



Growing together

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## Cross Lutheran Church & School

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### Our mission:

**Bring people to  
Christ.**

**Teach Christians  
to be disciples.**

**Send disciples to  
reach the world.**



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## Message from Pastor Tim

My dear family of  
Cross Lutheran,

I can't believe it's  
2014. Another new year  
has started. Where did  
2013 go?

Once again we  
face a New Year where  
we traditionally make  
those dreaded New  
Year's resolution. You  
know what I'm talking  
about. I'm going on a  
diet. I'm going to exer-  
cise more. I'm going to  
stop smoking. I'm going  
to wake up every day  
with a smile on my face.  
I'm going to do a crazy  
act of kindness to some-  
one every day. I'm going  
to see all the positive  
things in life more than  
just see all of the nega-  
tive things in life. I'm not  
going to live and die de-  
pending on what my fa-  
vorite sport team does.  
From this day forward I'm  
starting life over again  
making everything new.  
I'm going to wipe the  
slate clean and forget  
about the past. I'm going  
to move forward and get  
rid of all that garbage in  
the past. It's just drag-  
ging me down and I just  
can't deal with it any  
more. Any of this sound  
familiar from New Years  
of old?

*NRS Psalm 51:10 Create*

*in me a clean heart, O  
God, and put a new and  
right spirit within me.*

These resolu-  
tions are all meant well  
however, as most of us  
know, by the time the  
middle of January  
comes around, we no  
longer keep those reso-  
lutions and find our-  
selves back in the same  
old way of doing things.  
Why is that?

Look at who is  
making the resolution?  
I am making that reso-  
lution for me based on  
who I am. No one is  
making that for me. No  
one is going to be there  
to ensure to "hold my  
feet to the fire" when I  
balk at or move away  
from this promise. In  
fact, I am the only one  
that I am accountable  
to. I am the only one  
who will make me keep  
this promise. No one  
else is walking with me  
to ensure I stay the new  
course of life. Now if I  
look at myself and see  
who I really am I know  
why I fall short all the  
time.

I am a sinner! I  
am by nature sinful and  
unclean. I do not "hold  
my feet to the fire" be-  
cause I don't want to  
admit I am weak and

have failed. In my own  
sarcastic way I manip-  
ulate people and situa-  
tions in order to justify  
my actions and look  
good. All this is based  
on my sinful nature  
and when that hap-  
pens those resolutions  
fall apart and become  
meaningless. How  
then can I make things  
new within me this  
year and not fail?

*NRS 2 Corinthians 5: 17*

*So if anyone is in  
Christ, there is a new  
creation: everything old  
has passed away; see,  
everything has become  
new!*

The only way to  
start new is to start  
new in Jesus Christ.  
The only way to suc-  
ceed in ridding of the  
old and start new is to  
first and foremost have  
Jesus Christ as my  
foundation to build up-  
on. *NRS Psalm 127:1*  
*Unless the LORD*  
*builds the house, those*  
*who build it labor in*  
*vain...* Once I have  
Jesus Christ as num-  
ber one in my life and  
solely depend on Him  
to provide the strength  
I need to accomplish  
all that I face, then it  
will be revealed to me  
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# Preparing for Worship at Cross



## Jan. 5 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Christmas

1R – 1 Kings 3:4-15  
P – Psalm 119:97-104  
2R – Ephesians 1:3-14  
G – Luke 2:40-52

Hymns: 497, 42, 70 Comm. 47, 198, 196,

## Jan. 12 – Baptism of Our Lord

1R – Isaiah 42:1-9  
P – Psalm 29  
2R – Romans 6:1-11  
G – Matthew 3:13-17  
Hymns: 36, 84, 75

## Jan. 19 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

1R – Isaiah 49:1-7  
P – Psalm 40:1-11

2R – 1 Corinthians 1:1-9  
G – John 1:29-42a

Hymns: 82, 776, 90 Comm. 702, 706, 710, 709

## Jan. 26 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

1R – Isaiah 9:1-4  
P – Psalm 27:1-9 (10-14)  
2R – 1 Corinthians 10-18  
G – Matthew 4:12-25  
Hymns: 83, 126, 494

### 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.

### Special Dates

- New Year's Day, *January 1*
- Epiphany, *January 6*
- Baptism of the Lord, *January 12*
- Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observance, *January 20*
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, *January 18-25*

### Pigeon Food Pantry

Hot soups or stews are wonderful this time of year! Soup mixes, dried beans, boullion cubes along with any pantry staple are welcome. 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!

### Available

### Sale Items from CLCW

1/2 size cookie sheets..... \$7.50

1/4 size cookie sheets..... \$6.00

Lids to fit 1/2 size cookie sheets..... \$7.00

Hot Cocoa Mix..... \$5.00

Regular Coffee..... \$7.50

Decaf Coffee..... \$7.50

All items are in stock, stored in the overflow closet. Please make checks out to CLCW. If you have any questions, see June Sturm, 453-2575.

the glory of His awesome power and might. <sup>NRS</sup> **Isaiah 42:** <sup>8</sup> *I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.* <sup>9</sup> *See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.*

As the New Year begins, make a resolution to make yourself new in Jesus Christ. Don't set yourself up to fail by making resolutions based on you because you will most certainly fail.

<sup>NRS</sup> **Revelation 21:5** *And the*

*one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true."*

God's speed

Pr Tim

## In Memory



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

**In memory of Dale Otto, for Cross Parsonage Building Fund:**

Dale and Donna Schuette and Dorothy Haffner

**In memory of Ken Wenzel for Cross Building Fund:**

Bill and Muriel Hurdelbrink

**In memory of Frank Nagy for Cross School:**

Tom and Bernice Shupe

**In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Stueck, for Cross Building Fund:**

Harold and Shirley Deering

**In memory of Thelma Warner, for Cross Building Fund:**

Bruce and Marilyn Baur

## Women of Faith

Will meet on Saturday, Jan. 18 from 10:30—noon. The topic for January will be "Balancing Faith and Works." Everyone is welcome to join us.

## Ministry of Worship and Music

**Nov. 21**

Members present: Barbara Degg, Peg McCrimmon, Beth Elston, Pastor Tim and Karen Schuette.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of October meeting were reviewed.

### MUSIC

Advent / Christmas Concert – Concert – Beth will find readers for the 4 scripture readings. Pastor will copy them for her. Karen will find ushers, supply 2 baskets for the offering, purchase the paper for programs (a ream of manila or cream paper). Peg will bring 2 large candles to use to light congregational candles.

Reception – Set up 22 tables, plan for 150 people. Peg will handle food, punch. She will contact Handi Helpers for food donations to be used to prepare offerings. Initially we wanted to do small sandwiches and other foods that were not sweet (More substantial fare). Now we may prepare bowls of egg salad and tuna salad and use crackers to dip. Peg will concoct a cranberry type salad. Beth will put up a signup sheet in the choir room for members to donate food.

Karen will contact Kent McKenzie for the polish we use on our bells

Discussed organ – The organ tuner said that there is some wear on the leathers on the flute

ranks, will need to be replaced in future. The shades will need to be done within 5 years for approximately \$12,000.

Piano tuner will come before the concert. Cost \$200.

### WORSHIP

Keep in mind ideas for Good Friday worship.

All Saints Sunday observance went well.

### OLD BUSINESS

Youth in Worship – Karen talked to Gretchen (Education) and gave her the list.

Brown Chairs – We have Scotch Guard and Peg will treat a few at a time.

Christmas Reflections – Karen will send all to Jacque to put in booklet form and she will send it to Aileen to finish.

### NEW BUSINESS

Children's time help – Sometimes another adult is needed to sit with children who may act out. Discussed asking people to watch and help.

We need to brief ushers when we have guest speakers and special offerings – what they need to be doing.

Next meeting, January 23, 2014

Adjourned with Lord's Prayer.

# Celebrate

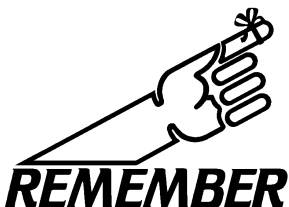


## January Birthdays

- 2 Jim Laursen
  - 3 Philip Schadd
  - 4 Paul Schadd
  - 7 Kyle Yackle
  - 8 Elaine Licht
  - 9 Martin Sturm  
Miranda Fritz
  - 10 Kenneth Licht  
Barb Degg
  - 11 Michelle Walsh  
Jessica Peterson
  - 14 Anna House
  - 17 Karen Anklam  
Adam Rosenthal
  - 18 Susan Loehrke
  - 19 Dale Schuette
  - 20 Denny Smith
  - 21 Vickie Forster
  - 22 Chris Papkey  
Matt Papkey
  - 24 Brenda Smith  
Cordelia Trost
  - 25 Andrew Pionk  
Zachary Pionk
  - 26 Lori McKenzie  
Alice Trost
  - 27 Gerry Edler
  - 28 Clarence Buchholz  
Heather Kunisch
  - 29 David Elftman  
Connie Herford  
Tonja Nelson
  - 31 Gary Forster
- If your birthday or anniversary wasn't listed, please contact the church office so it can be added to our list.**

## Anniversaries

- 6 Aaron & Katherine  
Hessling, 7 years



### Remember our Shut-ins:

Loren Elftman, Edna Schulz, George Mohr, Fred Chisholm, Dorothy Hafner, Barb Ruff, Harold Deering, Fred Edler, Gloria Lewis.

### Please Remember in Prayer:

Edwin Licht, Gabriel and Adrian Tibbits, Lois Decker, Ezra Sturm, Blain Renn, 2<sup>nd</sup> grader with non-

Hodgkin lymphoma, Leona Engelhardt, Doralee Schulz, Harold Deering, Todd Lay, Mindy Sutherland, Betty Schulz, , Sharon Dietzel, Eunice Richmond, Dorothy Hafner, Dennis Diener, George Mohr, Loren Elftman, Frances Mazzara, Andrew Stevens, a 3 year old with leukemia.

### In the Service of Our Country:

Nathan Schulz, is stationed at Camp LeJeune, N.C. Ryan Schulz, graduated from Marine Boot Camp, San Diego, CA. They both are sons of Lonnie Schulz and grandsons of Ron and Bonnie Schulz.

## Parish Life Ministry

### December 3

an appropriate movie to show the little ones.

Meeting was opened at 5 p.m. with devotions and prayer.

Members present: Aileen Prill, chairperson, Betty Champagne, Sue Loehrke, and Paul Schuette.

- Women of Faith Study meets next on Dec. 7 from 10:30 – noon. Topic for this month is “Balancing Love and Obedience”

- Dec. 22 Coffee Hour will be hosted by Parish Life. Betty will call a couple of Handi Helpers.

- The “pie” reception after the Community Thanksgiving Service was a big hit, so we'll keep this in mind for next year.

- We will host a Friends and Family Fun Night on Tuesday, Dec. 31 beginning at 6:30 p.m. We'll look for

- We decided to host a youth event on Sunday, Feb. 9 from 2 – 4 p.m. This will be for youth Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Plans are still in the organizing stages, but it will have a Valentine theme. Possibly making valentines and decorating cookies.

We wish to challenge the other ministries to also find a way to involve our youth in an activity.

Next meeting Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 5 p.m.

Meeting ended at 6 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted

Aileen Prill

# School News



## January School Calendar

- 6 School Resumes  
Basketball game at Zion Harbor Beach 4:30 p.m.
- 8 Chapel 12:45 p.m.
- 9 CEA 4:45 p.m.  
School Board 5:30 p.m.  
Basketball game, Berne here at 4:30 p.m.
- 11 Junior High Basketball Tournament Here
- 12 Junior High Basketball Tournament Concludes
- 13 Basketball game, here at 4:30 vs. Rural Schools
- 15 Chapel 8:10 a.m.
- 16 Basketball game, here vs. Zion Harbor Beach
- 20 Basketball game, at Berne, 4:30 p.m.
- 22 Chapel 8:10 a.m.
- 23 Basketball game, here, vs. Port Hope at 4:30 p.m.
- 24 Half day of School
- 27 No School
- 29 Chapel 8:10 a.m.
- 30 Basketball game at Port Hope, 4:30 p.m.

## From the Desk of ... David Faupel

Several weeks ago, our students and students from Berne were able to participate in a unique assembly featuring Bob and Audrey Allison, The Storytellers. When students entered the gym that Thursday afternoon, they were met with the sight of a wide range of musical instruments from around the world. Not only did students get to learn about and listen to these unique instruments, they actually got to experience playing them. The joy and excitement on their faces was priceless, as twenty or so of the children stood up front enthusiastically playing along with Mr. Bob and Ms. Audrey. Later, they sat captivated as they watched and listened to Ms. Audrey act out a very animated story with Mr. Bob adding music in the background.

After the assembly, each class had the opportunity to participate in a workshop with The Storytellers, in which they got to learn and play with the musical instruments some more. The older students also learned about storytelling techniques and practiced telling some short stories of their own. The Storytellers also presented a short program to the preschool students. The afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Bob and Audrey returned that evening to present a concert for the community, and many of our students came back to see them with their families.

Bob and Audrey are incredibly blessed with the gifts of music and storytelling. We were tremendously blessed to have them share their gifts with us. Each and every one of us has our own special talents and gifts. When we share these gifts that God has given us, He is glorified and those we share them with are blessed. May God bless you as you share your gifts, whatever they may be.

*"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4: 10*



## Junior High Basketball Tournament

Saturday & Sunday

January 11 and 12

here at Cross Lutheran School

# January Time & Talents

Date & Time	Assisting Minister	Reader	Children's Time	Comm. Assist.	Ushers for the Month	Altar Guild	Acolyte
Jan. 5 9:30 a.m.	Karen Schuette	Gwynne Barry	Gwynne Barry	Norm Nelson	Bruce Baur Clarence Buchholz	Marilyn Baur	Nicholas Swanson
Jan. 12 9:30 a.m.	Peggy Koehler	Vivian Buschlen	Sue Loehrke		Jeff Elston Mike LePage		Greta Elston
Jan. 19 9:30 a.m.	Gwynne Barry	Carol Diener	Peggy Koehler	John Trowbridge	Kent McKenzie Bob Tate	Laura Trost	Jordan Trost
Jan. 26	Paul Schuette	Connie Eden	Karen Schuette				Kirsten Shupe

**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!**

## Cross Lutheran School Board Meeting

December 12, 2013  
5:30 p.m.

**Members present:** Pastor Tim Loehrke, John Smith, Gwynne Barry, April Rujan, Rachel Higgins, Peter Shupe & Erica Sturm.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Pastor Tim and was opened with a prayer

**Minutes:** The November minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by April and seconded by Rachel to approve with a change to the CEA balance of \$4,398.56

**Guest presentations:** None

**Treasurer's Report:**

CEA : has a balance of \$5662.35

**Review of Invoices:**

A motion was made by Rachel and supported by John to approve to pay the copier invoice.

**CEA President's Report:**

*CEA Christmas Fair is set for December 20*

*Christmas break is from Dec 23-Jan 6*

*Basketball schedule is as follows:*

*1/6/14 @ Harbor Beach*

*1/9/14 Berne @Cross Cross Tournament*

*1/11/14-*

*1/12/14*

*1/13/14 Rural Schools @ Cross*

**Pastor's / Principal's Report:**

The annual fund letter has been mailed out and donations are being received.

The Story Telling event was a success, and they will be coming back next year.

**Old Business:**

There was some more discussion about what to do for the 2014-15 school year for a schedule. Lakers may be starting to do year round school. Do we want to follow them or stick with our current schedule? More discussion is to come in the future when we find out more about the Laker sched-

ule.

**New Business:**

Christen Video Licensing International

In order to show movies to the classrooms/congregation etc. we need to have a public performance license.

There was a motion made by John and supported by Rachel to approve the purchase of the licensing at a cost of \$1.50 per student. This will be split 50/50 between the School Board and the Church Council.

**Other Business:**

Hot Lunch Adult Meal Policy

There is an Audit scheduled for the school lunch program on 1/9/14.

There was a motion made by Rachel and supported by John to approve the Hot Lunch Adult Meal Policy as presented.

**The next meeting is scheduled for 1/2/14 at 5:30**

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

# Church Council Minutes



Nov. 12

**CALL TO ORDER:** The monthly meeting of the Cross Lutheran Church Council was called to order by president, Richard Koehler, Jr., at 7:03 p.m., on the above date. Members present were Pastor Timothy Loehrke, Karen Schuette, Paul Schuette, Krisie Fritz, Nancy Heck, Tom Shupe, Lori Smith, Neil Herford, Aileen Prill, and John Smith. Gretchen Roestel was absent. Pastor Loehrke opened the meeting with prayer.

**MINUTES:** The Council Minutes dated November 12, 2013, were reviewed by all present. A motion was made by Karen Schuette to approve the minutes, Lori Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**AGENDA:** Agenda for the evening was presented to all present. Motion was made by Tom Shupe to approve the agenda as amended by Richard Koehler to add # 3. Computers under New Business, seconded by Neil Herford. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Copies of the Treasurer's report were distributed to all present by Nancy Heck. Tom Shupe made a Motion to accept Nancy's report, seconded by Krisie Fritz.

Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT:** Paul Schuette was present, and provided his report to all present. His report covered the period of 1/1/2013 through 11/10/2013, and it showed Total Contributions for the General Fund were \$232,689.74, Budgeted Needs are \$249,238.56.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

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

Pastor performed the following pastoral acts during the month of September :

3 Baptisms, 1 Wedding, 21 Teachings, 10 Communions, 1 Hospital Visit, 5 Home Visits, 35 Meetings, and 8 Services.

### Pastoral Acts:

Wedding – Cody Collings & Kelsey Fritz, Saturday, October 26, 2013.

Baptisms:

Logan Siewert, Sunday, October 13, 2013

Parker Braun, Saturday, October 19, 2013

Allison Yackle, Sunday, October 20, 2013

Received New Members:

- Jean & Pearl Parsell
- Bob & Eileen Johnson

### Church Calendar:

- Kill a Deer Season - Friday, November 15, 2013 (wearing hunter orange all day)

- Gideon Presentation – Sunday, November 17, 2013. (Special Offering Collection)

- Community Thanksgiving Service – Sunday, November 24, 2013, 3:00 p.m. at Cross Lutheran, Reception to follow.

- Christ the King Sunday, November 24, 2013.

Thanksgiving Service at Cross, Thursday, November 28, 2013, 10:00 a.m., with communion.

Office Open half day (9:00 a.m. to Noon), Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2013.

Office closed all day, Friday, November 29, 2013.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent, Sunday – December 1, 2013.

- Vespers every Sunday in Advent, Sunday - December 1, 2013.

- Shoe Box Presentation, Sunday, December 8, 2013

- Baptism – Joel Buchholz, Sunday December 8, 2013

Christmas Concert at 3:00 p.m.

### PASTOR'S REPORT:

I want to thank everyone for their support during Sue's medical condition. It has been overwhelming. But true to form as to what this family of Cross does/ responds to when there is a need. Thank you!!

I'm so grateful for the return of this council. There is a lot that is coming up this year, e.g. building a new parsonage, and this coun-

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cil will be able to handle it. I'm so proud to be associated with God's gifted children in leading the family of Cross into the next year.

I have contacted Todd Cramer, Executive Director of YFC, to explore what a partnership with YFC and Cross might look like in leading youth to Christ.

A steady influx of new people have been coming through the doors of Cross. Some from the fall out of the Catholic Church and others just being brought in by the Holy Spirit. It's exciting to watch.

This family of Cross has been very busy. Rare is the day when nothing is going on here at night. That is a good thing. That is a sign of a church that is alive and doing God's work. Let's keep busy!!!

## SCHOOL CALENDAR:

- No school, Friday – November 15, 2013. National Huron County Kill a Deer Day.
- No school, Wednesday – Friday – November 27-29, 2013. (Thanksgiving Break)

CEA Christmas Fair, Friday – December 20, 2013

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- Enrollment for School year 2013-2014.
- As of this date, we have 31 students in K-8, and 17 enrolled in preschool.
- Love and Logic Training is complete and was successful in terms of attendance. Average attendance of adults was about 20 per session. Great support by staff and others. All in all it went well and it was received well.

Annual School fund drive letter went out to alumni and families – Gwynne has already received funds back from families wishing to assist our school financially.

## SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:

John Smith was present, and gave his oral report. John advised that the Love and Logic Program is going well. The school is looking into a Washington DC trip for our students, hoping our students could travel and participate in this trip with other Lutheran Schools. Another ski trip is being planned for February, 2014. Also, professional Story Tellers will be with us from Detroit on Thursday, December 5, 2013 during the school day, and then in the evening it will be for the public at 6:30 p.m. Christmas fair will be held on Friday, December 20, 2013.

## MINISTRY OF STEWARDSHIP:

Tom Shupe advised that there was no meeting.

## MINISTRY OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC:

Karen Schuette reviewed her written report with everyone present. Highlights of her report were as follows: Advent-Christmas Concert will be held on Sunday, December 15, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. Proceeds will go to the music department. Sandwiches will be served together with some warm foods for the reception following concert.

## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION:

Gretchen Roestel was absent.

## MINISTRY OF MISSION OUTREACH:

Lori Smith was present and provided her written report to all present. Highlights of her report were as follows:

Roadside Signs – Church council wants Mission Outreach to pursue this idea.

Youth Room – Needs to be spruced up – Church council is all for cleaning up this area and making it more presentable for upcoming funerals, weddings, youth, etc...

## MINISTRY OF YOUTH:

Vacant and is not in existence at this time. Pastor is saddened by no one coming forward to take on this ministry.

## MINISTRY OF PROPERTY:

Neil Herford was present, and provided an oral report to all present.

- Removed trees in front of church, and all lights are working.
- Action Electric is still working on the strobe lights.
- Neil ordered 4 new electrical plugs for gym floor, will be gray in color to match the floor.
- Neil would like a Credit Application set up at Ace Hardware for supplies. We can receive a 10% discount and there would be no sales tax. Aileen Prill would do the paperwork to accomplish this for Neil.

Attic is finished at parsonage. A big thank you to Bob Tait for helping me!!

## MINISTRY OF PARISH LIFE:

Aileen Prill was present and pro-



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vided her written report for all present. Highlights of her report were as follows:

- Cross is hosting the Community Thanksgiving Service at 3:00 p.m., looking for volunteers to make pies for the Reception following the service.
- Family and Friends Night will be held again on New Year's Eve on Tuesday, December 31, 2013.

Parish Life is printing an updated Address book of our members and will have it the same size as our new Cemetery Guide. Paul and Aileen will work on this.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Hot water tank - John Smith is continually working on this to determine where we should go from here.

Refinancing of Building Fund – Nancy feels it's better to rewrite the notes for a lower percentage, rather than going to a bank to refinance the member and non-member loans at this time.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- New Parsonage – Council discussed in depth as to how to begin this project. **Nancy Heck made a Motion to accept Resolution as printed to open a new account titled "Cross Lutheran Parsonage Building Fund" at Bay Port State Bank, seconded by Aileen Prill. Motion carried and signed by Krisie Fritz, secretary.**
- YFC & Cross – Pastor contacted Todd Kramer as stated earlier in his report to explore ideas to bring youth to Christ.

Pastor and Todd will get together again after Thanksgiving to meet (looking at Junior High and High School age children).

Computers - Aileen advised council that Cross needs to replace all 3 computers in her office, pastor's office, and principal's office (starting to have issues with upgrades that are no longer compatible with our current programs, etc....

**Nancy Heck made a Motion to replace all 3 computers in secretarial office, pastor's office, and principal's office, seconded by John Smith. Motion carried.**

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** Tuesday, December 10, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the meeting it was adjourned and good things from around the room was shared by all present. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Krisie S. Fritz, Secretary

## CEA Meeting

Dec. 12

**President April Rujan**

**Vice President Melisa Raymond**

**Secretary Geri Kay McLean**

**Treasurer Rachel Higgins**

Present at the meeting were Pastor, April Rujan, Melisa Raymond, Rachel Higgins, Gwynne Barry, and Geri Kay McLean.

Pastor opened with prayer at 5 p.m.

## FAMILY MEETINGS

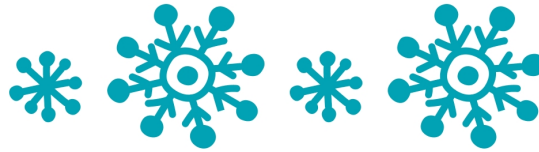
Family Engineering Night is set for February 13 from 6—8 p.m., with Scott Whipple and Jenny Trusock.

## FUNDRAISERS

- ♦ Basketball season—Starts in January. Concession volunteers are greatly appreciated.
- ♦ Krispy Kreme—Set for February.
- ♦ Carnival—The carnival is set for April and the date will be decided later. This is also a mandatory fundraiser. Families, please set the calendar to help out this day.
- ♦ Spring Pancake Breakfast Set for May 4 from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. Again, this is a mandatory fundraiser so set the calendar for this day to come help out.
- ♦ Cross Apparel is available.

We are planning another ski trip this year to Apple Mountain, date is set for Feb. 5.

Next CEA Meeting is scheduled for Jan. 2 at 4:45 p.m.



# January 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Office Closed	2 Office Closed  CEA 4:45 p.m. School Board 5:30 p.m.	3  Office Open 9 a.m. to Noon	4
Comm. Service 5 9:30 a.m.  Sunday School 10:45 a.m.	School Resumes 6  BB at Zion 4:30 p.m.  BB in gym 7:30 - 8	Parish Life 7 5 p.m.  Parsonage Building Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Mens Breakfast 8 7 a.m. Chapel 12:45 p.m. Comm. Service 7 p.m.	9  BB vs. Berne here at 4:30 p.m.	10  Pr. Tim Ethics Meeting 7 a.m.	11  Junior High BB Tournament
Worship Service 12 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.  BB Tourney Concludes	BB Here vs. 13 Rural 4:30 p.m. Choirs: B 6:30 / C 7:30 BB in gym 7:30 - 8	14  Executive 6 p.m.  Council 7 p.m.	15  Chapel 8:10 a.m.  Comm. Service 7 p.m.	Ministry of 16 Education 5:30 p.m.  BB vs. Zion here at 4:30 p.m.	17	18  Women of Faith 10:30 a.m. to Noon
Comm. Service 19 9:30 a.m.  Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Confirmation 5 - 6:30	BB at Berne 20 4:30 p.m.  Choirs: B 6:30 / C 7:30 p.m. BB in gym 7:30 - 8	21  Mens Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	22  Chapel 8:10 a.m.  Comm. Service 7 p.m.	Worship 23 & Music 7 p.m.  BB here vs. Pt. Hope 4:30 p.m.	24  Half Day of School  End of Semester	25
Worship Service 26 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Confirmation 5-6:30	27  No School  BB in gym 7:30 - 8	28  Mission/ Outreach 6:30 p.m.  Stewardship 7 p.m.	Chapel 29 8:10 a.m.  Comm. Service 7 p.m.	30  BB at Pt. Hope 4:30 p.m.	31	

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