

# Cross Connection

Growing together

June / July 2017

## 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 dearly beloved family of Cross Lutheran,

Memorial Day. A day this great nation has set aside to remember those men and women who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the protection and defense of the constitution which gives us the freedom and liberty enjoyed nowhere else in this world. It is a day to reflect on the bravery, heroism and sacrifice cutting the life short of many young men and women. It is a time to reflect why there is war, conflict, police actions, etc. in between nations and why men and women on both sides of the fence willingly and knowingly go to war and make the ultimate sacrifice.

For thousands of years nations throughout the world have settled "arguments" and "differences" by going to war in order to ultimately live in peace. So when enough people have died, the war comes to a conclusion peace has been achieved. However, history proves that



2 CORINTHIANS 13:11

peace is never achieved. That peace is just an interlude until the next war starts up again. The cycle repeats itself over and over again. Even in today's world there is a war going on somewhere in order to achieve peace. When is this world going to come to the realization that by going to war does not achieve peace? So why does the world continue to choose war as a means to true peace? History gives us the answer, never. Why, because Satan works his magic around the world so that war continues and we, the people of the world, continue to believe him and follow him.

War then needs to be fed and nurtured in order for the "mind set for war" to stay alive during "peaceful" times. How is this done? Look at all the violence in the movie theaters, all the violence in the video games, all the violence in sports, all the violence on tv, all the violence within families, all the violence in... you fill in

the blank. We live in a world where violence is a part of life and accepted. However, the hypocrisy in all that is when there is a random shooting, random bombing, random killing where innocent lives are lost and we are utterly shocked that this could happen. My response is; why are you shocked? Why are you dismayed? Why do you grieve? This is how we live, nurture and support as a lifestyle within our culture. This is the result of living this life style, so why the traumatized reaction?

If war and a culture of violence does not bring about peace, then any logical and common sense minded person

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# Preparing for Worship at Cross



## Bible Readings for the Month

### June 4 - Pentecost

1R – Numbers 11:24-30  
P – Psalm 25:1-15  
2R – Acts 2:1-21  
G – John 7:37-39

### June 11 – Holy Trinity

1R – Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a  
P – Psalm 8  
2R – Acts 2:14a, 22-36  
G – Matthew 28:16-20

### June 18 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Exodus 19:2-8a  
P – Psalm 100

2R – Romans 5:6-15

G – Matthew 9:35 – 10:8

### June 25 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R - Jeremiah 20:7-13

P – Psalm 91:1-10

2R – Romans 6:12-23

G – Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

### July 2 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Jeremiah 28:5-9

P – Psalm 119:153-160

2R – Romans 7:1-13

G – Matthew 10:34-42

### July 9 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Zechariah 9:9-12

P – Psalm 145:1-14

2R – Romans 7:14-25a

G – Matthew 11:25-30

### July 16 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Isaiah 55:10-13

P – Psalm 65:9-13

2R – Romans 8:12-17

G – Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

### July 23 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R - Isaiah 44:6-8

P – Psalm 119:57-64

2R – Romans 8:18-27

G – Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

### July 30 – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1R - Deuteronomy 7:6-9

P – Psalm 125

## 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. Please be mindful of the bonus box tops as they expire sooner than the others.

## Pigeon Food Pantry

Pastas, sauces, macaroni & cheese and peanut butter are staples that are always appreciated and enjoyed by all. 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.

Anything you can donate is helpful. Thank you.

## Communion Bread

We really 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!

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would say, let's try another way to find true peace. Where then can one find a peace for all nations?

*<sup>NRS</sup> Isaiah 2: <sup>3</sup> Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. <sup>4</sup> He shall judge between the nations, and shall*

*arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.*

From that comes the absolute and complete assurance of peace through the one and only person who died on the cross for everyone. Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

*<sup>NRS</sup> John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as*

*the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.*

So as this nation observes Memorial Day, July 4 and Veterans Day, let us pray, and I really mean pray, that this world will follow the peace that passes all understanding which is only found in Jesus Christ, so that, peace is achieved once and for all.

God's peace

Pr Tim

# Mission / Outreach Ministry Minutes

**April 25, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Lorraine LePage, who led the group in prayer. Those present were: Lorraine LePage, Tonja Nelson, Connie Eden, RoseAnn Budnick, Lori Smith, Rachel Messing, Gwen Ovcen, Bonnie Schulz, Krisie Fritz and Pastor Tim. The minutes of the March 21, meeting were reviewed and approved. The Treasurer reported \$2,800.13 in the checking account. The Treasurer's report was approved as corrected on accompanying sheet. There was no correspondence.

**BUSINESS:** The Mom 2 Mom sale and bake sale will be this Saturday, April 29. Lori reported that we have sold about as many tables as last year. Set-up will take place on Friday from 6:00-7:30 pm. We will need to set up the tables ourselves this time, as Archery will be taking place in the gym until 4:45 pm. On Saturday morning set-up continues at 8:00 am, with the sale beginning at 9:00 am. Lorraine will put the signs around town on Friday. The church garage sale is coming up June 8-10. At our previous meeting it was decided to designate a portion of the garage sale money to begin a fund for new audiovisual equipment, pending church council approval. The church council asked us to continue checking into equipment and prices, but to hold the recording equipment project for now, as the church is experiencing a financial strain at this time and two new furnaces are needed for the school. It was decided that proceeds from the garage sale would go toward the new furnaces as well as the Mission Outreach Ministry. Randy Ovcen has been recording the church service weekly, but we would like to get some young people interested in helping with the recording so there is coverage in case Randy can't be there. We also decided to check into getting 2-3 CD players to loan to shut-ins who do not have CD players to use. RoseAnn will get some prices.

Group 2 (Bonnie, Kay, Connie, Rachel and RoseAnn) will be hosting coffee hour on May 21. The Scrip schedule is as follows: May 7 Cash Sale (Confirmation Sunday) – RoseAnn. Lorraine will remind Aileen to have them ready for us to sell; May 14 (Mother's Day & CEA Pancake Breakfast) – Bonnie; May 21 – Lorraine; May 28 (Memorial Day week-

end) – Tonja. Facebook: We would like to combine the church, school and CEA facebook accounts to one account. Rachel will contact each group and try to get that accomplished. OCC: It was recently posted on Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Facebook site that shipping charges for the shoebox gifts will be going up from \$7.00 to \$9.00 per box this year. We had a piggy bank out during last fall and holiday season, and it was decided to put it out again for folks to toss their pocket change in an effort to help raise some extra money for postage.

Our next meeting will be held on May 3, 2017 at 6:30 pm. With no other business, the meeting was adjourned by all saying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Connie Eden

## Cross Church Family **GARAGE SALE** June 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

### SPRING CLEANING?

We will be accepting – furniture, toys, bikes, pictures, household items, exercise equipment, sporting goods, tools, clothing in GOOD CONDITION & more.

**SORRY, NO TV'S.**

Do you have a car, camper, lawn mower, or boat (in good working condition) you would like to donate?

We have donation slips available.

### Drop Off Days:

Saturday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10 am – 2 pm
Sunday, June 4 <sup>th</sup>	9 am – 3 pm
Monday, June 5 <sup>th</sup>	9 am – 8 pm
Tuesday, June 6 <sup>th</sup>	9 am – 6 pm

*Proceeds to Benefit New Furnaces and Mission Outreach Ministry*

### Garage Sale Dates

June 8 <sup>th</sup>	9 am – 6 pm	
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	9 am – 6 pm	HALF OFF DAY
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	9 am – Noon	FREE DAY

For questions please contact Lorraine LePage 553-1885 or any member of Mission Outreach

# Celebrate



## Anniversaries and Birthdays

### June Birthdays

- 5 Cory Cucinello
- 6 Kristy Carriveau
- 7 Kayla Blunt  
Brandis Poisson
- 9 Jacob Kretzschmer
- 10 Cody Cucinello  
Kim Delpiere  
Hazen Fritz  
Betty Licht
- 11 John House
- 12 Jeff Elston
- 16 Kevin Sturm
- 17 Matthew Schulz  
Brian Smith  
Molly Smith
- 18 Allen Collison  
Loren Collison  
Mike Fritz
- 19 Mary Otto
- 20 David McAlpine
- 22 Shirley Deering
- 23 Chris Schuette  
Noah Smith
- 24 Riley Shupe
- 25 Fred Henkelmann  
Jim Schuette  
John Schuette
- 26 Katie Licht
- 27 Ruth Schuette

### June Anniversaries

- 3 Mike & Lorraine  
LePage, 39 years
- 5 George & Linda  
Gardy, 46 years
- 10 Eric & Jennifer  
Gardy, 11 years
- 11 Don & Kim Schadd,  
12 years
- 12 Trevor & Kristy Car-  
riveau, 13 years
- 12 Marvin & Alice Trost,  
52 years
- 17 Richard & Carole  
Mead, 56 years

- Jack & Pam Sturm, 45  
years
- 20 Fred & Raylene Henkel-  
mann, 47 years
- 22 Randy & Cindy Buchholz,  
44 years  
Dale & Donna Schuette, 54  
years

### July Birthdays

- 3 Nancy Heck
- 7 Mike Eden  
Jordon Gunden
- 9 Adam Fritz  
Robbi Shaffer
- 10 Nate Licht  
Mike Trost
- 12 Mike Otto
- 13 Collin Schuette
- 14 Grant Buchholz  
Kim Fritz  
Elizabeth Hill  
Evelyn Hill
- 15 Natisha Decker  
Kay Schuette
- 16 Missy Shupe
- 19 Bill Hurdelbrink
- 20 Susan Licht
- 22 William Renn  
Hazel Messing  
Saige Messing
- 23 Pam Sturm
- 24 Gloria Anderson  
Patricia Cucinello

- 27 Russell Barry  
Henry Trost
- 29 George Gardy
- 30 Sarah Azarovitz  
Blaine Buchholz

### July Anniversaries

- 4 Peg & David McCrimmon, 9  
years
- 12 Bob & Linda Tate, 42 years
- 15 John & Linda Shope, 7  
years  
Kevin & Lori Trost, 11 years
- 19 Peter & Missy Shupe, 20  
years
- 20 Jeff & Beth Elston, 21 years  
Randy & Suzanne Swan-  
son, 26 years
- 21 Jeff & Kim Buchholz, 10  
years
- 22 Troy & Leanne Schuette, 28  
years
- 24 Tim & Michelle Fritz, 18  
years
- 27 Don & Donna Wheeler, 43  
years
- 30 Don & Kay Schuette, 51  
years
- 30 Mark & Brenda  
Kretzschmer, 23 years
- 30 Ben & Michelle Walsh, 6  
years



### Remember our Shut-ins:

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

### Please Remember in Prayer:

Janet McCrimmon (mother-in-law of Peg McCrimmon), Bill Gray (father of Lisa Gray), Don Schuette, Norm Townley (brother-in-law

to Eleanor Tate), Janice Elftman, Peggy Koehler, Ray Barr (friend of Marty & Bev Knost), Tiffany Swartzendruber, Allen Koehler, Mary Champion, sister of Betty Licht, Kevin Faupel, Clarence Buchholz, Ezra Sturm, Eunice Richmond, Dennis Diener.

### In the Service of Our Coun- try:

Nathan Schulz has been deployed overseas and Ryan Schulz is stationed at Cherry Point, NC. Both are Marines and sons of Lonnie Schulz and grandsons of Ron and Bonnie Schulz.

# School News



## From the Desk of ... Gwynne Barry

### An Amazing Day!

Bad Axe City Park was the venue for our area Lutheran Schools to gather together on Friday, May 19. Students in grades 3-8 we placed into mixed age groups with the goal of creating a team to accomplish the challenges at various stations. Before teams were released to the stations, each team had to use a GPS to locate at least 4 colored pencils in the park, name themselves, create a crest using the four colors located, and decide on a team motto. When these were done, teams scrambled together to visit the various stations and conquer the challenges at each station.

Watching these young people work together was fun for me. I loved that fact that they were calling each other by name, encouraging each other, including each other in decisions, and communicating

with each other about good and bad ideas in a positive way. Some showed great leadership in asking other's opinions and guiding the team, rather than simply taking over. When everyone had visited each station, we gathered together under the pavilion where each team had to share their team cheer. They were not shy and giggles were shared by many! Our ending cheer was "God is Great! God

is Good!" God is great and God is good. As members of the Cross Lutheran Church and School team, we, too, can call each other by name and encourage each other. We serve an amazing God in an amazing place. He does amazing works among us and through us. Let's make each day an amazing day!

## TITHING

**2 Corinthians 9:7 Above all, all tithes and offerings should be given with pure motives and an attitude of worship to God and offerings should be given with pure motives and an attitude of worship to God and service to the body of Christ.**

**"Each man should give what he had decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver"**

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>10% Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>5% Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
\$10,000	\$19.23	\$83.33	\$9.62	\$41.66
\$15,000	\$28.85	\$125.00	\$14.42	\$62.50
\$20,000	\$38.46	\$166.67	\$19.23	\$83.33
\$25,000	\$48.08	\$208.33	\$24.04	\$104.17
\$30,000	\$57.69	\$250.00	\$28.85	\$125.00
\$35,000	\$67.31	\$291.67	\$33.65	\$145.83
\$40,000	\$76.92	\$333.33	\$38.46	\$166.67
\$45,000	\$86.54	\$375.00	\$43.27	\$187.50
\$50,000	\$96.15	\$416.67	\$48.08	\$208.33
\$55,000	\$105.77	\$458.33	\$52.88	\$229.17
\$60,000	\$115.38	\$500.00	\$57.69	\$250.00
\$65,000	\$125.00	\$541.67	\$62.50	\$270.83
\$70,000	\$134.62	\$583.33	\$67.31	\$291.67
\$75,000	\$144.23	\$625.00	\$72.12	\$312.50
\$80,000	\$153.85	\$666.66	\$76.92	\$333.33
\$85,000	\$163.46	\$708.33	\$81.73	\$354.17
\$90,000	\$173.08	\$750.00	\$86.54	\$375.00
\$95,000	\$182.69	\$791.67	\$91.35	\$395.83
\$100,000	\$192.31	\$833.33	\$96.15	\$416.67
\$110,000	\$211.54	\$916.67	\$105.77	\$458.33
\$120,000	\$230.77	\$1,000.00	\$115.38	\$500.00
\$130,000	\$250.00	\$1,083.33	\$125.00	\$541.67
\$140,000	\$269.23	\$1,166.67	\$134.62	\$583.33
\$150,000	\$288.46	\$1,250.00	\$144.23	\$625.00

***The law which God gave to Israel through Moses required Israel to give one-tenth of their goods to God.***

# June & July Time & Talents

Date & Time	Assisting Minister	Reader	Children's Time	Comm. Assist.	Ushers for the Month	Altar Guild	Acolyte
June 4 9:30 a.m.	Paul Schuette	Norm Nelson	Kristy Carriveau		Bruce Baur George Gardy	Laura Trost	Riley Shupe
June 11 9:30 a.m.	Phil Schadd	Gwynne Barry	Michelle Fritz		Neil Herford Al Licht		Garrett Fritz
June 18 9:30 a.m.	Mike Sting	Jeanne Sting	Vicki Yackle	John Trowbridge	Denny Smith Larry Smith	Carol Diener	Collin Schuette
June 25 9:30 a.m.	Karen Schuette	Barb Degg	Karen Schuette		John Trowbridge		Zac Kretzschmer
July 2 9:30 a.m.	Paul Schuette	Karen Schuette	Eileen Johnson	Norm Nelson	Jeff Elston	Marilyn Baur	Nicholas Trost
July 9 9:30 a.m.	Phil Schadd	Laura Trost	Karen Schuette		Mike LePage Kent McKenzie		Riley Shupe
July 16 9:30 a.m.	Gwynne Barry	Connie Eden	Leanne Smith	Paul Schuette	Bob Tate Norm Nelson	Laura Trost	Garrett Fritz
July 23 9:30 a.m.	Mike Sting	Jane Sturm	Gwynne Barry				Collin Schuette
July 30 9:30 a.m.	Karen Schuette	Gwynne Barry	Jane Sturm				Zac 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!**

## Women's & Men's Group Schedules

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

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

**Men's Bible Study** will be Tuesday, June 6 with snacks and 20 with potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

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

# Church Council Minutes



## Tuesday, May 9

**CALL TO ORDER:** The monthly meeting of the Cross Lutheran Church Council was called to order by President Kent McKenzie, at 7:05PM on the above date. Members present were Kent McKenzie, Nancy Heck, Phil Schadd, Loraine LePage, Barb Degg and Norm Nelson. Pastor provided the opening prayer.

**AGENDA:** The agenda was presented to all present. A motion was made by Barb Degg to accept the agenda as provided, seconded by Nancy Heck. Motion carried.

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

**GUEST PRESENTATIONS/ REQUESTS:** None.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Copies of the Treasurer's report were distributed to all present. Phil Schadd made a Motion to accept Nancy's report, seconded by Loraine LePage. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None this month.

**Funeral 0; Wedding 0; Bap-**

**tisms 0; Teaching 7; Communion 5; Hospital Visits 5; Home Visits 3; Meetings 22; Services 11.**

### Pastoral acts

- No funerals or baptisms this month.

### Church calendar

- Ascension of our Lord, Thursday, May 25.
- Last Sunday school, Sunday, May 21??
- Pentecost, Sunday, June 4
- Graduation Sunday, June 4 - Jacob Marks, James Rochon, Riley Shupe, Cassie Witherspoon
- Garage sale, Thursday – Saturday, June 8-10
- Trinity Sunday, June 11
- Summer office hours – Monday, June 12 – Friday, August 18, 9AM – noon.

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

- Archery practice has finished.
- Pigeon Pastors' meeting at Cross, Tuesday, May 16, 1 PM
- Memorial Day service and blessing of the fleet in Caseville, Monday, May 29.
- Pastor will not be here on Sunday, June 4. His oldest granddaughter is being confirmed on that day in Ohio.

### Principal's report

- Student enrollment for 2016 - 2017 school year.

K – 8, 25

P/S, 14

- Long term chapel, Wednesday, May 10, 1PM
  - CEA Pancake breakfast, Sunday, May 14, 10AM – 1PM (Mother's Day)
  - TALL event, Bad Axe, Friday, May 19, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade
  - 8<sup>th</sup> grade shadow day at Lakers, Monday, May 22.
  - Preschool picnic, Thursday, May 25.
  - ½ day of school, Friday, May 26, dismiss at 11 AM.
  - Preschool graduation, Thursday, June 1, 7 PM
  - Memorial Day, no school, Monday, May 29.
    - Last day of school, Friday, June 2, closing chapel at 1:45 PM.
      - o Kindergarten graduation
      - o Wendy Zick will not return to Cross School as band teacher.
        - o Thank you, Wendy, for your years of dedication and teaching of band here at Cross. God's blessings in all of your future endeavors.
  - Staff meeting, Monday, June 5, 9 AM - Planning of school year calendar 2017-2018.
- SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:** There was nothing to report.
- MINISTRY OF STEWARDSHIP:** Norm Nelson was present and gave his written report. There is \$9,751.96 in the fund to be dispersed. They are discussing fund raising ideas for the church, including PayPal & GoFundMe.

# Council Minutes (Cont.)

**MINISTRY OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC:** Barb was present and provided her oral report. She detailed that many of the song selections are determined based on the gospel of the day, but we will request suggestions for worship songs where there are openings in the song selection.

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

**MINISTRY OF MISSION OUT-REACH:** Loraine presented her written report. The church garage sale will be June 8 -10.

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

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

**MINISTRY OF PARISH LIFE:** There was nothing to report this month.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Eric will request bids to replace (2) heating units.

Discussed fund raising ideas

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Barb Degg to approve Beth Elston as the band instructor. Norm Nelson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** Tuesday, June 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 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip L. Schadd, Secretary

## **SPECIAL JOINT MEETING CROSS CHURCH COUNCIL/CROSS SCHOOL BOARD May 16, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The special meeting of the Cross Lutheran Church Council and School Board to address replacement of (2) heating and air conditioning units over the school, was called to order by President Kent McKenzie, at 5:10PM on the above date. Members present were Kent McKenzie, Gwynne Barry, April Rujan, Erica Sturm, Nicole Shupe, Eileen Johnson, Barb Degg, Eric Gardy & Phil Schadd. Pastor provided a reading and the opening prayer.

The bids for replacement of the (2) heating and air conditioning units were reviewed by all present. April Rujan made a motion to select Jack McCain's bid for (2) Trane units for \$19,023.00. The motion was seconded by Barb Degg. The motion passed and the bid will be sent to the congregation for a vote at a special congregational meeting on June 11, 2017, following the church service.

After discussion about how to pay for the new units, Phil Schadd made a motion to use \$12,000 from the school's annual fund to pay for the units, with the balance to be paid by the church. Eric Gardy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed

with the Lord's Prayer at 6:02PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Schadd

## **Stewardship Ministry Minutes**

**Tuesday, May 2**

The following members were present: Pastor Tim Loehrke, Cindy Buchholz, June Sturm, Jeanne Sting, Carol Diener, Norman Nelson, Paul Schuette.

We opened with prayer by Pastor Tim.

**School/Parsonage Building Fund** - Cindy gave her report on the School/Parsonage Building Fund. As of April 30, \$9,475.78.

Loan total - \$276,274.99 after the April payment.

**Benevolence Report** - June gave the Benevolence Report, \$9,751.96 to be dispersed.

**Fund Summary** - Jeanne gave a Fund Summary Report. Currently a negative \$21,945.54 in General Fund. There is a total of \$23,848.46 in all funds.

## **Capital Improvements –**

School needs two new furnaces, they are 17 years old. Cost is approximately \$15,000 each.

Church air conditioners need attention, make considerable noise.

Fund raising ideas discussed – PayPal, GoFundMe

Alumni Fund contributions will go for school furnaces

We are switching our meeting nights to Mondays. Next meeting



# Ministry Minutes, & More

will be Monday June 5 at 5:30 p.m. there will be no meeting in July.

We have coffee hour on Sunday, June 11.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Schuette

## School Registration

for Preschool and K-8<sup>th</sup> at Cross Lutheran School. If you know of any family that is interested in a solid Christian Education for their child(ren) please have them contact the office for more

information.

## Summer Office Hours

will begin on Monday, June 12. The office will be open from 9 a.m. – Noon Monday through Friday. The hours will return to normal on Monday, August 21.

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## CROSS CAMP VBS Summer 2017

Growing in Faith at Cross Camp will be our theme this year.

The fun begins on Monday July 17 through Thursday, July 20 from 9 a.m.—11:30 a.m. at Cross Lutheran Church. The VBS Program will be on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. Parents, grandparents and friends are all invited! And to top it all off, the children are invited to ride on the VBS Foat in the Pigeon Summerfest parade that will be held on Saturday morning.

To attend BVS or to volunteer to be part of the excitement, please fill out the form below and return it to the VBS Registration box by the church mailboxes, or call the church office 453-3330 or Lori Smith 453-3953. All children ages 3+ through 6th grade are invited to attend, and older children are encouraged to be helpers. A daily offering will be taken to donate to Operation Christmas Child (one of Cross' Mission Projects) and to help defray our expenses.

We are looking for adult helpers, mainly for 'crowd control'. Would you have a few hours you would be willing to help us out? Cash donations will help with VBS expenses.

### V.B.S. Registration

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Names \_\_\_\_\_

Child #1 \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Child #2 \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Child #3 \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Child #4 \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #s \_\_\_\_\_

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Emergency Contacts \_\_\_\_\_

Who will pick up child from V.B.S.? \_\_\_\_\_

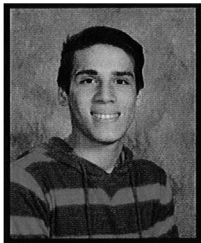
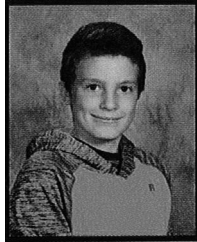
Will your child be at the Thursday night Program? \_\_\_\_\_

Will your child ride on the V.B.S. Float on Saturday? \_\_\_\_\_

# Our Graduates—Graduation Sunday, June 4

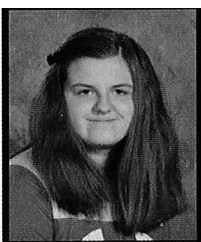
## Cross Lutheran School 8th Grade Graduates

Jacob Marks is the son of Geanie and Matt Kanaby.



James Rochon is the son of Paul and Athens Rochon.

Riley Shupe is the daughter of Peter and Missy Shupe.



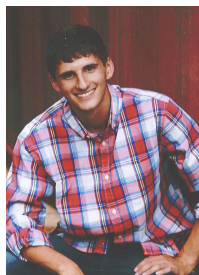
Cassie Witherspoon is the daughter of Tracy Goretski.

## High School Graduates of Cross Lutheran Church

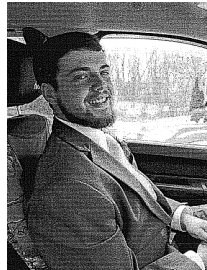
Kendal Delpiere is the son of Brian and Kim Delpiere.

He is a graduate of Bad Axe

High School. He plans to



attend Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie studying mechanical engineering and will participate through a scholarship in Cross Country and Track.



Jarid Heck is the son of the late Joshua Heck and the late Jessica Langley Heck. His grandpar-

ents are Don and Nancy Heck. He will graduate from Laker High School with a 3.69 GPA. He is dually enrolled at Michigan State University and Delta College with plans to major in agronomy and agribusiness.

Austin Roestel is the son of Todd and Gretchen Roestel. Following graduation



Austin plans to work as a Dairy Herdsman at Zwemmer Dairy Farms.

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**Congratulations**

**To all our Graduates!!**

## CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH NEEDS YOUR HELP

The budget we all approved, with a lot of stream lining to bring it lower than in previous years, has not been staying in the positive. We have been below budget every month this year. We are now \$73,056 under budgeted income. We are asking everyone to see it in their hearts to somehow increase your giving by \$5 to \$10 more per Sunday? If this isn't possible, than maybe you could suggest or work on other ways to raise funds. We already have a number of fundraisers that work very well now, that do a dual purpose: help people in need and with church expenses. Please come forward with any suggestions.

Norman Nelson, Chairman

# *Worship and Music Comments*

Hymns that I would like to sing more often:

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Hymns I'd rather not sing:

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Things in the liturgy that make me feel closer to God:

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Things in the liturgy that disrupt my worship experience:

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Any other suggestions pertaining to the worship service:

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Request that a Worship and Music member contact me about my concerns:

Yes  No

Name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop this completed form in the Worship and Music mailbox in the overflow room. Our next meeting is Thursday, June 8. Thank you for sharing your concerns.



# June 2017



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|                                                                |           |                                         |           | Line Dancing Class 3:30<br>School Board 5:30 p.m.<br><br>Preschool Graduation 7 p.m. | <b>1</b>  | <b>Closing Chapel 1:45 p.m.</b><br><br>Last Day of School                             | <b>2</b>  | Garage Sale Drop Off 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.         | <b>3</b>  |                                                                                   |           |           |                                         |
| <b>Worship Service 9:30 a.m.</b><br><br>8th Grade Graduation   | <b>4</b>  | Stewardship Ministry 5:30 p.m.          | <b>5</b>  | Parish Life Ministry 5 p.m.<br><br><b>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.</b>                | <b>6</b>  |                                                                                       | <b>7</b>  | Potluck 6 p.m.<br><b>Comm. Service 7 p.m.</b> | <b>8</b>  | Garage Sale open 9 a.m. - noon Thursday and Friday<br>Open 9 a.m. - noon Saturday | <b>9</b>  |           | <b>10</b>                               |
| <b>Comm. Service 9:30 a.m.</b><br><br>Coffee Hour 10:45 a.m.   | <b>11</b> | Summer Office Hours Begin 9 a.m. - noon | <b>12</b> | <b>Afternoon Circle 1:30 p.m.</b><br>Executive 6 p.m.<br>Council 7 p.m.              | <b>13</b> | <b>Morning Circle 9:30 a.m.</b><br>Quilters 1 p.m.<br><br><b>Comm. Service 7 p.m.</b> | <b>14</b> | Line Dancing Class 3:30                       | <b>15</b> |                                                                                   | <b>16</b> |           | <b>17</b>                               |
| <b>Comm. Service 9:30 a.m.</b><br><br>Coffee Hour 10:45 a.m.   | <b>18</b> |                                         | <b>19</b> | <b>Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.</b>                                                   | <b>20</b> | <b>Comm. Service 7 p.m.</b>                                                           | <b>21</b> |                                               | <b>22</b> | <b>23</b>                                                                         |           | <b>24</b> | Family Movie Night in the gym 5:30 p.m. |
| <b>Worship Service 9:30 a.m.</b><br><br>Coffee Hour 10:45 a.m. | <b>25</b> |                                         | <b>26</b> | Mission/ Outreach Ministry 6:30 p.m.                                                 | <b>27</b> | <b>Comm. Service 7 p.m.</b>                                                           | <b>28</b> |                                               | <b>29</b> | <b>30</b>                                                                         |           |           |                                         |

# Ministers - The people of Cross

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**Please let the office know if you wish to be added to the Handy Helper List.**