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The mission of Holy Cross is to communicate the love of God in Jesus Christ to our members, community, and world, as we bring people to their Savior through baptism, make disciples through education, and care for our members and community in acts of love. (Matthew 28:19-20 and 1 Thessalonians 5:11)

May 15, 2022  
Fifth Sunday of Easter



**Those Who Serve Us**

Preacher: Rev. Kyle Wright, II  
Liturgist: Vicar Christopher Hill  
Acolytes 8:00 10:30  
Gwendalen Wright  
Magdalen Wright  
Organist: Mrs. Iov Elowsky

**Prelude:** (8:00) *Come, Just as You Are –Adult Bell Choir*

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

**653 In Christ There Is No East or West**

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| 1 In Christ there is no east or west,<br>In Him no south or north,<br>But one great fellowship of love<br>Throughout the whole wide earth. | 4 Join hands, disciples of the faith,<br>Whate'er your race may be;<br>Who serves my Father as His child<br>Is surely kin to me.                   |
| 2 With God there is no tribe or race;<br>In Him we all are one.<br>He loves us as His children through<br>Our faith in His dear Son.       | 5 In Christ now meet both east and west;<br>In Him meet south and north.<br>All Christian souls are one in Him<br>Throughout the whole wide earth. |
| 3 So, brothers, sisters, praise His name<br>Who died to set us free<br>From sin, division, hate, and shame,<br>From spite and enmity!      |  |

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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

**Introit**

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!\*

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.

**The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;\***

**he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.**

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.\*

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.  
**Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;\***  
**break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!**  
 Sing praises to the LORD | with the lyre,\*  
 with the lyre and the sound of | melody!  
**With trumpets and the sound | of the horn\***  
**make a joyful noise before the | King, the LORD!**  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
 Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!\*  
 His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.

## Kyrie

*LSB 152*

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**C Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
**C Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.  
**C Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
**C Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**C Amen.**

## This Is the Feast

*LSB 155*

- C This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**  
**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

## **First Reading**

*Acts 11:1-18*

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, <sup>3</sup>“You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them.” <sup>4</sup>But Peter began and explained it to them in order: <sup>5</sup>“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. <sup>6</sup>Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>And I heard a voice saying to me, ‘Rise, Peter; kill and eat.’ <sup>8</sup>But I said, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ <sup>9</sup>But the voice answered a second time from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, do not call common.’ <sup>10</sup>This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. <sup>11</sup>And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. <sup>12</sup>And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. <sup>13</sup>And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.’ <sup>15</sup>As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>17</sup>If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?” <sup>18</sup>When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, “Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life.”

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem:** (10:30) *Un Mandamiento Nuevo (A New Commandment) Adult choir*

## **Epistle**

*Revelation 21:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

<sup>5</sup>And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” <sup>6</sup>And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup>The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.”

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

**Alleluia and Verse**

LSB 156

- C** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Holy Gospel**

John 13:31–35

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

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, ‘Where I am going you cannot come.’ <sup>34</sup>A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

**633 At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing**

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| 1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing<br>Praise to our victorious King,<br>Who has washed us in the tide<br>Flowing from His piercèd side.<br>Alleluia!                        | 5 Mighty Victim from the sky,<br>Hell’s fierce pow’rs beneath You lie;<br>You have conquered in the fight,<br>You have brought us life and light.<br>Alleluia!     |
| 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine<br>Gives His sacred blood for wine,<br>Gives His body for the feast—<br>Christ the victim, Christ the priest.<br>Alleluia!               | 6 Now no more can death appall,<br>Now no more the grave enthrall;<br>You have opened paradise,<br>And Your saints in You shall rise.<br>Alleluia!                 |
| 3 Where the paschal blood is poured,<br>Death’s dread angel sheathes the sword;<br>Israel’s hosts triumphant go<br>Through the wave that drowns the foe.<br>Alleluia!       | 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!<br>This alone can sin destroy;<br>From sin’s pow’r, Lord, set us free,<br>Newborn souls in You to be.<br>Alleluia!                   |
| 4(10:30-sung by the choir) Praise we Christ,<br>whose blood was shed,<br>Paschal victim, paschal bread;<br>With sincerity and love<br>Eat we manna from above.<br>Alleluia! | △ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,<br>Savior, by whose death we live,<br>Spirit, guide through all our days:<br>Three in One, Your name we praise.<br>Alleluia! |

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**Sermon**

Stand

**8:00 - Nicene Creed**

- C** 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 Spirit 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 sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke 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.

#### 10:30 - Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

#### Prayer of the Church

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**Offering:** (8:00) *Visions-Adult bell choir* (10:30) *Praise the Lord-Adult choir*

*As the Church Community, we who are Holy Cross use our resources together to care for the needs of our neighbors and proclaim the gospel to all who need to hear it. As members of this community, of Holy Cross, if you would like to work toward these goals, one way you can do this is by giving an offering through the plate in the back, through the mail, or through the "Donate Now" button on our website. Thank you for the time, prayers, and offerings you joyfully give in service of our neighbor and the gospel!*

*Stand*

**Offertory**

*LSB 159*

- C** What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

**Preface**

*LSB 160*

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.  
**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

*LSB 161*

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{†}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

- C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

- 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.

## Pax Domini

LSB 163

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

- C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 163

- C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

### Distribution

After receiving the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ return to your seat. If you are **not a member** here at Holy Cross or one of our sister LCMS congregations, **please come up anyways and cross your arms**. While we are unable to share communion with you without first having a conversation, we would love to give you a blessing to welcome you to Holy Cross. Thank you!



### 707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

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| 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways<br>To keep His statutes still!<br>Oh, that my God would grant me grace<br>To know and do His will! | 3 Assist my soul, too apt to stray,<br>A stricter watch to keep;<br>And should I e'er forget Thy way,<br>Restore Thy wand'ring sheep. |
| 2 Order my footsteps by Thy Word<br>And make my heart sincere;<br>Let sin have no dominion, Lord,<br>But keep my conscience clear.         | 4 Make me to walk in Thy commands—<br>'Tis a delightful road—<br>Nor let my head or heart or hands<br>Offend against my God.          |

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### 845 Where Charity and Love Prevail

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| 1 Where charity and love prevail<br>There God is ever found;<br>Brought here together by Christ's love<br>By love are we thus bound. | 4 Let strife among us be unknown;<br>Let all contention cease;<br>Be God's the glory that we seek;<br>Be ours His holy peace. |
| 2 With grateful joy and holy fear<br>His charity we learn;<br>Let us with heart and mind and soul<br>Now love Him in return.         | 5 Let us recall that in our midst<br>Dwells Christ, His only Son;<br>As members of His body joined<br>We are in Him made one. |
| 3 Forgive we now each other's faults<br>As we our faults confess,<br>And let us love each other well<br>In Christian holiness.       | 6 For love excludes no race or clan<br>That names the Savior's name;<br>His family embraces all<br>Whose Father is the same.  |

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Stand

### Thank the Lord

- C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

LSB 164

### Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

**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.

## Benediction

LSB 166

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** Amen.

## 803 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

1 Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,  
Praising Thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

△ 3 Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Fountainhead of love divine:  
Joyful, we Thy heav'n inherit!  
Joyful, we by grace are Thine!

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## BULLETIN EXTENSION

### This Week at Holy Cross (Locations)

#### Sunday, May 15 –

*From the Heart - .50/.75 greeting cards*

**8:00 am Worship Service**

9:15 am Sunday School & Bible Class

**10:30 am Worship Service**

11:30 am Retirement Celebration (Cafeteria)

6:30 pm Wildfire Youth Group

#### Monday, May 16

4:00 pm Summer Fun Kick (

7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Fellowship Center)

#### Tuesday, May 17

9:30 am Quilting (Fellowship Center)

4-8 pm Firehouse Subs (Collinsville location)

6:00 pm Esther Bible Study

7:00 pm Voters Meeting (Fellowship Center)

#### Wednesday, May 18

8:40 am Chapel

**11:00 am Mid-Week Worship**

7:00 pm Kindergarten Graduation

#### Thursday, May 19

9:30 am Mission Quilting (Fel. Ctr.)

12:00 pm Noon Bible Study (Fel. Ctr.)

7:00 pm 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

#### Friday, May 20

NOON Dismissal – Last day of School

#### Saturday May 21

**6:00 pm Worship Service**

#### Sunday May 22

**8:00 am Worship Service**

9:15 am Sunday School & Bible Class

**10:30 am Worship Service**

6:30 pm Wildfire Youth Group

**Voters Meeting is Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Center.** Agenda, budget proposal and teacher call candidate bio can be found on the back windowsill.

**Altar flower** were given in memory of Virginia Dellamano by Tom & Pam Dellamano and Family.

**Windowsill flowers** were given to the glory of God and in memory of Wilbert & Shirley Lotz on their birthdays by Diane Hartmann.

**Weekend Attendance May 7/8.....235**

**Holy Cross 1848- 2023** - Next year Holy Cross will celebrate its 175 anniversary! The conversations are just beginning as to how we will celebrate this milestone in the life of Holy Cross. The continued improvements to our facility with the current facelift program will add to what will be planned this coming year. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**Today is the last Sunday for the bell choir** to play until they resume rehearsals in the fall. Please take a moment today to thank them for all of the beautiful music that they have provided for our services this year.

**On Sunday, May 15, Holy Cross will recognize three members of our school staff who are retiring: Cathy Bevirt, Mary Sachtleben, and Carol Small.** You are invited to a luncheon and program in their honor in the cafeteria following the 10:30 a.m. church service. We ask that you bring a side dish to share; meat, drinks and dessert will be provided. There will be three baskets for cards, well wishes, and gifts. If you are unable to attend you can drop them off at the office. **We thank God for the ministry of these women and for their years of service at Holy Cross!**

**The next OWLS Get-Together will be on Tuesday, May 17** from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Denny's in Collinsville. Vicar Hill will tell us about the Mosaic Project that he has been working on as part of his vicarage. All OWLS are encouraged and welcomed to attend.

**Let's Celebrate Life!** For my Community Outreach Project, I'm helping coordinate another collection for the Mosaic Pregnancy & Health Center. Each month they provide expectant mothers who complete their 4-week childbirth & parenting course with "graduation presents" for both the mothers & their children. Let's help Mosaic provide these women gifts of goodies to go with their coming bundles of joy! There are 3 ways to give: #1 Baby Items (wipes, diaper rash cream, bottles, pacifiers, clothing items, bibs, diapers, etc.) #2 Items for Mothers (hand/body lotion, candles, body spray, fuzzy socks, nail polish, etc.) #3 Monetary Donation (will be used by Mosaic to buy needed baby/mother items). Bins for donations will be in the back of the sanctuary until 5/24. Thanks! Vicar Hill

**Work Day** - We are having a work day on Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 5pm. Pizza will be provided. We need your help with many items as we begin the summer work on the facelift project. **Come and join us!**

**Second Pastor Update:** Matthew 9:37-38: “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

At the Concordia Seminary Call Day, Holy Cross was not able to call a new graduate as our Assistant Pastor. The Seminary received many requests for calls but there were only 35 candidates available.

Holy Cross will now begin the process of calling a pastor from the field. We have contacted the Southern Illinois District Office to begin this process. If you know someone we should consider, please provide their name and information to the Church Office by Sunday, May 15, or you can email your suggestion to Tim Herberts at [twhimr@aol.com](mailto:twhimr@aol.com).

While we go through this process, please pray earnestly for Holy Cross.

**Lutherans for Life annual "Step Up 4Life" Campaign** is a fun, virtual event to raise money for a Gospel-Motivated approach to Support Life Issues. See the May Messenger for details on this year's event from April 25 to June 20. You can also learn more at <https://lutheransforlife.org/step-up-4-life-2022/> or register at [www.charityfootprints.com/stepup4life](http://www.charityfootprints.com/stepup4life).

### **Mark your Calendar! School Facelift Phase Two Our From the Heart Book and Gift Shop**

- **May 14 & 15** - Greeting Cards (.50 & .75 each) From the Heart Gift Shop
- **May 16 - Willoughby Farm** (Monday evening @ 5pm - 8pm) - Summer Fun Kickstart (lots of fun things planned).
- **May 21 & 22** - Long May Our Flag Wave - (Patriotic items)

**May 29** - BBQ Luncheon (after 10:30 Service, Fellowship Center / Reservations Required. PLEASE contact the Proffitt's - Carol @ (618-616-8588) - text only / Paul @ (618-616-1249) text or call or you can email to [plum331@yahoo.com](mailto:plum331@yahoo.com) by Sunday, May 22. Price... \$10 Adults / Children 4-12 - \$5 / Kids under 3 – Free (*Menu:* Smoked shredded pork or shredded chicken on bun (the sauce will be on the side) Potato Salad, Slaw, Baked Beans, Corn, Fruit, Desserts and Drinks

The deadline to have an announcement in the Extension and the weekly email is Wednesday by noon. Please send all announcements to: [bulletin@holycross-collinsville.org](mailto:bulletin@holycross-collinsville.org)

Articles for the monthly Messenger need to be sent by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month to:

[messenger@holycross-collinsville.org](mailto:messenger@holycross-collinsville.org)

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