



# Cross Lutheran Church Proclamation September 2019

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Dear friends in Christ,

I've come to the conclusion that youth today are different from 35 years ago (yeah, I can be slow sometimes☺). When I was in Junior High (Middle School in these parts) and High School, I lived for the summer, every last day of it. I wasn't alone either; my friends felt the same way. As the last weeks of August arrived, we began to dread Labor Day weekend, because we knew that our days of freedom were coming to an end and we would soon be returning to the dull confines of the classroom, imprisoned for another 9 months. And yes, I was dramatic in my youth as well!

Today, through the wonders of technology and social networking (aka Facebook) I get to see what the youth are thinking. And to my surprise, many of them (even the majority of those who have "friended" me) are writing that they are looking forward to going back to school! They are waiting, with eager anticipation, the return to the classroom. Yikes! What are today's youth becoming? What hope is there for the future?

Actually, I think these kids have realized a great truth that I missed out on in my youth. They understand the joy of fellowship with friends not seen for months. I'm guessing, but I think it is less the classroom that they are looking forward to than the renewing of old friendships and the making of new ones.

As summer comes to end, I find myself joining these youths in eagerness to begin the new school year. Granted, I won't be sitting in the classrooms, but with the beginning of the school year we start again with our Fall programming. Sunday School and Confirmation start in just a couple of weeks. Adult education starts a little after that (see more on this inside the newsletter) and hopefully other fellowship opportunities. In other words, things are about to get busy in a good way.

It's been a good summer, mostly a quiet one – a good one for starting my newest call. But now I'm eagerly awaiting the end of summer and the creation of new friendships and great conversations. I enjoy fellowship and education and I look forward to getting to know all of you better this year. Let's have a fun year together.

*Pastor Doug*

## **Worship:**

**Holy Communion:** Holy Communion will continue to be offered every Sunday. We need your help to serve as communion assistants and Altar Guild. Please see Sue Genz to volunteer to help.

**Worship Team:** If you would like to serve on the Worship Team, please let Pastor Doug or Sue Genz know. .

*We would like to use baked bread on Sundays when possible. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to bring bread if you would so choose.*

*“The Council determined that Worship times will remain the same for the time being.”*

**Joint Worship with Zion:** We will be joining Zion for worship at 8:30 am on October 6<sup>th</sup> as part of Oktoberfest.

## **Education:**

**Adult Education:** Thank you to all who completed one of the Adult Education questionnaires. I got a lot of feedback and the results were pretty close but, in the end, 2 clear times were the most popular. So we will begin gathering on the following schedule...

*Wednesday morning we will gather from 9:30 – 11:00 at Zion beginning on October 9<sup>th</sup>. We will then meet on the 2<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of every month.*

*Thursday evening we will gather from 6:00 – 7:30 at Cross beginning on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Again we will meet every other week on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of each month.*

When we gather the first time we will decide what our topic(s) will be. Members of either church are welcome at both gatherings so please come to whichever best suits your schedule – or both! I look forward to our time together. – Pastor Doug

**Confirmation class:** Will begin on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. We will meet every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 5:30- 7:00.

**Sunday school** will begin on Rally Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, We invite the whole congregation to join us at 9:00am for fun and games.

## **Serving:**

**Endowment committee:** Next meeting will be October 15<sup>th</sup> following worship.

**Ixonia School:** Please continue to bring in your BoxTops for Education for the school.

**Ixonia Food Pantry:** Ixonia food pantry is in desperate need of **Jello and pudding** products. Thank you for your donations!

**Bread and Roses:** We are serving for Bread and Roses on Sept. 19. Mark your calendar!

**Family Promise:** Family Promise is the week of Sept. 29 - Oct. 6th. It is not being held at Whitestone church because of their construction, so we are not supplying a meal. However, we are signed up to help with breakfast/lunch items for the families of Family Promise. The list is below and if items could be at church on Sunday Sept. 29th, Terri will deliver them.

Granola/Cereal Bars – 2 boxes	1 bag regular potato chips
Single serving boxes of variety cereals – 2	Macaroni & cheese individual microwave
Juice boxes 2 pkgs of 8	1 box of Triscuits
Apple juice – 2 - 1/2 gal	1 box of Ritz
Orange juice 1 – 1/2 gal	4 cases of water (24 count)
Eggs 1 dozen	Bagels – 1 package
1 bag of pretzel sticks	Individual peaches or applesauce containers

There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

### **Leadership:**

**Church Council:** Council will meet on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Reminder!!!** Pastor Doug's phone number has changed! His number is (262) 490- 8737

### **Fellowship:**

**Friends of Cross Lunch** will be held at Café LaBelle on Wednesday, September 18th at 11:00 a.m. Come and be fed with good food and light conversation! All are welcome!

**Coffee Hour** There is a new sign up sheet out on the table, please sign up to host.

**Cross Book Club** The next book club will be September 24<sup>th</sup>, at Terri Watermolen's house, 9523 North River Road, Ixonia. The Book will be "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens.

**Coffee Shop conversation** with Pastor Doug. Come and have casual conversations to get to know Pastor Doug. He will be at Whelan's every Friday beginning September 13<sup>th</sup>. Due to the holiday week he will not be attending on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Watermolen Invite:** Cross has much to celebrate! New Pastor, new partnership with Zion, new carpet/painting and the beginning of another year of Sunday school! The Watermolen's invite everyone to their barn on Saturday Oct. 5th from 6-10:00 p.m. for a fun evening of food and refreshments! Meat will be supplied, please bring a dish to pass and your favorite beverage. RSVP to Terri regrets only.

### **Maintenance:**

**Carpet/Interior work.** The Decorating Committee is comprised of Elmo Wendorf, Cathy Stein, Mary Frankiewicz and Terri Watermolen.

Please contact Kurt or Brian if you can help with maintenance work on the parsonage or church.

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## Upcoming Events:

- September 7<sup>th</sup> Outreach for hope Bike Ride
- September 13<sup>th</sup> Pastor at Whelan's
- September 18<sup>th</sup> Friends of Cross Lunch at 11:00 am
- September 24<sup>th</sup> Book Club Meeting
- September 29<sup>th</sup>-October 6<sup>th</sup> Family Promise
- October 5<sup>th</sup> Watermolen Party
- October 6<sup>th</sup> Joint worship with Zion

## Worship Assistants

### September 1

**Lector:** Jeff Campbell

**Communion Asst:** Jeff Campbell and Joyce Ketchum

**Ushers:** Brian and Sherrie Tietz

### September 8

**Lector:** Barb Nyland

**Communion Assistant:** Jim and Cathy Stein

**Ushers:** Brian and Sherrie Tietz

### September 15

**Lector:** Sue Genz

**Communion Assistant:** Jerry Genz and Terri Watermolen

**Ushers:** Chad Ninmann and Arnie Groehler

### September 22

**Lector:** Todd Watermolen

**Communion Assistant:** Angie Thrane and Hayden Ninmann

**Ushers:** Chad Ninmann and Arnie Groehler

### September 29

**Lector:** Mary Jo Dobberfuhl

**Communion Asst:** Mary Jo Dobberfuhl and Riley Lorier

**Ushers:** Chad Ninmann and Arnie Groehler

Willing to serve? Contact Jeannette Christian if you're willing to serve as an usher and Sue Genz if you're willing to serve as a lector or communion assistant. Thank you!

Need to switch? Please find a replacement and contact Jeannette or Sue.

## September Altar Guild: 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Michelle Nord, 8<sup>th</sup> Sue Genz, September 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Barb Butschke

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