

# NEWS FOR YOU -HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

*"...with God all things are possible ..."*

Tuesday, September 14, 2009

## Faith That Overcomes

*I John 5:1-5*

Some people are able to fight against great odds and win. Alexander the Great was such a man. In one battle his small Greek army was outnumbered more than ten to one by the Persians. Yet Alexander won a great victory.



Later the famous conqueror set out to capture the city of Tyre. People said it couldn't be done. Tyre stood on an island more than a mile off shore and walls 100 feet high surrounded the city. But in a short time Alexander did capture Tyre as he said he would.

While still quite young, he overcame practically the entire world of his day. How did Alexander do so much with so little in so short a time? For one thing, he believed that he was a god and that nothing could stop him. So he dared great things. His faith in himself – false as it was – gave him great power. But his faith was false! For Alexander was not a god. He died and remains helpless in his grave.

Can you imagine, then, what must be the power of true faith such as we have? Surely with it we can win far greater victories than Alexander did, and against far great odds.

We can overcome the world Alexander failed to overcome. It is the evil world of temptation that surrounds us. It is a world heavily infiltrated with devils and the enormous powers of hell – all seeking to pull us away from God.

Our faith isn't in ourselves but in Jesus, God's Son. And Jesus isn't lying helpless in some grave, like Alexander. He is the living, mighty God, Who conquered our enemies for us.

To us who believe in Him, He gives the power to fight against the world and overcome it. The Bible says, "This is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith." Thanks be to our almighty God, Who gives us that power through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Thank You ... to everyone who sang praises to their Savior at Rally Sunday yesterday. Thanks to Mrs. Natvig for the beautiful accompaniment and to Miss Krause for directing. It was a blessed event!



### Volleyball & Cross Country

Last Wednesday, September 9, the Crusader volleyball team travelled to St. John's Lutheran, Watertown to play their first league games at a triangular volleyball meet. The competition was tough. A few games were won, but they came away with great experience.

On Friday the Cross Country Crusaders held their first meet at the Janesville Sport Complex. Bethany, Spencer, Benjamin, Kateryn, Emma, Myles, Jennifer, Adam, Briana, and Jalen ran like the wind to some great finishes in their new Holy Cross CC shirts on a gorgeous September afternoon. Great work to everyone, and praise God for giving them their great talents and abilities.

### Upcoming Calendar Events

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| September 14 | M  |  | 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.<br>4:00 – 5:00 p.m.<br>5:15 p.m. | Girls B Volleyball Practice<br>Girls A Volleyball Practice<br>Worship Committee (Krause) |
| September 15 | T  | Title 1 meeting – 1:00 p.m.  | 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.<br>4:00 – 5:00 p.m.              | Girls B Volleyball Practice<br>Girls A Volleyball Practice                               |
| September 16 | W  | Chapel & Mission Offering, 8:00 a.m.   | 4:00 p.m.   | Home volleyball Games – Girls vs. Lebanon Lutheran                                       |
| September 17 | Th | Mrs. Cleven – classroom visit  | 6:30 p.m.<br>Cross Country                        | School Board (Cleven)<br>SP, Lake Mills, Korth Park                                      |
| September 18 | F  |  |   |  |
| September 19 | S  |  |   | Volleyball A team at Peace, SP   |
| September 20 | S  | Sunday Church Worship  |   |  |
| September 21 | M  | Picture Day! Smile – Jesus loves you!<br>Principals' conference at Lakeside, 1:00 p.m. | 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.<br>4:00 – 5:00 p.m.              | Girls B Volleyball Practice<br>Girls A Volleyball Practice                               |
| September 22 | T  | First Day of Autumn  | 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.<br>4:00 – 5:00 p.m.              | Girls B Volleyball Practice<br>Girls A Volleyball Practice                               |
| September 23 | W  | Chapel & Mission Offering, 8:00 a.m.   | 4:00 p.m.   | Volleyball Games –<br>Girls at St. Paul's, Ixonia - triangular                           |
| September 24 | Th |  | 4:15 p.m C.C.                                     | Peace, Sun Prairie<br>*Crusader Times articles – K. Tweit                                |
| September 25 | F  | No School – Curriculum Conference at Westside Lutheran, Middleton, WI                  | In-Service  | No After School Care   |
| September 26 | S  |  |   |  |
| September 27 | S  | Sunday Church Worship – Lakeside Choir visit   | 8:15 & 10:30 am                                   | Grades 1-8 sing  |

**PICTURE DAY: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2009**

### Promotional Video

When parents come to visit Holy Cross Lutheran School, many are eager to visit the facility and see the classrooms in order to get a feel for the learning environment. Through the use of a recently completed promotional video, this hopefully can be accomplished in the comfort of their own homes or computers.

A nine-minute video has been made from the 2008-2009 school year footage which features the following aspects of life here at Holy Cross:

- 1) Introduction photos
- 2) Chapel scene – Pastor Bartels
- 3) Selected classroom scenes
- 4) School helpers
- 5) Special events & activities
- 6) Musical groups
- 7) Athletics
- 8) Lower grades choir, benediction – Pastor Tweit, 2009 confirmands photo, and closing credits

At registration, each family filled out a consent form granting Holy Cross Lutheran School “permission to use photographs or the likeness of my children in its promotional materials; ... to release the likeness of my children participating in school events and programs “. The school office has indicated that only a few families indicated “no” on these sheets. I have contacted these families, and they have offered their consent for this video promotion.

The intent is to hand out the video with school information when parents inquire about the school, and to post this video on YouTube as a link off of our school web site, that prospective parents or those families searching for a school offering Christian education may see it, and hear the gospel message of our Savior that we teach, plus view a glimpse of life as a student here at Holy Cross.

If you would like to see the video in advance, it can be viewed in my office at your convenience. If you have any questions or concerns, please ask at any time. The video has been previewed by the school staff, pastors, and the school board. Thank you.

