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**Go therefore and  
make disciples of all  
nations, baptizing  
them in the name of  
the Father and of the  
Son and of the Holy  
Spirit, teaching them  
to observe all that I  
have commanded you.  
And behold, I am with  
you always, to the end  
of the age.**

***Matthew 28:19-20***

Find a small group that meets your needs and interests. Prepare yourself for what Christ has planned for you.

## Sunday Morning ABC

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Led by Reverend Neil Bockelmann, this adult Bible study meets in Rooms 106-107 on Sunday mornings in between services. You never know what you will hear beyond the Gospel, but you will take home a lesson to get you through the week!

## Sunday School Hour

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Children ages 2-years-old through 12<sup>th</sup> grade meet by grade level in classrooms across the HC campus. Seventh grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the Youth Light House.

## College Age Class

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

College Sunday school class for ages 18 to 23-years-old meets in the Kitchen for discussion led by Paul Keiper ([pkeiper@hlkn.tamu.edu](mailto:pkeiper@hlkn.tamu.edu)).

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## KIDS & YOUTH

### American Heritage Girls

Sunday 2:00 p.m.

Made up of groups of girls aged 5 to 18, American Heritage Girls is a non-profit organization dedicated to the mission of building women of integrity through service to God, family, community and country. The organization offers badge programs, service projects, leadership opportunities and outdoor experiences to its members. Contact Paige Niemeyer ([travelchick003@att.net](mailto:travelchick003@att.net)) for more information.

### Trail Life

Sunday 2:00 p.m.

Most guys want exciting outdoor adventure with their friends. We've got that! Trips and travel? That, too. Camping. Check. Physical and mental challenge? Yep. And awards? Of course! Trail Life USA is a Christian adventure, character and leadership program for young men K through 12. Living the Trail Life is a journey established on timeless values derived from the Bible. Contact Jeff Lehde ([jefflehde@myplantpeople.com](mailto:jefflehde@myplantpeople.com)) to learn about our next adventure that includes you!



## Children's Music Academy

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

Jesus loves the little children of the world, and HC has two Academy options on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Our Children's Singers and Children Chime choirs focus on academic learning of music theory based on core knowledge and MENC National Music standards - all while having fun and learning great church music. Sing in special services throughout the year. Contact Tony Cooper ([music@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:music@holycrossbcs.org)) for more information or to RSVP.

## Youth Ministry

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

Our mission at HC Youth is to lead youth to become more like Jesus, build His kingdom here on earth and show Christ's love in all that they do. We want to connect our youth to the life of the church - not just our youth ministry - by serving and being in worship on weekends. We aim to offer the best mid-week youth experience possible with social time, a game, worship and a practical message with discussion. Youth even receive a discipleship opportunity to bring friends and connect with other fellow believers. Follow us on Instagram @hcyouthbcs. Contact Daniel Hensz ([youth@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:youth@holycrossbcs.org)) to get involved.

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## FOR WOMEN

## Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML)

Monday 6:00 p.m.

The LWML mission is to assist each woman of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to help people of the world. Whether it is hosting a special event open to the local community or a fundraiser to help an individual on the other side of the world, HC's LWML program is taking steps in Christ's path. Contact Linda Estes ([linda.estes@suddenlink.com](mailto:linda.estes@suddenlink.com)).

## Women in the Word

Wednesday 9:30 a.m.

Our goal is to come together in fellowship and study for growth in our Christian walk and Christian relationships with each other. Join us as we search the Scriptures to deepen our understanding of God's role in our lives, engage in lively discussion of what we find in His Word and have fun with a great group of beautiful women. Contact Linda Bullard ([linbul7@gmail.com](mailto:linbul7@gmail.com)) to dive into God's word.



## **Women's Evening Bible Study**

Thursday 6:30 p.m.

Daughters, wives, sisters, mothers ... WOMEN! The week can be tough, so these ladies gain strength from one another. Whether based on reading a book, watching a video or discussing the day, the group conversation pulls from Biblical teachings and lifetime experiences to prepare each woman for the next moment. Dinner and childcare are provided at no cost. Contact Kendra Graf ([kendra\\_graf@yahoo.com](mailto:kendra_graf@yahoo.com)).

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## **FOR MEN**

### **God's Men Bible Study**

Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Come and discuss what Pastor didn't deal with on Sunday! Based on the scriptures from worship service, this men's group breaks down the details and attempts to solve the world's problems. Most men in this group are young at heart but considered Senior Citizens by society's description. Contact Neil Bockelmann ([family@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:family@holycrossbcs.org)) for more information.

### **Men's Bible Study**

Thursday 6:30 p.m.

Come and discuss what Pastor didn't deal with on Sunday! Based on the scriptures from worship service, this men's group breaks down the details and attempts to solve the world's problems. Contact Neil Bockelmann ([family@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:family@holycrossbcs.org)) for more information.

### **Men's Bible Study at Rudy's BBQ**

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month 7:00 a.m.

Studying a particular book of the Bible, start your morning with good food, good fun and the Good News. Contact Neil Bockelmann ([family@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:family@holycrossbcs.org)) for more information.

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## **FOR ADULTS**

### **Adult, Youth & Family Music**

High school youth and older are encouraged to sing, ring or play an instrument. Ring for Jesus in our Family Chime Choir for younger students and their parents. Contact Tony Cooper ([music@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:music@holycrossbcs.org)) to also get involved in Choral Ensemble, Prelude Ringers (no skills necessary) or Jubilant Ringers (intermediate to advance bell skills).





### Adult Instruction Class

Offered twice a year

Are you interested in joining the HC congregation or learning more about Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod? Whether you seek a refresher or a thorough overview of LCMS central and foundational teachings and beliefs, Pastor Hafer ([pastor@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:pastor@holycrossbcs.org)) can help you.

### Braille Ministry

Tuesday 9:00 a.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the Month 6:30 p.m.

Lutheran Braille Workers exists to show the love of God to people with visual disabilities and to bring them into a growing relationship with God. The HC work center joyfully produces Braille and specialized Large Print Bibles and Christian literature, which are distributed free of charge across the world. Contact Mavis Kuehn to see how you can help.

### New Family Ministry

Throughout the year as needed

Pray for expectant mothers, visit families with newborns and offer support in an exciting - and sometimes overwhelming - time for a growing family. Contact [office@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:office@holycrossbcs.org) to give or receive this ministry.

### Holy Cross Book Club

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month 6:30 p.m.

Do you have a knack for judging a book by its cover? Do you enjoy sharing your insight or hearing other's understanding of a book? Do you wish that Cliff's Notes offered explanation for all novels? Are you looking for an excuse to simply read a book, visit in a group setting and have dessert? Contact Gert Keiper ([gert.keiper@concordia.edu](mailto:gert.keiper@concordia.edu)) to bookmark this event in your calendar. What a novel idea!

### Scrapbooking & More

Friday & Saturday as Scheduled

Find inspiration, share ideas and make time for your next scrapbook or other creative project. When a date is reserved, the group sets up and starts projects on Friday from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. On Saturday, they return to encourage each other and swap ideas from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Make your memories a work of art! Stop procrastinating and contact Janel Cooper ([JMCooper3172@gmail.com](mailto:JMCooper3172@gmail.com)).

### Seasoned Seniors

As Scheduled

Seasoned Seniors is a church organization that offers fel-

lowship and service for older adults. Gatherings and events occur in members' homes, at church or in other off-site facilities from September through May. Activities include: theater, restaurants, game night and service activities. Contact Kathy Dockweiler (doc2@tamu.edu) or Vicki Klinefelter (dvcjcp@hughes.net) for more information.

### **Small Groups for Families**

As Scheduled

Small groups make big families. Your family can be linked with others as a small group that enjoys fellowship and Bible studies together either on HC campus, in the community or at each other's homes. Contact Travis Scott (travis@oztotl.com) to find a small group that interests your family.

### **Tuesday Stitchers**

Tuesday 11:00 a.m.

Sew if you are looking for a hands-on activity and fellowship with others, Tuesday Stitchers seem to want you. If you are on pins and needles about joining, contact Vicki Klinefelter (dvcjcp@hughes.net) to learn if there are any strings attached.

### **Watercrest Bible Study**

Thursday 2:00 p.m.

This Bible study for senior citizens takes place at Watercrest in Bryan under the tutelage of Reverend Neil Bockelmann. Contact him (family@holycrossbcs.org) for more information.

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## **COMING SOON**

### **College Ministry**

Coming Soon

In addition to the College Sunday school class for 18 to 23 years old, HC is starting a small group of college students for fellowship and Biblical discussion during the week. Contact Pastor Michael Hafer (pastor@holycrossbcs.org) if want to join.

### **Gourmet Club**

Coming Soon

Some groups have called it Gourmet Club; others name it a Dinner Club. Whatever these clubs are called, they are all about groups of friends who share a passion for food – both cooking it and eating it. This group will meet every 4 to 6 weeks and share a special meal.



## **Theological Pub**

Coming Soon

Theological Pub will be a monthly gathering of men at Holy Cross. We will discuss theology and imbibe in adult beverages. The ideas we share and the messages taken home are designed to help us grow as Christian men and serve as leaders. Contact Pastor Hafer for pub hours.

“Whoever drinks here, he is quick to sleep; whoever sleeps long, does not sin; whoever does not sin, enters Heaven! Thus, let us drink beer! (There is no beer in heaven, so let us drink it here.)” –Martin Luther

## **Young Adult**

Coming Soon

Are you in your 20's or 30's and looking for a group to have fun with and grow spiritually? Whether you're single or married, kids or no kids, you're invited to join our Young Adults group! Contact Celia Hensz (celiahensz@yahoo.com) to find out about our next event.

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## **HC BOARDS**

### **Board of Education**

Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, New Life Festival (an Easter celebration for children) and the Children's Christmas Program are covered under the blanket of education at HC. Contact Tara Battaglia (upstagingbytara@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Board of Incorporation**

The Board of Incorporation works to build fellowship among members of our church family both spiritually and socially. It is tasked with planning and coordinating inter-church activities, welcoming new members into our church family and encouraging and growing Bible studies, small groups and other social activities. Contact Travis Scott (travis@oztotl.com) for more information.

### **Board of Outreach**

Bringing guests into HC and making them feel welcome, the Board of Outreach also goes outside the walls to share Christ with the community and to help people across the world. Contact Jan Porter or Sandra Hanson (outreach@holycrossbcs.org) to set your faith in action.

### **Board of Elders**

The Board of Elders is made only of men noted for their Christian knowledge, zeal and experience in the spiritual work of the Kingdom of Christ. These men





minister to and maintain the spiritual welfare of the pastor and all congregation members, individually and corporately. They are responsible for the doctrinal supervision of the congregation and shall by their own example stimulate a high level of Christian thought and action among members. Contact Brian Gibson ([bggtime@gmail.com](mailto:bggtime@gmail.com)) with your concerns or needs.

### **Board of Holy Cross Lutheran Learning Center**

The preschool board plans, develops, directs and administers the school programs to determine policies, select personnel, and provide necessary means and facilities with help of the congregation in providing a Christian school program. Contact Suzanne Luedke ([saluedke@verizon.net](mailto:saluedke@verizon.net)) for more information.

### **Board of Stewardship**

The Board of Stewardship initiates programs for the development of good stewardship in the members of the Congregation in regard to time, talents and treasures. It provides for the recruitment, training and motivation of members for the work of Christ's Kingdom and ensures the financial stability of the congregation and its work through a developed program of dedicated, proportionate, first-fruits giving. Contact Dave Erchinger ([erchingerd@yahoo.com](mailto:erchingerd@yahoo.com)) for more information.

### **Board of Properties**

The basic objectives of the Board of Properties are the proper acquisition, design, construction, maintenance and repair of all church property. It also oversees the general protection of the congregation against loss or damage relating to that property, including the procurement and maintenance of adequate insurance coverage, and manages the proper and orderly use of all church properties. Contact Jeff Lehde ([jefflehde@myplantpeople.com](mailto:jefflehde@myplantpeople.com)) for details.

### **Board of Youth**

The Board of Youth strives to involve the young people of Holy Cross and our community in the work of Christ, provide for the youths' spiritual growth and nurture, and to promote genuine Christian fellowship for the young people of the congregation. Contact Christa Keiper ([keiperca@att.net](mailto:keiperca@att.net)), Naomi Muller ([nomie1229@yahoo.com](mailto:nomie1229@yahoo.com)) or Daniel Hensz ([youth@holycrossbcs.org](mailto:youth@holycrossbcs.org)) to get involved with the youth program.



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