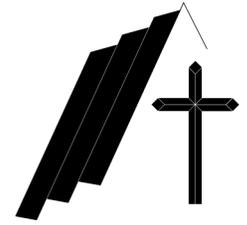


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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

MAR/APR '26

What to Do with the Body?

All four Gospels tell of how after our Lord died, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for His body, and laid Him in a new tomb. John tells how Nicodemus, who we were introduced to in John 3 and other verses, came by night bringing a mix of myrrh and aloes weighing about 75 pounds for anointing Him. It seems Nicodemus was hereby confessing his belief that Jesus was indeed the Son of God, confirming his faith in what Jesus taught him earlier, despite seeing his dead corpse before him. The Lord moved St. John to tell us about this and what Joseph did either way as very honorable, faithful, exemplary deeds.

“Why this waste?” I suppose someone might say. Why not give that money to the poor? Or for the synagogue? Or for your children’s education? But they did what they did for a dead body. It was quite daring in fact to approach Pilate and then put their public reputation on the line in doing this... all for a dead body. Similarly, the women who saw Jesus’ body placed in the tomb watched it be wrapped and brought to the tomb, and three days later (by Jewish counting) came back with spices themselves, looking to anoint that dead body. But of course, they didn’t find it!

Both before and after our Lord’s bodily resurrection, the faithful were honoring His body. The body and the soul belong together, of course. To honor the one is to honor the other. How you treat one has direct implications for the other. The desire to separate the two or maintain one apart from the other is murderous and by definition “morbid.”

The things we hear of happening with communication and other technologies in our day I find quite troubling: AI “friendships” and even “love affairs”; uploading one’s consciousness for future preservation; freezing the body for later revival; even the metaverse. All of this is morbid. The American Heritage dictionary defines “morbid” as “psychologically unhealthy or unwholesome.” That is what this is – a trend against the health and wholeness of our humanity. As “fun” and “pleasurable” as some who have participated say this is, they are clearly deceiving themselves. The way of life is to have body and soul together.

Our Lord Jesus Christ by His incarnation, death, and resurrection showed we belong whole – spirit, soul, and body – and He would raise us in His likeness. In fact, we have died and risen with Him in Holy Baptism, and though our mortal body of sin still wastes away, it is still holy, His temple (1 Corinthians 6). And He will most certainly raise our bodies immortally in His likeness (Romans 8, 1 Corinthians 15).

You may be silently asking yourself about a topic that tends to be controversial among Christians, namely, method of burial: burial, cremation, or other. Early Christians for years buried their dead, unlike most pagans in that part of the world who burned them. Pagans in other parts of the world even practiced cannibalism,

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considering burning repulsive. But burial was intended to be both a confession of the resurrection of the body, that the Lord had sanctified their bodies, and that our bodies were instruments of God's word and work for the care of the world and our neighbors. It was in line with the bodily care of the poor and sick they uniquely showed, unlike non-Christians, and an affirmation of the world God was sustaining and to which our Redeemer came dwelling among us, being buried Himself. As noted above, the faithful honored His body when He had died. And this was not only because they believed He was God. Jacob's body was taken all the way from Egypt to a special cave in the Promised Land. Abraham and Isaac were similar. This is what nearly all Old Testament Christians did.

To be sure, they and New Testament early Christians knew of other ways of dealing with the body of a saint, such as burning. St. Paul alludes to the possibility of delivering up his body to be burned (1 Corinthians 13), and many early saints had this happen, often by their persecutors doing it to spite belief in the resurrection of the body, thinking they were disproving it. And so, no, a burned body can and will also be raised and, for a Christian, with the Lord eternally. And yet, if given a choice, this was not the preferred way. Burning - treating the holy body of a holy one much the same as wood or trash - didn't seem proper honor.

Why does this matter if the Lord is able to raise up His children in fully renewed bodies anyway? The Lord wants faithfulness and good works. Our faithfulness is in believing and receiving what He has said, given, and keeping His commands. Faith in Christ, who paid for our sins in His body and was bodily raised for our justification, leads to not just any "good works" as we judge them, but good works He has said and given us to do in Jesus' likeness. This includes love of the neighbor, including their body. Treating even dead bodies as "just a shell," a "constraint," "liability," or much like trash sends a different message to those still living regarding their bodies. And right now, especially where so much is offered to get away from the body, more testimony is needed that human life, body and soul together, is precious in God's sight and should be in ours.

I am aware of the objections to regular burial. It is said to be more expensive. In reality, it isn't that much more expensive, and burial can in fact be done with a simple pine box and/ or shroud. It is said cremation makes everything easy to handle, where a casket is heavy. In reality, burial of loved ones is much less awkward for the living in showing humanity-affirming respect. It is often very awkward for those handling the ashes to do so in a way that is not morbid and that gives proper affirmation of God's creation and sustaining of human life in His image. Such can defile our consciences and easily lead to false beliefs and ways of thinking about the living and the dead. Another objection is that it is often said we don't want others to see how horrible we looked at our last days. To be sure, we do not want to highlight gore, if that is the case. But letting others look at you, even if dead, is part of being in community, which God calls us to... a community the saints are still a part of, though the dead are waiting in a different state. It is a tangible reminder that, yes, death is ugly and a hassle... and real. We need to acknowledge it. But in Christ, we remember that though our body is passing away, the Lord is renewing us and will raise us in glory.

Indeed, the Lord in the Gospels speaks of both the *bodies* of the saints, and He also speaks of the dead saints as "her" or "him," as if they were a living "her" or "him." Jesus famously spoke of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as not dead, but living, because their eternal life was as sure as the living God Himself (Mt. 22:32). We are our bodies, though never whole where body and soul are disconnected. But when Jesus looks at a dead body, He sees one whose soul is about to reunite therewith- a whole person; and His own will be fully restored even better.

In light of this, I would encourage you to consider how you think of your funeral or the funeral plans for your family members. What message, what impression, what confession will you make by what is done when you die? Don't let your actions follow the dictates of popular beliefs about what things are and what is important. Instead, let it be known that our Lord Jesus, who is the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier of all sets the terms.

- *Pastor Meissner*

Why? A Layman's Guide to the Liturgy
by Burnell F. Eckardt Jr., Editor-in-Chief, *Gottesdienst*

Why does the pastor alone say the Lord's Prayer sometimes?

The Lord's Prayer (the "Our Father") is the most excellent of all prayers, being so called because the Lord Jesus gave it to us Himself, and told His disciples to pray saying precisely these words ("When you pray, say: Our Father," etc.). Therefore it ought to be first on the lips of every Christian, day and night. In addition to this, an ancient and venerable custom elevates its significance during the Mass, by providing the rubric that has the celebrant alone chanting or saying these words aloud, while the congregation prays them silently. This distinguishes the Mass from the prayer offices of Matins and Vespers, which have the congregation saying all the words of the Lord's Prayer together.

The custom provides a special adornment for this prayer at a time when it is used in connection with the Sacrament, a connection which can be discerned quickly by virtue of the celebrant's chanting or saying also the Verba (the Words of Institution) in immediate proximity, either following or preceding. By this practice, the Our Father is seen as the central, and indeed only indispensable, ingredient in the canon of the Mass, that prayer of the celebrant which from antiquity was woven through with the Verba.

Both the Our Father and the Verba come from Christ Himself, with His expressed intention that they be repeated (in the case of the Sacrament, this intention is expressed by the words "This do"). They thus stand side by side as the most distinguished words in the entire service, with the implied message that the petitions of Our Father are answered by the Sacrament. Herein is the heart of our faith expressed. ✠

Why does the celebrant look up during a part of the Words of Institution?

During the Mass, when the Words of Institution (also called the Verba) are repeated, the celebrant engages in certain actions, in repetition of the actions of our Lord in His institution of the Supper. During the words "took bread," he *takes* the bread, and during the words "and when He had given thanks," he looks up in thanksgiving. This looking up is the ancient gesture of thanksgiving, which we see in Jesus Himself. St. Matthew (14:15-21, the feeding of the five thousand) records that "looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves." By "looking up to heaven" while "blessing" (that is, giving thanks) He means to acknowledge the source of the bread, and of every good gift. St. James also indicates this truth, saying, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights (James 1:17).

The Roman liturgy goes so far as actually to say that Jesus "looked up" as He gave thanks at the Supper, but the Lutheran Church's version is a verbatim (word-for-word) conflation of the Eucharistic texts. It is nevertheless safe to assume that Jesus did in fact look up at this point, in accordance with His custom.

When the celebrant repeats the gesture of Jesus during the consecration of the elements, especially the words "when He had given thanks," he gives a visual reminder that here he is actually standing in for Jesus, in His stead, and by His command. We are not merely "acting out" the scene here; rather the *very same* Supper is being continued here. We may know that here, through the ministry of His humble servant, truly Jesus Himself is the One who is active, giving to us again His own Body and Blood, just as He once gave it to His twelve disciples. ✠

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION



Theology on Tap - The Kansas City North Circuit invites you to Theology on Tap, a monthly theological discussion publicly led by Circuit pastors. We meet in the Reclamation Room of the Cinderblock Brewery 118 E. 18th St. North KC, MO 64116, starting at about 6:30pm on the fourth Thursday of the month. Bring yourself and someone else!

Pastor Meissner is available for private Confession and Absolution by appointment during the week or on Sunday mornings, following Corporate Confession and Absolution which is held at 8:00 am each Sunday. You can also join Pastor Meissner for the service of Matins on Tuesdays, at 8:00 am after Men's Bible Breakfast, or on Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays at 7:30 am & Saturdays at 8:30 am.



Portals of Prayer—The April-June edition of Portals of Prayer are available in the Narthex. Please consider making a donation in exchange for your copy. A standard copy costs the church \$2.00, while the large print copy costs the church around \$3.00. Thank you!



Church office hours: The church office is open Monday-Thursday from 8:00 am-3:00 pm. The office is closed on Fridays. The ECC office is open Monday-Friday. Please contact us at 816-452-9113 or church@holycrosskc.org if you have any questions. **Please submit any announcements** to be included in the weekly information notes to the church office by Thursdays at 7:00 am.

Men's Dart Ball Team - Our congregation has a team that plays in the Kansas City - North Circuit Dart ball league. The season started in September, but you can join at any time. The last games of the season will be played at Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, March 15th at 2:00 pm. Interested? Contact Mike Schaunaman at 816-507-0974.



Check out the new narthex artwork. The two new prints on the west wall(s) are by Lutheran artist Ed Riojas. Thank you to Randy and Carol Wilson for framing, hanging, and posting the meditative captions.

Sunday School Corner

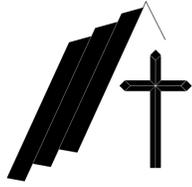
Holy Cross children's Sunday School continues with two classes: Elementary and High School. Our opening devotions are held with the adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 8:45am every Sunday. There are children on Holy Cross's membership list that do not come to Sunday School. May God Bless and encourage us all to reach out and bring the children to Him. In the precious name of Christ, Amen

Youth choir practice is held a couple of weeks per month just after the opening devotion for about 10-15 minutes. The youth choir practice schedule is available from our director, Myla Miller.

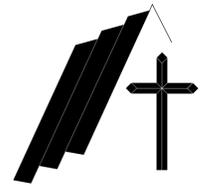
Our last regular session class will be on May 17, 2026. We will take a break for the summer and start up again in the fall after Labor day. If there is someone who wants to continue Children's SS through the Summer and would take the lead on it please let me know. Children are always welcome to attend Adult Bible Study during the summer as well.

In His Service / Carl Pigors
Sunday School Superintendent





Holy Cross Lutheran Church 75th Anniversary Celebration



May 17, 2026 - Divine Service 10 :00 A.M.

Guest Preacher: Rev. Ryan Wendt, President, MT District (LCMS)

12:30 P.M. – Barbeque Lunch Banquet*

1:15 P.M. - Program – Hymns, Music, Remembrance & Activities

*Please RSVP. Banquet cost is covered for members and guests. We ask that guests please RSVP with the church office.

“SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY
SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF
MY LIFE, AND I SHALL DWELL IN THE
HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER.” -
PSALM 23:6



IN LOVING MEMORY OF...

Jeanne Beck

* Sid & Roberta Keltner



From the Board of Christian Mercy

We need food and personal care items for the food pantries we support. Please bring any of the following items to church at any time and place them in the coat room. There is continual need in our community. While out shopping, pick up some extra items! Also, we could use more volunteers to help deliver the donations. If you are interested in helping, please contact Dee Stafford.

Suggested items to donate to local food pantries: (No glass packaging or expired items. Purchase flip top cans if possible or consider donating a can opener.)

1. Proteins: peanut butter, canned or packets of tuna or chicken, canned stew
2. Dry goods: dry beans, dry milk, brown or white rice, pasta, cereal, oats, crackers, macaroni & cheese
3. Canned: vegetables, fruits, beans, tomatoes, soup, broth, juice
4. Condiments and spices: ketchup, mustard, hot sauce, bbq sauce, mayonnaise, salt, pepper, dry spices, dry mixes (chili, taco, spaghetti etc), packets of condiments from fast food restaurants
5. Miscellaneous: fruit cups, dried fruit, oil, salad dressing, granola or protein bars, trail mix, breakfast bars, coffee, tea, pudding cups
6. Paper products: toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, paper plates, cups, plastic ware
7. Personal hygiene items: shampoo, deodorant, soap, combs, tooth paste, toothbrush



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March

- Cheryl Moody
- Lisa Stock
- Brook Harness
- Jayden Childs
- Coraline Hoffstetter
- Tim Strandberg
- Renate Woitasczyk
- Scott Olson
- Sara Akalugwu
- Josh Stock
- Julie Lewis
- Rene DeCuyper
- Don Miller
- Dee Stafford
- Sharon Thomas
- Robby Dunkin
- Vondell Neill
- Jackson Moore
- Tad Brewer
- Shara Pigors

April

- Eric Jerde
- Linda Yinger
- Mary Hendricks
- Amie Land
- Heather Achterberg
- Laura Achterberg
- Delaney Closterman
- Sharon Kernes
- Casey McCormick
- William Endriss
- Alex Zimmerman
- Cooper Hogue
- Cindy Olson
- Ruth Crawford
- Joe Senne
- Emily Foster
- Jeff Falls
- Lori Dexter
- Laura Hedges
- Phyllis Henry
- David Olson



**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY!**

“LOVE BEARS ALL THINGS,
BELIEVES ALL THINGS, HOPES
ALL THINGS, ENDURES ALL
THINGS. LOVE NEVER ENDS.”
1 CORINTHIANS 13:7-8A

March

- M/M Don Miller
- M/M Sean Beisel



January/February 2026

Transfers Out/Releases

- * None

Baptisms/Confirmations/Transfers In/
Profession of Faith

- * Gavin Baker (Baptism)

From the Board of Stewardship

GIVING MADE EASY - You may now make a one-time donation or set up recurring contributions through our website's *eGiving* donation page. The eGiving option is secure, fast, and easy to use. You can donate by visiting www.holycrosskc.org and selecting "eGiving" or by simply scanning this QR code. Please contact the church office at 816-452-9113 if you have any questions or need additional assistance.



From the Budget and Finance Committee - As of October 27, 2025, we have reached 100% of our goal and the mortgage has been PAID OFF! Thanks be to God!!



Music at Holy Cross

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Psalm 98:4



Choir Notes

Choir rehearsals resumed on Saturday, February 7th. Our singing schedule starts with the 1st Sunday in Lent and ends with Holy Cross' 75th Anniversary. We will sing several times with Youth Choir. If you are interested in joining the adult choir, we have plenty of room in the choir loft! Experience is not necessary. Please talk to Myla Miller or Rebekah Meissner... or just show up at rehearsal on Saturday at 10:00, we'd be glad to see you!

From the Fellowship Board

- Lenten meals will be held each Wednesday at 6:00 pm. Please watch the weekly info notes to see the menu for each week. Thank you to all of our volunteers who planned, cooked and served the meals!
- A light Easter breakfast will be served on Sunday, April 5th during the Bible Class hour, beginning at 8:30 am.
- Wabash BBQ will be catering the meal for the 75th Anniversary of Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Sunday, May 17th.
- Please see Linda Rusche or a member of the Fellowship Board if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with any of the meals.

A Little Levity...

- Five-year-old Johnny was being urged by his mother to take some medicine. "It's good for you, Johnny. And God wants you to take it." "I don't believe He does, Mother. I'll ask him." The youngest buried his head under the blankets on his bed and soon a hoarse voice came, "No, certainly not!"
- "I think we need to change the morning hymn," said the minister to his song leader. "My topic this morning is 'gossip.' I don't think 'I Love To Tell the Story' would be the best choice."

From the Board of Christian Mercy:Swaddling Clothes

Mission statement: "The mission of Swaddling Clothes is to share the mercy of Christ with our neighbors through the gifts of clothing, food, friendship and the forgiving Word of God."

"Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you people from afar. The Lord called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name." Isaiah 49:1 ESV

For the months January and February, we served 83 families by providing 140 packages of diapers, 137 packages of baby wipes, and 41 big items. We also welcomed 12 new families during January and February. We continue to hand out a collection of Arch Books monthly to each family. These books are generously provided by Concordia Publishing House.

Pastor Meissner, Nancy Neill and Carolyn Falls gave a Swaddling Clothes presentation on January 21, 2026 to the Lutheran Urban Mission Agency Auxiliary (LUMAA) at King of Kings Lutheran Church. The presentation went very well and was followed up by many questions from LUMAA members. On February 5th, we received donations from LUMAA, which were packaged by the Youth Group from St. Stephens Lutheran Church in Liberty, MO. The donations included diaper wipes, diaper rash cream, bibs, blankets, baby washcloths, and burp cloths. LUMAA also donated \$50 to Swaddling Clothes. We will follow-up with thank you notes.

Coming up on March 7th and 8th is the Rhea Lana consignment event. On March 7th, we will volunteer our time by sorting the unsold/donated items. Then on March 8th, we will select unsold/donated items for our Swaddling Clothes Center. This consignment event is held three times a year and helps us replenish our Center in a big way.

We have been asked to participate in the NKC Learning Resource Fair on Saturday, March 21st from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. We will be passing out our SC Brochure and talking to parents about Swaddling Clothes. This will be a good way to share our Swaddling Clothes mission with the local community.

Our next Center opening will be Saturday, March 14th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please sign up on the SC bulletin board in the Narthex by Sunday, March 8th if you would like to volunteer. If you have any questions, contact Nancy Neill at (816)556-6555 or Carolyn Falls at (816)674-5021.

Our April Center opening will be Saturday, April 11th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please sign up on the SC bulletin board in the Narthex by Sunday, April 5th.

Our next Swaddling Clothes quarterly meeting will be held on Monday, April 27th, 2026 at 5:30 pm in the Conference Room. Everyone is invited. Watch your weekly bulletin for SC announcements. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers and the support of our congregation. Please continue to pray for the Swaddling Clothes Mission here at Holy Cross.

In Christ's service,

Carolyn Falls & Nancy Neill

THANK YOU!!

TRULY I SAY TO YOU, AS YOU DID IT TO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE BROTHERS,
YOU DID IT TO ME." MATTHEW 25:40

Holy Cross Lutheran Church,

Your gift of \$499.75 for SLMS 2025-26: Seminary Support

O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good: because His mercy endures forever. (Psalm 118:1)

What a joy it is to receive your generous gift for the work of the Siberian Lutheran Mission Society (SLMS). Our gracious Lord has mercifully blessed the Siberian Evangelical Church (SELC) through your gift.

Your support allows the SLMS to meet the goal of providing \$10,000 support for the congregations of the SELC. We continue to support the ongoing needs of the Seminary as well as build endowment for the future. We are thankful you have chosen to help.

The Lord be with you,
Robert Kiefer, Secretary/Treasurer

Youth Group Kids, FYI!!!

(Check with Missie or Terrie for details!)

Four members of our youth group have been (alternating) in charge of raising and lowering the US Flag each Sunday before service. Since two of the youth have left for college, we would love to have more hands helping with the flag. Reece would be happy to demonstrate the proper way to raise/lower and fold the flag. Please see Missie!

We have recently given the YG Kids a link for Daily Devotions from Higher Things.

<https://higherthings.org/resources/content-reflections/>

Higher Things 2026: **Dying Church Rising Hope**

June 23-26, 2026 Washington University, St. Louis, MO

June 30-July 3, 2026 Washington University St. Louis, MO

July 14-17, 2026 Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO

Contact for Registration:

Deac. Sarah Longmire deaconess@gracefaithlove.org

Deac. Emma Heinz registrar@higherthings.org

Thank you for your support!

Missie & Terrie

YG Co-Chairs

Proverbs 22:6



MARCH 2026

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APRIL 2026

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