



THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

March 15, 2026

The Lord Feeds His People

The Lord provided bread from heaven for His people in the wilderness (Ex. 16:2–21). Now He who is Himself the living bread from heaven miraculously provides bread for the five thousand (John 6:1–15). This takes place near the time of the Passover, after a great multitude had followed Jesus across the sea, and when He went up on a mountain. Seen in this way, Jesus is our new and greater Moses, who releases us from the bondage of Mount Sinai and makes us free children of the promise (Gal. 4:21–31). Five loaves become twelve baskets—that is, the five books of Moses find their goal and fulfillment in Christ, whose people continue steadfastly in the doctrine and fellowship of the twelve apostles, and in the breaking and receiving of the bread of life, which is the body of Christ together with His precious blood, and in the prayers (Acts 2:41–47). So it is that God's people "*shall not hunger or thirst*" (Is. 49:8–13). For He abundantly provides for us in both body and soul.

Welcome to our guests and members! Let us rejoice together in the presence of our gracious Lord! If you are new to Holy Cross, or just visiting, please be sure to sign our guest book and fill out an attendance card found in your pew. We hope you will join with us in worship again.

Cell Phones & Devices - Please remember to silence these during today's service. Thank you!

Cry Room Available - If you exit the rear of the sanctuary into the narthex, the room is on the right. Please feel free to rejoin the service at any time.

Fruits of God's Love: Sunday, March 8: 72; Bible Study: 22; Sunday School: 6; Wednesday, March 11: 31

Please fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering plate as it is passed.

Stewardship Thoughts—John 6:5 – “Jesus said to Philip, ‘Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?’” Of course Jesus knows the answer to that question — He knows how He means to care for His people. The Lord provided, and He still provides. This knowledge frees us for generosity without fear.

Life Thoughts from Lutherans For Life— Christ in the flesh assures us that God knows how to care for what He creates (John 6:11-12). His Gospel gives sustenance, company, and community along with forgiveness and salvation (Acts 2:42-45). Having such a Father and family nearby can stave off sin and death. *Good Shepherd, let us bring care by being it. Amen.*

Swaddling Clothes— We will have a workday Thursday, March 26 from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm. All help is welcome! Our next Center opening will be Saturday, April 11th (10:00 am-1:00 pm). Volunteers can sign-up on the SC bulletin board by Easter Sunday, April 5. By signing up this helps us know how many volunteers are available to help at our opening. Any questions contact Shara Pigors (816)654-2294. Thank you!



From the Board of Stewardship - Please make sure that you are using your 2026 offering envelopes. Giving numbers change from year to year and all giving is tracked by your giving number. Please dispose of any old offering envelopes and use only your 2026 envelopes. Thank you!

Choir Notes... The Holy Cross Adult Choir is actively seeking singers. We need to expand our Soprano/Alto section but will gladly welcome anyone who wants to sing. Not sure if you want to commit... why not try Choir for Holy Week and Easter. We have plenty of room in the Choir Loft; practices are on Sat morning at 10:00 am. Hope we see you in the Loft soon. Please contact Myla Miller at 816-399-9291 if you are interested.

Lenten Meals - This week the meal will be Ham Sliders and Soup served by Zach Mass. We will start serving the meal at 6:00 pm on Wednesday evening. Everyone is welcome!

Theology on Tap - The North KC Circuit invites all to Theology on Tap - Monthly Theological Discussion led by circuit pastors. Grab a Lutheran beverage and join us on Thursday, March 26th at 6:30 pm at the Cinderblock Brewery: 110 E. 18th St. North Kansas City, MO. Leading in March - Rev. Frank Green (King of Kings LC, KC) on the topic "Justification: It's Bigger than You Think."

75th Anniversary Meal RSVP - Wabash BBQ will be catering the meal for the 75th Anniversary of Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Sunday, May 17th, following the 10:00 am Divine Service. If you plan to attend the meal, please sign up on the RSVP list on the cabinet in the Narthex or you can contact the church office.

Order Your Easter Lily for \$9.00 from the Chancel Guild. A poster with envelopes is on the bulletin board across from the elevator for those who would like to order a lily for display during the Easter Services. Place the envelope with your name and payment in the Chancel Guild's mailbox in the old church office no later than Palm Sunday (March 29th). You may take home your lily after the 10:00 am service on Easter Sunday.

A light Easter breakfast will be served by the Fellowship Board on Sunday, April 5th during the Bible Class hour, beginning at 8:30 am.

On the Calendar

Sunday, March 15:	Corporate Confession & Absolution.....	8:00 A.M.
	Adult Bible Class/Sunday School.....	8:45 A.M.
	Divine Service	10:00 A.M.
	Dartball at Christ Lutheran Church.....	2:00 P.M.
Monday, March 16:	Matins	7:30 A.M.
	ECC Chapel.....	9:15 A.M.
Tuesday, March 17:	Men’s Bible Breakfast.....	7:00 A.M.
	Matins.....	8:00 A.M.
Wednesday, March 18:	Matins.....	7:30 A.M.
	Bible Class.....	9:00 A.M.
	Lenten Meal.....	6:00 P.M.
	Evening Prayer	7:00 P.M.
Thursday, March 19:	Matins	7:30 A.M.
	ECC Chapel.....	9:15 A.M.
Saturday, March 21:	Matins.....	8:30 A.M.
	Handbell Choir Rehearsal.....	9:00 A.M.
	Choir Rehearsal.....	10:00 A.M.
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Updated Information: If you have recently joined Holy Cross, moved or gotten a new phone number, please make sure that our records are up to date. You can email church@holycrosskc.org with your updated information. Also, if you’d like to receive any Holy Cross announcements or the newsletter via email, please make sure we have your email address.

The 2026 Flower Chart is posted in the breezeway. Consider ordering an arrangement to observe a significant event in your life and beautify the church. **Arrangements are \$28.00 each. Checks should be made payable to “Chancel Guild.”**

The March/April *Reflections from the Cross* newsletter is available to pick up on the cabinet in the Narthex. A digital copy is also available on the website.

Portals of Prayer—The April-June edition of Portals of Prayer is available on the cabinet in the Narthex. Please consider leaving a donation for your copy. A standard issue costs the church \$2 & a large print copy costs the church \$3

Join us in Adult Bible Study every Sunday morning at 8:45 am. We are currently studying the book of Acts.

Men’s Dart Ball Team - The last games of the season will be this afternoon at Christ Lutheran Church beginning at 2:00 pm. Interested? Contact Mike Schaunaman at 816-507-0974.

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, which takes you directly to our eGiving page. Please contact the church office at 816-452-9113 if you have any questions.



EXPLAINING LUTHERANISM TO NON-LUTHERANS... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to a series of interviews with Dr. Jordan Cooper, author of the new book “Lutheranism for Non-Lutherans,” at issuesetc.org/nonlutherans.

The “Ides of March” (March 15) may not have been beneficial for Julius Caesar, but you are invited to be informed and inspired by the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty podcasts – see <https://www.lcrlfreedom.org/podcast>.

Where do we get pastors who preach and care for us with God’s Word? Where do we get teachers who teach our children about Jesus in our Lutheran schools? Where do we get our directors of Christian education, deaconesses and directors of parish music? *Set Apart to Serve (SAS)* is partnering with our seminaries, Concordia universities, districts, congregations and many others to build a Synodwide culture of church work formation and recruitment. You can contribute toward this effort **by taking this brief online survey** at lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey. Please let us know how all of us can make SAS more beneficial to your congregation. It is important we hear what you have to say.