

# Cross Connection

Growing together

September 2010

## Message from Pastor Tim

My dear family of Cross,

Where did the summer go? I made a promise to my self when school let out last June 6 that I was going to make the summer go slow, relax, unwind, and re-prioritize my life. I woke up the next day and it was the end of August with school starting in a couple of days: so much for a slow, relaxing, re-prioritizing summer. Rip Van Winkle has nothing on me.

Looking back on my summer I guess I did relax a little and there were times around the camp fire where time seemed to go slow, but re-prioritizing- hmmm. What happened to my intention of re-prioritizing?

As I saw families last school year it appeared that everyone was constantly on the go. There just wasn't enough time in the day to accomplish everything on the schedule. Running kids to school, sports practices, tournaments, church events, social events, etc. Then there was the farming community harvesting, planting, taking care of equipment;

snow birds coming and going. For some there were the proverbial visits to the doctor to take care of the aches and pains. All of this just makes for perpetual motion year round with no break. In all of that, stress builds up, people don't know if they are coming or going, and they virtually live from day to day; sometimes hour to hour. I found myself doing the same thing.

When I get that way I force myself to ask a question; Tim, where is God in your schedule? I look at my schedule/life and I am sad to say there are times when God is not there because "the schedule" has taken priority. A very wise and spiritual person provided a profound message as to how to prioritize life; *living an authentic life in Jesus Christ is the truest form of worshiping God.* Wow! Here then is my re-prioritizing; to live my life 24/7 in Jesus Christ.

How is this accomplished? I follow the perfect person, Je-

sus Christ, in all that he did. How can this be accomplished when there is no time in my schedule you ask. Make it a priority in your life to imitate what Jesus did; <sup>NRS</sup> **Mark 1:35** *In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.* Jesus knew the importance of putting his father first in his life. Jesus made it a priority to make time in his schedule to be in prayer with his father ahead of any other commitments. Jesus' schedule was just as hectic as ours today yet he constantly had his priority in the right place ensuring time with God every day even if it meant sacrificing something, e.g. sleep.

So, as Cross gears up again for the "church year," as the children return to school and all of those crazy schedules that come with it, as the farmers are harvesting in all hours of the day and night, sit down as I am, look at your life, ask the question "where is God/ Jesus Christ in my life?"

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**Our mission:**

**Bring people to Christ.**

**Teach**

**Christians to be disciples.**

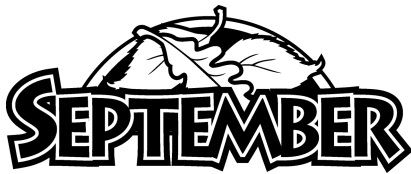
**Send disciples to reach the world.**



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# Preparing for Worship at Cross



## Worship Schedule

### September 5, – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Deuteronomy 30:15-20  
 P – Psalm 1  
 2R – Philemon 1-21  
 G – Luke 14:25-33  
 Hymns: LBW# 406, 487, 480

Communion Hymns: LBW# 196, 200, 203, 212

### September 12, – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Exodus 32:7-14  
 P – Psalm 51:1-10  
 2R – 1 Timothy 1:12-17  
 G – Luke 15:1-10  
 Hymns: LBW # 377, 474, 448

### September 19, – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Amos 8:4-7

P – Psalm 113  
 2R – 1 Timothy 2:1-7  
 G – Luke 16:1-13  
 Hymns: LBW # 504, 503, 505  
 Communion Hymns: WOV # 699, 701, 702, 709

### September 26, – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Amos 6:1-7  
 P – Psalm 146  
 2R – 1 Timothy 6:6-19  
 G – Luke 16:19-31  
 Hymns: LBW# 500, 499, 543

## News and Notes



We welcomed Hannah Rose Harder into the fellowship of our Lord's Church and his family here at Cross on August 9, 2010 through Holy Baptism. Hannah is the daughter of Cindy Harder, granddaughter of Cindy Bimberg. Her sponsors in Christian training are Melinda Bimberg and James Scott.

### COFFEE HOUR

September 26 –  
 Esther Circle

### Labor Day

Labor Day, first celebrated in 1882, provides a day of rest for working Americans, showing their importance to the country's well-being.

Christians see work as a gift and command from God. Adam was put in the Garden to "till it and keep it" (Genesis 2:15, NRSV). Even Jesus chose workers to help carry out his mission.

Rest is just as significant as work. God commanded us to rest one day each week (Exodus 20:10). The Sabbath is a time for worship, family activities, renewal and recuperation.

Labor Day is a reminder to be

grateful for the creativity, ingenuity, minds and muscle power of countless workers – all gifts of God. That's worth setting aside a day to appreciate.

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Then ask the question, "How much time in a day do I spend in prayer?" In other words is God a priority in your and my life?

In putting God as number one in your life, you will find peace, love, mercy, and forgiveness in this crazy, always on the go world we live in. Live the authentic life in Jesus Christ.

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 **Henry Lange Sr.** for Cross Choir by family and friends.

In memory of **Marilyn Diener** for

Cross Lutheran School by Pr. Ronald & Judith Diener.

In memory of **Louise Schulz** for Cross Lutheran School by Ruth Hamilton; for Cross Lutheran Church by Leona Fen-

ske, Karen Lubbers, Patty Fenske.

In memory of **Ann Sturm** for Cross Lutheran Church by Lydia Decker.

## Special Visitors

Barbara Stork, executive director of the Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools, will be visiting Cross Lutheran School on Monday, September 20. Teachers and administrators from Michigan will join her in observing our classrooms. We expect 10-15 teachers and administrators from schools in Alpena, Traverse City, Gaylord, Grand Rapids, and possibly the U.P.

The benefits of multi-grade classrooms are a current topic in education and Mrs. Stork remembered how impressed she was with our school on a previous visit. As schools are looking at implementing multi-grade classrooms, we have been chosen as a model and have been asked to serve as mentors. After observations during the day, the staff will be available to speak with our guests and answer any questions, especially sharing with them how we have organized our curriculum to meet the Michigan standards and benchmarks.

We are thankful for the opportunity to share our experiences with our peers and ask for God's guidance as we share this ministry.

## Celebrate Back to School *Rally Day* 119 Years of Cross Lutheran School

*September 12<sup>th</sup>*

**9:30 a.m. Service**

This service is an outdoor service so bring your lawn chair.

We will have a dedication of our Cross Memorial Garden then a picnic potluck and games to follow.

## Special dates

- Labor Day, Sept. 6
- Patriot Day (remembrance of Sept. 11), Sept. 11
- National Grandparents Day, Sept. 12
- Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15 - Oct. 15
- First Day of Autumn, Sept. 23

## HELP! ADDRESSES WANTED!

A list of former Cross Lutheran School students is being compiled. From lists of the past, many addresses have been obtained, but addresses are needed especially for former students from the years dating back to 1982. If your child or grandchild, niece, or nephew, or neighbor attended Cross Lutheran School at any time since 1982 and has moved from the area, please take the time to jot down their current address and place it in Gwynne Barry's church mailbox. Your help will save hours of time contacting people for addresses. We would like to accomplish this task by October 1. Thanks for your help!

# Celebrate

## September Birthdays

- 1 Clarence Schadd
- 3 Kenneth Schulze
- 4 Ron Higgins
- 5 Kristi Krohn  
Janis Elftman  
Lynn Schebor  
Lexi LaFontaine
- 8 Kevin Trost
- 11 Clark Faist
- 12 David Love
- 13 Shannon Lange
- 14 Jack Sturm
- 17 Stephen Schuette
- 18 Gloria Lewis  
Norm Nelson  
Patricia Ewald
- 19 Inez Buchholz
- 20 Larry Degg  
Elizabeth Higgins
- 21 Beth Elston  
Andrew Trost
- 23 Lori Smith
- 24 Richard Mead
- 25 Sandie Renn
- 26 Tim Schuette
- 27 Kirsten Shupe
- 28 Albert Schulze  
Victoria Yackle
- 30 Laken LePage  
Erica Sturm

## September Anniversaries

- 9/2 Mike & Connie Eden (32<sup>nd</sup>)
- 9/2 Ken & Betty Licht (43<sup>rd</sup>)
- 9/3 Al & Peggy Licht (27<sup>th</sup>)
- 9/5 Clark & Barb Eidt (51<sup>st</sup>)
- 9/6 Bill & Jan Love (41<sup>st</sup>)

- 9/8 Chris & Marcia Schuette (3<sup>rd</sup>)
- 9/11 Steve & Patty Schulze (39<sup>th</sup>)
- 9/13 Matthew & Carrie Mancini (2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 9/14 Bill & Muriel Hurdelbrink (58<sup>th</sup>)
- 9/20 Alex & Patty Cucinello (24<sup>th</sup>)

- 9/21 Kelly & Maxine Rice (8<sup>th</sup>)
- 9/25 Chris & Marcie Papkey (11<sup>th</sup>)
- 9/26 Chuck & Gerry Edler (51<sup>st</sup>)
- 9/28 Jim & Katie Pionk (19<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 Remember in Prayer:

Sharon (Pobanz) Allen (school friend of Betty Licht), Barb Buchholz, Shirley Deering, Elizabeth Marie & Evelyn Florence Hill (twin daughters of Jill Gardy), Elsie Trowbridge, Clarence Buchholz, Sharon Dietzel, Henry & Ava Gies, Mike Eden, Cathy Ruthenberg, Kurt Anderson, Amanda Laurie (Heck), Eunice Richmond, Lester Otto (Mike Eden's brother's father-in-law), Marlena Rosenthal, Meta Farver, Dorothy Hafner, Fran & Jim Laursen, Karen Anklam, Harvey Weiss, Cheryl Merlington, Andrea Harder, Blaize Webber, Michelle Chiotti, 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.

## Remember 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, Meta Farver, Bill Buchholz, Thelma Warner, Hulda Baur

***In the Service of Our Country:***



**Pray for Our Military**

Zac Collins son of Perry & Tiffany Collins is in Afghanistan. Please pray for his safety and con-

tinue to pray for all service members and their families as they are separated.

## **CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN**

### **Activities September**

**Rebecca Circle** – Tues. Sept. 7, 1:30 p.m.

Hostess, Eleanor Tate

**Esther Circle** - Mon. Sept. 13, 2 p.m.

**Sarah Circle** - Wed. Sept. 8, 9:30 a.m.

**Love Day**, Wed. Sept. 8, 1:30 p.m.

Ladies tie quilts

# School News

## School Board—July 7

Present: Terry Sturm, Brian Delpiere, Pastor Loehrke, Gwynne Barry, Norma Hemauer, Gretchen Roestel, Maxine Rice, Anne Anderson, Rachel Higgins

Minutes from June 3 meeting were read and approved with a motion from Delpiere and Hemauer

Treasurer's report with internal accounts \$5290.59 and CEA accounts \$3546.39 were accepted as written with a motion from Rice and Delpiere.

Invoices in the amount of 273.19 and there is a need for fingerprinting for all paid staff of the school are necessary. Gwynne needs to be reimbursed for herself and Deb in the amount of \$128.50. A motion was made by Hemauer and Anderson to pay invoices in the amount of \$401.69. Approved

## CEA President's report

Meeting was held on June 30

- Luau August 15
- 10% of profits from fundraisers will be given to the church

There was discussion regarding the hot lunch program and some ideas were brought to the table.

## Pastor's/Principal report

- Blood drive August 19, 2010 and May 6, 2011.
- 2010-2011 school calendar

o School year starts August 30 with opening chapel at 6:30 pm.

o First full day of school August 31

TAT bus will be available for students as Laker buses will not be operational until after Labor Day.

## Old Business

- Torri Volmering has not heard anything regarding another job, her baby is due July 21 and we will need to provide a substitute for the first 2 weeks of school.

- Hot Lunch Program discussion, the increase took care of a portion of the hot lunch deficit at last months meeting.

o We cannot increase fees anymore this year.

o Laker Schools were contacted regarding providing hot lunch. Dawn Rosenthal met with school staff and a hand-out was reviewed. A fee would be accessed daily for handling.

o CEA considered turning the Fall Pancake breakfast over to the hot lunch program.

o CEA recommended charging for seconds and cutting out desserts. This brought on discussion regarding how to manage seconds and collecting fees.

Discounts were discussed for those that pay in advance and that is not feasible as we are

already in a deficit.

The lunch program will continue as is currently with the hopes that the program can be managed appropriately.

## New Business

- A new laptop is needed to project power point presentations. There is also a need to a digital camera that is compatible with a new laptop. There was discussion regarding making a wish list section on the website. Pay pal may be an option on the website, also stating our tuition on the web page because some families feel that tuition is in line with 'big city' fees.

- School handbook needs to be updated, this would be the place to add language for late fees for late lunch payments.

Handbooks were given to all members of the school board to review and discuss at the next meeting.

Casey Turner is developing an online magazine called "Thumb Magazine" and there is a possibility of advertising on this online magazine.

## Guest Presentations

Gwynne Barry felt that volleyball camp was a success, \$660 was raised in registrations. A Thrivent grant was approved in the amount of \$300. There were 22 participants.

Trudi Schafer donated a few books to our library, a thank

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## September Time & Talents

DATE & TIME	LEADER	READER	CHILDREN'S TIME	COMMUNION	USHERS for MONTH	Altar Guild
Sept. 5 9:30 a.m.	Phil Schad	Carole Mead	Sue Loehrke	Ray Licht	Mike LePage Kent McKenzie George Gardy Eric Gardy Dick Koehler Jim Schuette John Schuette	Ruth Hamilton
Sept. 12 9:30 a.m.	Gwynne Barry	Vivian Buschlen	Leanne Smith	John Trowbridge		
Sept. 19 9:30 a.m.	Peggy Koehler	Connie Eden	Aileen Prill	Norm Nelson		Delores Lange
Sept. 26 8 a.m.	Rick Landry	Sue Loehrke	Brian Delpiere			
August 29 9:30 a.m.	Phil Schadd	Norm Nelson	Brian Delpiere			

### LEADERS, READERS, COMMUNION ASSISTANTS, AND ALTAR GUILD

Opening and Closing Church for September 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

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you will be mailed to her from Gwynne.

- o "Where do we want to go and what 2 things do we need to do to get there?"

We need to think bigger and look at the big picture. A brainstorming session would be a welcome event.

Annual Fund is getting to your people and asking

them to donate one time a year. Alumni addresses have been gathered and this is a possibility.

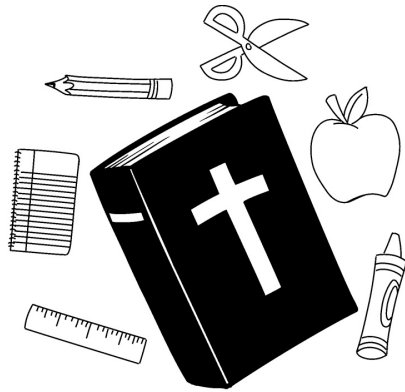
It was with regrets that Anne Anderson's resignation was received.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer at 6:15 pm.

### MEN'S GROUP

Men's Bible study & fellowship takes place on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The group will resume from summer break on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

# School News



## School Calendar

- 9/1 First Day for Preschool
- 9/2 School Board Meeting 4:30 p.m.
- 9/3 – 9/6 No School - Labor Day
- 9/7 School Resumes with Laker bus service
- 9/12 Back to School Rally Day 9:30 a.m. service outdoors with a picnic potluck meal – All are welcome
- 9/12 Scrip Orders Due
- 9/19 TALL Softball in Harbor Beach
- 9/26 Scrip Orders Due
- 9/30 School Pictures

## Support Christian Education

- Box Tops For Education
- Cartridges for Kids
- IGA Labels
- Spartan Labels
- Recyclable bottle return slips
- Old cell phone recycling

\*Parents as you are preparing to make back to school purchases remember to take advantage of the Scrip Program to earn a percentage back toward your tuition costs.



## David Faupel is our new junior high teacher this year.

David graduated from Laker Schools in 2006 and Saginaw Valley State University in 2010.

He has a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education, with endorsements in math, science, and social studies and is certified to teach in K-8 classrooms.

David did his student-teaching in a third grade classroom at Laker Elementary this past winter.

He enjoys directing a day camp program for children in Elkton each year during the summer. He is also actively involved in childrens' ministries at Elkton Missionary Church.

Some of David's hobbies and interests include playing tennis, working outdoors, and watching the Detroit Tigers.

David is very excited to be teaching at Cross Lutheran School this year.

## LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS

These kits are often the only supplies some children receive to continue their education because of their very difficult conditions. Your help is needed:

Pads or notebooks of ruled paper

Blunt scissors

Ruler (with inches & centimeters)

Pencil sharpener

Six pencils with erasers

Eraser (aprox. 2 ½ inches long)

Construction paper in assorted colors

Box of crayons (8, 16 or 24 counts)

Please put all donations on the coat rack. Our CLCW group will collect and package them for shipment. Thank you!

# Council Minutes

**July 13, 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, Terry Sturm, Betty Champagne, Sue Battel, Lorraine LePage, Tom Shupe, Pastor Loehrke, Ray Licht, Leanne Smith, Paul Schuette, Connie Eden, and Ron Higgins. Excused member was Peggy Koehler. Guest present was Gwynne Barry. Leanne Smith opened with prayer.

**MINUTES:** The previous Council Minutes were reviewed. Terry Sturm made the motion to accept the minutes; Ray Licht seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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

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

**SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:** Plans are underway for the next school year.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Copies of the Treasurer's report were distributed to all present. Terry Sturm moved to accept the Treasurer's report and was seconded by Ray Licht. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT:** Paul Schuette showed council quarterly reports from 2009 thru 2010.

This showed that Cross Lutheran Church and School is going in a positive direction.

**MINISTRY OF STEWARDSHIP:** No report given at this time.

**MINISTRY OF WORSHIP & MUSIC:** No report given.

**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION:** Connie Eden shared her report with everyone present.

**MINISTRY OF OUTREACH:** Sue Battel reported to everyone.

**MINISTRY OF YOUTH:** Report distributed to everyone present.

**MINISTRY OF PROPERTY:** Nothing was reported at this time.

**MINISTRY OF PARISH LIFE:** Report distributed to everyone present.

**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SERVICES:** Nothing to report at this time.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Updating the mailing list of church families and alumni from the school. A lot of the information we have is very old. This will be an ongoing process.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Torri Volmering informed the school that she has accepted another job and will be leaving Cross. Council wished her the best.

After much discussion it was decided that Cross Lutheran School would be

placing an ad in the paper for a 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.

After much discussion by council Sue Battel made a motion that there only be one church service. Church service will start at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:45 a.m. Tom Shupe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Ministry of Property will be getting an estimate on replacing the old air conditioning unit. We will discuss this again at the next council meeting.

Some discussion on ceiling fans this will also be brought back for more discussion at the next council meeting.

Some discussion on the old church lawnmower. It should be replaced and Terry Sturm will get some estimates on lawnmowers. He will report back at the next council meeting.

Discussion on the copy machine for the church office should we lease or buy. It was decided by council that we would talk about this at the next meeting.

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# 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

Brandis Mallais

Rachel Higgins

Donna Schuette

Danielle Irion

Keeley Baur

### Ministry of Parish Life

Betty Champagne

Sue Loehrke

Paul Schuette

Pam Strum

Inez Buchholz

Rick Landry

Marlene Landry

### 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.

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ELCA Senate Office Representative will be coming to talk to the Executive Council Members. A date will be set soon.

August 22<sup>nd</sup>, Bible Study on Human Sexuality will start after church service.

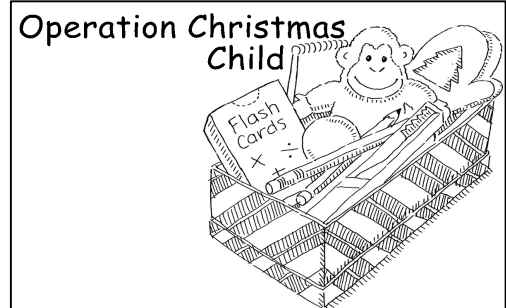
It was reported that Anne Anderson, Morgan and Dalton have transferred their membership to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing, MI.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 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.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Delpiere, Secretary



School supplies are cheap right now! Pick up some extras when you're shopping and put them in the green tub in the front coat room.

Summer clothes are being closed out, also!

Some things we could use; Markers, crayons, rulers, erasers, sharpeners, coloring books, pads of paper, (no glue) notebooks, scissors, pencils,

## Ministries

### YOUTH MINISTRY

**September 19<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation and LYO Youth and parents will be meeting at Ray and Elaine's home at 6:00 pm** for Archery, BBQ, fellowship, and short meeting. Bring chairs and something to share for the meal. Ray and Elaine have been spectacular hosts, this has been a great kick off to our programs. Let Leanne know what you can bring to share for the meal at 856-4241.

**Jean Quilts for High School Seniors Project will begin on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** in the youth room at the church, anyone is welcome to join in cutting jeans, rotary cutting squares, or putting quilts together. Please bring your own scissors, cutters, and mats. Thank you to all who have so energetically worked throughout the year. Your talents are very much appreciated!

Open House in youth room

### PARISH LIFE MINISTRY

August 3, 2010

Our August meeting opened with devotions and prayer by Betty. Those present were Inez Buchholz, Betty Champagne, Marlene Landry, Rick Landry, Sue Loehrke, Paul Schuette, Pam Sturm and Pastor Tim.

We discussed a variety of top-

ics. The first was Rally Day on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> with one worship service at 9:30 a.m. to be held outdoors to re-dedicate the Cross Garden. Members should bring a lawn chair. The service will be followed by a potluck dinner, games, fellowship and more.

There will be a Women's Retreat at Michi- Lu-Ca on October 1-3.

Also briefly discussed was the Mission Festival potluck, the Annual Meeting on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> with a potluck following, and an Adult Fellowship Event on Saturday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

### STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

July 27, 2010

Present-Pastor Tim, Ray Licht, June Sturm, Tom Shupe, Dawn Rosenthal, Paul Schuette, Bob Battel

We are now up to 22 bricks for the "Lift High the Cross' Garden

Paul reported that compared to the first and second quarters of 2009 giving is up for 2010.

Tom reported that a major lender to Cross has passed away. The family would like to settle the estate before the end of the year. Cross needs to find more private lenders to

make up the difference. It was suggested we seek out new loans from existing lenders first, then others in the congregation.

The Annual Meeting is the first Sunday in November. The Stewardship Ministry is charged with the budget. Pastor Tim noted that we will probably have to cut most lines in the budget.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

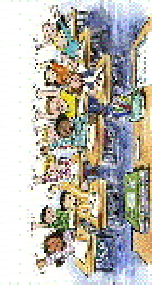
Respectfully Submitted,  
Ray Licht, Chairman

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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 starting to gift wrap the boxes, please, please call Lori Smith at 453-3953.



# September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH &amp; SCHOOL</b>            280 E. Upper Street c/o Pigeon, MI 48735            Tim Ledwith, Pastor            Beth Eichen, Music &amp; Preschool Director  <b>CHURCH PHONE: 989/453-3830 ** SCHOOL PHONE: 989/453-3331</b>  <b>CHURCH &amp; SCHOOL E-MAIL: secretary@crossluthernanpigeon.org</b>  <b>CHURCH WEBSITE: www.crossluthernanpigeon.org</b>  <b>SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.crossluthernanschool.org</b></p>						
5 COMMUNION 9:30 a.m. (Lutheran World Relief)	6 Labor Day No School	7 School Resumes with Laker bus service provided Rebecca Circle 1:30 p.m. Parish Life Ministry 5:20 p.m.	8 Chapel 8:30 a.m. (Lutheran World Relief) Sarah Circle, 9:30 a.m. Leave Day, 1:30 p.m. <b>COMMUNION 7:00 p.m.</b>	9 School Board 5:30 p.m. Quits for H. School Seniors 7:00 - 8:30 <b>COMMUNION 7:00 p.m.</b>	10 No School	11 Thru Bread Basket Food Distribution at Laker Elementary Set up 7:00 a.m. Distribution 8:30 a.m. Clean up 10:30 a.m.
12 WORSHIP - Outdoor Service 9:50 a.m. Installation of School Staff Back to School Rally Day Dedication of Cross Memorial Garden T-shirts/Tennis & games Sign Orders Due	13 First Call Meeting - Pastor out of office Laker Circle 2:00 p.m.	14 Pigeon Area Pastor's Meeting 10:30 a.m. Church Council 7:00 p.m.	15 Chapel 8:30 a.m. (Lutheran World Relief) Newsletter Deadline <b>COMMUNION 7:00 p.m.</b>	16 Ministry of Ed 5:30 p.m. Youth Ministry 7:00 p.m. Quits for H. School Seniors 7:00 - 8:30 Executive Committee 7:00	17	18
19 COMMUNION 9:30 a.m. Fall School in Harbor Beach Youth Gathering for LYC and Confirmation at Light's Home 6:00 p.m.	20 WANS Administration Tour of Cross School	21 Bay Area Pastor's Meeting, Pastor out of office Men's Group 7:00 p.m. Bay Port Jm.	22 Chapel 8:30 a.m. (Lutheran World Relief) <b>COMMUNION 7:00 p.m.</b>	23 Social Services Ministry 5:30 p.m. Worship & Music Ministry 7:00 p.m.	24	25
26 WORSHIP 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Laker Circle Strip Orders Due	27 Stewardship Ministry 7:00 p.m.	28	29 Chapel 8:30 (Lutheran World Relief) <b>COMMUNION 7:00 p.m.</b>	30 Cross School Pictures	 <p>School chapel offerings and donations of school supplies will be directed to Lutheran World Relief to help children around the world prepare to learn and grow despite very challenging circumstances.</p>	