

The Lighted Cross

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 9

We honor our mothers, thank God for them and pray for them, especially on Mother's Day. Whether your mother is here or in heaven, come and honor the spiritual influence she has had in your life. What better way is there to show your love to your mom than to sit with her in the pew and gather your hearts as one in your Savior. Psalm 127:1 says, "Unless the Lord builds the house its builders build in vain." May our homes be built upon the solid Rock of Christ and His Word!

Promotion Sunday

Sunday, May 23, 8:15 am

Parents of Sunday School students, May 23 is the last day of Sunday School for the summer! At our 1st service your child will be promoted to the next grade. Please be here with your child on this special day!

Confirmation

Sunday, May 30 at 10:30 am

Sixteen of our youth will publicly reaffirm their baptismal vows, promise faithfulness to Christ and His Word, and be presented to the congregation as brothers and sisters in Christ who are prepared to receive the Lord's Supper with us. This is a great day to rejoice in the faith of our youth and renew your own confirmation vows!

No Monday Night Church on Memorial

Day, May 31!

Summer Worship Times

Beginning *Sunday June 6* our worship services are:

Sundays – 8:15 am & 10:00 am

Mondays – 6:30 pm

No Sunday School or Sunday morning Bible classes during the summer.

Estate Planning Seminar

Saturday, May 15 at 3 pm

Planning Boldly to Spread the

Gospel is a seminar presented by the Estate Planning Office of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, on Saturday, May 15 at Holy Cross at 3 pm. All area ELS churches are invited. The seminar will include the following presentations:

- **My Legacy Matters** - a discussion of the Estate planning process developed by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and presented by Mr. Richard Waldschmidt
- **Do I need a Will?** - the importance of getting all your documents in order so your estate plans do what you want them to do, by attorney at law, Rev. Thomas Heyn
- **Making your Church and its Missions Strong – your Legacy** - making your estate plans work effectively for Gospel ministry, by Pastor Dan Basel.

Come for the seminar, stay for the Bethany Choir at 5 pm.

Refreshments served after the seminar and before the concert. Spread the word - bring a friend.

Vacation Bible School

June 14-18 from 9 – 11:30 am

Send your children, ages 3-12 to Holy Cross VBS! VBS meets each morning during the week of June 14-18. We'll be singing, making crafts, learning Bible lessons, enjoying snacks and juice and making friends! To register, use the registration form provided in Sunday bulletins, or call Holy Cross. Please register by May 31.

Bethany Choir

Saturday, May 15 at 5 pm

The Concert Choir, Mary Martha Singers and Handbell Choir of Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, Minnesota, will perform a concert at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 15 at 5:00 p.m. The Concert Choir and Handbells are under the direction of Dennis Marzolf and the Mary Martha Singers are directed by Ann Fredrickson.

The concert will include works by Brahms, Schubert, Stanford, Hassler and J.S. Bach. Also included will be a choral work composed by Bethany sophomore Constance Bloedel. "On My Heart Imprint Thine Image," a Bethany Choir perennial favorite arranged for a nine-part choir by former Bethany choir director Alfred Fremder, will close the concert. The concert is open to the public and advance tickets are not

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required. A free will offering will be gathered during the concert. Bethany Lutheran College is owned and operated by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

School Events

Spring Concert

Tuesday, May 11 at 6:30 pm

Come and enjoy as our school children use their skills to the glory of God!

Recognition Night

Tuesday, May 18 at 6:30 pm

Each year we gather to thank God for the achievements He has granted to our school children.

Graduation Day

Thursday, May 27 at 6:30 pm

We will close our school year with a worship service and have a graduation ceremony for our 8th graders.

Moms Group

Wed., May 12, 9:30-11:30 am

The Moms Group will meet at Burke Park off of Reiner Rd on May 12th from 9:30-11:30. Feel free to bring a picnic lunch if you wish. Snacks and drinks will be provided. There is a shelter at the park where we can eat. If you need further directions or have any questions, please call Pam Starckenburg at 318-0973 or Nedra Griffin at 592-3638. We will also be discussing our summer schedule which will include a moms night out!

Thanks from the Holy Cross Staff!

We're grateful for the generous way in which you remembered us in the Easter Staff Offering! Serving among such loving Christians at Holy Cross is a great

privilege! Your gifts to us are yet another way in which you show Christ's love, which has always been one of the outstanding qualities of the people of Holy Cross! God bless you!

Rummage Sale

Friday, June 25, 8 am – 6 pm,

Saturday, June 26, 8 am – 1 pm,

The Rummage Sale helps accomplish several goals:

- The PTO uses the proceeds to help support the work of our Lutheran elementary school
- Community members have a reason to come into our building and be exposed to Holy Cross and its members
- Community members and all of us have the opportunity to be good stewards and buy gently used items at great savings
- You can serve your church and school by donating your items, or your time!

Please start saving items to donate. If you are able to donate your time, we will need helpers. Watch for volunteer information soon!

Special Acts - April

Baptisms

- Phillip John McConnell III 4/25
- Camryn Mary Kluever 4/30

New Members

- Melanie Caturia and Marshall
- John and Donna Dollard
- Michael Dorn
- Mark and Julie Grant, Natasha and Zachery
- Barb Mattson
- Josh Meyer
- Steven Rehborg and Dan
- Andrea Walter

Transfers, Releases

- Lois Blackburn – transferred to St. Paul's, Platteville (WELS)
- Phil and Cheryl Dunigan and

family – released

- William and Joyce Wallace – transferred to Risen Savior, McFarland (WELS)

Funerals

- Ronald Ripp 4/17
- Wilma Shumate 4/28

Bethany Women's Auxiliary

Tuesday, May 4 at 7 pm,

Madison area ELS women who are interested in assisting with the work of Bethany Lutheran College are invited for dessert, a program and a business meeting at Grace Lutheran Church on Rosa Road. Bethany graduate, Rebecca Faugstad, will talk about her year working in Norway.

Bike Trip - Campout

Friday – Saturday, August 6-8

The Elroy-Sparta bike trip and church campout is tentatively scheduled for August 6-8. We're looking for at least 20 interested participants. This ride has the potential of 64 miles, 3 tunnels, and a great camping area for tents or trailers. We will have a pre-trip informational meeting in May or June to discuss the details of the trip: cost, schedules, etc. Sign up on the office window, or call Steve Rehborg at 249-0518 or John Theiste, chairman of the Board for Membership Development, at 242-5626

Special Gifts – April

- Numerous gifts to "Building Our Future on Christ" Fund
- To the Endowment Fund
- To the Endowment Fund in memory of Lillian Price and Viola Rowe
- To the Transportation Fund in

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