



HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
NEWSLETTER - September 2025
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PRAY THE PSALMS once a day, EVERY day for the month of **September**.

All year long at Holy Cross we're praying the Psalms, once a day everyday a different Psalm each month. In July it was Psalm 130. In **September** it is **Psalm 100**.

Like much of Holy Scripture, Psalm 100 is best understood in the context of the Psalms around it, specifically those preceding it. Psalm 93-100 are often understood by scholars as a unit, proclaiming the almighty and eternal reign of the LORD. Other religions celebrated and claimed the strength of their gods. Psalm 93-99 proclaim that the LORD has created all things, that He has power and authority over all creation, that He triumphs over the wicked, that He is a "great King above all gods", that "He is to be feared above all gods," that "He reigns", and that He "has made His salvation known."

Psalm 100 is the culmination of these proclamations. It is a call to praise the LORD because of His greatness. In theological terms, it can be called a "doxology" which is a term that comes from the Greek words "doxa" meaning glory and "logia" meaning saying or expression. Thus a doxology is an expression of praise.

We are called to praise the LORD because "Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture...his steadfast love endures forever." Ps 100:3,5

May God bless you as you pray Psalm 100 in September!

See you on Sunday, Pastor Zucker

EVENTS

**SIGN UP
TODAY!**

Office Closed Labor Day

Fall Back to Holy Cross

FREE Food and Games
for All Ages

Sunday, September 7th - 12:30-2pm

Potluck Immediately following Worship

Bounce House and games outside

See Signup sheet in the Narthex



Ladies Lunchly -

September 10

Liberty Restaurant @ noon

All Ladies are invited



Happy Hearts

Monday September 8, 2025

Liberty Restaurant @ noon

Monday Night Bible Studies 7PM

Men meet in classroom by Sanctuary

Women meet downstairs in Library

Thursday Morning @10 for all



Family Fun Night

Put it on your calendar!

September 17, 2025 6pm-8pm

BOARD GAME NIGHT

Bring your friends.

Pizza & Refreshments supplied

Signup sheet in the Narthex



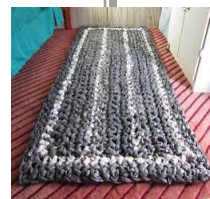
Join the fun in Plarn Mat production!

The next meetings are

September 2nd @7pm

& September 16 @ 2pm

Everyone welcome!!!



The Outreach Team here at Holy Cross is gearing up for a busy Fall season. At our last meeting the 4th annual Fall Back to Holy Cross picnic was the main topic. The team would love to see you attend. Bring a friend or relative. Hot Dogs, Chips, Pot-luck side dishes, beverages, treats, coney sauce, bounce house, tents, tables and chairs will be waiting for you at 12:30 on Sunday September 7. A sign-up sheet for side dish pot-luck items is in the Church Narthex.

Time to start up our Holy Cross Fun nights. Enjoy pizza, beverages, board games, pool table, ping pong table, foosball, air hockey, cards and a good time with your fellow Holy Cross family. Everyone is invited to attend. Bring a friend or relative too. We'll be holding the Fun Nights on the third Wednesday of the month starting with September 17 @ 6-8pm. Other dates set in the calendar will be October 15, November 19 and December 17. We would love to have you attend. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex.

The fourth annual No Tricks, Just Treats event will be held on Friday October 31 in our parking lot. We served over 1000 hotdogs to our neighborhood friends last year. Hope to do the same this year. More info to come on this event.

Another form of Outreach is supporting the Flushing Christian Outreach Center. Please bring your donations of food, clothing and personal items to the Church. You can deposit those items in the shopping cart located in the Narthex. Let's keep that cart filled!

Outreach Team new members are always welcome! Our newest members are **Brendan Prim, Jarryd Thomas and Brittany Arnold**. Contact any Team member if you have questions, suggestions or want to join. Team Members: **Michelle Edwards, Jessie Faist-Witt, Rhonda Ruterbusch, Samuel Machado, Tom Frierson, Diana Batema, Lainey Prim, Michelle & Daisy Taylor, Holly Davis, Tonia, and Jean Flader**.

Thank you, Perry Wright-Outreach Director

Dear Family at Holy Cross,

As we enter a new fiscal year at Holy Cross, we have a new Spending Plan for the year. The plan is larger than last year. The Ministry Team worked hard at developing this plan. There are some things we can't change like utilities, insurance and some services. Some things like salaries we advanced due to the good work done by our people. Some of the things in the plan are what we feel God wants us to work on over the next year.

We pray and asked God's guidance and feel that this is the work we by faith should do. At the voters meeting the plan was approved. As I stated earlier it will cost more than last year. We need your support to move it forward

A while ago, we opened a line of credit if there was a need to cover pasto's salary should we need to cover it. We have not used it and we don't want to use it as it would incur more debt we would have to pay off.

God has greatly blessed us all. So, what I am asking is, would you take some time to remember the way God has blessed you. Pray about how you would be able to give back to God with what He has blessed you with first. This is not a request for a specific amount. That is between you and God.

God has told us in Luke 12:48 *For everyone to whom much is given, much will be required; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, even more will be asked.*

God wants you to give with joy. In 2 Corinthians 9:7 He tells us, *Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

In Matthew 6:21 He tells us, *For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

Thank you for your time.

May the Lord bless and keep you.

Jim Santala

