



JUNE  
2009

# Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church Crossnotes



the will of God as revealed to us in His Holy Word for this is the only solid foundation upon which a civilized society can stand. The Law of God declares that homophile behavior is intrinsically sinful (Leviticus 18:22; 20:13; Romans 1:24-27). The Gospel declares that Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world (1 John 2:2) and that Christ, who knew no sin, was made to be our sin so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21). The church's proper evangelical

work is to proclaim the reconciliation of the sinner to God in the death of Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5:18-19).

Therefore, we cannot be silent regarding the Supreme Court's ruling, but must faithfully and publicly speak against it. For we are "a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that we may declare the praises of him who called us out of darkness into his wonderful light" (1 Peter 2:9).

*The Presidents of the LCMS Iowa East and Iowa West Districts issued this statement in response to the recent ruling in Iowa regarding so-called "same sex marriage."*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Crucified and Risen Savior, Jesus, this Holy week.

Like many of you, we were saddened and offended by Iowa Supreme Court ruling regarding "same sex marriage" and the response of the leaders of the Iowa Legislature ruling out any effort to overturn the decision or even discuss it.

Today there are voices telling us that we must learn to "accept" the changes that are taking place in society. The reality is, society no longer values the church's role, is suspicious of our views, and considers us irrelevant. Society has lost its moral foundation upon which to base any decisions regarding true and false, good and evil, right and wrong.

As Lutheran Christians we have a duty and an unprecedented opportunity to speak to society



**Christ our Lord conclusively defines marriage in Matthew 19:4-5: "Haven't you read that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh?'" This engraving depicting Holy Matrimony is from an 1820 edition of the Book of Common Prayer.**

We will continue to define marriage as God has, "a lifelong union of one man and one woman." We will celebrate His gift to us and defend marriage as Martin Luther reminds us in his explanation of the Sixth Commandment, "We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other."

We encourage our pastors and congregations to minister to homosexuals and their families with love and concern, calling for repentance and offering forgiveness in the Good News of Jesus Christ when there is repentance.

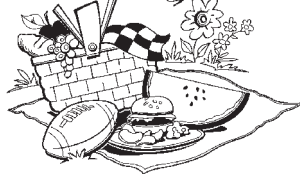
We urge all of God's people to pray for our elected leaders, our legislature, our judges that our God will grant them wisdom and understanding so that they might govern us according to His will so that our nation, our state, our communities, and all people might be truly blessed.

Your Servants in Christ,

Rev. Gary Arp, President  
LCMS Iowa District East

Rev. Paul Sieveking, President  
LCMS Iowa District West

## Church Picnic



## Church Picnic June 6

Everyone is invited to an old-fashioned Holy Cross Church Picnic on Saturday, June 6. It will be held at the Izaak Walton League facilities on the shores of McCook Lake. Take North Shore Drive west just past Dakota Valley High School/Middle School, turn left onto West Shore Drive and go south about ½ mile. The Izaak Walton League is on the left, just east of the Adams Nature Center.

Holy Cross members Ryan Dial and Joey Schroeder plan to have their boats on the lake for members' enjoyment. The boating fun will begin about 1:00pm. You can come anytime during the afternoon. The picnic itself will be for supper, beginning about 5:00pm. It will be potluck style, with hamburgers, hot dogs, and buns provided. Bring along outdoor games, balls, frisbees, etc. Also, children up to age 15 can fish

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**We rejoiced to celebrate the Confirmation and First Communion of Dylan Sawyer, Sarah Vogts and Kylie Martin on May 10.**

without a license. Others need a South Dakota license.

Plan now to come enjoy this fun day at the lake!



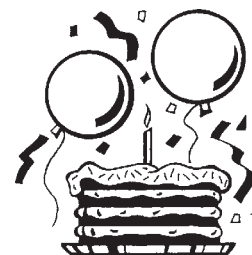
## Vacation Bible School June 1st-5th

Holy Cross is holding our annual Vacation Bible School the week of June 1st thru 5th. Classes are from 9:00 thru 11:30am for children age three thru those just completing 4th grade

This year's theme is "On a Journey with Jesus." Lessons will include the stories of Creation, the Exodus, Jesus' first miracle turning water into wine, the Transfiguration, and Easter. Once again we plan to give the children several Arch books which coordinate with the lessons.

A registration form is on page 3 of this newsletter and additional forms are on the table in the Gathering Room. Fill out in put in the box in the Gathering Room. Or you may register by leaving a message for the Christian Education Office at 235-1688.

Our thanks to all those who have volunteered to help with this opportunity to share Christ with the children of our community. Additional volunteers are always needed for group leaders, snacks, crafts, music and recess. Sign up on the table in the Gathering Room. For more information about helping with or attending VBS please contact Angela Dial (422-2096; [rnadial@hotmail.com](mailto:rnadial@hotmail.com)) or Pat Winborn (605-761-0245; [pwinborn@iw.net](mailto:pwinborn@iw.net)).



**Birthdays &  
Anniversaries  
This Month!**

We list members' birthdays and anniversaries in the newsletter each month and the bulletin each week. However, our records are not complete.

If your information is missing or inaccurate, please accept our apologies and notify the church office at 232-9117 or email [holycross@onlines.com](mailto:holycross@onlines.com).

- Anthony Waybright, June 3
- Doug Jansen, June 13
- Quintin Krause, June 13
- Margaret Waybright, June 13
- Les Reifke, June 17
- Kaden Martin, June 20
- Emily Steemken, June 21
- Jacob Vogts, June 22
- Kaleb Martin, June 27
  
- Gary & Linda Amunson  
June 11, 1972
- Michele & Peter Miranda  
June 16, 2007
- John & Sherry Isley  
June 27, 1971
- Jason & Christie Mensch  
June 30, 2007

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## BUDGET REPORT



### As of May 17, 2009

Total Offerings Budgeted  
Year-to-Date ..... \$62,650

Total Offerings Received  
Year-to-Date ..... \$76,453

Total Budget Surplus  
Year-to-Date ..... \$13,803



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

# On a Journey with Jesus



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## VBS Pre-Registration

*Registration Box in Gathering Room*

**Return To: Holy Cross Lutheran Church  
149 Bison Trail  
Dakota Dunes, SD 57049**

*or Register by Phone by Calling 235-1688 and  
Leaving a Message for the Christian Education Office*

Children's Names	Age	School Grade Just Completing
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_



missionaries around the world who are supported in this way by our congregation.

June 7

*John and Doris Bowerman  
Macau*

June 14

*Rev. Edward and Cherie Auger  
Cayman Islands*

June 21

*Jon and Heidi Heisterkamp  
Panama*

June 28

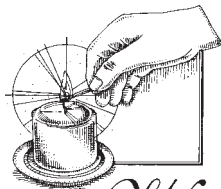
*Rev. James and Mabelle Bloker  
Czech Republic*



*Dolores Hageman*

Born July 13, 1926  
Entered Eternal Rest May 14, 2009  
Christian Funeral May 18, 2009

*"Blessed are the dead  
who die in the Lord."  
Revelation 14:13*



*Worship  
Assistants*

June Elders Meeting

June 4, 7:00pm

Elders for June

Earl Biggers & Rob Finkral

Ushers for June

Greg Huibregtse & Les Reifke



Members of Holy Cross and guests from other area congregations and the community enjoyed the handbell and vocal choirs and concert band of Kansas City Lutheran High School performing at Holy Cross on April 24. Our thanks to all those who hosted students and chaperones in their homes or provided hotel rooms, and those who served the dinner and reception and donated food.

Acolytes/Crucifers for June

June 7 ..... Megan Winborn  
June 14 ..... Myron Bose  
June 21 ..... Ashley Bargstadt  
June 28 ..... Emily Steemken



The flower calendar for 2009 is on the table in the Gathering Room. Occasions to remember include anniversaries, birthdays, in memory of loved ones, etc. Flowers may be obtained anywhere and you may provide your own vase or use one of the assortment in the Coffee Bar.

May 3

Patrick & Denise Honner  
Eli's Birthday

May 10

Confirmation Class  
Confirmation Sunday

May 17

Ron & Jeannette Yockey  
Wedding Anniversary & Travis' Birthday

May 24

Hageman Family  
In Memory of Dolores Hageman

Patrick & Denise Honner  
Emma's Baptism

June 14

Doug & Sue Jansen  
Birthdays

June 21

Doug & Janet Martin  
Kaleb's & Kaden's Birthdays

July 5

Harold & Mary Mettenbrik  
Wedding Anniversary

July 12

Ginny Peterson  
In Memory of Bob Peterson



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p><b>Church Office Hours</b> Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-11:00am</p>	<p>1</p> <p><b>On a Journey with Jesus</b></p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7:00pm Board of Elders</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Church Picnic at Izaak Walton League</p> 
<p>←----- Vacation Bible School 9:00am-11:30am -----&gt;</p> <p>Tony Waybright</p>						
<p>7</p> <p>Trinity Sunday</p> <p>9:15am Worship with Holy Communion</p> <p>10:30am Bible Class</p>  <p><b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b></p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>  <p>St. Barnabas Gary &amp; Linda Amunson</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Doug Jansen Quintin Krause Margaret Waybright</p>
<p>14</p> <p>2nd Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>9:15am Worship with Holy Communion</p> <p>10:30am Bible Class</p>  <p>Flag Day</p>	<p>15</p>  <p><b>Newsletter Deadline</b></p>	<p>16</p> <p>Michele &amp; Peter Miranda</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Quota Club Garden Tour Pre-Tour Party at Holy Cross</p> <p>Les Reifke</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Quota Club Garden Tour at Holy Cross</p> <p>Kaden Martin</p>
<p>21</p> <p>3rd Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>Father's Day</p> <p>9:15am Worship with Holy Communion Rev. Steven Benson, Guest Preacher</p> <p>Emily Steemken</p>  <p>Summer Begins!</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Jacob Vogts</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>  <p>Nativity of St. John the Baptist</p>	<p>25</p>  <p>Presentation of the Augsburg Confession (1530)</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Kaleb Martin John &amp; Sherry Isley</p>
<p>28</p> <p>4th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>9:15am Worship with Holy Communion</p> <p>10:30am Bible Class</p>	<p>29</p>  <p>St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles</p>	<p>30</p>  <p>Spiritus Gladius</p> <p>Jason &amp; Christie Mensch</p>	<p>Merciful and eternal God, Your holy apostles Peter and Paul received grace and strength to lay down their lives for the sake of Your Son. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that we may confess Your truth and at all times be ready to lay down our lives for Him who laid down His life for us, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.</p>			

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

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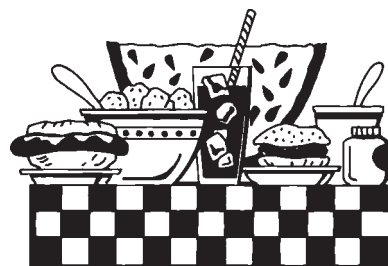
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Saturday, June 6  
Boating Fun Begins at 1:00pm  
Picnic Supper at 5:00pm

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Buns Provided  
Bring Side Dishes, Desserts, Drinks and Own Table Service

At Izaak Walton League Grounds on West Shore of  
McCook Lake (Just East of Adams Nature Center)



Return Service Requested

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