

2026 Holy Cross Lutheran Church Calendar

Season	Date	Festival	First Reading	Psalm	Epistle	Gospel	Readers	Music
	Jan. 4	Second S. after Christmas	1 Kings 3:4–15	Psalm 119:97–104	Eph. 1:3–14	Luke 2:40–52	8 Chuck D. 11 Paula	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
EPIPHANY	<i>Jan. 6 Tuesday</i>	<i>The Epiphany of Our Lord</i>					N/A	N/A
	Jan. 11	The Epiphany of Our Lord (Observed)	Isaiah 60:1–6	Psalm 72	Eph. 3:1–12	Matt. 2:1–12	8 Jeff Allan 11 SueFay A.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Jan. 18	Baptism of Our Lord (Observed)	Isaiah 42:1–9	Psalm 29	Rom. 6:1–11	Matt. 3:13–17	8 Luke D. 11 Richard B.	8 – Curtis 11C – Curtis
	Jan. 25	Third S. after the Epiphany	Isaiah 9:1–4	Psalm 27:1–9 (10–14)	1 Cor. 1:10–18	Matt. 4:12–25	8 Ralph F. 11 Brian H.	8 C – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Feb. 1	Fourth S. after the Epiphany	Micah 6:1–8	Psalm 15	1 Cor. 1:18–31	Matt. 5:1–12	8 Sarah C. 11 MarySue T	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Feb. 8	Fifth S. after the Epiphany	Isaiah 58:3–9a	Psalm 112:1–9	1 Cor. 2:1–12 (13–16)	Matt. 5:13–20	8 Ann C. 11 Kristy L.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Feb. 15	The Transfiguration of Our Lord	Ex. 24:8–18	Psalm 2:6–12	2 Peter 1:16–21	Matt. 17:1–9	8 Joe H. 11 Ralph P.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
ASH WEDNESDAY	Feb. 18 Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	Joel 2:12–19	Psalm 51:1–13 (14–19)	2 Cor. 5:20b–6:10	Matt. 6:1–6, 16–21	12 Pastor 7 Luke D.	Noon – N/A 7 - Curtis
LENT	Feb. 22	First S. in Lent	Gen. 3:1–21	Psalm 32:1–7	Rom. 5:12–19	Matt. 4:1–11	8 Rich C. 11 Linda C.	8 C – Curtis 11 – P Band
	March 1	Second S. in Lent	Gen. 12:1–9	Psalm 121	Rom. 4:1–8, 13–17	John 3:1–17	8 Chuck D. 11 Sue T.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	March 4 Wednesday	Lenten Midweek II	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	7 Brian H.	7 - Curtis
	March 8	Third S. in Lent	Ex. 17:1–7	Psalm 95:1–9	Rom. 5:1–8	John 4:5–26 (27–30, 39–42)	8 Jeff A. 11 Paula C.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	March 15	Fourth S. in Lent	Isaiah 42:14–21	Psalm 142	Eph. 5:8–14	John 9:1–41 or John 9:1–7, 13–17, 34–39	8 Luke D. 11 Richard B.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	March 22	Fifth S. in Lent	Ezek. 37:1–14	Psalm 130	Rom. 8:1–11	John 11:1–45 (46–53) or John 11:17–27, 38–53	8 Ralph F. 11 SueFay A.	8 C – Curtis 11 – P Band
HOLY WEEK	March 29	Palm Sunday (Palmarum)	Isaiah 50:4–9a	Psalm 118:19–29 or Psalm 31:9–16	Phil. 2:5–11	John 12:12–19 procession ----- John 12:20–43	8 Sarah C. 11 Brian H.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	April 2 Thursday	Holy (Maundy) Thursday	Ex. 24:3–11	Psalm 116:12–19	Heb. 9:11–22	Matt. 26:17–30	7 Luke D.	7 - Curtis
	April 3 Friday	Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13–53:12	Psalm 22	Heb. 4:14–16; 5:7–9	John 18:1–19:42	7 Pastor	7 - Curtis
EASTER	April 5	The Resurrection of Our Lord	Acts 10:34–43 or Jer. 31:1–6	Psalm 16	Col. 3:1–4	Matt. 28:1–10	8 Ann C. 11 Ralph P.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	April 12	Second S. of Easter	Acts 5:29–42	Psalm 148	1 Peter 1:3–9	John 20:19–31	8 Joe H. 11 MarySue T	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	April 19	Third S. of Easter	Acts 2:14a, 36–41	Psalm 116:1–14	1 Peter 1:17–25	Luke 24:13–35	8 Rich C. 11 Kristy L.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	April 26	Fourth S. of Easter	Acts 2:42–47	Psalm 23	1 Peter 2:19–25	John 10:1–10	8 Chuck D. 11 Linda C.	8 C – Curtis 11 – P Band
	May 3	Fifth S. of Easter	Acts 6:1–9; 7:2a, 51–60	Psalm 146	1 Peter 2:2–10	John 14:1–14	8 Jeff A. 11 Sue T.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis

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	May 10	Sixth S. of Easter	Acts 17:16–31	Psalms 66:8–20	1 Peter 3:13–22	John 14:15–21	8 Luke D. 11 Paula C.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	<i>May 14 Thursday</i>	<i>The Ascension of Our Lord</i>	<i>Acts 1:1–11</i>	<i>Psalms 47</i>	<i>Eph. 1:15–23</i>	<i>Luke 24:44–53</i>	<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Noon – N/A</i>
	May 17	Seventh S. of Easter	Acts 1:12–26	Psalms 68:1–10	1 Peter 4:12–19; 5:6–11	John 17:1–11	8 Ralph F. 11 Richard B.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
PENTECOST	May 24	The Day of Pentecost	Num. 11:24–30	Psalms 25:1–15	Acts 2:1–21	John 7:37–39	8 Sarah C. 11 SueFay A.	8 C – Curtis 11 – P Band
TRINITY	May 31	The Holy Trinity	Gen. 1:1–2:4a	Psalms 8	Acts 2:14a, 22–36	Matt. 28:16–20	8 Ann C. 11 Ralph P.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	June 7 (Prop. 5)	Second S. after Pentecost	Hosea 5:15–6:6	Psalms 119:65–72	Rom. 4:13–25	Matt. 9:9–13	8 Joe H. 11 MarySue T	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	June 14 (Prop. 6)	Third S. after Pentecost	Ex. 19:2–8	Psalms 100	Rom. 5:6–15	Matt. 9:35–10:8 (9–20)	8 Rich C. 11 Brian H.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	June 21 (Prop. 7)	Fourth S. after Pentecost	Jer. 20:7–13	Psalms 91:1–10 (11–16)	Rom. 6:12–23	Matt. 10:5a, 21–33	8 Chuck D. 11 Kristy L.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	June 28 (Prop. 8)	Fifth S. after Pentecost	Jer. 28:5–9	Psalms 119:153–160	Rom. 7:1–13	Matt. 10:34–42	8 Jeff A. 11 Sue T.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	July 5 (Prop. 9)	Sixth S. after Pentecost	Zech. 9:9–12	Psalms 145:1–14	Rom. 7:14–25a	Matt. 11:25–30	8 Luke D. 11 Linda C.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	July 12 (Prop. 10)	Seventh S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 55:10–13	Psalms 65:(1–8) 9–13	Rom. 8:12–17	Matt. 13:1–9, 18–23	8 Ralph F. 11 SueFay A.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	July 19 (Prop. 11)	Eighth S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 44:6–8	Psalms 119:57–64	Rom. 8:18–27	Matt. 13:24–30, 36–43	8 Sarah C. 11 Richard B.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	July 26 (Prop. 12)	Ninth S. after Pentecost	Deut. 7:6–9	Psalms 125	Rom. 8:28–39	Matt. 13:44–52	8 Ann C. 11 Paula C.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Aug. 2 (Prop. 13)	Tenth S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 55:1–5	Psalms 136:1–9 (23–26)	Rom. 9:1–5 (6–13)	Matt. 14:13–21	8 Joe H. 11 Ralph P.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	Aug. 9 (Prop. 14)	Eleventh S. after Pentecost	Job 38:4–18	Psalms 18:1–6 (7–16)	Rom. 10:5–17	Matt. 14:22–33	8 Rich C. 11 MarySue T	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Aug. 16 (Prop. 15)	Twelfth S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 56:1, 6–8	Psalms 67	Rom. 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32	Matt. 15:21–28	8 Chuck D. 11 Brian H.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	Aug. 23 (Prop. 16)	Thirteenth S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 51:1–6	Psalms 138	Rom. 11:33–12:8	Matt. 16:13–20	8 Jeff A. 11 Kristy L.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Aug. 30 (Prop. 17)	Fourteenth S. after Pentecost	Jer. 15:15–21	Psalms 26	Rom. 12:9–21	Matt. 16:21–28	8 Luke D. 11 Sue T.	8 – Curtis 11 - Curtis
	Sept. 6 (Prop. 18)	Fifteenth S. after Pentecost	Ezek. 33:7–9	Psalms 32:1–7	Rom. 13:1–10	Matt. 18:1–20	8 Ralph F. 11 Richard B	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Sept. 13 (Prop. 19)	Sixteenth S. after Pentecost	Gen. 50:15–21	Psalms 103:1–12	Rom. 14:1–12	Matt. 18:21–35	8 Sarah C. 11 Linda C.	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Sept. 20 (Prop. 20)	Seventeenth S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 55:6–9	Psalms 27:1–9	Phil. 1:12–14, 19–30	Matt. 20:1–16	8 Ann C. 11 Ralph P.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Sept. 27 (Prop. 21)	Eighteenth S. after Pentecost	Ezek. 18:1–4, 25–32	Psalms 25:1–10	Phil. 2:1–4 (5–13) 14–18	Matt. 21:23–27 (28–32)	8 Joe H. 11 Paula C.	8 C – Curtis 11 – P Band
	<i>Sept. 29 Tuesday</i>	<i>St. Michael and All Angels</i>	<i>Daniel 10:10–14; 12:1–3</i>	<i>Psalms 91</i>	<i>Rev. 12:7–12</i>	<i>Matt. 18:1–11 or Luke 10:17–20</i>	<i>Pastor</i>	<i>N/A</i>
	Oct. 4 (Prop. 22)	Nineteenth S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 5:1–7	Psalms 80:7–19	Phil. 3:4b–14	Matt. 21:33–46	8 Rich C. 11 SueFay A.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Oct. 11 (Prop. 23)	Twentieth S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 25:6–9	Psalms 23	Phil. 4:4–13	Matt. 22:1–14	8 Chuck D. 11 MarySue T	8 – Curtis 11 – P Band
	Oct. 18 (Prop. 24)	Twenty-first S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 45:1–7	Psalms 96:1–9 (10–13)	1 Thess. 1:1–10	Matt. 22:15–22	8 Jeff A. 11 Richard B.	8 – Curtis 11 C - Curtis
REFORMATION	Oct. 25 (Observed)	Reformation Day (Oct. 31)	Rev. 14:6–7	Psalms 46	Rom. 3:19–28	Matt. 11:12–19 or	8 Luke D. 11 Brian H.	8 C – Curtis 11 – P Band

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						John 8:31-36		
ALL SAINTS' DAY	Nov. 1	All Saints' Day	Rev. 7:(2-8) 9-17	Psalm 149	1 John 3:1-3	Matt. 5:1-12	8 Ralph F. 11 Ralph P.	8 - Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Nov. 8 (Prop. 27)	Twenty-fourth S. after Pentecost	Amos 5:18-24	Psalm 70	1 Thess. 4:13-18	Matt. 25:1-13	8 Sarah C. 11 Kristy L.	8 - Curtis 11 - P Band
	Nov. 15 (Prop. 28)	Twenty-fifth S. after Pentecost	Zeph. 1:7-16	Psalm 90:1-12	1 Thess. 5:1-11	Matt. 25:14-30	8 Ann C. 11 Sue T.	8 - Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Nov. 22 (Prop. 29)	Last S. of the Church Year	Ezek. 34:11-16, 20-24	Psalm 95:1-7a	1 Cor. 15:20-28	Matt. 25:31-46	8 Joe H. 11 Linda C.	8 C - Curtis 11 - P Band
THANKSGIVING	Nov. 26	Thanksgiving Day	Deut. 8:1-10	Psalm 67	Phil. 4:6-20 or 1 Tim. 2:1-4	Luke 17:11-19		N/A
New Church Year Starts Here (2026-2027) — Series B								
ADVENT 2026	Nov. 29 2026	First S. in Advent	Isaiah 64:1-9	Psalm 80:1-7	1 Cor. 1:3-9	Mark 11:1-10 or Mark 13:24-37	8 Rich C. 11 SueFay A.	8 - Curtis 11 - Curtis
	Dec. 6	Second S. in Advent	Isaiah 40:1-11	Psalm 85	2 Peter 3:8-14	Mark 1:1-8	8 Chuck D. 11 Richard B	8 - Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Dec. 9	Advent Midweek	TBD	TBD	TBD		7 Brian H.	7 C - Curtis
	Dec. 13	Third S. in Advent	Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11	Psalm 126	1 Thess. 5:16-24	John 1:6-8, 19-28	8 Jeff A. 11 Paula C.	8 - Curtis 11 - P Band
	Dec. 20	Fourth S. in Advent	2 Sam. 7:1-11, 16	Psalm 89:1-5 (19-29)	Rom. 16:25-27	Luke 1:26-38	8 Luke D. 11 TBD	8 - Curtis 11 C - Curtis
	Dec. 24 Thursday	The Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas Eve)	Isaiah 7:10-14	Psalm 110:1-4	1 John 4:7-16	Matt. 1:18-25	4 - TBD 7 Craig Family	4 - P Band 7 C - Curtis
CHRISTMAS 2026	Dec. 25 Friday	The Nativity of Our Lord (Day)	Isaiah 52:7-10	Psalm 2	Heb. 1:1-6 (7-12)	John 1:1-14 (15-18)	10 - Linda C.	10 - Tichy Band
	Dec. 27	First S. after Christmas	Isaiah 61:10-62:3	Psalm 111	Gal. 4:4-7	Luke 2:22-40	8 11 MarySue T	8 - Curtis 11 - P Band

Readings are from the first year of the cycle (Series A, based primarily on the Gospel of Matthew) until the end of November when we go to Series B (based on Mark). Appointed psalms are listed for every Sunday, but some Sundays you will only have the Old Testament and Epistles to read. Please note that the lectionary for some Sundays provides alternative readings or extended readings (as indicated by the verse numbers in parentheses). Please be *prepared* to do the longer reading unless the shorter reading appears when you receive a reminder email of the readings from the Holy Cross office. Also, please note that we may, from time to time, vary from the scheduled lectionary reading, especially for special services; your flexibility on this is appreciated! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. Pronunciation of difficult words is given in the lectionary book which is always on the lectern, but feel free to ask Pastor Nickel for help too. If you cannot read for your assigned service, please contact one of the other readers to find a substitute and inform the Holy Cross office (634-2332, holycrossclarence@gmail.com).

8:00 Readers		11:00 Readers	
Jeff Allan	741-8178	Sue Fay Allen	759-6428
Ralph Friedrich	698-0481	Rev. Richard Blemaster	276-8672 cell
Joe Hughes	636-1719	Paula Cocco	913-0008 cell
Sarah Craig	440-7616	MarySue Tichy	685-3894
Ann Craig	741-4231	Brian Humphreys	585-721-4270 cell
Chuck Dittmer	583-0107 cell	Kristy Long	741-8722
Luke Dittmer	310-2242	Ralph Perrotta	585-705-7972
Rich Craig	741-4231	Sue Tichy	685-3894
Rev. Dr. Chris Wicher (sub only)	359-2749	Linda Cummings	741-9140