

# Cross Connection

Growing together

November 2010

## Message from Pastor Tim

The recent rescue of the 33 trapped miners in Chile is truly a remarkable feat of epic proportions. It is a testament to what the human body and spirit can endure under extremely hostile and, at times, seemingly hopeless conditions. These miners were trapped by no fault of their own, but none the less trapped "deep in darkness." The only way they survived and were able to be rescued was by the proactive care of those on the surface "in the light" banning together for one single cause; save and free those who were trapped.

Have you ever felt trapped? Have you ever found yourself trapped at work where you felt you can no longer climb the ladder of promotions and that is as far as you can go within the company? Have you ever questioned yourself about what you are doing with your life saying; "I don't like what I'm doing, I'm getting up in age however, I need to keep this job because I need the income to eat and pay the bills. I'm trapped!" Or have you found your-

self trapped within a relationship that just seems like there's no way out? We adults are trapped in many different ways and seek out solutions that seem to be that quick fix "silver bullet" that will make life grand. However, it seems like we just go into another trap.

Being trapped, however, is not only reserved for adults. Children from elementary school through high school are trapped in their own lives. They are trapped by bullying in school, abusive home life, trying to out do the other person to obtain a high social popularity status, etc. Their remedy, or fix, for all of that is the same as they mimic what the adults do, drugs, alcohol, destructive relationships. I recently attended a presentation about children within Huron County and the "state" in which they are in. What I heard is alarming! 1 of 10 7<sup>th</sup> graders has considered suicide. 1 of 10 7<sup>th</sup> graders has used alcohol within the last 30 days. 62% of high school students

have been drunk by the age of 14. 25% have used marijuana or harder drugs. 65% have had sexual intercourse before they graduate from high school. (Statistics taken from 2009 MiPHY Survey & Michigan Dept. of Human services.) They are in darkness!

These children, and yes they are children, are screaming for help. They are screaming at the top of their lungs to anybody or anything that will help comfort their stresses and make them feel loved. It seems like the only thing listening to them and "helping" them is worldly solutions that in reality only bring more stress and problems. My question is; where is the church? Where are those who are "in the light", rescuing these children who are trapped in darkness? I have heard many people say it's terrible what is happening to our children these days but I see very little done to rescue them.

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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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# Preparing for Worship at Cross

## Worship Schedule

### November 7 – All Saints Day

1R – Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

P – Psalm 149

2R – Ephesians 1:11-23

G – Luke 6:20-31

Hymns: LBW# 176, 174, 495

Communion Hymns: LBW# 302, 203, 197, 210

### November 14 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Malachi 4:1-2

P – Psalm 98

2R – 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

G – Luke 21:5-19

Hymns: LBW # 265, 443, 446

### November 21 – Christ the King

1R – Jeremiah 23:1-6

P – Psalm 46

2R – Colossians 1:11-20

G – Luke 23:33-43

Hymns: LBW # 383, 170  
WOV# 744

Communion Hymns: WOV# 710, 706, 701, 702

### November 25 – Thanksgiving

1R – Deuteronomy 26:1-11

P – Psalm 100

2R – Philippians 4:4-9

G – John 6:25-35

Hymns: LBW# 362, 407, 409

### November 28 – First Sunday of Advent

1R – Isaiah 2:1-5

P – Psalm 122

2R – Romans 13:11-14

G – Matthew 24:36-44

Hymns: LBW# 22, 26, 28

Communion Hymns: 29, 31, 23,24

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The church needs to wake up and recognize the "screaming" for help from our children and be proactive. We need to be like those on the surface "in the light" who came together to rescue those Chilean minors who were trapped in the deep darkness of the earth. Our children, now more than ever, need to be rescued from the deep darkness of their trapped lives and hear the "silver bullet" that will give them hope and peace of mind in all of their struggles that will rescue them and set them free. We need to develop relationships with these children so they, as well as us adults, hear and live the words of hope and freedom that Paul wrote to the Colossians;

*NRS Colossians 1: 11 May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his (God's) glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

We need to be God's church that wakes up and hears the cries of our children and take action. We need to be God's church that commits itself to the work of being involved in our chil-

dren's lives. We need to be God's church that cares about our children through our actions. We cannot be a church who sits in the pews every Sunday, pat our selves on the back and say how good we are while children are crying for help and do nothing.

Please pray about how you can become involved with God's children whether you have children or not. The lives of junior high and senior high school children are waiting to hear from you.

God's speed

Pr Tim

# In Memory/In Honor

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

In memory of **Marian Bohn** for Cross Lutheran School by Dorothy Hafner.

In memory of **Werner Clabuesch** for Cross Lutheran Church by Jim & Fran Laursen; for Cross Building Fund by Dennis & Carol Diener, Arthur Woelke; for Cross Lutheran School by Lillian & Richard Koehler Sr.

In memory of **Meta Farver** for

Cross Lutheran Church by Saginaw Valley State University Faculty Association.

In memory of **Alvin Fritz** for Cross Lutheran Church by Hazen & Arlene Fritz.

In memory of **Gerald Geppert** for Cross Lutheran Church by Josie Sabelsky, Mr. & Mrs. Ken Frank, Juan & Nellie Quinones, Myrna Born, Ann Foster, Gert Jaworski, Mr. Mrs. Doug Bushar, Donald & Barbara Van Hove, Sharon

Hartfield, Lois Melson; for Cross Lutheran School by Margie Slotnick, Scott & Lisa Rauch; for Cross Building Fund by Arthur Woelke.

In memory of **Frank Hofmeister** for Cross Building Fund by Bill & Muriel Hurdelbrink.

In memory of **Roderick MacDonald** for Cross Building Fund by Bill & Muriel Hurdelbrink.

In memory of **Jean Rundell** for Cross Lutheran Church by Ray & Elaine Buchholz.



## Operation Christmas Child

We continue to collect items and shoeboxes for children in need around the world. It's not too late to get involved.

Some things we could use;

Markers, crayons, rulers, erasers, sharpeners, coloring books, pads of paper, (no glue)notebooks, scissors, pencils, hats, shoes, socks, sandals, underwear, t-shirts, shorts, dresses, toys, stuffed animals, books, combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, bars of soap, washcloths, small towels,

cups, use your imagination!

If anyone is willing to help us out by gift wrapping the boxes, please, please call Lori Smith at 453-3953.

Packing the boxes will take place in the Cross gym on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 each evening. All hands are welcome to join in the excitement.

## Annual Meeting

Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> Cross will hold our congregational meeting following the worship service. Child care will be offered in the youth room for parents who would like to have their children watch a video or play a game while they wait. Please plan to attend. Following the meeting we will enjoy a potluck meal together.

**COFFEE HOUR**  
**November 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

## Veterans Day

Cross School will hold a special Veterans Day chapel service on Thursday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:10 a.m. All are invited to attend and veterans are welcome to wear their uniforms if they would like.

## Special dates

- All Saints' Day, November 1, 2010
- Daylight-Saving Time ends, November 7, 2010
- Veterans Day, November 11, 2010
- Christ the King Sunday, November 21, 2010
- National Bible Week, November 21-28, 2010
- Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2010
- First Sunday of Advent, November 28, 2010

# Celebrate

## November Birthdays

- 1 Ron Schulz
- 2 Fran Laursen  
Thelma Warner
- 3 Emily Schulz  
JeanMarie Renn
- 4 Hulda Baur (97<sup>th</sup>)  
Eric Gardy  
Shane Schulze
- 5 Dorothy Rummel
- 6 Peter Shupe
- 7 Jim Schumacher
- 9 Brennan Lange  
Joshua Rosenthal
- 10 Barbara Buchholz  
Gladys Hayes  
Grandma Vi (School  
Grandma)
- 11 Steve Schulze  
Duane Baur
- 13 Arlene Wold  
Mark Kretzschmer  
Lois Chisholm  
Randy Buchholz
- 14 Jim Smith  
Peggy Koehler
- 16 Delores Lange  
Edna Schulz
- 17 Austin Roestel  
Barbara Ruff  
Gina Smith
- 21 Tracy Otto
- 22 Kassidy Swanson  
Jennifer House
- 24 Travis Fritz
- 26 Cameron Schuette  
Madison Edler
- 27 Sue Battel
- 28 Tammy Fritz  
Grace Higgins
- 29 Jenna Buschlen
- 30 Bob Battel  
Craig Smith

## November Anniversaries

- 11/4 Ron & Helen Greene (49<sup>th</sup>)
- 11/7 Jim & Cheryl Warack (18<sup>th</sup>)

- 11/19 Pastor Tim & Sue Loehrke (38<sup>th</sup>)
- 11/28 Bill & Margaret Buchholz (28<sup>th</sup>)

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

### Please our Shut-ins:

Fred & Lois Chisholm, Dorothy Hafner, Harvey Weiss, Barb Ruff, Ruth Milton, Harold Deering, Dick Koehler Sr., Donald Schuette, Viola Schuette, Marge Krause, Fred Edler, Bill Buchholz, Thelma Warner, Hulda Baur

### Please Remember in Prayer:

Clara Story (Linda Shope's mother), Carolyn (Bergman) Stirrette, Frank Delpiere (Brian Delpieres father) Karissa & Josh Williams and their unborn daughter, Tina Smith, Elizabeth Marie & Evelyn Florence Hill (twin daughters of Jill Gardy), Sharon Dietzel, Cathy Ruthenberg, Kurt Anderson, Eunice Richmond, Lester Otto (Mike Eden's brother's father-in-law), Marlena Rosenthal, Dorothy Hafner, Fran & Jim Laursen, Karen Anklam, Harvey Weiss, Cheryl Merlington, Andrea Harder, Blaize Webber, Betty Schulze, Dennis Diener, Harold Deering, Marge Krause, Ruth Mohr, Loren Elftman.

- Please be sure to update your request so we can keep our prayer list current.

### In the Service of Our Country:

Zac Collins son of Perry & Tiffany Collins is in Afghanistan. Please pray for his safety and continue to pray for all service members and their families as they are separated.

### **ADULT FELLOWSHIP**

Don't miss the fun! Cross will hold an Adult Fellowship on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We will be having a night of games with anything from euchre, pinochle, bunko, hearts or whatever you like. Tables will be set up. Bring your

favorite foursome or find one there. Don't know how to play, well this is the time to learn. If you have a favorite game of your own feel free to bring it along, too.

Bring your favorite "munchie" to share and Parish Life will furnish the beverage.

## **THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m. here at Cross



# School News

## School Board Minutes

September 2, 2010

Present: Terry Sturm, Pastor Loehrke, Norma Hemauer, Gretchen Roestel, Maxine Rice, Gwynne Barry

A motion was made to approve Treasurer's reports by Rice and Hemauer. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Rice and second by Hemauer to approve August minutes. Motion carried.

An invoice review in the amount of \$887.85 will be deducted from the Library and Teaching fund for books and \$228.10 will be given to the church. A motion by Roestel and Rice to approve payments as noted. Carried

### CEA Presidents Report

- CEA is fully staffed again after elections.
- + Rice-President
- + Helmuth-Vice President
- + Raymond-Secretary
- + Burgess-Treasurer
- + Hemauer-non member representative

Next meeting has not been scheduled

### Pastor's report

- Discrepancies in the MANS certification process
- Mr. Faupel is new Jr. High teacher

- 27 students K-8
- 24 in Preschool
- Safetyville the week of September 13
- September 20 will be the MANS visit to look at multi-grade classrooms, we expect between 12 and 15 people.
- School pictures will be September 30
- Back to School/Rally Day is Sunday, September 12, service 9:30 with a potluck to follow.

School is off to a good start

### Old Business

- Changes to the handbook were discussed and after changes have been updated a copy will be forward to Rachel.

Laptop discussion arose and it is being worked on.

### New Business

The Financial Commitment policy was discussed in regards to the registration fee.

An investigation will take place with Rachel.

- A policy will be written to aid the Tuition coordinator in the application of SCRIP funds toward tuition.
- Fire Alarm System discussion arose at a staff meeting regarding hooking in with 911. The fire alarm does not automatically ring into dispatch. Pastor will bring it up at Council and designate someone to

investigate expenses.

- The ELCA decision regarding homosexuality is a concern due to the perception of the outside world and it is a concern with student enrollment. We lost enrollment this year due to the stigma of guilt by association.

Maxine Rice has had an offer from a parent to buy basketball uniforms for the school with the assumption that advertising would be permitted on the uniform and the decision was made not to set a precedent.

The next meeting is October 7 at 5:30pm.

With no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.



**Be sure to purchase your Hungry Howie coupons before Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>. You will receive \$45 in savings for purchasing a \$10 certificate. The school will receive 50% of the proceeds**

### November Time & Talents

DATE & TIME	LEADER	READER	CHILDREN'S TIME	COMMUNION	USHERS for MONTH	Altar Guild
Nov. 7 9:30 a.m.	Phil Schadd	June Sturm	Ray Licht	Carol Meade	Kent McKenzie George Gardy Mike LePage Mike Eden Brian Delpiere Jack Sturm John Trowbridge	Delores Lang
Nov. 14 9:30 a.m.	Leanne Schuette	Gwynne Barry	Gwynne Barry			
Nov. 21 9:30 a.m.	Bob Battel	Pam Sturm		John Trowbridge		Carol Diener
Nov. 28 9:30 a.m.	Rick Landry	Peggy Koehler	Sue Battel			

**LEADERS, READERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS, AND ALTAR GUILD**  
**Opening and Closing Church for November Services (Unlocking and locking doors, turning on and off lights, sound system): Ushers**  
 \*If you are unable to participate as scheduled, please contact a substitute. If unable to find anyone, please contact me at (989) 453-2278. Thanks and may God's peace be with you always.  
**Peggy Koehler**

### School Calendar



7:00  
Preschool Conferences 5:00 -7:00 p.m.

11/5	½ Day of School – Grandparents Day	11/11	No p.m. Bus service
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dismissal at 11:30 a.m.</li> <li>• End of 1<sup>st</sup> Marking Period</li> <li>• Hot Lunch payments due</li> </ul>	11/15	No School – Professional Development
		11/16	Preschool Conferences 5:00 -7:00 p.m.
		11/24	No School – Thanksgiving Break
11/10	K- 8 Parent Teacher Conferences 4-	11/29	School Resumes

## School Reflections



**By Mrs. Elston**

The classrooms are buzzing with activity! In addition to the daily work in traditional subjects, students have already had extra learning and service

opportunities during this first part of the school year.

Preschool, grades K-2 and grades 3-5 enjoyed an informative presentation by Rob Channdonet of the Winsor Township Fire Department on October 7. Students practiced basic fire safety and received free smoke detectors for their homes. They also got to watch their teachers dress up in firefighter gear and practice handling a real fire hose!

Preschool children enjoyed a beautiful hike on the Interpretive Nature Trail at Port Crescent State Park. They gathered many interesting nature

"treasures" along the way: long dune grasses, colored leaves from various trees, a variety of seeds, flowers and pine cones. The view of the dunes and Lake Huron was also spectacular from the trail and lookout points.

In September, students in grades 1-8 participated in a service project at Port Crescent State Park. During this "study trip," students and teachers cleaned along the beach, from the day use area to the Pinnebog River. What a wonderful opportunity for us to serve God by caring for his creation!

## Cross Lutheran Church Women

### November Activities

Tues. Nov. 2, Rebecca Circle, 1:30 p.m.

Tues. Nov. 9, Esther Circle 2:00 p.m.

Wed. Nov. 10, Sarah Circle, 9:30 a.m., Church Overflow

Wed. Nov. 10, Love Day, 1:30 p.m.

Tues. Nov. 16, Combined Circle meeting to be determined, watch Bulletin.

### "Thanks For Giving"

A Special Offering for CLCW called "Thanks For Giving" will be collected at the Thanksgiv-

ing Day Service on Nov. 25th. This offering goes towards gifts such as Pigeon Food Pantry, Lutheran World Relief School Kits - Bibles for Cross Sunday/School Kids -

Pigeon Food Pantry, Lutheran Social Services of MI, Huron Co. Coalition - Safe House

Clothe-A-Child, Cross Confirmation Camp

Lutheran Youth Organization - (LYO for Camp), LYO -(for hosting CornerStone YFC)

Thumb Bread Basket, LAMP- (Lutheran Assoc. of Missionaries & Pilots), quilt batting for Lutheran World Relief, etc.

You can also give a donation at anytime to June Sturm, Treasurer, made out to CLCW. Thanks.

### Food Pantry

The Pigeon Food Pantry will be packing Thanksgiving boxes on Nov. 18, delivering Nov. 19. If you have questions call Norma King, 453-3026.

### Lutheran World Relief Supplies

43 quilts, 36 school bags and 1 box of baby items were packed and shipped to Lutheran World Relief on Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to our church women for the hours of dedicated work to help those around the world that need a helping hand and thank you to Tom Shupe for transporting these items to Saginaw for shipment.

# Ministries

## PARISH LIFE MINISTRY

Our meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 5, 2010. we began with devotions and prayer by Betty. Those present were Inez Buchholz, Betty Champagne, Sue Loehrke, Paul Schuette, Pam Sturm, and Pastor Tim. We are happy to have a new member, Alice Trost, Welcome, Alice!

Parish Life is hosting coffee hour for the month of October, except for Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> which is Mission Festival. Parish Life will furnish pork, beef, ham, turkey, meatballs and scalloped potatoes for the potluck meal.

Parish Life will be serving juice and cookies for the Flu Shot Clinic to be held at Cross on Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>.

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, Parish Life will host the potluck after the congregational Annual Meeting.

We are planning an Adult Fellowship Event on Saturday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> with games, euchre, pinochle, etc. this will be discussed further at our November meeting.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer. Our next meeting is Tue. Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Betty Champagne  
Chairperson

## SOCIAL SERVICE MINISTRY

As we lead up to the celebration of Thanksgiving, we will be collection items for the Pigeon Food Pantry. The Pigeon pantry has been helping 35-45 families a month. Some pantry items in need are: crackers, cereal, canned meat, canned pasta, cake mix and frosting, ketchup, mustard, peanut butter, shampoo, body soap, toothpaste, deodorant, laundry soap and any imperishable item. Bring your items to church with you on any Sunday starting November 7<sup>th</sup> through November 21<sup>st</sup>. The Lord has richly blessed us and let us help other people in need.

Operation Christmas Child is in full swing again this year. Through the organization of Lori Smith, Cross has been part of this program for several years. Please bring your items to the church by November 14<sup>th</sup>. On November 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the gym we need volunteers to help pack shoe boxes. Last year Cross sent out 260 shoeboxes to children in need throughout the country. Your donation will be greatly appreciated!

Scrip Cards make great gifts. Order your gift cards for the holiday season. Any member of this ministry would be happy to assist you in ordering cards, Lorraine LePage, Krisie Fritz, LouAnn Jarvis, Bonnie Schulz and Kay Schuette.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### **Confirmation Class**

November 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

### **November 6<sup>th</sup> Holly Berry**

**Fair:** We will be selling items from 9-4 on Saturday only. Please put this on your calendar and let Leanne know when you can help.

December 27-30 "The Gathering" in Novi MI. Contact Leanne asap if interested. Call 856-4241 or text 989-553-4241. If you want more information the web site is [elcalivingwater.com](http://elcalivingwater.com)

### **On November 14<sup>th</sup> we will have a Pasta Fundraiser Meal for Confirmation and LYO.**

Please put this on your calendar to help with this event.

On December 12<sup>th</sup> our LYO group will go to the Pigeon Food Pantry to help pack Christmas boxes for local families in need during our Sunday School time.

The next Youth Ministry meeting will be November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 pm.

Quilts for Seniors High will meet on November 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 pm in the youth room.



# Ministers - The people of Cross

## **Officers, Ministries and Committees**

### **Pastor**

Tim Loehrke

### **Music Director**

Beth Elston

### **Church Council**

Tim Fritz, President

Terry Sturm, Vice President

Kim Delpiere, Secretary

Tom Shupe, Treasurer

Paul Schuette, Financial Secretary

Terry Strum, School Board

Ronald Higgins, Properties

Peggy Koehler, Worship & Music

Ray Licht, Stewardship

Connie Eden, Education

Sue Stuever-Battel, Outreach

Leanne Smith, Youth

Betty Champagne, Parish Life

Lorraine LePage, Social Services

### **Advisors**

Tim Loehrke, Pastor

Paul Schuette, Constitution Rep.

### **Ministry of Properties**

Ronald Higgins

Mike Eden

Paul Schuette

### **Ministry of Worship & Music**

Peggy Koehler

Peg McCrimmon

Vivian Buschlen

Delores Lange

Beth Elston

Danielle Irion

Mary Dubs

### **Ministry of Social Services**

Lorraine LePage

Krisie Fritz, Lori Smith

Lou Ann Jarvis, Kay

Schuette, Bonnie Schulz

### **Ministry of Stewardship**

Ray Licht

Tom Shupe

June Sturm

Carol Diener

Bob Battel

### **Ministry of Education**

Connie Eden, Jean Sturm

Brenda Smith, Kim Fritz

### **Ministry of Outreach**

Sue Stuever-Battel

Maxine Rice

Stephanie Lakin

### **Ministry of Youth**

Leanne Smith

Sue Loehrke

Elizabeth Higgins

Rachel Higgins

John Shope

Linda Shope

### **Ministry of Parish Life**

Betty Champagne

Sue Loehrke

Paul Schuette

Pam Strum

Inez Buchholz

Rick Landry

Marlene Landry

Alice Trost

### **Audit Committee**

Suzie Swanson

Leanne Schuette

Pam Sturm, Patty Schulze

Bob Battel

Peter Shupe

### **Nominating Committee**

Mary Dubs

Dave Elftman

Lou Ann Jarvis

Bonnie Schulz

### **Synod Assembly Rep**

Mike & Connie Eden

### **School Board**

Terry Sturm, President

Brian Delpiere, Vice President

Gretchen Roestel, Secretary

Vacant, Treasurer

Norma Hemauer, Non-member rep.

Pastor Tim, Advisor

### **C.E.A**

Maxine Rice, President.

Melissa Helmuth—Vice President

Melisa Raymond—Secretary

Stephanie Burgess—Treasurer

Norma Heamauer—Non-member Representative

\* If there are names of individuals on your committee/ministry that are not listed or have changed please advise the church office so our information is accurate.

## **MEN'S GROUP**

Men's Bible study & fellowship takes place on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The group will meet November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Bay



**CROSS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The monthly meeting of the Cross Lutheran Church Council was called to order by President Tim Fritz at 7:05 P.M. on the above date. Members present were Kim Delpiere, Betty Champagne, Lorraine LePage, Tom Shupe, Pastor Lochrke, Peggy Koehler Ray Licht, Leanne Smith, Paul Schuette, Sue Battel and Connie Eden. Excused members were Ron Higgins and Terry Sturm. Tom Shupe opened the meeting with a prayer.

**MINUTES:** The previous Council Minutes were reviewed. Sue Battel made the motion to accept the minutes, Tom Shupe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** Pastor Lochrke reviewed his report with everyone present.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:** Report given by Pastor Lochrke.

**SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:** Nothing reported at this time.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Tom Shupe answered the questions council had from July's treasures report Peggy Koehler made a motion to accept July's report, seconded by Ray Licht. Motion carried.

Copies of August's treasures report were distributed to all present.

Ray Licht moved to accept the Treasurer's report and seconded by Paul Schuette.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT:** Report distributed to all and reviewed.

**MINISTRY OF STEWARDSHIP:** Ray Licht reviewed report to everyone present. Ray reported the Stewardship Committee reviewed the P/L report line by line and they will develop a budget proposal prior to the October Council meeting. Ray also distributed the Benevolence report to everyone present and it was reviewed.

**MINISTRY OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC:** Nothing to report at this time.

**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION:** Connie Eden distributed report to everyone present.

**MINISTRY OF OUT REACH:** Sue Battel distributed report to everyone present.

MINISTRY OF YOUTH: Leanne Smith distributed report to everyone present.

MINISTRY OF PROPERTY: Nothing was reported at this time.

MINISTRY OF PARISH LIFE: Betty Champagne distributed report to everyone present.

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SERVICES: Lorraine LePage distributed report to everyone present.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Pastor is still working on quotes for a copy machine.
- Meeting with the ELCA representatives will be set soon with a date and time.
- Council is still looking for a leader that will head the Day Care committee.

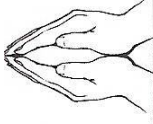
#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Tim Fritz appointed an Ad Hoc committee to gather options regarding the ELCA issues. Sue Battel, Paul Schuette, Betty Champagne and Tom Shupe will be on this committee.
- Paul Schuette will be working on the Bi Laws. Regarding changes for the Financial Secretary.
- Tom Shupe made a motion that A & D Home Health Care give flu shots at Cross. Date and Time to be announced later. Seconded by Kim Delpiere. Motion carried.
- The Stewardship Ministry asked council to check with Detroit Edison. They thought that Cross should get an audit for usage of electricity. Tim will ask Ron to look into this.
- Check to see if Cross could program the lights and thermostats.


COMMUNICATIONS: None at this time.

ADJORNMENT: There being no further business to come before the meeting it was adjourned by the chairman and good things from around the room were shared by everyone. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.





# November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>All Saints Sunday Back to Standard Time <b>COMMUNION SERVICE 9:30</b> No Sunday School Annual Meeting/Poltuck Scrip Orders Due <b>Confirmation 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.</b></p>	<p>1 Bay Area Conference 1:00 Pastor out of office Outreach Ministry 1:30 p.m. Handbell 6:00 p.m. Choir 7:15 p.m.</p>	<p>2 Rebecca Circle 1:30 p.m. Parish Life 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>3 Men's Breakfast &amp; Study 7:00 a.m. (United Methodist Church) <b>Chapel 8:10 a.m.</b> School Staff Meeting 3:30 p.m. <b>Communion 7:00 p.m.</b></p>	<p>4 Outreach Ministry 1:00 p.m. School Board 5:30 p.m. Quilting for H.S. Seniors 7-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>5 1/2 Day of School No home bus service Grandparents Day End of 1st Marking Period</p>	<p>6 Holly Berry Fair Youth Sale 9:00 - 4:00 p.m.</p>
<p>7 All Saints Sunday Back to Standard Time <b>COMMUNION SERVICE 9:30</b> No Sunday School Annual Meeting/Poltuck Scrip Orders Due <b>Confirmation 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.</b></p>	<p>8 Handbell 6:00 p.m. Choir 7:15 p.m.</p>	<p>9 Pigeon Pastor's Meeting 10:30 a.m. <b>Esther Circle 2:00 p.m.</b> Church Council 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>10 Sarah Circle 9:30 p.m. Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7:00 Preschool Conferences 5-7:00 Love Day 1:30 p.m. <b>Communion 7:00 p.m.</b></p>	<p>11 <b>Veterans Day Chapel</b> 8:10 a.m. No P.M. Bus Service Executive Committee 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>12 Thumb Breadbasket Food Distribution Adult Fellowship Event 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.</p>	<p>13 Thumb Breadbasket Food Distribution Adult Fellowship Event 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.</p>
<p>14 25th Sunday after Pentecost <b>WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 a.m.</b> <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 a.m.</b> Scrip Orders Due Youth Fundraiser Meal Family Open Gym 3 - 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>15 No School Office Closed Handbell 6:00 p.m. ? Choir 7:15 p.m. ?</p>	<p>16 <b>Combined Circle 2:00 p.m.</b> Christmas Shoebox Packing 7:00 p.m. Preschool Conferences 5-7:00 p.m. Social Service Ministry 5:30 p.m. <b>Men's Bible Study 7:00 p.m.</b></p>	<p>17 <b>Chapel 8:10 a.m.</b> <b>Communion 7:00 p.m.</b> Youth Meeting 7:45 p.m.</p>	<p>18 Food Pantry Packs Thanksgiving Boxes 9:00 a.m. Ministry of Education 5:30 Worship &amp; Music 7:00 p.m. Christmas Shoebox Packing 7:00 p.m. Quilting for H.S. Seniors 7-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>19 Food Pantry Delivering Thanksgiving Boxes 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>20 Decorating for Advent/Christmas</p>
<p>21 Christ the King Sunday <b>COMMUNION SERVICE 9:30</b> Coffee Hour - S.S. Min/Ed Min. <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 a.m.</b> Scrip Orders Due Thanksgiving Community Service 3:00 Family Open Gym 3 - 5:00 p.m. <b>Confirmation 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.</b></p>	<p>22 Handbell 6:00 p.m. Choir 7:15 p.m.</p>	<p>23 Social Services Ministry 5:30 p.m. Stewardship Ministry 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>24 No School No Service</p>	<p>25 <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> <b>Service 10:00 a.m.</b></p>	<p>26 No School</p>	<p>27 Decorating for Advent/Christmas</p>
<p>28 First Sunday of Advent <b>WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 a.m.</b> Coffee Hour - S.S. Min/Ed Min. <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 a.m.</b> <b>Advent Vespers 7:00 p.m.</b></p>	<p>29 School Resumes Handbell 6:00 p.m. Choir 7:15 p.m. Basketball Practices Begin</p>	<p>30</p>				