

# Cross Connection

Growing together

December 2016

## Cross Lutheran Church & School

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### Our mission:

**Bring people to  
Christ.**

**Teach Christians  
to be disciples.**

**Send disciples to  
reach the world.**



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## Message from Pastor Tim

My dear family of Cross Lutheran,

It is truly hard to believe that the harvest has come to a successful completion, the vast array of spectacular fall colors and breath taking sunrises and sunsets are begrudgingly giving way to the inevitable season of cold, snow and long, long nights. Yet, we trust in God that for thousands of years his creation of the changing seasons continues and that spring will not be far away. What a comforting and peaceful feeling that kind of trust in God brings in a world that is anything but comforting and peaceful.

This great nation just went through an election and there is great consternation and worry concerning the changes that are forth coming. Will those who discern and decide on change seek the wisdom of God in prayer to lead and guide them so the glory of His son, Jesus Christ, will resonate throughout this country? Will those changes bring this country together or will it divide it further? Where is peace and comfort in the worry of that? Where there is worry, trust is not present and there God is not.

Max Lucado said about the election; "stop worrying, start trusting." He is right about worrying. Nothing positive comes from it. No peace. No comfort. It is wasted energy that could be applied to trusting. So should trust replace worry about the way the new administration will base its decisions on. Will those in authority pray for God's wisdom that will guide them in their decision making process to glorify Jesus Christ in this great nation? "We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves." (LBW page 77)

*NRS Psalm 118:* <sup>8</sup> *It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to put confidence in mortals. <sup>9</sup> It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.*

Where then is peace and comfort found for this nation?

*NRS Philippians 4:* <sup>6</sup> *Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God,*

*which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Where then do we put our trust? How can trust be given to those who are in bondage to sin?

*NRS Isaiah 9:* <sup>6</sup> *For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

Our trust resides in that little child born in Bethlehem. In that little child rest all truth. In that child is all wisdom and knowledge to bring peace and comfort to all those who live in the darkness of worry. Once that trust in that baby replaces the worry of Satan, pure light enters the world. Pure trust given to that baby to right all will bring peace and comfort this world so desperately needs.

*NRS John 8:* <sup>12</sup> *Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but*

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# Preparing for Worship at Cross



## Bible Readings for the Month

### Dec. 4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent

1R – Isaiah 2:1-5  
 P – Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19  
 2R – Romans 15:4-13  
 G – Matthew 3:1-12

### Dec. 11 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent

1R – Isaiah 35:1-10  
 P – Psalm 146:5-10  
 2R – James 5:7-10  
 G – Matthew 11:2-11

### Dec. 18 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent

1R – Isaiah 7:10-16  
 P – Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19  
 2R – Romans 1:1-7

G – Matthew 1:18-25

### Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve

1R - Isaiah 9:2-7  
 P – Psalm 96  
 2R – Titus 2:11-14  
 G – Luke 2:1-20

### Dec. 25 – Christmas Day

1R - Isaiah 62:6-12

### Box Tops For Education

Is an easy opportunity for you to help support Cross Lutheran School! Look for the pink Box Tops Coupon on hundreds of products. Clip it from the package and place it the church office.

### Pigeon Food Pantry

Children need a nutritious start to the school day. Cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix and syrup are good options. Always in need are toiletries and personal items. Please place the items in the tote inside the East Door Entrance.

### Communion Bread

We will again need people to help with baking the communion bread. A sign up sheet is in the hall on the bulletin board along with the easy recipe. Thank you.

## Christmas Worship Schedule

- *Handbell & Choral Concert, Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3 p.m.*
- *Children's Christmas Eve Program, Saturday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m. with prelude beginning at 6:45 p.m.*
- *Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Saturday, Dec. 24 at 10 p.m.*
- *Christmas Morning Service, Sunday, Dec. 25 at 9:30 a.m.*

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*will have the light of life."*

My family of Cross Lutheran, do not worry. Put your trust in the baby of Bethlehem, Jesus Christ. This is not a time to worry. It is time to see the glory of Jesus Christ shine through all that lies ahead. In that there is peace and comfort knowing He will make all things

right which relieves us the burden of making things all right. Thanks be to God!

<sup>NRS</sup> **Revelation 21:** <sup>3</sup> *And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them;* <sup>4</sup> *he will*

*wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."* <sup>5</sup> *And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new."*

God's peace

Pr Tim

# Celebrate



## Anniversaries and Birthdays

### Birthdays

- 1 Jordan Licht
- 3 Mark Trost
- 4 Cindy Buchholz
- 6 Troy Schuette
- 8 Beverly Knost
- 9 Neil Herford
- 10 Ryan Trost  
Arthur Hill
- 11 Grace Shupe
- 15 Roger Renn  
Kendal Delpiere
- 17 Richard Koehler Jr.  
Maria Schumacher
- 18 Lorraine LePage
- 19 Kaoty Smith
- 20 Cheryl Sturm  
Kim Schadd
- 22 Donna Schuette
- 23 Bill Love
- 24 Denny Diener Sr.
- 25 Jim Siewert
- 27 Don Schuette
- 28 Janice Uhan
- 29 Pastor Tim
- 30 Ethan Yackle
- 31 Mitchell Schuette

If your birthday or anniversary wasn't listed, please contact the church office so it can be added to our list.

### Anniversaries

- 3 Clarence & Inez  
Buchholz, 56 years
- 14 Paul & Karen Schuette, 42 years
- 20 Kent & Lori McKenzie, 36 years



## In Our Prayers

### Remember our Shut-ins:

Gloria Anderson, Ray Buchholz, Edna Schulz, Dorothy Hafner, Fred Edler, Gloria Lewis.

### Please Remember in Prayer:

Ray Barr (friend of Marty & Bev Knost), Jeanette Licht Flores, Tiffany Swart-zendruber, Wendy Gettel, Allen Koehler, Jake Maz-zara, nephew of RoseAnn Bud-

nick, Dawn Rosenthal, Rachel Rea, Teresa Waterkuetter, niece of Betty and Ken Licht, Kevin Faupel, Clarence Buchholz, Kim (Mrs. Donald) Schadd, Ezra Sturm, Blain Renn, Betty Schulze, Sharon Dietzel, Eunice Richmond, Dennis Diener.

### In the Service of Our Country:

Nathan Schulz is stationed at Camp LeJeune and Ryan Schulz is stationed at Cherry Point, NC. They are both Marines and sons of Lonnie Schulz and grandsons of Ron and Bonnie Schulz.

## CEA CHRISTMAS FAIR

CEA is gearing up for our annual Christmas Fair on Friday, December 9! We are looking for any donations that we could use for our fun event! New items, handmade items, baked goods, monetary etc. This is a fun day for the children, where they can purchase gifts for their family and friends! Then to top off they're shopping fun, they wrap and prepare the gifts for Christmas morning! Please help us make this another EXCEPTIONAL year for our children. Donations can be dropped to the school office. Any questions please give April a call at 553-0663.

### Youth Schedule:

Sunday School every Sunday at 10:45 a.m.

### Confirmation Schedule:

Sunday, Dec. 4 from 5—6:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18 from 5—6:30 p.m.

## Women's & Men's Group Schedules

**Afternoon Bible Study** will meet Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 1:30 p.m.

**Morning Bible Study** will meet Wed., Dec. 14 at 9:30 a.m.

**Men's Bible Study** will be Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. and Dec. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

**Quilting Day** will be Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 1 p.m.

**Women of Faith** will meet Saturday, Dec. 3 from 10:30 a.m.—noon

# School News

## December School Calendar



1	CEA 4:45 p.m. School Board 5:30 p.m.
5	Children's Christmas Eve Program Practice 6 p.m.
7	Chapel 12:45 p.m.
9	CEA Christmas Fair
14	Chapel 8 a.m.
15	Children's Christmas Eve Program Practice 6 p.m.
21	Half Day of School Children's Christmas Eve Program Practice 6 p.m.
22	No School
23	No School
30	Chapel 8 a.m. Safetyville 1 p.m.

## From the Desk of ... Wendy Zick

Big things are happening in the band room this year! The Beginning band members are practicing consistently and are advancing through their method book at a tremendous pace. They are excited to be in band and are always disappointed to end their rehearsal time. Intermediate band students are learning new things every week and are now working on playing part music where some students are playing harmony parts. All band students are currently preparing music for the Christmas Eve service. I love Christmas music!

The most exciting things are happening in the Junior High

band. Two of our members, Riley and Cassie, were chosen to participate in the Lutheran Music Festival 50th Anniversary. It was a grand event held at Valley Lutheran High School which included about 150 band and choir students from the Bay/Thumb area and also the Valley Lutheran High School band and choir. Students met early in the morning on October 22nd and performed in a concert later that same afternoon. The final piece, composed by Michael Keller, was performed by all band and choir members together. It was a memorable concert! The Huron Area Junior High Honors Band, which included an all day rehearsal on November 12th and concert on November 13th, took place at Ubyly High School. Cassie and James were the participating students for this event. Both events were well attended.

As we approach this Christmas season, remember that it is not what is under your tree that is important, but what is in your heart. We are celebrating our Savior's birth. Jesus left the majesty of heaven to become a lowly man, to suffer, and to die for our sins. This wonderful gift of love is beyond comprehension. Think about it!

### Teaching Staff:

**Beth Elston, Music and Pre-School**

**Jean Hatch, K-2 Aide and Pre-School Aide**

**David Faupel, 6-8 grade**

**Deb Musolff, K-2 grade**

**Gwynne Barry, 3-5 grade**

**Wendy Zick, Band**

**Karen Peterson, Cook**

**Susan Hass, Title I tutor**

## CEA Meeting

**Nov 3**

Present at meeting were Pastor, April Rujan, Melisa Raymond, and Nicole Shupe. Pastor opened with Prayer at 4:45pm.

### CEA Officer Change

Geri Kay has decided to step down from her position and Lori Trost will be taking her place

### Family Meetings

Our family craft night was a success. Lots of crafts made for the upcoming Christmas fair. A big thank you to Nicole Shupe for all she does and her great ideas.

### Fundraisers

Christmas Fair- Set for Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. We are taking donations now and till then.

Concessions- Basketball season starts in Jan. Volunteers are greatly appreciated.

Krispy Kreme- Set for February.

Spring Pancake Breakfast- Set for May 7 from 9am-1pm. Again this is a mandatory fundraiser so set the calendar for this day to come and help out.

Next meeting is scheduled for Dec 1 at 4:45 p m.

Meeting closed with prayer @ 5:30

# December Time & Talents

Date & Time	Assisting Minister	Reader	Children's Time	Comm. Assist.	Ushers for the Month	Altar Guild	Acolyte
Dec. 4 9:30 a.m.	Paul Schuette	Wesley Trowbridge	Kari Halverson	Gwynne Barry	Bruce Baur George Gardy	Laura Trost	Riley Shupe
Dec. 11 9:30 a.m.	Phil Schadd	Laura Trost	Michelle Fritz	Carole Mead	Neil Herford Al Licht	Jean Sturm	Garrett Fritz
Dec. 18 9:30 a.m.	Karen Schuette	Norm Nelson	Aileen Prill	Norm Nelson	Denny Smith Larry Smith	Carol Diener	Logan Richmond
Dec. 24 10 p.m.	Gwynne Barry	Paul Schuette		John Trowbridge	John Trowbridge	Marilyn Baur	Collin Schuette
Dec. 25 9:30 a.m.	Mike Sting	Karen Schuette	Leanne Smith	Paul Schuette		Laura Trost	Zachary Kretzschmer

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE AS SCHEDULED, PLEASE CONTACT A SUBSTITUTE. If unable to find anyone, please contact me at (989) 453-2744. Thanks and God's Blessings to you! Karen Schuette**

**USHERS PLEASE NOTE:** Unlock doors, turn on lights, and sound system, then lock and turn off lights, etc. to close up the church. THANKS!

## Church Council Minutes



**November 8, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The monthly meeting of the Cross Lutheran Church Council was called to order by President Kent McKenzie, at 7:02PM on the above date. Members present were Kent McKenzie, John Smith, Nancy Heck, Phil Schadd, Patty Schulze, Leanne Smith, Neil Herford, Lorraine LePage and Lori Smith. Kent provided the opening prayer.

**AGENDA:** The agenda was presented to all present. A motion

was made by John Smith to approve the Agenda as provided, seconded by Nancy Heck. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** The Council Minutes, dated October 11, 2016, were reviewed by all present. A motion was made by Nancy Heck to approve the minutes as presented. Neil Herford seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**GUEST PRESENTATIONS/ REQUESTS:** None.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Copies of the Treasurer's report were distributed to all present. John Smith made a Motion to accept Nancy's report, seconded by Leanne Smith. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Phil Schadd read a letter of thanks from Anne Marie Stern, Orphan Care and Prevention Director in

Haiti.

**Funeral 0; Wedding 1; Baptisms 2; Teaching 13; Communion 7; Hosp Vis 2; Home Vis 3; Meetings 17; Services 12**

### Pastoral acts

- Wedding, Tim Schuette & Shirley Special, Saturday, October 22 at Cross Lutheran.
- Baptisms, Sage Elizabeth & Hazel Grace Messing, Sunday, October 23.

### Church calendar

- Operation Christmas Child (OCC) (shoebox)
- Set up in gym, Tuesday, November 15, 6 PM
- Pack boxes, Thursday, November 17, 6 PM.

# Church Council Minutes continued

- Christ the King Sunday, November 20.
- Community Thanksgiving Service, Sunday, November 20, 3 PM, at Cross Lutheran, pies served after the service.
- Thanksgiving Day service, Thursday, November 24, 10 AM with communion.
- First Sunday in Advent, Sunday, November 27
- Communion every Sunday in Advent.
- Choir / Handbell Christmas Concert, Sunday, December 11, 3 PM with a reception following in the gym.
- Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24, 6:45 PM prelude, 7 PM Children's Service, 10 PM Candle Light Service.
- Christmas Day service, Sunday, December 25, 9:30AM.

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** Pastor Loehrke's written report was provided to all present. Highlights of his report were as follows:

- Annual Michigan Mission District (MMD) convocation was October 18 in Ewart, Michigan.
    - o All eight NALC congregations within the MMD were represented.
    - o Approximately 30 people attended.
    - o The charter for the MMD is to be reviewed.
- Youth and mission outreach are being studied.

- Annual NALC Deans meeting with the Bishop will be November 8-10 in Columbus,

Ohio.

- New member's class to be held on Sunday, November 13 and 20 during the Sunday school hour.

## Principal's report

- Student enrollment for 2016 - 2017 school year.
  - o K - 8, 31, P/S, 14
- Cross School's hot lunch program will be audited January 26 & 27, 2017.
- TALL Arts day was Friday, October 28. Approximately 65 students plus adults attended.

All went great. The staff of Cross School did an outstanding job in preparation by arranging the crafts, instructors, logistics and the feeding of all for lunch. Cross School and the spirit of Jesus Christ truly glowed that day. Thanks to all.

- Thanksgiving break, no school, Wednesday - Friday, November 23-25.
- CEA Christmas Fair, Friday, December 9.

**SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:** John Smith was present and gave his oral report. The school is planning a ski trip on January 11.

**MINISTRY OF STEWARDSHIP:** There was nothing to report.

**MINISTRY OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC:** Leanne was present and provided her written report. The Advent/Christmas concert, featuring both the choir & the bell choir, will be December 11<sup>th</sup>. The offering for the concert will go to the music department. A total of \$1,362.00 was collected for the orphanage in Haiti. The

Jesse tree will be put up during Advent.

**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION:** There was nothing to report.

**MINISTRY OF MISSION OUT-REACH:** Lori presented her written report to all present. There will be food collection on the remaining Sundays in November. \$10 gift cards will be purchased to place in the Thanksgiving food boxes given out by the Pigeon Food Pantry. The Giving Tree will be going up shortly. The goal for Operation Christmas Child will be 600 shoeboxes. Sorting will take place on November 15<sup>th</sup> and the boxes will be packed on November 17.

**MINISTRY OF YOUTH:** There was nothing to report.

**MINISTRY OF PROPERTY:** We are looking at replacing the spot lights in the front of the church with LED lights to reduce the heat generated by the lights and to save electricity. We should be able to get a grant from Detroit Edison to help reduce the cost of the lights.

**MINISTRY OF PARISH LIFE:** Patty Schulze was present and provided her report to all present. They are looking for groups to host upcoming coffee hours. The Pastor Appreciation Sunday collection was a great success.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

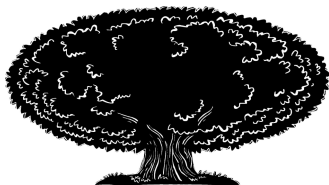
A motion was made by John Smith to elect Nancy Heck as treasurer. The motion was seconded by Neil Herford. Nancy Heck was elected as treasurer by the council.

# Memorials & Ministry

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**  
Tuesday, December 13 at 7 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned and good things from around the room were shared by all present. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer at 7:47PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Philip L. Schadd, Secretary



## Memorial Gifts

**These gifts were received to the glory of God in memory or honor of the following people:**

**In memory of Lillian Koehler, for Cross Lutheran Church:**

Don & Sally Rogers

**In memory of Albert Schulze, for Cross Lutheran Church:**

Ned & Barbara Zagorski  
Ruth Schultz

**In memory of Luella Ewald, for Cross Lutheran Building Fund:**

Anonymous

**In memory of Shirley Bella, for Cross Lutheran Church:**

Susan Craig

## Mission/Outreach Ministry Minutes

**October 25**

The meeting was called to order by Lori Smith at 6:30 p.m. Lori led the group in prayer. Those present were Lori Smith, Bonnie Schulz, Lorraine LePage, Rachel Messing, Pastor Tim, Connie Eden, Rose Ann Budnick, Gwen Ovcen and Kay Schuette. The minutes of the September 27, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved. The Treasurer reported \$4,452.08 in the checking account. There was no correspondence.

The following items were discussed:

Church Decorating and Fall Food Collection – We will decorate the church for fall on Thursday, November 3, 2016. Food collection Sundays are November 13, 20 and 27, 2016. Lorraine made a motion that we purchase thirty-six \$10 gift cards from Pigeon IGA as a gift from Cross Lutheran Church, to be placed in the Thanksgiving food boxes given out by the Pigeon Food Pantry. Bonnie seconded it and the motion carried.

We will be selling Scrip cards each Sunday in November and December. The November Scrip schedule is: 11/6 – Connie; 11/13 – Rose Ann; 11/20 – Lorraine; 11/27 – Gwen.

More road signs advertising our church have been seen around the area as the Huron County Road Commission continues placing them.

The Giving Tree will be up a few weeks with tags for Operation Christmas Child gift ideas, then will be switched over to Christmas gift tags for local children.

We will be sending Thanksgiving cards to our shut-ins as well as Christmas cards and gifts.

Our Operation Christmas Child goal is 600 boxes. The deadline for shoebox collection is November 13. Sorting will take place on November 15, and shoebox packing night will be November 17. Items have been counted and there is a poster in the church overflow that shows how many of each item is still needed.

The idea about having praise and worship song books was referred to the Praise and Worship Ministry.

Our next meeting will be November 22, 2016.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Connie Eden

## COMMUNION BREAD

Please use the sign up sheet in the overflow area if you would like to make communion bread. Copies of the easy recipe are available. Thank you.



## Children's Christmas Eve Program!

Saturday, December 24

Prelude 6:45 p.m., Program 7 p.m.

**All kids 3 years and older are invited to be in the program!**

Everyone will have a speaking piece, so please let Kristy know ASAP if your child will be involved! Also, if your child plays a musical instrument, we would love for them to perform, again, contact Kristy.

Practices at church:

Monday, Dec. 5 from 6 p.m.- 7p.m., (in the gym)

Thursday, Dec. 15 from 6 p.m.- 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 21 from 6 p.m.- 7 p.m.

Mini Practices will be held during Sunday School starting Dec. 4

Please contact (text, call or email) Kristy Carriveau at 989-553-3584 or [kristy@scenicrealtyco.com](mailto:kristy@scenicrealtyco.com) for more information.

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## Advent Hope, Christmas Joy

### A choral and handbell concert



Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016

3:00 p.m.

## Cross Lutheran Church



# MISSION OUTREACH MINISTRY



*A Christmas Mission in November*

**689  
Shoeboxes**



Cross Lutheran Church Family and Community Members Packed 689 Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. We were Blessed with the Many Hands and Donations that made this possible. Thank You

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## THE PIGEON FOOD PANTRY

The Pigeon Food Pantry packed 34 Thanksgiving Boxes for area families in need. Cross Mission Outreach donated 34 Pigeon IGA Gift Cards to be placed in each of the boxes. May each family feel the love of God at Thanksgiving and throughout the year.

We also collected in the month of November food and personal items to be donated to the Pigeon Food Pantry. Thank You for your generosity to help others in need!

**WE GIVE THANKS TO YOU, OH LORD**



# December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				CEA 4:45 p.m. <b>1</b> School Board 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 6 p.m.	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Women of Faith 10:30 a.m. - noon
Comm. Service <b>4</b> 9:30 a.m. SS 10:45 a.m. New Members Class 10:45 a.m. Confirmation 5 - 6:30 p.m.	Children's Program Practice <b>5</b> 6-7 p.m.  Choirs B 6:30 C 7:30	Parish <b>6</b> Life 5 p.m.  <b>Men's Bible Study 7 p.m.</b>	<b>Chapel 12:45 p.m. 7</b>  Potluck 6 p.m. <b>Comm. Service 7 p.m.</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  CEA Christmas Fair	<b>10</b>
Comm. Service <b>11</b> 9:30 a.m. SS 10:45 a.m. New Members Class 10:45 a.m. Advent Concert 3 p.m.	<b>12</b>	<b>Afternoon Circle 13</b> 1:30 p.m.  Executive 6 p.m. Council 7 p.m.	<b>Chapel 8 a.m. 14</b> <b>Morning Circle 9:30 a.m.</b> Quilting 1 p.m. <b>Comm. Service 7 p.m.</b>	Children's Program Practice <b>15</b> 6-7 p.m.  Girl Scouts 6 p.m.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
Comm. Service <b>18</b> 9:30 a.m. SS 10:45 a.m.  Confirmation 5 - 6:30 p.m.	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  <b>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.</b>	Half Day of <b>21</b> School Office closes at Noon Children's Program Practice 6-7 p.m.	<b>22</b>  <b>No School Office Open 9-Noon</b>	<b>23</b>	Children's Program <b>24</b> 7 p.m.  Candlelight Service 10 p.m.
<b>25</b>  <b>Christmas Day Service 9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>26</b>  Office Closed	<b>27</b>  <b>Office</b>	<b>28</b>  <b>No School Open 9 a.m. - noon</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>  Office Closed	<b>31</b>

# Ministers - The people of Cross

## Officers, Ministries and Committees

### Pastor

Tim Loehrke

### Music Director

Beth Elston

### Church Council

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Nancy Heck, Treasurer

Jeanne Sting, Financial Secretary

Gretchen Roestel, School Board

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Kim Delpiere, Education

Pastor Tim, Youth

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Lorraine LePage, Mission Outreach

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Dick Koehler

George Gardy

Donna Schuette

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Dick & Peggy Koehler

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Erica Sturm, Secretary

Nicole Shupe, Treasurer

April Rujan, CEA President

Pastor Tim, Advisor

### C.E.A

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Lori Trost-Vice President

Melisa Raymond-Secretary

Nicole Shupe -Treasurer

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Pat Elston 453-2409

Carol Forster 375-2754

Vickie Forster 553-3875

Ava Gies 453-2193

Linda Gardy 453-2085

Rachel Higgins 975-0668

Dawn Hendricks 860-3589

Dorothy Henne 453-3457

Peggy Koehler 453-2278

Elaine Licht 453-3744

Peggy Licht 453-3845

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Carole Mead 856-7438

Carol Schadd 269-5150

Donna Schuette 375-4328

Karen Schuette 453-2744

Nancy Schuette 453-3969

Ruth Schuette 453-3885

Bonnie Schulz 453-3116

Erica Sturm 453-3830

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## *Christmas Worship Schedule*

- *Handbell & Choral Concert, Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3 p.m.*
- *Children's Christmas Eve Program, Saturday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m. with prelude beginning at 6:45 p.m.*
- *Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Saturday, Dec. 24 at 10 p.m.*
- *Christmas Morning Service, Sunday, Dec. 25 at 9:30 a.m.*



*Amid this sometimes crazy season, quiet my heart, Lord. Help me find Christmas peace in you.*