

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church Crossnotes

November 2008



Pastor's Thanksgiving Message



"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:4-6

What comes to mind when you think of Thanksgiving Day? Turkey and dressing; time off from school and work; parades and football games on TV; family feasts and overeating?

Thanksgiving Day is more than just turkeys and ball games and family get-togethers. Thanksgiving Day is a special day set aside by proclamation of the President of our nation for all citizens of this land to give thanks to God for the many great blessings we enjoy. But instead, many of us, perhaps even most of us, will spend this day as we do many other days: Instead of giving thanks for what we do have, worrying about the things we do not have.

Ever since Adam and Eve fell into sin, it has been part of our sinfulness to be dissatisfied with what we have and to worry about what we do not have. Adam and Eve lived in paradise.

Everything was perfect: no illness, no hunger, no hurting, no fighting, no anger. A perfect couple, a perfect marriage, a perfect world. What more could they ask for? What more could they want? But, even they fell into the devil's trap called dissatisfaction.

The one thing they could not have, the forbidden fruit, that the serpent convinced them, was the one thing they must have to be truly happy. And so instead of giving thanks and being happy with the surpassingly great blessings they did have, Adam and Eve yearned for that which they did not have. In the process they ruined their perfect lives, ruined their perfect marriage, and brought sin and evil into our world. Trying to obtain what they did not possess they lost the greatest earthly blessings anyone ever did possess.

Still today, the devil tempts us into that old trap called: dissatisfaction. Still today instead of giving thanks for

what we do have, we worry about the things we do not have. Still today we go so far as to ruin our lives, ruin our marriages, fall into all sorts of sin and evil just to get our hands on the forbidden fruit.

A few years ago there was a story on *60 Minutes* about a special minimum security prison in Florida. It is sometimes called the country-club prison, because most of the inmates were once successful businessmen or politicians. Many of them are still worth millions of dollars. One man said that at one time he had made as much as 2 million dollars a day. What more could a person want? These men had it all, but even they threw it all away to reach for the forbidden fruit. What they had wasn't enough. They even broke the law to get more, in the process ruining their lives.

What percentage of divorces do you think are blamed at least in part on disagreements over money? According

to the experts money problems are at least partly the cause in over 90% of all divorces. And most of these are not poor people. They are people with good jobs and nice homes, comfortable people who already possess all the little luxuries of American life. And yet, instead of living together in love and giving thanks for what they do have, many couples fight and argue and worry about the things they do not have, in the process ruining their relationship in the quest for more and more things. That's why Proverbs 15:17 says, "It's better to eat a simple meal in a house filled with love, than a fancy feast in a house full of hatred."



The account of ten lepers being healed but only one returning to give thanks to Christ (Luke 17:11-19) is the traditional Gospel Reading for Thanksgiving Day. This woodcut illustrating that story is from Martin Luther's 1544 *Exposition of the Epistles and Gospels for Advent*.

It is part of our sinfulness to be dissatisfied. To forget the blessings we do have, to always be worrying about the things in life we do not have. Our materialistic society makes it even worse. Like the subtle temptations the serpent whispered in the garden, we are subtly taught in our society through advertising and the media that our main purpose in life is to acquire things, to be the ultimate consumer. Advertising leads us into the trap of believing we cannot be truly happy with what we have, that happiness comes from acquiring things, and it is exactly the things we do not yet have that finally will bring us happiness. But, then, the fashions change, or a new and improved model comes along, and once again we worry that we do not have it all.

Do you have in your mind a short little list of things you think you must have? And once you get these things, then you will finally be happy, finally be satisfied, finally be thankful, right? Wrong. An attitude of dissatisfaction sticks with you; you will simply move your sights and worry yourself about other things.

How can we put an end to this vicious cycle of dissatisfaction? How can we learn to be happy, satisfied and thankful? Paul gives us the answer: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God" (Philippians 4:6).

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Instead of an attitude of dissatisfaction, live life with "an attitude of gratitude," giving thanks to God for His many blessings, especially the greatest blessing of all: Sending His Son to pay the penalty for your sins, forgiving all your sins for Jesus' sake.

God does forgive all your sins because Jesus shed His blood on the cross for you. God even forgives your sins of thanklessness and dissatisfaction. And God promises to hear and answer your prayers, to provide for your wants and needs, as Jesus said, "Ask, and it will be given you, seek and you will find, knock, and the door shall be opened unto you" (Matthew 7:7).

Paul puts it this way in Romans 8:32, "If God did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all, will not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?" Jesus said, in the Sermon on the Mount, "Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you" (Matthew 6:24-33).

A little baby is totally dependent upon its parents. They provide for all its needs because they love their child. You are the beloved child of God. God made you His child in Holy Baptism, when He washed away your sins and implanted faith in your heart to trust in Jesus as your Savior. God your heavenly

Father will provide for your needs. As Psalm 55:22 says, "Cast your burdens upon the Lord, for He cares for you."

Casting your cares upon your heavenly Father will give you peace that all the things of this world could give, as Paul says in Philippians 4:4-7, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

Pastor Kevin Vogts



New Bible Class on Church Year Begins November 2

Have you ever wondered about the origin, meaning and significance of the "church year"?

In *The Year of the Lord's Favor*, we will use a new church year calendar from Concordia Publishing House to explore such questions as how this system of celebrations and readings was established, what the annual cycle of these seasons means, why certain colors and symbols are used for the seasons and what they signify.

This class will help you to better understand and appreciate our worship, and its thematic organization around the Church Year.

Join in Adult Bible Class on Sundays at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall beginning November 2 as we explore *The Year of the Lord's Favor*.



Hog Roast Fundraiser Success

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Hog Roast on October 19 such a big success! We served approximately 100 and received donations of approximately \$1,000!

Special thanks to Jon and Gail Dorr for providing the hog, Rev. Donald Meyer of Trinity Lutheran Church, Marcus, Iowa for roasting it for us, the Board of Elders and others who helped "pull pork," Ron and Jeannette Yockey for providing the brisket, Betty Gunderson and Ginny Peterson for helping to organize the event, all those who provided coleslaw, beans and desserts, and everyone who helped with the setup, cleanup, and in many other ways to help make this such a successful, smoothly running event.



New Church Library and Conference Room

Using existing furnishings, we have created an attractive new church library and conference room in the former secretary's office, across from the kitchen in the Educational Wing.



The Holy Cross Hog Roast on October 19 served approximately 100, including many visitors, and received donations of approximately \$1,000. Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a smooth running, successful event!

This room will serve several helpful functions. The preschool needs a quiet room for story time, student assessment testing, and parent teacher conferences. The church needs a room where smaller meetings and classes can be held, such as confirmation class, adult instruction, Sunday School, and Bible studies. Bibles are available in the cupboard marked "Bibles." We also plan to add a large marker board for use in classes and meetings.

This room has its own thermostat and separate heating and cooling system (which conveniently also serves the adjacent restrooms). To help save on the church's energy bills, it is suggested

that this room be utilized for groups of ten or less, so that larger areas such as the Fellowship Hall can be kept at minimal heating and cooling levels. There are operating instructions posted by the library thermostat.

On display in our new library are reproductions of woodcuts from the 16th-century Reformation era. Several are by the renown Lutheran artists Albrecht Dürer and Lucas Cranach the Elder. To highlight this room's use for confirmation and adult instruction, other woodcuts are from the 1531 first edition of *Luther's Large Catechism*, and the 1545 edition of *Luther's Small Catechism*, which was the last edition published in Luther's lifetime before his

death in 1546. Also adorning our new library is a rendering of our altar window.

Members are welcome to begin checking out books from the church library. At present most of the books are for children. We plan to add more books, videos, and other resources over time, to create a library that will serve all ages.

Our thanks to Margaret Waybright and Terry Vogts for painting and organizing our new church library and conference room.



BUDGET UPDATE

As of October 26, 2008

Total Offerings Budgeted
 Year-to-Date \$125,625

Total Offerings Received
 Year-to-Date \$126,867

Total Budget Surplus
 Year-to-Date \$1,242



Our next Women in Mission meeting will be on Wednesday, November 12 at 9:00am. We will be voting to approve the by-laws as well as voting on officers for 2009. Please remember to bring your mite boxes. All are invited!

All women are also invited Yankton Zone Lutheran Women's Missionary

League Fall Rally on Saturday, November 1 at Concordia Lutheran Church, on the corner of Main and University Streets in Vermillion.

The program will be about a recent mission trip to the Dominican Republic by Dianne Diekmann and Susan Buxcel of the Yankton LWML. Registration begins at 9:30am and the program starts at 10:00am. There will be a noon luncheon with a zone business meeting and skit in afternoon, ending by 3:00pm. If you are interested in attending or for more information contact Janet Martin; 232-9657; jdmartin@longlines.com.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Elders for November

Doug Jansen & Ron Yockey

November Elders Meeting

November 4, 7:00pm

Usher for November

Harold Mettenbrink

Junior Ushers for November

November 2 Zach Selby
 November 9 Evan Steemken
 November 16 Trevor Vilhaurer
 November 23 Jacob Vogts
 November 30 Zahn Bose

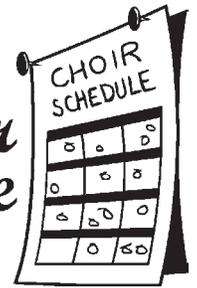
Crucifers for November

November 2 Myron Bose
 November 5 (Vespers) Kylie Martin
 November 9 Sarah Vogts
 November 12 (Vespers) Dylan Sawyer
 November 16 Kylie Martin
 November 19 (Vespers) Myron Bose
 November 23 Dylan Sawyer
 November 26 (Thanksgiving) Sarah Vogts
 November 30 Myron Bose

Acolytes for November

November 2 Megan Winborn
 November 5 (Vespers) Ashley Bargstadt
 November 9 Clarie Johnson
 November 12 (Vespers) Kasey Michels
 November 16 Ashley Bargstadt
 November 19 (Vespers) Jace Waybright
 November 23 Tiara Selby
 November 26 (Thanksgiving) ... Kasey Michels
 November 30 Emily Steemken

Choir Schedule



Holy Cross Choir is now meeting on Sundays from 11:30am-12:00pm, instead of before the service. On Sundays we sing we will warm up at 8:50am, with no rehearsal after service.

You are invited to help sing praises to the Lord in the Holy Cross Choir! During November we will sing a Thanksgiving selection, "All You Works of God, Bless the Lord," on November 9, and an Advent selection, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," on November 30.

We've recently gotten several new choir members and it's not too late to join in! All are invited to participate. For more information contact Pastor Vogts.



GUEST PREACHERS

Guest Preachers November 16 and 23

The Boy Scouts who survived the tornado at the Little Sioux Scout Ranch, including Jacob Vogts, will be recognized at the Kansas City Chiefs game on Sunday, November 16. So that Pastor Vogts and family may be included in this event, our guest minister that Sunday will be Rev. Howard Shane, retired former Executive Secretary of the South Dakota District, who is familiar to many members of Holy Cross for his efforts

helping the congregation's early growth and development in his role as Executive Secretary.

The following Sunday, November 23, Jacob Corzine, fiancé of Adriane Dorr and a student at Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, Indiana, will be our guest preacher. During the Bible Class hour he will also give a mission presentation on a recent trip he made to Madagascar.



We rejoiced to welcome these 16 new members to Holy Cross at our New Member Sunday on October 19.

Darrel and Jackie Baker—Darrel is an oral surgeon and Jackie is a homemaker. They recently sold their home in Sioux City and are building a town home in Dakota Dunes. They are currently at home in Sioux City at 25 Quail Court; 712-239-2674; bakerdarrel@msn.com. Also joining is their son, **Matthew**, who lives in Valencia, Spain where he plays in the symphony orchestra.

Rose Chapman—Rose recently moved to Dakota Dunes from Orange City, Iowa. She works at the Sterling Green apartments and is at home at 230 Courtyard Drive, #315; 712-540-1309; rose_chapman@yahoo.com.

Dennis and Marleen Kuhn—The Kuhns are in real estate and recently built a new home at 1028 Pebble Beach Drive, Dakota Dunes; 605-422-1133.

Tamela Mahrt—Tamela recently moved to Dakota Dunes from Hinton, Iowa and works in LeMars, Iowa. She is



We rejoiced to welcome 16 more new members at our New Member Sunday on October 19. Left to right: Jace Waybright, Ryan Waybright, Margaret Waybright, Tony Waybright, Dennis Kuhn, Marleen Kuh, Pastor Vogts, Rose Chapman, Glenda Schincke, Merlin Schincke, Sue Paulson, and Irvin Paulson. Not pictured: Darrel, Jackie and Matthew Baker, Tamela Mahrt, Alex Waybright.

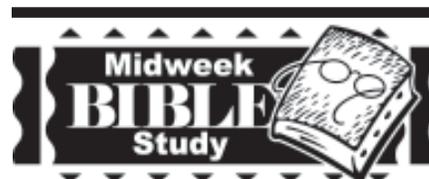
at home in Dakota Dunes at 24 Coyote Place #202; 712-253-4640.

Irvin and Sue Paulsen—The Paulsens are retired and recently moved back to this area from Nevada. They are at home in McCook Lake at 18 Union Court; 605-780-2562; irvnsue@iw.net.

Merlin and Glenda Schincke—Merlin is finance manager at Knoepfler Chevrolet and Glenda works for Hirschbach. They lived previously in Bancroft, Nebraska and are at home in Dakota Dunes at 465 Bluestem Trail; 605-422-1630.

Tony and Margaret Waybright and their sons **Jace, Ryan and Alex**—The Waybrights recently moved to Dakota Dunes from Lincoln, Nebraska. Tony is district manager for Pegler Sysco and Margaret is a homemaker. Jace is in fourth grade at Dakota Valley and Ryan and Alex are students at South Dakota State University. They are at home in Dakota Dunes at 718 Prairie Boulevard; 605-422-2403.

Welcome to the Holy Cross family of faith!



Midweek Bible Study on "Christian Decision Making" Begins October 29

Our new Midweek Bible Study is on Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm-8:30pm, following Midweek Vespers. On October 29 we will begin a study on *Christian Decision Making*.

Christians sometimes have difficulty deciding what to do. This study leads class members to trust that God loves them for Jesus' sake and to be confident that God will guide their steps. Eight lessons explore scriptural principles and examine people in the Bible who have made wise and sometimes foolish decisions. Join in Wednesdays at 7:30pm for Midweek Bible Study!



In the Gathering Room is a sign-up sheet to bring snacks for fellowship time after worship. You are welcome to bring whatever snacks you wish. Or, you may indicate when you sign up that you wish to use snacks provided by the congregation.

Those serving snacks are also asked to please prepare the coffee and juice, which along with coffee, cups, napkins, plates, etc. are available in the Coffee Bar. Thank you to all those providing and serving snacks!

There are just a few spots left for 2008. You are encouraged to sign up through the end of the year.

November 2

Ginny Peterson
Betty Gunderson

November 9

Angela Dial

November 16

Mabel Schibonski

November 23

Pat Winborn

November 30

Need Volunteer



Christian Education Office Nearing Completion

Remodeling of the former Pastor's Study in the Educational Wing as our new Christian Education Office is nearly completed. Our thanks to Ryan Dial for installing the new cabinets and desk, and Terry Vogts for painting this room.

Holy Cross Preschool Soup Supper

Help Support Holy Cross Preschool

Sunday, November 23

4:00pm-7:00pm

Adults-\$5 Children 4-12-\$3 Under 4-Free

All Invited — Everyone Welcome!

The Christian Education Office will serve as the office and teacher's workroom for the Preschool and After School Care. Supplies have been centralized here, it has its own copier, and the counter provides work space. It will also serve the needs of our congregation's other educational endeavors, such as Sunday School, Confirmation classes, and Vacation Bible School.

Eventually, as we add to our staff, it could serve as an office for a Director of Christian Education.



November 2

*"Asleep in Jesus-Forever
with the Lord"*

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

November 5 (Midweek Vespers)

"The Tenth Commandment"

November 9

"Your Calling from God"

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

November 12 (Midweek Vespers)

*"The Close of the
Commandments"*

November 16

Rev. Howard Shane

Guest Preacher

November 19 (Midweek Vespers)

"The Fulfillment of the Law"

November 23

Jacob Corzine

Guest Preacher

November 26 (Thanksgiving Eve)

"Pause to Praise"

Luke 17:11-19



Sailor Jo Kommes

Daughter of Larissa & Brent Kommes

Born October 24, 2008

7 lbs, 19 in

*"Children are a heritage from the
LORD, a blessing from Him."*

Psalms 127:3



**Order Your
Poinsettias**

We have again arranged for poinsettias through Mosher Garden Center for \$11 each. Sign up in the Gathering Room indicating that you wish to have these plants purchased for you, and put your payment in the offering marked "Poinsettias."

The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, December 3. The plants will be delivered to the church on December 5 for display beginning on Sunday, December 7.

You are also welcome to bring your own plants, if you wish to purchase them elsewhere or receive them as gifts. Please sign up on the bulletin board indicating that you will provide your own plants and drop them by the church anytime before Christmas.

After Christmas you may take home the plants you have donated or brought. When you sign up, please indicate whom your plants are in memory or honor of, the way you want it printed in the January newsletter.



**Children's
Programs
December
14 & 21**

Due to the growth of our Sunday School, this year we will have separate programs for Holy Cross Preschool and our Sunday School children. Children who are both members of Holy Cross and attend our Preschool can participate in both programs. Also, because we need some older children to do readings for the Preschool program, students who are Midweek School age, 5th-7th grades, can be in either or both programs.



**Community
Thanksgiving
Service**

Bring Your Family and Guests to Celebrate Thanksgiving
Wednesday, November 26, 7:00pm

Led by Pastor Kevin Vogts
at Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Dakota Dunes Boulevard & Bison Trail

All Invited — Everyone Welcome!

**O Give Thanks unto the LORD,
for He is Good**

The Holy Cross Preschool program will be Sunday, December 14 at 4:00pm. The Sunday School program will be the following Sunday, December 21, at 4:00pm.

Come and experience the wonder of Christmas as seen through the eyes of children!

obtained anywhere and you may provide your own vase or use one of the assortment in the Coffee Bar.

October 5

Doug & Janet Martin
Wedding Anniversary

October 12

Nyla Hamm

November 9

Doug & Sue Jansen
Veterans Day

November 16

Mabel Schibonski
Birthday

November 23

Deb Stein
Birthday

November 30

Randy Stein
Birthday

December 7

Teri Hageman



The flower calendar is located on the table in the Gathering Room. Occasions to remember include anniversaries, birthdays, in memory of loved ones, etc. Flowers may be



Meditations on Divine Mercy

In our newsletter as space allows we include selections from Johann Gerhard's *Meditations on Divine Mercy*. Gerhard was a leading Lutheran pastor and theologian in Germany during the 16th and 17th centuries. He suffered extraordinary afflictions in his life, and his experiences are reflected in this inspiring devotional book.

The devotions are in the form of extended prayers. The entire book is available from Concordia Publishing House, 1-800-325-3040, www.cph.org, stock #12-4183.

THANKSGIVING FOR PRESERVATION

OMNIPOTENT, MERCIFUL GOD, I thank You for wonderfully preserving me from the earliest days of my life. I came into this world naked (1 Timothy 6:7). You kindly clothed me. I entered this world hungry. Thus far You generously have fed me. In You, I live and move (Acts 17:28). Without You, I fall back to nothing and die. In You, I bend and move my limbs. Without You, I cannot participate in life and movement. The sun that provides me light, which I see daily with my eyes, belongs to You (Psalm 104:2; Matthew 5:45). The air that I continually breathe belongs to You. The day belongs to You. The night belongs to You. The alternation of day and night provides me opportunity for labor and rest. The earth whose fruit generously nourishes me belongs to You. Every creature in heaven, sky, land, and sea that is designated for my use and service is Yours. Silver is Yours. Gold is Yours (Haggai 2:8). For whatever is necessary for the preservation of this life, I have Your most generous and kind hands to thank.

How generous You are to the whole human race, O God. You created all things for our use. You preserve all things for our sake. Whatever You provide for creation, You provide for me because for my sake You wonderfully formed, established, and preserved all these things. Some creatures serve us by obedience. Some serve for nourishment, some for clothing, some for healing, some for punishment. All creatures teach and instruct us. Who can number the types of food that You have created and that You continue to produce from the earth to feed us? Who can count the species of herbs that You call forth from the earth each year for our healing? Who can describe the animals created for our use and for our service?

To You, the creator and preserver of all things, be glory and honor forever. Without You, the true sun, I would vanish like a shadow. Without You, the true light, I would be destroyed immediately. Without You, the true being, I would be brought to nothing instantly. To You alone do I owe my being, my living, and my moving. Therefore, I will live only for You and depend only on You for eternity.

AMEN.

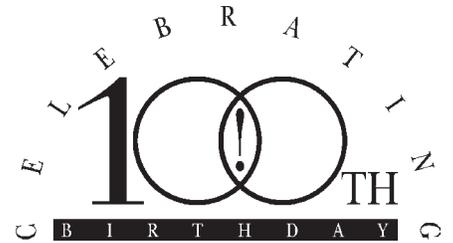


Mabel Schibonski, November 14
Kasey Michels, November 19
Debra Stein, November 23
Jane Michels, November 27

Irvin & Suellen Paulsen
November 22, 1986

Merlin & Glenda Schincke
November 23, 1974

We list members' birthdays and anniversaries in the newsletter each month and the bulletin each week. If your information is missing or inaccurate, please accept our apologies and notify the church office at 232-9117 or email holycross@longlines.com.



Our congratulations and best wishes for God's continued blessings to Holy Cross member Mabel Schibonski as she celebrates her 100th birthday on November 14. A birthday brunch in her honor will be held on Sunday, November 16 at 11:30am in the Gathering Room.

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life"
(Psalm 23:6).



Our congregation has designated a tithe of 10% of our general offerings to support the work of our District and Synod. Each month we remember in prayer in our worship services specific missionaries around the world who are supported in this way by our congregation.

November 2

Darrell and Sue Van Luchene
Indonesia

November 9

John and Doris Bowerman
Macau

November 16

Ivan and Jennifer Rasch
Nigeria

November 23

Rev. David and Radka Fiala
Slovakia

November 30

Anthony DiLiberto
Peru



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2 25th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School & Bible Class 11:30am Choir Rehearsal 	3  ELECTION DAY	4 1:00pm Women's Bible Study 7:00pm Board of Elders	5 6:15pm Midweek School 7:00pm Midweek Vespers 7:30pm Midweek Bible Study 7:30pm Board of Education	6	7  All Saints Day	1 8
9 26th Sunday after Pentecost 8:50am Choir Warmup 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School & Bible Class <i>Martin Chemnitz, Theologian, Born 1522</i>	10  <i>Dr. Martin Luther, Reformer, Born, 1483</i>	11 1:00pm Women's Bible Study VETERANS DAY 	12 9:00am Women in Mission 6:15pm Midweek School 7:00pm Midweek Vespers 7:30pm Midweek Bible Study	13	14 5:00pm Kneif-Gustman Rehearsal <i>Mabel Schibonski 100th Birthday</i>	15 4:30pm Kneif-Gustman Wedding
16 27th Sunday after Pentecost 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School & Bible Class 11:30am Mabel Schibonski 100th Birthday Brunch 	17  Newsletter Deadline	18	19 6:15pm Midweek School 7:00pm Midweek Vespers 7:30pm Midweek Bible Study <i>Kasey Michels</i>	20 21 22 <div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 5px;"> <p>Preschool Schedule Monday-Friday, 8:30am-11:15am Chapel Wednesdays 9:00am After School Care Monday-Friday, 3:15pm-6:00pm <i>Both Follow Dakota Valley Calendar</i></p> </div>		22 <i>Irvin & Sue Paulsen</i>
23 Last Sunday of the Church Year 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School & Madagascar Mission Presentation 11:30am Choir Rehearsal 4:00pm-7:00pm Soup Supper <i>Debra Stein</i> <i>Merlin & Glenda Schincke</i>	24	25	26 7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Service 	27 Thanksgiving Day	28  Church Office Hours Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-11:00am	29
30 First Sunday in Advent St. Andrew, Apostle 8:50am Choir Warmup 9:15am Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School & Bible Class 4:00pm Church Decorating 		A lmighty God, whose mercies are new every morning and whose goodness, though undeserved, still abundantly provides for all our wants of body and soul, grant us, we humbly pray, Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. <i>(Collect for Thanksgiving Day)</i>				

Deadline for Calendar Submissions or Changes is the 15th of the Prior Month
 Email to holycross@longlines.com or Leave Voicemail Message at Church Office
 This Calendar May Not Reflect Late Submissions or Changes

Holy Cross Preschool

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Help Support Holy Cross Preschool
Sunday, November 23
4:00pm-7:00pm

Adults-\$5 Children 4-12-\$3 Under 4-Free

Donations and Workers Needed
Contact Daniell Bargstadt (422-1366)

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Community Thanksgiving Eve Service



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to Celebrate Thanksgiving
Wednesday, November 26, 7:00pm

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Dakota Dunes Boulevard & Bison Trail

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Return Service Requested

Rev. Kevin Vogts, Pastor
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