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September 20, 2026

20th Sunday after Pentecost

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

Take My Life

ELW 685

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: *Amen.*

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: *Amen.*

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

C: *We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.*

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthens you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: *Amen.*

**PASTORAL GREETING
THE KYRIE**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE *This is the Feast*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also, with you.**

P: Let us pray, together.

C: **Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

September 20, 2026 – Pentecost 17A

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:10—4:11

¹⁰ When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

Jonah's Anger at the LORD's Compassion

⁴ But to Jonah this seemed very wrong, and he became angry. ² He prayed to the LORD, "Isn't this what I said, LORD, when I was still at home? That is what I tried to forestall by fleeing to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. ³ Now, LORD, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live."

⁴ But the LORD replied, "Is it right for you to be angry?"

⁵ Jonah had gone out and sat down at a place east of the city. There he made himself a shelter, sat in its shade and waited to see what would happen to the city. ⁶ Then the LORD God provided a leafy plant and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the plant. ⁷ But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, which chewed the plant so that it withered. ⁸ When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind, and the sun blazed on Jonah's head so that he grew faint.

He wanted to die, and said, "It would be better for me to die than to live."

⁹ But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?”

“It is,” he said. “And I’m so angry I wish I were dead.”

¹⁰ But the LORD said, “You have been concerned about this plant, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight. ¹¹ And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left—and also many animals?”

The word of the Lord.

*Congregation response following the reading is: **Thanks be to God!***

THE PSALM Psalm 145:1-8

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21-30

²¹ For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. ²² If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! ²³ I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; ²⁴ but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

Life Worthy of the Gospel

²⁷ Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel ²⁸ without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, ³⁰ since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.

The word of the Lord.

*Congregation response following the reading is: **Thanks be to God!***

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16

The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard

20 “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. 2 He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

3 “About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. 4 He told them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ 5 So they went.

“He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. 6 About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’

7 “‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered.

“He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’

8 “When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’

9 “The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. 10 So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. 11 When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 12 ‘These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’

13 “But he answered one of them, ‘I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius? 14 Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. 15 Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?’

16 “So, the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregational response: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

YOUTUBE VIDEO – PR. JIM’S SERMON:



PENTECOST 17A, 9-20-2026 Mt 20.1-16

THAT’S NOT FAIR

Envy! One of the seven deadly sins. It starts with thinking that someone else has something you don’t have, but should have. It rolls on through covetousness, a problem lifted up in the last two of the Ten Commandments, and segues into the ubiquitous psychotically evil urge for World Dominion. In Matthew it starts with Herod in Chapter 2. The Slaughter of the Innocents. And crashes into the temptation of Jesus by the devil in the wilderness in Chapter 4. Thereafter, all of Matthew could be understood in the dramatic template of envy; its failure. Its

futility.

There was a golf tournament. The ball nearest the last hole wins. a hole-in-one, but If nobody made a hole-in-one, the closest ball took the prize. Balls were scattered all over the green when the second-to-last contestant made his drive. It was a horrible slice that overshot into the rough behind the green, hit a lumpy rock and bounced straight back, hitting the scorer's tent which popped it onto the green, where it ricocheted off of another ball and rolled to a breathtaking halt, one inch from dropping in the cup.

The last guy stepped up and made a perfect drive. The ball soared, aligned exactly with the pin in the hole. He hit the flag pin and the ball dropped with a back spin so that it stayed where it landed. It was the most skillful shot of the day. He lost. His ball was four inches from the hole. The amateur duffer was undeservedly lucky and he won. That's not fair!! The battle cry of the envious.

As a child, I was very good at noticing when things weren't fair and of course, I would try to bring these discoveries to my parents' attention. Dad would say, "Son, I can show you your Birth Certificate, but you didn't get a Fair Certificate. Nobody does. Sometimes really dumb farmers grow really big potatoes." I can't tell you how many years it took for me to figure out the things Dad would tell me.

This was my introduction to undeserved grace. The Theology of Big Potatoes, anyway. The universe is not required to be fair, and God is not fair. Thank you, Lord for NOT giving me what I think I fairly deserve! God does way better than that, in mercy and generosity. If he were only fair, it would make life predictable and boring, and you could control God by working overtime. We wouldn't need Jesus. God is not reasonable on the Fairness Slide Rule. Grace is more than a balanced algorithm.

A guy works all day and gets paid the same as the guy that works for an hour. That's not fair. Unless you consider that the wage being paid is equal salvation for all of the workers. All of them get an equal stake in a perfect and productive harvest. This salvation is sort of like being pregnant or being dead. You either are or you aren't. There aren't negotiable fractions of pregnancy, death or salvation. At 3 months you are not a third pregnant. At age 40, you are not half-dead. 7/8ths saved? Holdin' out for 1/8 more of that fun sinnin' time.

The way the world works, according to Poet, Robert Frost; "By working faithfully eight hours a day, you may eventually get to be a boss and work twelve hours a day." Doesn't seem fair!

Even today, farmers will hire more workers up to the eleventh hour to make sure that the harvest happens. If you don't get the wheat in, it can be lost in minutes. One minute it is a moving ocean of golden waves, and suddenly hail or wind or fire flattens it. A muffler backfires on an old dump truck hauling wheat, and now you have ashes. Your family's resources for a year.....up in smoke. Doesn't seem fair, all that work. All those prayers. All that worry. All those dreams unable to be realized!

The focus is on the harvest. This is the most important thing here. *The Harvest is the most important thing!!!*

The field downwind north from ours, caught fire. Wind at my back, I stood on our property line stunned by what I saw. The custom cutter, a hired commercial harvester, a rough man, poured all of his drinking water over his head and clothes, wrapped his face with a wet towel, and jumped up on his combine, a piece of farm equipment worth a small fortune. He drove straight into the flames; harvesting like it was a normal day in Hades. He was using his machine to smother the fire and pick up whatever grain he could. Grace way beyond fair! He literally “bore the burden of the day and the scorching heat,” and he got paid the same as usual, and he never said, “That’s not fair.”

It is not about individuals and what they earn or deserve. If the harvest isn’t successful, nobody gets anything. The *Self-absorption of a few will destroy community efforts at harvest time prosperity*. The harvest is planned for and anticipated strategically every minute of the year. You know within about 3 days, the approximate harvest time, you know your soil, the weather patterns, your equipment, and your labor resources, and you plot backward, every movement and life moment as it feeds into the excitement of a successful harvest.

Paul, speaking of marriage, in 1 Corinthians 7:5, says, “Do not refuse one another except perhaps by agreement for a season”? For a season? Why a season? What season?

Why do some grain farmers and their wives avoid conjugal relations in August and September? Because it is Labor Day? Because the days are getting shorter? Because Junior needs help with new homework? No. Here’s why.

The harvest is everything. It is the first consideration. If Mama gets pregnant in August or September, the baby will be born, just before or during the harvest. The energy needed for the team effort of the harvest, will be expended in late pregnancy, labor and delivery. If the harvest is compromised, the baby’s life will be endangered. It would be tragic to lose a baby over bad timing. In this agricultural society, even the human sexual urge is sublimated to accommodate the season of absolute necessity----The Harvest.

The absolute necessity of the harvest is a theme throughout the scriptural record. The workers hired later in the day will be paid the same for much harder work, because the understanding is that if the harvest doesn’t come in by nightfall, it will all be lost, and the community will die. The last workers hired in the day, are like the anchor person on a relay team. They work the hardest. They know the stakes. They have to win. The team lives and wins because of their effort.

Add to that the absolute foolishness of quibbling about wages in a society with 80% unemployment....you might be getting the picture here. The point is.....everybody got grace, everybody got paid, everybody got a piece of the action. Everybody worked a different schedule, based on the needs of the owner of the vineyard, and the entire community at large. It might not seem fair to some, but it is God’s success.

As the landowner in the parable says to those who disagree with his method of payment, “It is my abundance. It’s your life. Won’t you allow me the privilege of distributing it equally to all? Are you envious because I’m generous?”

On an airplane, everyone pays a different price. When you bought your ticket, you were

happy with the contract of purchase. In fact, you bragged to your friends what a wily bargainer you were, for the deal you got. Here's some good advice. Don't go up and down the airplane aisle asking everyone what they paid for their seat. They are not going to tell you the truth. They'll lowball the figure so that they will look like the wiliest bargainer. And you will be upset because it's not fair. If you were happy with your price at the outset, be quiet. Enjoy your flight.

In verse 12, there is some confusion with the Greek word for 'equal'. "You made them equal to us, who worked through the heat of the day!" That's not fair!

While there is a separate word for the condition of "The Same As," the workers are not using that word. Instead, they are making an implicit accusation that they were treated the same as those who worked for only an hour. They were complaining about perceived inequity. That is not true. There is a big difference between equality and similarity. Equality and equity are vastly different conditions.

LeBron James is six feet, nine inches tall. His annual income is over \$50,000,000 not counting a probable \$120 million in endorsements. LeBron and I are equal. We are not the same. I can't even see the basketball goal with binoculars. Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson is one of the highest paid action stars, and his physique with sculpted abs, makes Hercules look like a 98-pound weakling. But Dwayne and I are equal. However, we are not the same. I have a Buddha Belly and a Gandhi Gluteus. They ARE Religious figures, but not gods. And that is fine. We all have an equal chance to offer something toward God's successful harvest.

You can get a decent pair of Nike shoes for a hundred bucks. Generally, all Nikes are equal, but some are more in demand, so they are not all the same. Sotheby's auctioned off a pair of Nike 'Moon Shoes', designed to celebrate the Apollo 17 landing on the Moon, where Cernan and Schmitt bravely travelled over the lunar surface for a distance of 5 miles from the Lunar Landing Module. They had to follow their own tracks back to the module, because at 5 miles distant, it was below the horizon. They couldn't see their home base. The Moon Shoes were worn at the 1972 Olympic trials. Sotheby's hammer fell at \$437,500. You can't get a pair of those at Academy. They are all equal Nikes, but not the same.

The landowner of the parable treated all of his workers with equality, and they were paid with equal wages at the end of the work day; but they all arrived at different deals as they contracted their labors for the different hours required. The contractual details were not the same. It seemed fair at the time. And it was.

I worked for Clipper Carloading, near the Chicago Stockyards, in '71 and '72. I was hired with a special team of seminarians, who were large and strong, full of attitude, and definitely on the scrappy side of a population demographic normally assumed to be religious wimps. We would have to walk through a line of protesting workers, who were angry at not being kept on for the weekend night shift, because it was too easy for them to pilfer for profit, late at night.

Federal agents were placed on the dock to accompany workers while they inventoried, weighed and relocated lucrative black-market items such as firearms, ammunition, TVs, cigarettes and alcohol. And never, ever load a trailer over 40,000 pounds. Your name is on the

invoice. If any of your trailers are overweight, you pay the huge fine.

One of the main reasons we were hired was because the management knew we had Sunday morning responsibilities in Chicago churches. That was one incentive to get things done. The other was: day people worked for good pay, an agreed upon wage for the weekdays. Week-ends off, their work week was done at 5:00 PM on Friday. We started with overtime pay at 5:01 PM. At 9:01 PM, we went to double-time pay. If the dock warehouse wasn't empty by Saturday morning, we were raised to triple-time pay. The loading dock had to be cleared. We had to work harder than the dayshift people. We had the longest shift of anyone, and on the surface, the best pay, but we had to work straight through with one 30-minute lunch, and 2, 15-minute breaks every 8 hours, even if it took 24 to 36 hours to finish.

Our job was to clear the dock by Monday, 12:01 AM, with all shipped merchandise moved from the dock or from unloaded trailers, to outbound trailers headed to all three coasts. We knew we had to be done by Saturday evening. Because of Sunday morning looming. We always made that deadline.

God values each free soul equally. Equity is a lock-step failure of human aspiration. Make everyone exactly the same in all aspects? Whaddya got? Lazy Zombies.

At the time it seemed like a good deal between God and us, until we started to compare ourselves negatively with other people. The problem was that they weren't counting their own blessings. They were too busy enviously counting other people's blessings, and then perceiving inequity. Sometimes what looks like a blessing in someone else's life is, for them, an impediment, a curse. Bankrupt lottery winners are a case in point.

We are all equal. We are not all the same. We are all equal before the face of Lord God Almighty, and in an amazing leap of human endeavor, the founding documents of our country affirm the fact that we are all created equal, not the same. Our equality assures the wonders of marvelous diversity. Everyone is included. This gift of God brings with it the freedom to experience differences, to embrace differentiation from others, and to enjoy the pluripotency of God's universe.

Sameness/Equity.....it truly is not fair. It stops forward movement and denies God's future. It arrests human ambition and spiritual growth. If it's all the same, there won't be a harvest. Equality? That is the outcome of God's grace. The harvest is in. God's party is in progress. That's better than fair. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

As Saints of Old

ELW 695

APOSTLES' CREED

P: God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

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

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PEACE *(Please share the Peace with a neighbor)*

THE OFFERING **"Sing Praise to God"** arr. by C. McClure

THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

THE OFFERING PRAYER

All pray together:

God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have, mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, Our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and preserve you in Eternal Life.

POST COMMUNION SONG *Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider:

Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Congregation: Amen.

THE BLESSING

SENDING SONG

Lord of Hopefulness

ELW 765

GO IN PEACE, IN SERVICE

C: *Thanks be to God!*

PSALM 19:14

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.



- ♣ Fred Abrego
- ♣ Ken Beamesderfer
- ♣ Nancy Beamesderfer
- ♣ Susan Caradec
- ♣ Jessica Coleman
- ♣ Paul Houghton
- ♣ Joyce Huey
- ♣ Bryan Kile
- ♣ Ernest Luker
- ♣ Colton Martin
- ♣ David Magrill
- ♣ Stuffy Martinez
- ♣ Jeremy Mitchell
- ♣ Geraine Moore
- ♣ Ed Peterman
- ♣ Dorothy Preuss
- ♣ Lupe Romero
- ♣ Jim Schwabenland
- ♣ Scott Spates
- ♣ Patricia Steapp
- ♣ Ann Taylor
- ♣ Bill Tempel
- ♣ Becky Terry
- ♣ Dave Trickett
- ♣ Jaime Urbanski
- ♣ Bennie Valites
- ♣ Susan Wiles
- ♣ Michael Williams

COUNCIL MEETING

Council meeting will be Sunday, **September 20**, at 11:00 a.m. in the Annex.

Church Council

USHERS

Month: September

Team # 03

Leader: Linda Cuzzort

LAY READERS & ASSISTANTS

SEPTEMBER

6 Reader — Bert Martin
P/E — Nancy Beamesderfer

13 Reader — Jay Fort
P/E — Julie Kilkenny

20 Reader — Shannon Martin
P/E — Penny Schick

27 Reader — Ike Thompson
P/E — Sharon Wagner

P/E stands for Prayers and Eucharist
Nancy Beamesderfer

ATTENTION HOLY CROSS MEMBERS

Following the Church Safety Protocol, if you would like to make a reservation to use the church facilities for church or private events, please contact Sussy.

You must to fill out a Calendar Request Form or send an email.

Thank you.

YOUTH GROUP

Come together in faith and friendship to our new Youth Group meetings.

We meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday
from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Youth Room.

Additional information will be available on the church website:

holycross.us and [Facebook](#).

Pr. Jim Berggren

TRUNK OR TREAT

Save the Date!

Saturday **October 31st**.

Trunk or Treat. More info to follow.

Julie Richter

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

**Please join us on Saturday, October 3, 2023
for the Blessing of the Animals.**

This is in honor of St. Francis and his love of animals.
What better way to say we love our pets
than to have them receive a blessing!

**Pastor Berggren will be near the West parking lot
at the Fountain Courtyard
from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon to give our pets a blessing.**

We hope to see you and your furry, scaley, feathery,
(*or whatever the case may be*) friends!

MAM

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Amazing things happening at MAM

Mark your calendar!

- Saturday, **October 17** 9 am – 12 noon MAM Shred Day
- Fri. & Sat. **November 6-7** Resale Half-Off Sale (Blalock location)

Resale store - Need volunteers for Restock Days at Blalock,

Scheduled for November 8, 1—4 p.m. Interested please contact Sussy.

The Store is always in need of plastic shopping bags so please consider recycling and donating those bags, especially in preparation for the Half—Off sale in November.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, October 25.

Pot luck sponsored by WELCA following the service.

Safeguards Safety Training

Holy Cross Lutheran Church - 7901 Westview Drive, Houston, TX 77055

Call John Lambeth @ 713-854-8085 to register, or register online:

<https://events.humanitix.com/host/634c6d6ed7a0c9053d9f6f58>

Class		Price	Day	Date	Time
Adult CPR					
	CPR Only	\$74	Sunday	13-Sep	1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
	CPR + First Aid	\$92	Sunday	18-Oct	1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Adult & Pediatric CPR			Saturday	1-Aug	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
	CPR Only	\$98	Saturday	5-Sep	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
	CPR + First Aid	\$108	Saturday	10-Oct	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Basic Life Support		\$94			
			Friday	4-Sep	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Saturday	12-Sep	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Saturday	19-Sep	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Friday	25-Sep	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Friday	9-Oct	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Saturday	17-Oct	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Saturday	24-Oct	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Friday	30-Oct	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
CPR Instructor course		\$299	Friday	2-Oct	9:00 am - 5:30 pm
RCP para adulto, niño y bebé					
	RCP solo	\$49			
	RCP + primeros auxilios	\$59	Saturday	26-Sep	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Saturday	31-Oct	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
			Saturday	5-Dec	1:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Holy Cross Congregation Members receive a 15% discount. Use coupon code: HCLC2026					

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship service with Rev. Jim Berggren —WC

Sunday School / Nursery - available for small children during the service — Crib Room

10:30 a.m. Coffee fellowship following the service —Gym

11:00 a.m. Council meeting —Annex

2—5 p.m. Bayou City Band practice —Gym

THIS WEEK AT HOLY CROSS

21 Mon	22 Tues	23 Wed	24 Thurs	25 Fri	26 Sat
<u>CROSSTIES DEADLINE</u> <i>11—12 ELC Chapel —WC</i>	<i>11—12 ELC Chapel —WC</i>	<i>10 am Roundtable group —Annex</i> <i>11 am Choir Rehearsal —CL</i> <i>12 pm Bible Study —VR</i> <i>6—8 pm Youth Group mtg.—YR</i>	 <i>8 pm AA Women mtg. —Annex</i>	 <i>1 —5:30 pm SST Basic Life Support —MR/YR</i>	 <i>1 —5:30 pm SST Spanish RCP — MR/YR</i> <i>6 pm Saturday Informal service —AT</i>

AT =Atrium, CL=Choir Loft, CR=Choir Room, ELC=Early Learning Center,
 FLC= Family Life Center = **GYM**, FLCA=**Annex**, KiM= Kids in Motion, MR=Media Room,
 VR=Volunteer Room, WC=Worship Center, YR=Youth Room,
 SST=Safeguards Safety Training (CPR classes)

