presence may share in the glory of His resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**



Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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### 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. Who on the tree of the cross didst give salvation unto mankind that, whence death arose, thence Life also might rise again; and that he who by a tree once overcame might likewise by a tree be overcome, through Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom 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.**

**☩** **♪** 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>“That Man a Godly Life Might Live”</i>	<i>Hymn 287</i>
<i>“Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing”</i>	<i>Hymn 155</i>
<i>“Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light”</i>	<i>Hymn 148</i>
<i>“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”</i>	<i>Hymn 315</i>

### **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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**☩** **♪** 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**

**☐** Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**☩** **♪** **And His mercy endures forever.** *Psalm 107:1*

**☐** 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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**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**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**

*“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”*

*Hymn 409*

## **POSTLUDE**

**OUTREACH THOUGHT:** John 2:13-22 (23-25): When we are passionate about something, it is apparent to all those around us. Jesus was passionate about His Father’s house. After He cleansed the temple, His disciples remembered what was written, “Zeal for Your house will consume me.” May the Holy Spirit instill us with a zeal for Christ so that we may boldly speak His Good News and share His mercy and love with a world in desperate need of it.

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday Morning Bible Class** during Lent: Join us for the next 6 weeks for a study and conversation about the Lord's Supper. What is it? Why is it a good thing for Christians to receive? And, on a practical level, does it matter how frequently it is celebrated? This study will look at a book called *The Blessings of Weekly Communion*. Our intention is to have a conversation about the benefits and blessings of weekly communion. So, please, come! Bring your questions and concerns as we discuss this important question together!

**The Ladies Aid** will meet again on Tuesday, March 5th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the old parish hall. Their guest speaker will be Christine Mittasch with the F5 Campaign. Everyone is invited to join us to learn more about this great program helping kids at risk of hunger in our area.

**Socks and Undies Collection** - During the month of March, the Ladies Aid will be collecting new socks and underwear to support the work of Orphan Grain Train. Men's, women's, boy's and girl's—all sizes of new socks and undies are needed. A collection bin has been placed in the hallway next to the AMEN box to place these items. Any questions? Call Cindy Heselmeyer at 713-628-1056.

**Wood Splitting** - All picnic wood crew, BBQ and Chicken cookers are asked to grab your favorite chain saw and gloves and join us at the picnic grounds at 3PM on Sunday, March 17th, to cut and split wood for the picnic. Unfortunately, we have lost quite a few trees down there again this past year. Getting them cut up and split now, before it gets so hot, will give us plenty of wood to use for the picnic. Please bring your own beverages and/or snacks. Any questions? Call Scott Schramm at 966-2394.

**Easter Lilies** - If you would like to give an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one or as a living tribute for the Easter season, please fill out a form from the table in the narthex and return it to the church office. Cost is \$16.00. Payment of flowers must accompany form. Deadline for ordering is Thursday, March 21st. *Please note, a set amount of flowers are preordered and are available on a first come, first serve basis. Be sure and order yours early.*

**The Warda Bunch Show Fund** (supporters of Lee County Junior Livestock Show exhibitors) will have a BBQ Pork Fundraiser on Saturday, April 13th. BBQ Pork Butts will be sold by the piece. Each piece will be approximately 2.5-4lbs for \$10.50/lb. 16oz. Cups of sauce are available for \$3.00 each. Orders will be taken for the number of pieces you would like (not by the pound). Pick up at the Holy Cross picnic grounds from 4PM-6PM. PreOrders only by signing up on the page on the bul-

letin board or by calling Larry Teinert at (979) 542-8372 or the Holy Cross church office at (979) 242-3333 by WEDNESDAY APRIL 3rd. Proceeds go toward continued support of exhibitors at the Lee County Junior Livestock Show.

**The Post Oak Zone LWML Spring Rally** will be held on Sunday, March 10, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fedor.

**The Manheim Parish Hall Renovation Fund BBQ Chicken** fundraiser will be held on Sunday, March 17th, at the Lincoln Community Center. Drive-thru only from 10:30 a.m. until sold out. BBQ Chickens are \$14 each, pints of noodles and beans are \$3 each and a cup of sauce is \$2.

**Attendance Last Sunday**

Divine Service: 151   Bible Class: 49  
Sunday School: 20

**Our Response to God's Blessings**

	<u>February 18</u>	<u>February 25</u>
Estimated General Fund Weekly Need	\$ 5,220	\$ 5,220
Offering Received	\$ 2,222	\$ 3,430
Short/Over	\$ (2,998)	\$ (1,790)
Offerings received through e-giving Feb. 16-29:	\$266.06	



### **National Lutheran Schools Week**

Thank you for your continued support of Lutheran Education. As we prepare to celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week, we are grateful for the opportunity to join with almost 2,000 Lutheran schools and pre-schools across the nation and world who share our mission of sharing the message of Christ with our students each day! Thank you for enabling and allowing us to do this great work for Him!

### **New Student Registration**

Registration for 2024-2025 is underway. Two new students have already enrolled and we are looking to add more students to our family. Any new student who registers for FLHS prior to **Friday, March 8, 2024** will only pay \$100 in registration fees. Register early to take advantage of this savings! You can receive registration materials by calling (979) 242-2889 or visiting our website at [www.flhstx.org](http://www.flhstx.org).

### **Spring Raffle**

TODAY is the LAST DAY to get tickets for the FLHS Spring Raffle!! Tickets are \$20 each. Drawing will be next week, March 4-8, during National Lutheran Schools Week. Items include:

\$1700 Travel Voucher with World Travel

Custom AR Rifle made by Jigsaw Weaponry (up to \$750)

Kalahari Resort - 1 night stay in 2bed/2bath suite with 5 waterpark passes

Valentine's Do Over Package (\$450+)

Relax and Chill Package (\$700+)

Staycation Package (\$400+)

Handcrafted Cedar Lineman Truck, 2024 Silver Coin and Set of Wooden Porch Rocking Chairs

Handcrafted Cedar Train, 2023 Silver Coin, and Lone Star Back Roads Framed Photo

Casserole of the Month for a year

Dessert of the Month for a year

To see details about each package, please view our Facebook page.

### **Scholarship Opportunities**

Applications are now being accepted for an academic-based scholarship from the Amanda (Zoch) Knox Memorial Scholarship Fund. This fund will pay for the full

tuition for an incoming 9th grade student of Faith Lutheran beginning in the Fall of 2024. Applications are available from Mrs. Kueck or from Cyndy Zoch (cyndy.zoch@gmail.com) and are due May 1, 2024.

### **Thrivent Choice Dollars**

If you are a Thrivent member, you may have Choice Dollars that allow you to designate where the funds go, and by sending them to Faith, you can help us continue in our mission of Instilling Wisdom Today for Faithful Leaders Tomorrow! The deadline to designate your choice dollars from 2023 is **March 31, 2024**.



**Altar flowers** are given to the glory of God in honor of Elaine Kieschnick's birthday today by Curtis Kieschnick.



Conway Whited, recovering back at home, thankful for successful surgery  
Wilma Kaiser, at home, thankful for a successful surgery  
Jeanette Schramm, recovering from successful surgery on Thursday  
Travis Miertschin, brother of Sandra Matthijetz, recovering from heart surgery on Friday  
Whitney Swearingen, daughter-in-law of Tommy & Lana Swearingen, still fighting an infection, very weak  
Wesley Cervenka, brother of Debbie Knox, under hospice care  
Cindy Huenefeld, sister-in-law of John and Tina Huenefeld, recovering from surgery  
Audrey Huenefeld, mother of John Huenefeld, home following hospitalization  
Charles Kunze, diagnosed with a medical condition  
Sandra Behrens, friend of Roger Heinrich, in Warm Springs Rehab center in Luling for physical therapy  
Clayton Wolf, son of Allen & Dolores Wolf and brother of Melissa Alford, undergoing treatments at MD Anderson

*Our sympathy* to the family and friends of +Freddie Zoch+ who was called to his heavenly home on Feb. 26. His funeral was here at Holy Cross yesterday.

*Those who serve today: March 3, 2024*

Rev. Dustin Beck	Pastor
Mrs. Carol Schramm	Organist
Mrs. Lisa Gay	Greeter
Mr. John Gay	Lector
Mr. Curtis Wedgeworth	Audio/Video System
Scarlett Landry	Acolyte

Elders on Duty  
Mr. Cory Knox  
Mr. David Weishuhn

**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Bible Class & Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Jr. Confirmation
MONDAY	12:00 p.m.	Church Office Close
TUESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Elders
	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Aid in the old parish hall
WEDNESDAY	10:30 a.m.	Lent Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Jr. Confirmation
	7:00 p.m.	Lent Worship
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Sewing Circle
FRIDAY	7:00 p.m.	Couple's Club
Next Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service
	10:15 a.m.	Bible Class & Sunday School
	10:00-12:30	Pick Up Youth Pork Steak Dinners

*Soli Deo Gloria*

(To God alone be Glory)