

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

Annual Country Music Worship Festival

(words to songs for today are printed in the bulletin; no hymnal is needed)

Instrumental Gathering Songs: *Rebecca's Well*

"I'll Fly Away"

"Lily of the Valley"

"Keeper of the Stars"

"The Word of God"

Announcements & Signing of the Friendship Register

Prayer of the Day *(led by the pastor)*

HYMN: "I Saw the Light" *Congregation*

**I wandered so aimless, life filled with sin.
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in.
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night.
Praise the Lord! I saw the light!**

*Refrain: I saw the light, I saw the light.
No more darkness, no more night.
Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight.
Praise the Lord! I saw the light!*

**Just like a blind man I wandered along,
Worries and fears I claimed for my own.
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight,
Praise the Lord! I saw the light! *(Refrain)***

**I was a fool to wander and stray;
Straight is the gate and narrow the way.
Now I have traded the wrong for the right;
Praise the Lord! I saw the light!**

(Refrain)



Children's Bible Story *(2 Samuel 5: David Becomes King of Israel)*

Praise & Worship Songs: *Rebecca's Well*
"For You" (tune: Leann Rimes) *Becky King*
"Coat of Many Colors" (Dolly Parton) *Tami Blahut*
"I Believe" (Diamond Rio) *Steve King*

First Scripture Reading: Numbers 21:4-9 *(see bulletin back)*

Scripture Song: "Lily of the Valley" (traditional)

Second Scripture Reading: John 3:11-17 *(see bulletin back)*

Drama: "Ol' Mose and the Snake on a Stick" *(by Pastor King)*
- Roger Golby, Pete Wagner, Jean Wagner, Jayce Wagner

HYMN: "Are You Washed in the Blood?"

**Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing power?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?
Are you fully trusting in His grace this hour?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?**

Refrain:

**Are you washed in the blood,
In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb?
Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow?
Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?**

**Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin,
And be washed in the blood of the Lamb;
There's a fountain flowing for the soul unclean,
O be washed in the blood of the Lamb! *(refrain)***

* The Apostles' Creed *Congregation*

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Giving of Our Offerings

Special Music:

"Go Rest High on That Mountain" (Vince Gill) *Tony Klein*

* Prayers of the Church (please respond: "Hear our prayer...")

* The Lord's Prayer Congregation

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

* **CLOSING HYMN: "Will the Circle..."** Congregation

*Refrain: Will the circle be unbroken, by and by Lord, by and by?
There's a better home awaiting, In the sky Lord, in the sky.*

**There are loved ones, in the glory,
Whose sweet forms you often miss.
When you close your earthly story,
Will you join them in their bliss?** *(refrain)*

**In the joyous days of childhood,
Often told of wondrous love,
Pointed to the dying Savior,
Now they dwell with him above.** *(refrain)*

**You can picture happy gatherings,
'Round the fireside long ago.
And you think of never parting,
Will they leave you here below?** *(refrain)*

**One by one their seats are empty,
One by one they all went away.
Now this family is all parted,
Will it be complete one day?** *(refrain)*



* Benediction & Amen

* Postlude: "Will the Circle Be Unbroken"



Howdy, Partner!

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

The people of Holy Cross welcome you as you join us for this special service of worship. Please sign the Friendship Pad as it is passed to you at the beginning of the service, so that we can be made aware of your presence. If you are interested in hearing about membership at Holy Cross, please contact the church office at 320-963-3536.

STAFFED NURSERY

A staffed nursery is provided during worship for those with infants and small children. The nursery is the first door on the left of the hallway (just off the main entry).



Country Quilt & Bake Sale Today

Stop in to the room across from the nursery this morning and take a look at the Baked Goods, or go down to the fellowship hall for a look at the Quilts. *Feel free to join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall this morning, and visit with your neighbors.*

Pork Chop Dinner (5-7 pm) & Free Country-Music Concerts

Tonight, from 5 to 7 pm, we will be hosting pork chop dinner at the church. The cost for a complete dinner with all fixin's is \$9 (or \$11 with two chops); a children's hot dog meal will be available for \$3. Proceeds will go toward our High School Mission Trip for the upcoming year. Rebecca's Well will perform in Concert at 5:00 & 7:00 pm, with George Meissner playing at 6:00 pm. *And yes, it will all be indoors, in the air-conditioning!*

- Come on back now, ya hear!

Pastor Pete is leading the service at the Annandale Care Center this afternoon. You are invited to come to the service and visit with the residents. The half hour service starts at 1:30 pm.

Down-Home Country Bake Sale Today

- rooms on the right hand side of the hallway -

And take a look at the Homemade Quilts

- on display down in the fellowship hall -

All made by our own down-home neighbors!
Proceeds will go toward bible camp scholarships
for our youth.

Maple Lake Community Vacation Bible School

“The Adventures of Paul”



**Monday-Friday:
August 1-5
9:00 am – noon**

Classes for Preschool through 6th Grade

VBS will be held the first full week of August, at Holy Cross Church. It is open to children of the whole community. Through stories and lessons, arts and crafts, music and activities, we will be learning about the biblical Adventures of Paul. All are welcome!

Also, keep in mind as Fall approaches:

Sunday School

Will Begin September 11th!



The upcoming Sunday School year will begin on September 11th (the weekend after labor day) with classes for nursery age through high school – and adult education as well!

Members and non-members are welcome to participate in Vacation Bible School and Sunday School!



Confirmation Students: Are you behind on worship notes or volunteer activities? Come to the Make-up session on Wednesday, August 10th, noon - 3:00. Lunch provided. Let Pastor Pete know if you are attending.



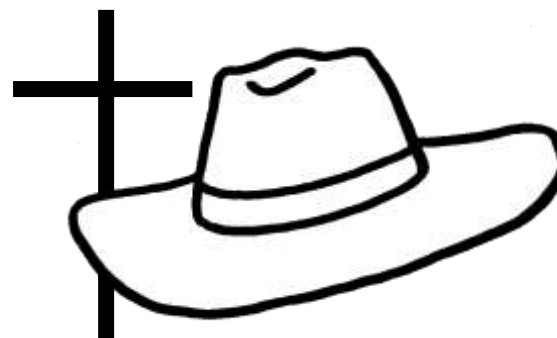
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WELCOME TO OUR ANNUAL

Country Music Festival



SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2011

EVENTS FOR THE DAY:

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM

COUNTRY QUILT & BAKE SALE: ALL MORNING

PORK-CHOP DINNER: 5:00-7:00 PM

REBECCA'S WELL IN CONCERT: 5:00 & 7:00 PM

PERFORMANCE BY GEORGE MEISSNER: 6:00 PM