

# June 2017 Newsletter






HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH  
INDIANAPOLIS

## Vacation Bible School

June 12-16, 2017

**Vacation Bible School is coming!** Mark your calendars for an unforgettable summer experience. Bring your kids, the neighbor's kids, nieces, nephews, and grandchildren to Vacation Bible School, June 12-16, from 9:00-11:45 a.m. This is open to all children ages three thru fourth grade. Our theme this year is *Maker Fun Factory*, the VBS where kids learn they were created by God and built for a purpose! The fun includes our opening live band, Bible stories, music, games, crafts, snacks and so much more. This is an event your child will not want to miss! Online registration is now open at [hclc.info/vbs](http://hclc.info/vbs). If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help, please feel free to contact Scott Jung at 823-8218 or by email at [sjung@hclc.info](mailto:sjung@hclc.info).



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><b>Bible Point:</b> God made you.</p> <p><b>Bible Story:</b> God lovingly creates people. (Psalm 139; Genesis 1:26-2:4)</p> <p><b>Key Verse:</b> "Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex!" (Psalm 139:14)</p> <p><b>Decker</b></p> 	<p><b>Bible Point:</b> God is for you.</p> <p><b>Bible Story:</b> Rahab believes in God's mighty power. (Joshua 1-2)</p> <p><b>Key Verse:</b> "If God is for us, who can ever be against us?" (Romans 8:31)</p> <p><b>Tina Termite</b></p> 	<p><b>Bible Point:</b> God is always with you.</p> <p><b>Bible Story:</b> God is with Gideon. (Judges 6:11-7:25)</p> <p><b>Key Verse:</b> "The Lord your God is with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9)</p> <p><b>Bubba</b></p> 	<p><b>Bible Point:</b> God will always love you.</p> <p><b>Bible Story:</b> Jesus dies and comes back to life. (Luke 22:66-24:12)</p> <p><b>Key Verse:</b> "Your unfailing love will last forever." (Psalm 89:2)</p> <p><b>Skyler</b></p> 	<p><b>Bible Point:</b> God made you for a reason.</p> <p><b>Bible Story:</b> Abigail brings peace. (1 Samuel 25)</p> <p><b>Key Verse:</b> "For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord." (Jeremiah 29:11)</p> <p><b>Abbee</b></p> 

**Volunteers.** To make VBS the success it is every year, we need passionate and talented people like yourselves! Decorations, Crafts, Music, Teaching, Snacks, Games, Registration, Recruiting, and so much more. Every year almost 100 volunteers are needed to make VBS a success, and there is a place just for you! Contact Scott Jung at [sjung@hclc.info](mailto:sjung@hclc.info) or register online for volunteering at [hclc.info/vbs](http://hclc.info/vbs).



Worship

Paul Groth, Worship Director

## Hymn of the Month

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Because the month of June opens with the celebration of the Day of Pentecost, and because the weeks following are Sundays after Pentecost, a good choice for a hymn to be used during this time is #650, “Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling.” Although this selection has been used in worship at Holy Cross many times previously, it bears repeating as a focus for this month and the months following during this season of Pentecost. The text was written by Timothy Rees, a Welsh hymnwriter and priest in the Anglican Church. The tune was originally composed in the Netherlands and was arranged for our hymnal by Rev. Henry Gerike, retired Concordia-St. Louis seminary Kantor and Concordia Publishing House editor.

## Don Wharton

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Our friend, musician and worship leader, Don Wharton, will be leading worship at Holy Cross on Pentecost Sunday, June 4, at our 8:30 and 10:45 a.m. services. His song, “This Holy Place,” is truly a favorite at Holy Cross. We certainly welcome him back to our midst and look forward to his musical leadership that day.

## Volunteers

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The month of June signals the beginning of the summer and that means summer vacations for many. For Holy Cross, it also means that many of you will be absent from our midst—many of our worship volunteers included. Our prayer for you is a safe and enjoyable time away, but also remember that whatever volunteer position in worship with which you might be involved still needs a participant. Please make sure that you inform the leader of your respective worship group about whatever worship plans you might have, or seek someone to take your place while you are absent. Even though you may be away, worship is still important. Please make sure that you find a place of worship that works for you and your family.

Our annual Volunteer Breakfast will take on a different look this year as we move that celebration to the fall. A firm date has not yet been determined, but we want to recognize the many volunteers that make Holy Cross a vibrant place. Food will be involved, but there will be much more. Watch the newsletter, weekly update, and the weekly bulletin as well as other media for further details.

Hospitality Ministry

Susan Muhl

## The Holy Cross Rummage Sale is back!

After a one-year hiatus due to construction, this year's sale will be held on **Friday, June 9, and Saturday, June 10**. We need your “rummage” to help make it a success. Drop-off for donated items will begin on Sunday, June 4, at 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Enter through Door 5 and leave your items in the hallway by Room 104. You may also drop off items that week on Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m.–noon and Monday through Wednesday from 4-7 p.m. Please bring donated items directly to the gym when dropping off during that week. We will also have a **Pre-Sale** from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, June 8, for Holy Cross members as well as Holy Cross School families. If you would



like to volunteer to help with the Rummage Sale, go to [www.hclc.info/rummage](http://www.hclc.info/rummage) or there is a paper version of the Sign Up on the Welcome Center desk. All proceeds will go the Project Awestruck, our youth-based community service event.

## Help Needed For Veteran Workshop

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Holy Cross is hosting the **Warrior to Soul Mate Communication Workshop** which will be held in our Great Room on Friday, June 2, from 5-9 p.m. and Saturday, June 3, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. During this workshop sponsored by VA Health Care, veterans will learn how to strengthen their relationships by developing communication skills. Anyone willing to help with coordination and food for this event, please contact Pastor McClean at [dmclean@hclc.info](mailto:dmclean@hclc.info) or 823-5801, ext. 224.

Faith Life

Scott Jung, Faith Life Director

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## Summer Children's Sunday School

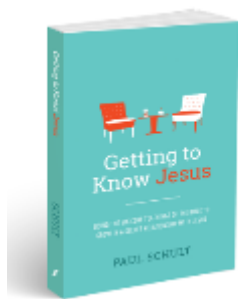
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This summer, our children's Sunday School program will be offering a "Summer of Service." Each week, Ages 3 through Grade 6 are invited to begin in the Music Room for some opening songs and Bible readings. Then the children will divide into two groups (Pre-K and Grades 1-6) to work on a different service project each week. Help inspire in your children a heart to serve. Join us for our Summer of Service 9:45-10:30 a.m. in the Music Room (Room #109) each Sunday beginning June 4.



## Summer Adult Sunday Bible Class

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**Book Study.** How can you possibly understand all that the Bible teaches? *Getting to Know Jesus* connects the dots between knowing the right Bible answers and having a real relationship with Jesus Christ. The story and teachings of the Bible are designed to lead and connect you to Jesus – the Son of God. The book draws on the author's personal experience as a pastor by presenting:

- A clear understanding of how to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ
- A user-friendly explanation of six core teachings of the Bible
- Practical ways to talk about your faith in Jesus with family and friends

*Getting to Know Jesus* will help you discover a deeper meaning in worship, prayer, Bible study, and personal devotions and be more deeply connected to Jesus. Begins Sunday, June 4.

Paperback Book: \$15.99; Kindle: \$3.99

**June 4** – Introduction

**June 11** – Chapter 1: An Explanation of the Gospel – The Six Core Teachings of the Bible

**June 18** – Chapter 2: Ten Truths that Give and Govern Life (Commandments)

**June 25** – Chapter 3: Yahweh, Your Creator (Creed, Part 1)

**July 2** – Chapter 4: Jesus, Your Savior (Creed, Part 2)

**July 9** – Chapter 5: The Holy Spirit, Your Counselor and Comforter (Creed, Part 3)

**July 16** – Chapter 6: Communicating with God (Lord's Prayer)

**July 23** – Chapter 7: Being Identified with and Connected to God (Baptism)

**July 30** – Chapter 8: Genuine Repentance, Amazing Grace (Confession)

**August 6** – Chapter 9: Intimate Communion with God (Lord's Supper)

**August 13** – Fall FaTHoM Preview

**August 20** – Rally Day Celebration

## Women's Summer Bible Study

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Please join us in a Women's Bible Study this summer! We will be working through "The Armor of God" by Priscilla Shirer. The study will meet on Monday evenings, from June 26 through August 7 (7 weeks), from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. The format for the study will be a video each week, followed by 5 daily lessons to complete at home. There will be time to discuss the learnings from the previous week prior to watching the video. Please contact Michelle Searcy to register and to order a study guide (\$13). You may reach her at [msearcy@hclc.info](mailto:msearcy@hclc.info) or through the school office at 826-1234.



The Armor of God  
PRISCILLA SHIRER



## the Class of 2017

### 2017 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduates Holy Cross Lutheran School



**Joe Bowsher**  
High School: Mount Vernon  
What will you miss the most about Holy Cross? *I will miss how close everyone is here and how comfortable it is to share with them my faith.*



**Mackenzie Carson**  
High School: Horizon Christian  
What did you learn from your years at Holy Cross that you will take with you when you go to high school next year? *To be kind and accepting of all people.*



**Paige DeFord**  
High School: Lawrence North  
What will you miss the most about Holy Cross? *I will miss being able to talk about my faith in school. I will also miss the amazing teachers and staff we have at school. Finally I will miss all of my amazing friends.*



**Drew Goins**  
High School: Bishop Chatard  
What will you miss the most about Holy Cross? *One thing I will miss besides my teachers and friends is fun lunch Friday and also Lutheran Schools Week. We got to dress like crazy people and celebrate Lutheran schools.*



**Andrew Jones**  
High School: Mount Vernon  
What will you miss the most about Holy Cross? *I will miss my friends and teachers.*



**Maddie Lantz**  
 High School: Horizon  
 Christian  
 Favorite Memory of  
 Holy Cross? *The 8<sup>th</sup>  
 grade Washington  
 D.C. trip because we  
 had fun and kept*

*laughing at nothing.*



**Courtney Moore**  
 High School: Herron  
 What did you learn  
 from your years at  
 Holy Cross that you  
 will take with you  
 when you go to high  
 school next year?

*That nobody is ever going to be perfect,  
 but we should always try to be the best  
 "you" we can be.*



**Elliott Pippin**  
 High School: Heritage  
 Christian  
 What did you learn  
 from your years at  
 Holy Cross that you  
 will take with you  
 when you go to high

school next year? *Always treat people  
 with respect no matter what background  
 they come from.*



**Parker Reece**  
 High School: Purdue  
 Polytechnic  
 Favorite Memory of  
 Holy Cross? *When  
 Courtney, Drew,  
 Maddie and Julie got  
 on the wrong Metro in*

*Washington D.C.*



**Maddie Stroup**  
 High School: Cathedral  
 High School  
 What will you miss the  
 most about Holy Cross?  
*Seeing my principal and  
 teachers every day.*



**Julie Welsh**  
 High School: Hamilton  
 Southeastern  
 What will you miss the  
 most about Holy Cross? *I  
 will miss my teachers.*

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Dorcas Group is going to start a Prayer Shawl Ministry. In the past, shawls have come to symbolize shelter, peace and spiritual sustenance. The ministry's message of caring is simple, universal and enduring. Prayers are given for the recipients of each shawl. As we are just starting out, we are asking anyone who can knit, crochet or sew to please consider helping us so we can have a number of shawls to present to those in need. We have patters, yarn and fabric that we can provide or you can use your own. Once we have a number of shawls on hand, we will be accepting requests for them. Any questions, please call or email Carol Fieiss at 317-336-2289 or [cardeaf@hotmail.com](mailto:cardeaf@hotmail.com).



## **Congratulations to our High School Seniors!**

Find out what a few of our Holy Cross Seniors will be doing next:

**Dylan Finke** is graduating from Mt. Vernon High School and will be attending Ball State University. He plans to major in Construction Management. He is the oldest son of Craig and Carrie Finke and big brother to Austin. Dylan's hobbies are just about anything sports related, especially football and basketball, and has enjoyed being a part of the Holy Cross Youth Group.

**Joseph Geiger**, son of Karen and Duane Geiger, is graduating from Heritage Christian. He will be attending Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He plans to major in math and premedical studies. Joseph wants to be a pediatrician.

**Hayden Hubbard**, daughter of Kelly and Matt Hubbard, graduates on May 21 from Cathedral High School. Hayden will attend Purdue University in the fall and will major in elementary education. She was a member of the National Honor Society, Peer Mentor Program, and the National Thespian Society. Hayden enjoyed singing in Cathedral's Concert, Gospel & Show Choirs as well as their school plays and musicals. She was also a manager for the Varsity Basketball Team & a member of the Cross Country Team.

**Alex Jeffries**, son of Pam and the late Scott Jeffries, is graduating from Lawrence North High School. He will be attending Lincoln Tech College where he will study automotive technology. He will then continue at IUPUI studying business. Alex's hobbies include computers, politics, and fixing up his Jeep.

**Marissa Kristina Martinez**'s high school education has incorporated classes taken at Horizon Christian School, Northpoint Homeschool Classes, various homeschool co-ops, independent study and dual credit studies at IUPUI. The daughter of Jose and Heidi Martinez, she will graduate this year from the

Martinez Academy. Having spent her free time in art classes and at Holy Cross Lutheran Church's youth group, going to concerts, hanging out with friends, hiking, and traveling, Marissa has loved the past four years of high school. Excited for the year to come, she is taking a gap year after graduating to participate in a nine-month mission trip with The World Race organization. Afterwards, Marissa will be attending the University of Cincinnati and continuing her education in the Communication Design program within the university's College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning.

**Jacob Newkirk**, son of Terri and Scott Newkirk, is graduating from Lawrence Central High School. He plans to attend Valparaiso University next year. His major is undecided. Jacob likes to go out to eat and play tennis, basketball, and golf. He has been involved with youth group for four years and has grown in faith and in his relationships with others.

**Cailyn Spedding**, daughter of Michelle and Ben Spedding, graduates from Cathedral High School. She will be attending University of Dayton in the fall and majoring in environmental sciences. Cailyn likes to bake, hang with friends, go to parks and museums, and watch movies. She is super excited for college and all the opportunities awaiting her!

**Nicole Weldy**, daughter of Janeen and Ron Weldy, is graduating from Hamilton Southeastern High School. She will be attending Samford University and majoring in illustration. She is very excited to make a difference and expand her horizons. Nicole's hobbies are painting, drawing and running.

If you are a High School Senior and would like to share what your future plans are with the congregation, please contact Jenny Hohnbaum at [jhohnbaum@hclc.info](mailto:jhohnbaum@hclc.info).

## **Youth Ministry**

## **Youth Director, Brandon Grelle**



### **Senior High Events**

June 4	Awestruck Meeting	9:45-10:30 a.m.
June 12-16	Volunteer at VBS	9-11:45 a.m.
June 14	Ignite Night	6-8 p.m.
June 22	Share Day	12-4 p.m.
June 28	Ignite Night	6-8 p.m.



## Junior High Events

June 7	Summer Sizzle Event	6-8 p.m.
June 12-16	Volunteer at VBS	9-11:45 a.m.
June 21	Summer Sizzle Sleepover	6 p.m.
June 22	Share Day	12-4 p.m.

## New Inter-generational Sunday FaTHoM Class starts on June 11

Brandon Grelle will be teaching a four-week series on “Dumb Things Smart Christians Believe”. Discover many commonly held misperceptions among Christians! Addressing urban legends like “faith can fix anything” and “forgiving means forgetting,” we will explore the greater truths these sayings obscure. We will meet in Room 133.

## Share Day – Thursday, June 22

Join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship as we participate in field day activities with another youth group here at Holy Cross. The event will take place from 12-4 p.m. and is for both Sizzle and Ignite youth (Jr. and Sr. High youth).

## SERVING IN WORSHIP FOR JUNE 2017

Weekend Worship	June 3-4	June 10-11	June 17-18	June 24-25
<b>5:30</b>				
Acolyte				
Reader			Molly Reece	
Lay Minister				
Ushers	Laren Zoelck			
<b>8:30</b>				
Acolytes	Skai Martinez	Ryan Weidy		
Reader	Sean Kelley	Mark Bradley	Bill Broecker	
Greeters				
Lay Minister	Jim Handley, Jack Querfeld		Jim Handley	
Communion Assist.			Alan Taber	
Children's Church	Sarah Kelley		Heather Bush	
Worship Nursery	Stefanie Christensen	Andrea McMullen	Cheryl Hospodarsky	Anna Stachel
Ushers	Tim Grese, Gabe Ferguson, Jim Handley, Jim Muhl, Mark Bradley			
<b>10:45</b>				
Acolyte	Drew Goins	Abigail Corbly	Logan Huffly	
Reader			Sherril Leiner	Steve Koepper
Greeters				
Lay Minister	Jeff Kyle			
Communion Assist.				
Children's Church	Bobbi DeLaunay		Nancy Wetzel	
Worship Nursery		Brook Korb		Michelle Spedding
Ushers	Kirk Hunter, Rob Christensen, Skip Dalton, Tom Reece, David Combs, Davey Combs			
<b>11:00</b>				
Greeter	Jaquela Stacy	Linda Olson	Jennifer & Rick Harrison	Kelsey True
Reader	Leslie & Matthew Wessler	Matt Hubbard	Steve Goeglein	Kirk Hunter
Worship Leader	Marty Wessler	Matt Hubbard	Steve Goeglein	
Communion Assist.		Kurt Springer		Tom & Sally Zabel
Ushers	Leslie & Matthew Wessler, Terri Nowkirk	Vandergrift Family, Linda Olson	Jennifer & Rick Harrison, Marvian & Denisa Hananik	Tom & Sally Zabel, Kelsey True
Altar Guild:	Jan Aikman, Sherry Cowper, Susan Muhl			

# June 2017 Calendar

6/1	6:30 pm	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation	6/17	8:00 am	Men/Women's Bible Breakfast
6/2		Last Day of School		9:00 am	HC Field Work Day
	5:00 pm	Veteran Workshop		4:30 pm	New Song Rehearsal
6/3	8:00 am	Men/Women's Bible Breakfast	6/18	8:30 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>
	9:00 am	HC Field Work Day		9:30 am	Fellowship Hour
	9:00 am	Veteran Workshop		9:45 am	FaTHoM Sunday
	4:30 pm	New Song Rehearsal		10:45 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>
	5:30 pm	<b>New Song Worship</b>		11:00 am	<b>Creative Praise Contemp. Worship</b>
6/4	8:30 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>		6:00 pm	Lundberg Small Group
	9:30 am	Fellowship Hour	6/20	11:00 am	Dorcas Group
	9:45 am	FaTHoM Sunday	6/21	6:00 pm	Jr. High Youth Event
	10:45 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>		7:30 pm	Creative Praise Rehearsal
	11:00 am	<b>Creative Praise Contemp. Worship</b>	6/22	12:00 pm	Jr. & Sr. High Youth Share Day
	5:00 pm	Sattler Small Group	6/24	9:00 am	HC Field Work Day
6/6	7:00 pm	Spiritual Oversight Meeting		4:30 pm	New Song Rehearsal
6/7	6:00 pm	Jr. High Youth Event		5:30 pm	<b>New Song Worship</b>
	7:30 pm	Creative Praise Rehearsal	6/25	8:30 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>
6/8	4:00 pm	Rummage Pre-Sale		9:30 am	Fellowship Hour
6/9	8:00 am	Rummage Sale		9:45 am	FaTHoM Sunday
6/10	8:00 am	Rummage Sale		10:45 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>
	9:00 am	HC Field Work Day		11:00 am	<b>Creative Praise Contemp. Worship</b>
	4:30 pm	New Song Rehearsal	6/27	8:30 am	Leadership Summit
	5:30 pm	<b>New Song Worship</b>		9:00 am	Summer Camp
6/11	8:30 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>		7:30 pm	Creative Praise Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Fellowship Hour	6/28	9:00 am	Leadership Summit
	9:45 am	FaTHoM Sunday		9:00 am	Summer Camp
	10:45 am	<b>Classic Praise Worship</b>		6:00 pm	Sr. High Youth Group
	11:00 am	<b>Creative Praise Contemp. Worship</b>	6/29	9:00 am	Summer Camp
	6:00 pm	Sr. High Youth Group			
6/12	9:00 am	Vacation Bible School			
6/13	9:00 am	Vacation Bible School			
6/14	9:00 am	Vacation Bible School			
	6:00 pm	Sr. High Youth Group			
	7:30 pm	Creative Praise Rehearsal			
6/15	9:00 am	Vacation Bible School			
	7:00 pm	Voters Rep. Board Meeting			
6/16	9:00 am	Vacation Bible School			



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**New Song Informal Worship: Saturday 5:30 p.m.**  
**Classic Praise Traditional Worship: Sunday 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.**  
**Creative Praise Contemporary Worship: Sunday 11:00 a.m.**  
**FaTHoM Sunday Discipleship: 9:45 a.m.**  
**FaTHoM Wednesday Discipleship: 6:00 p.m.**

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