

## Practicing Our Faith

*"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." – 2 Peter 3:18*



I am a runner and I know if I want to do well in a 5K race or simply improve my running time I need to practice. This means I need to run about 3 or 4 days a week on a regular basis. Practice is a lot of work and can be exhausting, but I always feel great when I am finished.

Peter writes in the verse listed above that we are to grow in the knowledge and grace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. What he is telling us is that we must practice our faith. Seems like odd advice, doesn't it? I mean, either we believe in Jesus as our Savior or we don't. Right? Peter, though, doesn't think it is that simple. His point is that we have to continue to grow in our faith once we come to faith. We have to continue to show our faith, visibly, on a daily basis. In other words, we have to walk the walk as well as talk the talk.

So, how do we grow in our faith? Practice, and practicing our faith involves participating in worship, praying; sharing our beliefs with others, volunteering at the church, and serving others out of thankfulness to God who helps and serves us. When we practice our faith, this enables us to grow in God's grace and knowledge.

However with the weather getting warmer and sunny days getting longer we are all tempted to put our energies into other things that take our attention away from practicing our faith. There are trips to the beach, yard work that needs to be done, school activities, athletic competitions, and a variety of family events that are all important and enjoyable. What we need to be aware of is that our busy lives can easily take us away from Sunday worship, daily prayer, and supporting others. And before you know it, you've missed several Sundays of worship at church, daily prayer becomes quick or sporadic, and you've been too exhausted to offer support to anyone else. Once we fall out of the routine of growing in our faith, it can be very difficult to get back into it, because Satan will tempt us to think that it is too late to get back into the practice of faith so why bother.

Therefore, during the month of May I would like to do a 5-week sermon series on the importance of growing in our faith. I encourage you to look at your daily routine and to ask yourself: "Am I growing in God's grace and knowledge?" The only way you can answer "yes" to that question is to practice, practice, practice.



May 1: **"Love"** – John 21:1-19

May 8: **"Relationships"** – John 10:22-30

May 15: **"Change"** – John 16:12-22

May 22: **"Aches & Pains"** – John 16:23-33

May 29: **"Warming Up"** – Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20

In God's Service,

*Pastor Bill Feyn*

Pastor Bill

## You are invited to our very special **Ladies' Spring Event**

sponsored by  **LWML**  
Lutheran Women's Missionary League



**When:** Saturday, May 21, 2022

**Where:** Camp Agape' Chapel, Fuquay Varina

**Time:** 8:30am-4:00 pm

Ladies, ready to get out of the house and enjoy the fellowship of your sisters in Christ? We invite you to join us for a day of Faith, Family and Friend!

All it will cost you is \$15 which includes lunch and of course, snacks. We will arrange carpooling so no need to drive alone. We are looking forward to some fun, singing, eating and spending time with each other.

So invite friends, sign up on our face book page or <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084DACA72EA2F49-faith> by May 7th. We can't wait to see you!

If you have any questions, please contact Val Feick at 919-359-9586 or Debbie Fick at 919-632-3643.



Thank you for your support for **MARCH MITE MADNESS** this year!  
With your help, we raised \$471.42



### **CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL AND CRAFT FAIR**

#### **INVITING ALL CRAFTERS**

Holy Cross Lutheran Church LWML is hosting a Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> in Reese Hall.

Now you will have somewhere to sell all those items you made during Covid and just in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas. If interested, please contact Val Feick at 919-359-9586 or [wfeick@embarqmail.com](mailto:wfeick@embarqmail.com) with any questions or to request a vendor application.



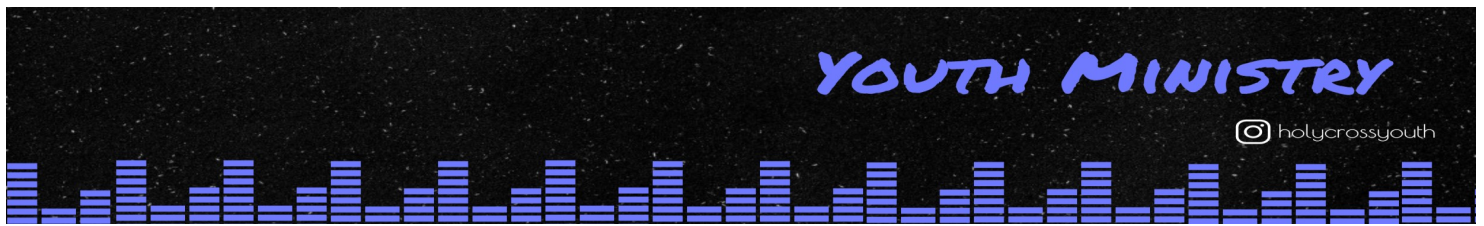
Follow us on Facebook @

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/lwml events>

## **Children's Ministry**

Christian Education

- **Family Night** on Wednesdays at 6:45pm in Classroom 4.
- Ice cream Party on May 25th.



## CONFIRMATION (CY1, CY2, & CY3)

**Wednesdays, at 6:45pm.** Masks are required.

- **CY1** meet in Classroom 2.
- **CY2** meet in Classroom 3.
- **CY3 Students:** meet in Classroom 1.
  - **Save the Date:**
    - **Confirmation Paper Reading Saturday, June 11th**
    - **Confirmation Sunday, June 12th at the 11am service**

## YOUTH MINISTRY

- **Youth Group:** Meets on Wednesdays the 20 and 27 in the Youth Room at 6:45pm
- **Youth Gathering Updates:**
  - **Pine Needle Sale April 2, and (April 9 will be a rain make-up date.)**
  - **Meeting Sun. April 24, 1:00pm – 2:30pm** Gathering Participants Only
  - **Chili Cook Off and Silent Auction:** Saturday, April 30th

## FUNDRAISERS FOR THE YOUTH GATHERING 2022:

### Buy a gift card, and a donation is made to our youth!

- **Support our youth with Scrip!** Buy gift cards through Scrip to your favorite stores, restaurants, and grocery stores to use for your daily purchases, and to give as gifts.

E-gift cards available and can be used within seconds of purchasing. What better way to give back to our youth, than with your every day purchases. Simply purchase a gift card through the ap at checkout, use the e-gift card to pay and that's it! Each gift card (e-gift card and physical gift cards) purchased earns a percentage back that is donated to our youth. Create an account, get the AP, buy your gift cards, and each business will give back to our youth!

It's the easiest way to create opportunities for our youth. No extra money spent. No extra time wasted. Every church member can easily earn \$1,000 or more for youth ministry. BJ Johns is our scrip coordinator and can be reached at [bjkjohns@gmail.com](mailto:bjkjohns@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you!



Thank you for participating in our Chili Cook Off! It was a huge success as the youth made \$2,454.00!! Thank you for your support!!

Congratulations to Brandy Bjorklund and Robin Oelrich for tying for First Place. Ed Savoy won Hottest Chili, and Tom Hanson won Most Unique!!



# Widows and Friends

We meet monthly, on the **3rd Saturday** from **10am-noon** in classroom #1. All widows and singles are invited for fellowship, discussions, and prayer.

We will not meet at church in May, our next meeting will be on:

**Saturday, May 21st at Regal Cinemas**

Please contact Yvonne Chrisikos at 919.585.7216 with any questions.



**-Tuesdays-  
7pm –on Zoom**

## The Power of Praying Together

Moms in Prayer meet online weekly—all women are invited

**TUESDAYS at 7pm**

**<https://bit.ly/3K5AtRi>**

**Or through zoom with Meeting ID: 886 8555 0035 and  
Passcode: 783793**

For more information and questions, please contact  
Lizy Coleman at:

919-455-8788 or via email [Lizy@e-colemans.com](mailto:Lizy@e-colemans.com)



*"I Tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for it will be done for you by My Father in heaven for where two or three come together in My name, there am I with them" (Matthew 18:19-20)*

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If you have any prayer requests for yourself (or your family) please email them to:

Berta Hinton at [berta37@msn.com](mailto:berta37@msn.com)

(Holy Cross Lutheran Church's "Prayer Team" Coordinator)

The poster for "Men's Breakfast" features a background of waffles and a cup of coffee. The text is arranged in a bold, sans-serif font. The top line reads "MEN'S" in large, dark letters. Below it, "BREAKFAST" is written in large, orange letters. The bottom line reads "FAITH, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP" in large, dark letters. On the left side, there is a quote in a smaller font: "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together and let us encourage one another. (Hebrews 10:24-25)". At the bottom, the event details are written in large, bold, black letters: "1st Saturday each month from 9am-11am in Reese Hall".

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**HOLY CROSS** serves the homeless  
in our area through


## **MATTHEW Ministry**

"Serving the **PHYSICAL** and **SPIRITUAL** needs of the **HOMELESS**"



**We are currently serving about 20 Men & Women, WEEKLY.**

**\*\* We need a constant supply of the items below \*\***

**NEW**  **MEN'S WHITE Crew Socks**



**SNACK CRACKERS**



**FRUIT CUPS**



**Single serve SPAM**



**Small cans of Vienna Sausage  
& **BEANIE WIENIES****



**CHICKEN & TUNA SALAD Snack Packs**



**WALMART Gift Cards and  
Monetary donations** are always needed  
so we can restock needed items

**and to provide for special needs, like work boots.**  
(Make checks payable to HCLC, put Matthew Ministry in remarks, and put in collection plate)

**Bring Your DONATIONS to the Church anytime.**

**WE ALSO NEED YOUR PRAYERS**  
**PLEASE ADD Matthew Ministry and the Homeless**  
**To your Daily PRAYERS**

For more info contact john or linda miesch



# **HOLY CROSS PRAYER MINISTRY “YEAR of PRAYER 2022”**



We have formed one of the most powerful and important Ministries any Church can have, the **PRAYER MINISTRY**, Holy Cross is becoming a “House of Prayer” where EVERY aspect of our Church is constantly SATURATED in Prayer.

**Together as a “Church Family” we are making 2022 a  
“YEAR of PRAYER”**

**In this time of great stress and suffering worldwide  
PRAYER is as important as ever**

**PHILIPPIANS 4: 6-7:** Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus

**In MAY we at Holy Cross are offering up PRAYERS for  
“homebound & seniors”**

**PRIORITIZE - Set a time to PRAY EVERY DAY, with your whole family.**

**Here is an idea of what you can PRAY this Month.**

**Dear Heavenly Father,**

We pray for all who are homebound and may be facing sickness in their bodies. We ask that YOU would restore their health, soothe their pain, and ease their worry. Give them Your PEACE and comfort as they wait for the day that all their pain and suffering will be gone and they will be in Your presence for eternity.

We also pray for all seniors, those in our own family, our Church family and on all the earth. As life declines and energies decrease, more than ever hold them in Your hands, that they may always feel Your loving presence, daily increase in Your Love and find PEACE in YOUR promise of Eternal life. Give them the strength to work in Your Service until the day you call them to be in your presence for Eternity.

**We pray these things in the name of JESUS. AMEN**

**We are becoming a “PRAYER SATURATED CHURCH”.  
Ask GOD what role HE has designed for you and then contact**

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<div>Mile Sunday</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30am Contemporary Worship :</li> <li>11am Traditional Worship Service</li> <li>3pm Boy Scouts (Troop 58, Pack 58)</li> </ul>	<div>MEMORIAL DAY (office closed)</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7pm Mom's In Prayer Meeting (C)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11am Hannah Circle</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:15pm Blue Room Graduation</li> <li>7pm Dorcas Circle Bible Study</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9am Men's Breakfast</li> </ul>



# SEPARING THE CHURCH IN MAY 2022

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### We are praying for—Those receiving cancer care:

- ♥ Reid Yaple, brother-in-law of Doug Aitken
- ♥ Kris, mother of Travis Bjorklund
- ♥ David Coleman, brother of Paul Coleman
- ♥ James Atkins
- ♥ “Sonny” Edward C, Leigh, Sr., father of Ed Leigh
- ♥ Joanne Morse, friend of Ellie Shep
- ♥ Pam Denning, friend of Candice Patterson
- ♥ Mark, brother of Todd Samsa
- ♥ Monique Schroeder, daughter of Christa Schroeder
- ♥ Bill Berry, friend of Doug Aitken
- ♥ Peggy Davis, niece of Linda Beers
- ♥ Clyde Williams, uncle of Jamie Brannon
- ♥ Sonja Coull
- ♥ Ralph Souter, friend of Harold Winkle
- ♥ Tonya Gordon, friend of Dinae Reczek
- ♥ Karen Gracey, Harold Gracey’s sister-in-law
- ♥ Leon Goldapple, father of Jennifer McNally
- ♥ Tom Williams, friend of Ella McBrayer
- ♥ Clyde Williams, uncle of Jamie Brannon
- ♥ Cindy Huntsberry, friend of Penny Schenider
- ♥ Nathan Fannin, Margaret Lee’s neighbor
- ♥ Jean Barbour, Robert Bennett’s aunt
- ♥ Candy Robinson, mother of Robin Oelrich
- ♥ Lilian Blackman, child at Open Arms
- ♥ Colleen Gilmartin, friend of George & Donna Rossetti
- ♥ Jesse Lee, friend of Rick & Dewie Francis

### We are praying for—Those with health issues:

- ♥ Ed Leigh
- ♥ Jacob Boyd
- ♥ Luke Boyd
- ♥ Kathy Savoy
- ♥ Rebecca Lavery
- ♥ Tom Hansen
- ♥ Werner & Ursula Fick
- ♥ Arlene Behr
- ♥ Lucille Nicklow
- ♥ Judy Fowler
- ♥ Mark Wilson
- ♥ Connie Reid
- ♥ Margaret Lee
- ♥ Richard Lavery
- ♥ Maureen McElwain
- ♥ Dakota Davis
- ♥ Linda Elstun
- ♥ Michelle Penland
- ♥ Penny Schenider
- ♥ Eleanor Shep
- ♥ Amanda Kearney, friend of Tara Webb
- ♥ Nicholas & Family, grandson of Christa Schroeder
- ♥ Lois Lintner, mother of Madonna Bennett
- ♥ Sherry Whalen, friend of Judy Fowler
- ♥ Spenser Goldman, grandson of Penny Schneider
- ♥ Sandy & Bill, friends of Edie Voorhees
- ♥ Donnie Whitman, brother-in-law of Robert Bennett
- ♥ Wayne Ausley, step-father of Brandy Bjorklund
- ♥ Joseph & Mary Littleton
- ♥ Charlotte Bucklen & Steven Kelley, friends of the Coleman Family
- ♥ Craig Drenkow and Family, friends of Rebekah Bajwa
- ♥ Brian Blatchley, brother-in-law of Bill McElwain
- ♥ Steve Estes, husband of Gail Estes
- ♥ Donna, daughter of Caroline Schust
- ♥ Barbara Ekerdt Creecy, niece of Herman & Donna Steele
- ♥ Thomas Craig, brother of Caroline Schust
- ♥ James Norris, father of Meredith Marsh
- ♥ Danny McCarthy, friend of Michele Capozzi
- ♥ Monica Clonts, sister of Blake Ball
- ♥ Janie Bruton, friend of Bob Lotter
- ♥ Faith Hicks & her daughter Grace, goddaughter of the Colemans
- ♥ Heather, Charlie & Joyce Pike, friends of Doug Aitken
- ♥ Tod & Karen, parents of Sean Pritchard
- ♥ Joyce Moore
- ♥ Gretchen Sneider & Heidi Goldman, daughters of Penny Schneider
- ♥ Matthew Marek, cousin of Robert McNally
- ♥ Rosie Villamil & Mahtob Mahmoody, friends of Elisabeth Junker
- ♥ Linda Smith, friend of Doug Aitken
- ♥ Alyssa, friend of Diane Wessel
- ♥ Mark Morgan, nephew of Tim & Billie Shank
- ♥ Linda Willians, aunt of Jamie Brannon
- ♥ Terry Tucker, Renee Johnston’s brother
- ♥ Michael Costa, brother of Jennifer McNally
- ♥ Carol & Larry, friends of Jerry Benditz
- ♥ Marcia & Phil Riley, Blake Ball’s sister and brother-in-law
- ♥ Karen & Bob, friends of Elaine Reese
- ♥ Jack, friend of Harold Gracey
- ♥ Carlos & Yamy Garcia, friends of Sandy Nesselrode
- ♥ Mason Fannin, friend of Margaret Lee
- ♥ Donna Cantarella, friend of Ellie Shep
- ♥ Rita Giudice, friend of Penny Schenider
- ♥ Lucy Giudice, friend of Penny Schenider
- ♥ Mary Ruth Nicols, niece of Eunice Burch
- ♥ David Nicols, nephew of Eunice Burch
- ♥ Brett Motter, friend of Gene & Jeannie Gevers
- ♥ William Schramm, friend of Harold Winkle
- ♥ Lillian Hendren, mother of Liz Scrofani
- ♥ David Aitken, brother of Doug Aitken
- ♥ Jim Scroggs, son of Jeanie Scroggs
- ♥ Larry Wilkening, father of Dewie Francis

## STEPHEN MINISTRIES

Here at Holy Cross we have Stephen Ministers who are here to care for people going through life struggles. If you are going through a struggle and would like someone to walk with you on this journey please contact [William.Beyer@holycrossclayton.com](mailto:William.Beyer@holycrossclayton.com).

**What is a Stephen Minister?** A Stephen Minister is a person who offers one-to-one lay caring where they listen to their care receiver. Each Stephen Minister can have one care receiver at a time. Stephen Ministers provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting.



## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is meeting on Saturday, May 14th from 10:00am until noon. We will meet in Room #1 in the education Building. This will be our last meeting as we will break during the summer months. We will begin meeting again in September.

Contact: Joan Neuner via text or voice at 919-412-2064.

***“She seeks wool and flax and works with willing hands. She opens her hand to the poor and reaches out her hands to the needy.” (Proverbs 31:13 & 20 - ESV)***





## **Older and Wiser Lutherans**

Our April plans changed a little, since we decided to cancel the WRAL Azalea Gardens due to possible rainy weather. However, we met at Angie's and shared a good lunch.

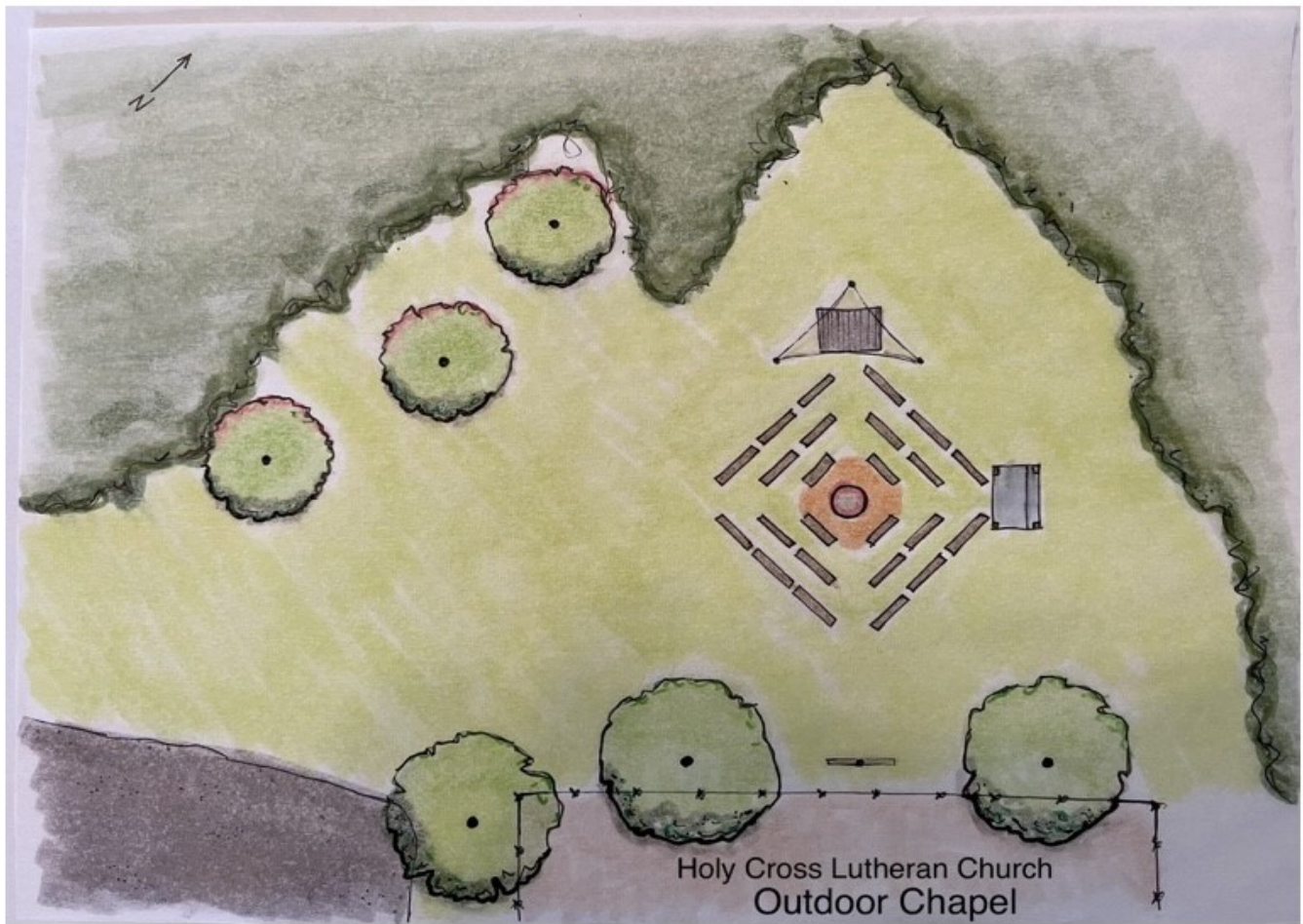
On Friday, May 13th, starting at 7:30 p.m., we will be attending the musical, "Nunsense," at Holly Springs Cultural Center (300 W. Balentine Street, Holly Springs). Tickets have been purchased and distributed.

If you are 50 years and older, we welcome you to join us for one of our fellowship events. We meet monthly, and we would love to have more single/married seniors join us.

Joyce & Dennis Ray  
919-763-0668  
jray003@nc.rr.com

A special Thank You to Kelly  
Youngblood and her father Gene Gevers  
for planting flowers and adding a touch  
of beauty to the Columbarium area.





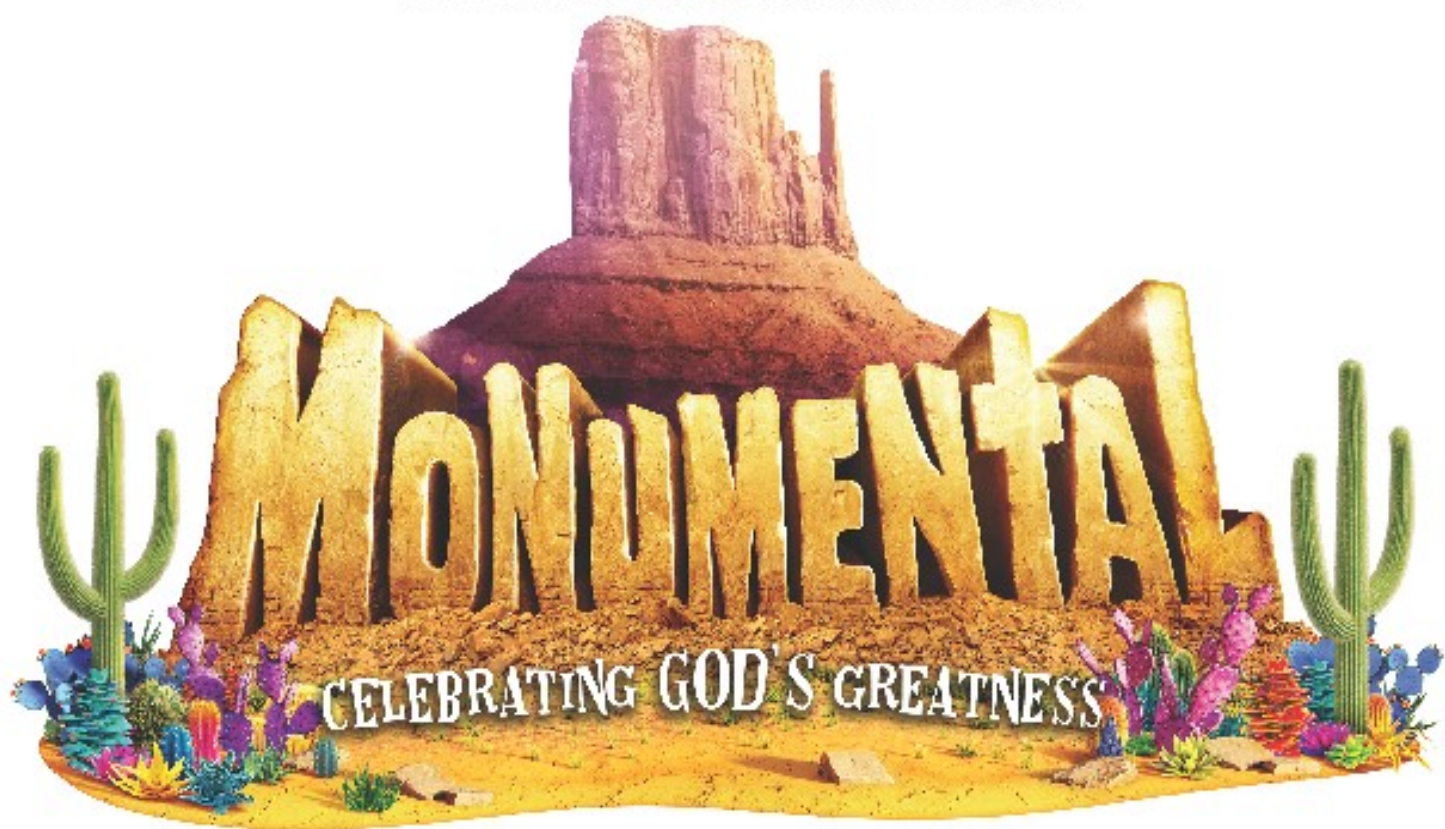
Are you interested in helping create a more functional and beautiful Outdoor Chapel space? Wouldn't it be nice to have a space for Easter Sunrise service? A nicer space for youth and the scouts? What if you just want a place of peace and tranquility to meditate in today's crazy world?

If so, please contact Lizy Coleman by email or cell phone. Donations from Paul Coleman's memorial fund will be used for this project, but looking for more workers and gifted outdoor building projects or a heart to serve. Donations are also still being accepted.

Lizy@e-colemans.com  
919.455.8788



Go off-road for a Monumental Vacation Bible School adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest. By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead.



Bring your friends and join us for a monumental time at VBS this summer, the week of June 13th from 9:00-12:00.

Sign up at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/holycrossvbs/details>, on the Holy Cross home page or scan the QR code.



SCAN ME

Please help make our VBS a success by donating some of our needed snacks, please <https://bit.ly/3vwO8KN> or scan the QR code.



SCAN ME

Can't wait to see you!





# Summer Camps

We are excited to have summer camps available again this year for both pre-k children and school age children. Pre-k camps will be M-F from 9am-noon, beginning the week of June 6th. We will have a monthly theme, and each week we will focus on a topic that relates to our monthly theme.

School age camp is for children finishing kindergarten through rising 5th graders. Our center's hours are 6:30am-6:30pm and we will have weekly themes and various field trips and activities.

Please visit our website [HolyCrossClayton.com](http://HolyCrossClayton.com) or call the church office at 919.553.4784 for more information or to obtain the registration forms.

## Pre-K Monthly Themes & Topics:

### **June: Dive into Summer**

- 6/6 beach/seashells
- 6/13 Fishing/ocean
- 6/20 pirates & mermaids
- 6/27 glamping by the water

### **July: Imagine!**

- 7/5 Red, White & YOU
- 7/11 Construction
- 7/18 Road Racers
- 7/24 Princesses & Super Heroes

### **August: Full Ste(a)m Ahead!**

- 8/1 Blast off
- 8/8 Legoland
- 8/15 back to school cool

## School Age Weekly Themes:

- 6/6 Kick off week
- 6/13 VBS
- 6/20 Fun in the sun
- 6/27 Red White and Blue
- 7/5 STEM week
- 7/11 Messy Art week
- 7/18 Secret agent week
- 7/25 Summer science
- 8/1 Amazing animals
- 8/8 Movin' & Groovin'
- 8/15 Adios to Summer



## Southeastern District, LCMS

### SED Disaster Response and Recovery

The Southeastern District Disaster Response Team has coordinated a work week in Lumberton NC. Hurricane Florence hit the Lumberton area in September of 2018. The Work dates are June 5<sup>th</sup>—11<sup>th</sup>. For more information please contact Al Popilek (810) 730-0457

# By God's grace, and through you, our response in Ukraine continues to help



April 19, 2022

Dear Fellow Redeemed:

You have my tremendous thanks for the generosity you've expressed for the people suffering from the war and violence in Ukraine. Here is how charitable contributions have been used:

- More than \$45,000 has been dispatched to a congregation in Odesa, Ukraine, that has been used for food, medicine, travel accommodations, and clothes.
- Nearly \$68,000 has been sent to Lutheran churches in Latvia, Lithuania, and Romania for food, housing, transportation, medicine, and personal hygiene items for displaced persons.
- Funds have been given to Lutheran pastors in Ukraine to help meet the spiritual needs of their communities.

Contributions from God's people like you are being used to provide immediate spiritual care and physical relief, and likely will be used in those fashions for some time.

You have indeed demonstrated and continue to demonstrate Christ's love for the people of Ukraine – because you know of His deep love for you. Thank you.

In service to our Lord Jesus and to you,

Mark Hofman  
Executive Director for LCMS Mission Advancement  
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



A black and white line drawing of a steaming cup of coffee on a saucer, with a small Easter bunny peeking out from behind it. Above the cup is a stylized sun with rays.

# Easter Morning Breakfast

We had a great time celebrating Easter with everyone at our Easter Morning Breakfast. The food was delicious and being together in Reese Hall was wonderful. Thank you to Debbie Fick and all who helped to coordinate, cook, and clean!





### **Hannah Circle – Ladies Daytime Bible Study**

1st Wednesday every month 11am-1pm

Classroom #2

Glenda Sainz, Coordinator

gjbsainz@gmail.com

### **Ruth Circle – Ladies Daytime Bible Study**

3rd Wednesday every month 11am-1pm

Classroom #1

Jane Wilson, Coordinator

retiredones@earthlink.net

### **Dorcas Circle – Ladies Evening Bible Study**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday every month

7:00-8:30pm

Contact Debbie for address

Debbie Fick, Coordinator debbie.fick1014@gmail.com



## **BECAUSE HUNGER DOESN'T END ON FRIDAY**

- 100% Juice Boxes
- Shelf Stable Milk (*Dollar Tree sells qt. size!*)
- Ind. Breakfast Items (*Cereal, Oatmeal, etc.*)
- Canned Fruits & Veggies
- Healthy Snacks (*Granola Bars, Pretzels*)
- Canned Meats & Stews (*Chef Boyardee, Tuna, Chicken*)
- Individual Pasta (*Mac 'n Cheese, Ramen, Rice*)

Monetary donations are also a big help & allows us to purchase items as our inventory gets low.

Thank you!



# Your Ministry Team

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## Vital Stats

<u>Date</u>	<u>In Person/Online Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>
3/2 (Ash Wed.)	238 (105 & 133) / 179 views	\$ 2,581
3/6	232 (127 & 105) / 201 views	\$13,515
3/9 (Wed.)	140 / 98 views	\$ 1,190
3/13	184 ( 83 & 101) / 125 views	\$ 6,633
3/16 (Wed.)	125 / 99 views	\$ 950
3/20	224 (106 & 118) / 208 views	\$ 7,661
3/23 (Wed.)	110 / 77 views	\$ 922
3/27	183 (112 & 71) / 219 views	\$ 5,827
3/30 (Wed.)	117 / 95 views	\$ 830
Direct Deposit Offerings (Mar.)		<u>\$ 9,390</u>
Total Envelope/Plate Giving:		\$49,499
Total offerings received thru 3/30/22:		\$141,822
Total projected offerings thru 3/30/22:		\$137,774

### Special Gifts (to Holy Cross):

Building Fund:	\$1,857
Matthew Ministry:	\$ 305
Backpack Buddies	\$ 130
Coleman Memorial	\$ 200

### 2022 Mission Offerings (from Holy Cross):

iChoose Pregnancy Support Services:	\$ 750
Southeastern District – LCMS	\$11,650