



HOLY CROSS

LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

A RECONCILING IN CHRIST CONGREGATION

November 30, 2025 - 9:30 am



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"Canticle of the Turning"

ELW 723

Greeting

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise

"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

ELW 249

Prayer of the Day

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Luke 1: 46-55... And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord,⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,⁴⁸ for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.⁵⁰ His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.⁵² He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;⁵³ he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,⁵⁵ according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Homily: Pastor Heather Grell

PARAMENTS AND BANNERS

"Emmanuel"

ADVENT WREATH

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

SANCTUARY GREENS

"THE HOLLY AND THE IVY"

CHRISTMAS TREE

"O CHRISTMAS TREE"

NATIVITY

"AWAY IN A MANGER"

POINSETTIAS

"Rejoice, Rejoice Believers"

Prayers & Sharing God's Peace

MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus

Offering

Special Music

Jack Fitzgerald

Offertory

"Come Now, O Prince of Peace"

ELW 247

Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Communion Hymn's

"Lamb of God"
"Fling Wide the Door"

ELW 259

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

"Christ Be Our Light"

ELW 715

Dismissal

Postlude



Christmas Poinsettias

2025



Pat Butterfield

In honor of the Holy Cross Family.

Rohn Collins & David Magnuson,

In memory of our parents.

Joe & Patti Evans,

In memory of Vaughn, Irene & David Evans.

Fitzpatrick Family,

In memory of Uncle Bo.

Barb Kay,

In memory of parents Harry & Elsie

Kelley, Alexis & Sophia Kennedy,

In memory of Yaya.

Linda Kohrs,

In memory of family

Bob & Debra Krueger,

In memory of Andrew Krueger.

Mike & Paula McDonald,

In memory of our parents.

Jim & Peg Schneider,

In honor of our children.

Jim & Peg Schneider,

In honor of Benson & Layla.

Bev Williams,

In honor of grandchildren.

Pat Butterfield,

In honor of Amy, Josh & Robbie Odson.

Rohn Collins & David Magnuson,

In memory of our grandparents.

Joe & Patti Evans,

In memory of Doug Monkman

Fitzpatrick Family,

In memory of Aunt Rose.

Barb Kay,

In memory of siblings Roger & Sandra

Kelley, Alexis & Sophia Kennedy,

In memory of Gpa.

Linda Kohrs,

In memory of family.

Bob & Debra Krueger,

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In memory of Henry, Sandy, Rosie, & Maeby.

Jason & Jen Valandra,

In memory of Mary Ellen Schadendorf.

Announcements

- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is our Saturday, December 6th from 8 to 10am. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. Donations are needed! Our most pressing needs right now are cereal, soup, bar soap and toilet paper. To help with our inventory control please only put your donations in the blue bin. Thank you for your continued support of this vital community ministry.
- ⇒ **Hanging of the Greens** Join us today for our Hanging of the Greens worship service where we decorate and prepare our worship space for the Advent Season.
- ⇒ **Advent Celebration** After worship today everyone is invited to join in the Fellowship Hall for our Advent Celebration! There will be fun Advent activities for all ages, family sizes and abilities!
- ⇒ **Christmas Caroling** Join your Holy Cross Family on December 14 at 1:45 p.m. (event: 2-4:00 p.m.) as we go Christmas Caroling to some of our members who are not out-and-about. Meet at the church at 1:45 p.m. to form groups of carolers. Music is provided, and all ages welcomed!
- ⇒ **Cookie Walk & Hot Cocoa Bar!** Save the Date—Sunday, December 21st following worship you are invited to a winter wonderland in the Fellowship Hall. The High School Youth Group will have homemade holiday cookies ready to go home with you. For a suggested donation of \$10, you can fill a to-go box to the brim! There will also be a free hot cocoa bar and a small silent auction with themed gift baskets to bid on. We hope you can join us and support the Youth Fund!
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can now support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, November 30

9:30 am Hanging of the Greens Worship
10:40 am Advent Celebration
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troup 48012 Mtg

Monday, December 1

6:30 pm Boy Scouts
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, December 2

7:30 pm AA Meeting

Wednesday, December 3

6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Radical Ringers/Youth Group

Thursday, December 4

6:30pm Carolon Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, December 5

1:00 pm Knitting
6:00 pm Pantry Prep

Saturday, December 6

8:00 am Food Pantry
1:30pm Batten Piano Recital

Sunday, December 7

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Gordon Schnack; Norm Firkins; Phyllis Beam; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

Friends and Relatives: Jim O'Grady, uncle of Pastor Heather Grell; Pat & Barry Butterfield, mother and father of Amy Odson; Deniel Algarin, nephew of Alicia Glesne; Scott Matheson, brother in law of Julie Noteman; Joshua Perilo, son of Sharon Perilo; Crosby Vargas, friend of Julie Noteman; Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sonrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; Avery W.; Ken Gross, cousin of Julie Noteman; Josh Moreau, friend of Wendy Brenner's family; Nancy Bartell, sister-in-law of Peg Schneider; Michael Schadendorf, grandfather of Edith and Tanya Valandra; Erin Peters, daughter of Gail Ginger; Anna Victor, aunt of Jen Gitt; Dave Huggins, friend of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mya Calendar, daughter of Trisha Ryan; Carol Deditz, sister of Julie Noteman; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.