

# The *DISCIPLE*

*Of Holy Cross Lutheran Church*

October 2017

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 10.1**  
Food Pantry Sunday
- 10.2**  
Elders Meeting
- 10.4**  
Stewardship Team Training
- 10.9**  
COLUMBUS DAY
- 10.10**  
Community Meal
- 10.11**  
Stewardship Meeting
- 10.12**  
Evangelism Meeting
- 10.16**  
Council Meeting
- 10.21**  
Mission Insite Presentation
- 10.23**  
NEM Meeting
- 10.29**  
Joint SELC Reformation Service
- 10.31**  
Trunk or Treat



Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our congregation's Stewardship committee has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

*New Consecration Sunday* is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. *New Consecration Sunday* encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

During 9:15 a.m. morning worship on Consecration Sunday, Nov. 12, we are asking our members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship (9:15 a.m.) on Consecration Sunday, November 12. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

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We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader, Rev. Thomas Soltis will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration Sunday team and Church Council members. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

Serving Him with Gladness,  
Pastor Chris D. Ongstad



*In Our  
Thoughts  
and Prayers*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY  
WITH HEALTH CONCERNS**

- Alisa Bahr
- Jim Boltz
- Nancy Fehser
- John Knoska
- Bob Long
- Marilyn Long
- Kathy Ridder
- Robert Schulz
- Julie Wedster



**Disciple Newsletter**

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**Pastor Chris D. Ongstad**  
Worship-8:00am & 10:30am  
Sundays  
Sunday School/ Bible Class  
9:15am



# LET'S CELEBRATE!

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Danielle Beukema (2)  
Kaitlyn Shelton (20)  
Theresa Boltz (23)  
Ken Rheinwald (25)  
Amanda Hammond (28)  
Susan Wilczynski (29)

## OCTOBER BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Kathy Ridder (7)	Chris Arcand(26)
Faith Schulz (7)	Bonnie Wedster (27)
Alisa Bahr (9)	Amanda Hammond (28)
Susan Boltz (12)	Bruce McGlin (30)
Mike Habrelewicz (23)	

## OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Dorota Habrelewicz (20)



## NEW CONCECRATION SUNDAY ORIENTATION SESSION

Led by Rev. Thomas Soltis will be held Oct. 4, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross fellowship hall. This meeting is for the Consecration Sunday team. The team consists of Pastor Chris, Intern Josh, Consecration Sunday chairperson- Joan Opyd, Celebration brunch chairperson- Martha Stevens, Dinner Telephone Chairperson- Barbara Piekosz, Announcers- Terry Vrshek, Billie Salzman, Donna Meilahn, Pam Rutkowski and Financial Secretary- Sue Wilczynski.



Consecration Sunday is November 12.  
We will combine our worship services to  
one at 9:15am.



Dinner Club will be held on Saturday, October 14 at 5:00 p.m. at Dixie Kitchen and Bait Shop. The restaurant is located at 2352 East 172nd Street (on Torrence Avenue) in Lansing. Enjoy a culinary trip through the American south offering authentic and home-made Cajun, Creole, and other Southern cuisines in a 1930's reminiscent bait shop environment. If you'd like to try a different type of experience, please look at the menu found on the bulletin board and sign-up if you'd like to go. See Dorothy Lux for more information.

So very  
**THANKFUL**

**A SPECIAL WORD OF THANKS**

to all our hard workers who tended to the garden and beautifying the outside entrance of our church. Thank the Lord for the time and abilities of those who do such great work.



**Holy Cross will be hosting**  
**Trunk or Treat**

in our neighborhood again this year. We NEED you to help us greet and treat the families around Holy Cross with goodies. All you need is a vehicle with a trunk, candy and any appropriate costume. It's always great fun. It will be held on Tuesday this year from 3 to 6p.m.. PLEASE sign up on the Trunk or Treat sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Please be at the church by 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 31 to line up your vehicle. IF YOU CAN'T COME and still want to help, you can always donate candy and those present will pass it out. Other donations will be available on the sign up sheet as well.

**COMMUNITY**  
**DAYS** 2017



**COMMUNITYDAYS2017**

Wednesday, November 8 – Saturday, November 11

**CARSON'S COMMUNITY DAYS**

Holy Cross will be selling Carson's Community Days coupon booklets. This event will be held at all Carson's stores from Wednesday, November 8 through Saturday, November 11. Each coupon booklet includes: A \$10 off coupon, a 30% savings pass valid in-store & online which can be used on top of the bonus buy prices and a 30% Yellow Dot savings pass, plus, exclusive coupon offers & free standard shipping online. Each booklet is \$5.00 and our church receives all the money from the sale of these booklets. To purchase booklets, please see Liz Wilczynski, Martha Stevens or Dorothy Lux.




We are extending the donations for the homeless until Oct. 29th. Slightly used or new scarves, gloves and hats are accepted. Please put your donations in the box that is in the narthex.

All items are gratefully appreciated.




# UPCOMING EVENTS

 **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**™ As life-affirming Lutherans, witnessing within our community is one way we can make a positive difference in the lives of preborn children, their mothers and fathers. September 27 through November 5, 40 Days for Life, a globally-coordinated movement of prayer to end abortion, will take place outside of abortion facilities. There are five 40 Days for Life locations in the Northern Illinois District, including Aurora, Chicago, Downers Grove, Orland Park, and Ottawa. Consider committing to an hour or more of prayer and pro-life witness to the community. Sign up at [40daysforlife.com](http://40daysforlife.com)

**Reformation Hymn Festival:** A free Reformation Hymn Festival will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 5211 Carpenter Street, Downers Grove, on Sunday, October 1 at 4 p.m. For more information, visit [ilcdg.org/2017/03/21/psalms-hymns-spiritual-songs-music-series](http://ilcdg.org/2017/03/21/psalms-hymns-spiritual-songs-music-series)

**150th Anniversary Celebration:** Join St. John Lutheran Church, 305 Circle Avenue, Forest Park, on Sunday, October 1, to celebrate their 150th Anniversary. Celebration Worship begins at 9:30 a.m. with reception following service. Historic tour of church, Reformation Hymn Fest and pot luck dinner are included in activities. Reservations are requested by calling 708-366-3226 or email [stjohnchurch@stjohnforestpark.org](mailto:stjohnchurch@stjohnforestpark.org). There is no cost for any of these activities.

 **500th Anniversary of the Reformation:** Join Concordia University Chicago in a Celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. Call Concordia University, River Forest for more information at (708) 771-8300.

◆ Johann Sebastian Bach's Clavierübung, Part III Performances March - October, 2017

- ◆ Let the Books Tell the Story: J.S. Bach's Bible and Reformation Treasures October 2017 Exhibition Opening: October 8 including a performance of Bach's Clavierübung, Part III, in the Chapel
- ◆ Reformation 500 Celebration Day - A family event for the Northern Illinois District and area congregations. October 28, 2017. REGISTRATION NOW OPEN - Reserve Your Spot Now
- ◆ Reformation Vespers - Featuring J. S. Bach's Reformation Cantata "Gott der Herr ist Sonn und Schild" BWV 79 With Aestas Consort & members of the Concordia Chamber Orchestra Soloists: Nathalie Colas (soprano), Suzanne Rovani (mezzo soprano), Aaron Wardell (baritone) Maurice Boyer, conductor Steven Wentz, organist October 31, 2017

 **Octoberfest:** St. Peter Lutheran, 111 W. Olive Street, Arlington Heights, IL 60004 is hosting a free Octoberfest, Oct. 21. RSVP at

**Women's Fellowship Breakfast:** St. John Lutheran Church, 7214 South Cass Avenue, Darien, IL 60561. [www.sjlcldarien.org](http://www.sjlcldarien.org). Saturday, October 7, 2017, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker: Sharla Fritz. "Christ-Connected Women: Elizabeth and Mary" Sharla is a Christian author and speaker who weaves honesty and humor into life-changing Bible study focused on God's transforming grace. She helps women who feel they are pulled in a hundred different directions find soul rest by helping them connect to Christ. The lives of Elizabeth and Mary, the mother of Jesus, illustrate how we can have strong connections with Christ and others. The study explores how each of these courageous and godly women grew closer to God and how God put them together to strengthen each other. A freewill offering designated for the General Fund will be received to help defray cost of the event. Register by October 1 online at <http://www.sjlcldarien.org/events/womens-fellowship-breakfast.html> or call 630-969-7987.



## HILITES OF HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING



The August 14, 2017 Holy Cross Lutheran Church Council meeting opened at 7:35pm with prayer.

**PASTOR'S REPORT**– Mission Insite presentation by LCEF vice president David Thiele is confirmed for October 21, 2017 from 1-5pm.

Mobilizing the Mission presentation by Rev. Dr. Peter Meir will be November 4, from 12:45pm to 5:30pm. He will preach on November 5, and consult with our leaders about formulating our own mission plan on November 5, from 1-2:30pm.

Rev. Thomas Soltis will be our guest leader for our stewardship program entitled, “Consecration Sunday” on October 4, to train our stewardship leaders. November 12, to preach and speak at Consecration Sunday brunch or lunch.

The SELC District Convention is April 26-29, 2018 in Cleveland, OH.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**– At this time we are operating close to budget. We should all make sure to honor our offering commitments when we are away on vacation. A motion was made and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

### **BOARD REPORTS:**

**INTERN**– Josh has been researching the community and working on outreach plans for our church and how we can better serve the community.

**ELDERS**– We will be returning to two services on September 3, 2017.

**EVANGELISM**– The Evangelism committee ordered 50 coffee mugs to give to visitors, and putting up a welcome sign.

**EDUCATION**– There was a low turn out for the VBS picnic. Pam Rutkowski and Theresa Boltz have agreed to teach Sunday School for the upcoming year. Sunday School will begin on September 10, 2017.

**TRUSTEES**– The Trustees have been working on the landscape. 15-20 yards of wood chips have been donated and will be used in the landscape.

**STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE**– Stewardship and Finance are preparing for the “Consecrated Stewardship Program.”

**SOCIAL MINISTRIES**– Social Ministries will be collecting, hats, gloves and scarves until October.

♦ A motion was made to send Josh to the Professional Church Workers Conference in Macungie, Pennsylvania (approximate cost \$400.00).

♦ A motion was made to have a luncheon for Dr. Peter Meier on November 4, 2017. It is estimated we will have 12-15 people for lunch.

♦ A motion was made to have one service on November 12, at 9:15am.

♦ A motion was made to have Trunk-or-Treat this year.

♦ A motion was made to have dinner and movie night. The movie will be, “A Case for Christ.”

♦ The next council meeting is September 18, 2017.





## One-Day Mission Convocation

### “Mobilizing the Mission – Start New to Reach New”

*Jesus saw a huge crowd and had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Then he began to teach them many things. Mark 6:34*

Because of His compassion for the lost, Jesus spent His time teaching the people about His Father’s love for them, and demonstrating that love in concrete ways. As His followers, we are moved by that same compassion to share and show the love of Christ in our communities.

The SELC District partners with the Center for United States Missions to bring you this opportunity to learn and discuss, affirm and engage in the mission of God, namely to make disciples of all nations.

***This free one-day convocation will introduce you to the single most effective strategy for reaching the lost for Christ.*** In this “introductory tour” into the world of church multiplication, participants will explore the relationship of the mission of God to the development of new ministries in your church, your community and nearby communities currently without a ministry presence.

Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Peter Meier, Executive Director of the Center for US Missions (LCMS), and sponsored by the SELC District, this convocation will introduce pastors, leaders and interested parties to church multiplication – that is the multiplication of new ministries and new congregations in order to reach new people.

Convocation topics include *The Mission of God and Church Multiplication, Principles of Multiplication, Why Churches Plant Churches, Answers to Objections, What God Could Do Through Your, Capturing the Leader’s Heart, How to Know When It’s Time to Plant, Parenting Mistakes to Avoid, and Steps to Multiply.*

You are invited to come and be encouraged and equipped to see the harvest and reach out with God’s compassion and mercy in the variety of contexts and opportunities God has placed them.

**WHERE?** Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Alsip. Fellowship Hall

**WHEN?** Saturday, November 4, 2017, 12:45 - 5:30 p.m.

**WHO?** Anyone interested in bringing Christ to others.

**HOW MUCH?** *Absolutely Free!*

**REGISTER?** Not necessary.

Since I have arrived here I have always felt extremely welcome and cared for by the people of Holy Cross. Thank ya'll so much for always taking an interest in my home life, my welfare, and especially my appetite. This month is going to be when my job really starts to take shape and become an integral part of our church, up until now my tasks have mostly been observational in nature and consisted of much planning for the future. There is about to be a major shift in dynamics for me, especially with the start of our *Joining Jesus* Missional Community in a few weeks. Again, if you feel called to spread the love of God with those around you, please seriously consider joining us for our first meeting on Wednesday, October 11, at 7pm. Eventually, we want to meet in people's homes, but for now we will meet in the church conference room. I am deeply hoping that this group will be a new force for God's Kingdom in our church, as we shift our focus from ourselves to others in the community. In the meantime, I am enjoying writing the Sunday Children's messages, getting to know our little church family, and exploring South Chicago. Again, thank you so much for bringing me into your homes and lives, and I pray that God can use me for his kingdom over the next ten months!

### **Education, Joy in our Experiences**

Imagine that you are a Student in your Senior year at a Christian college, you need to take more theology classes to fulfill your degree, and you have already exhausted all the "easy" options such as New and Old Testament. In a moment of weakness, you give into the peer pressure of one of your good friends who says, "You should take Hebrew, it's fun."

A month later, you are going to the same forgotten classroom in the back of the school, five days a week, to learn Hebrew from a professor who forgets your name and assigns equal amounts of sarcasm as well as homework. The situation does not lend itself to joy. The subject matter is difficult (just ask any minister) and the professor is a wild card, not to mention you are the sole member of the lonely class.

So, if I was to use one word to sum up the experience, what do you think it would be? Regret? Waste? Frustration?

The word is Joy.

At the end of that semester I had so much joy associated with that class, and not because it was easy, but because I was having a shared experience with scripture. Often, we share in scripture, but we would hardly call it an experience. Is your average Sunday school an "experience", or just a forgettable hour spent with your "church friends"? While the event may be shared among your peers, we are rarely, truly challenged by such moments in our walk of faith. This where true Christian Education comes into play, with the combination of community and experiential education, we can have a memorable, meaningful relationship with God's Word, as well as those around us. Therefore, I have nothing but fond memories about Hebrew, despite all its quirks and the workload, my soul rejoiced to meditate on God's word with someone else in such a meaningful way. As we approach the Fall's increased programming here at Holy Cross, how can we constantly be challenging ourselves to engage in God's word? There are so many Bible Studies, events and workshops coming up that it can be easy to simply coast through an entire Church season without once partaking in the joy of a shared experience with scripture. The outlook, the expectation of Joy, is what changes these shared moments into true experiences. Brothers and sisters in Christ, don't settle for less, but instead look at every time you interact with scripture as an opportunity to stretch yourself, to approach God's word as a unique, special, and growing opportunity. You may just look back on all those shared experiences with one word: Joy.

### **Evangelism, what is the LCMS up to?**

Did you know that you are not alone when it comes to sharing the Gospel? That sounds like some good news to me!

Not only is there a worldwide network of Christians who are actively seeking to fulfill the Lord's great commission, but there are also some amazing evangelism efforts happening in our own denomination. Here are some of the local, national, and global efforts that are happening in our Lutheran world to bring God's word to the masses:

### **Everyone His Witness**

This program is a newer outreach approach that seeks to equip Christians with tangible, scriptural tools to reach out to their neighbors and friends with the gospel. It is currently a growing and evolving idea with its first module on the LCMS website. One unique aspect is that it desires to use the Small Catechism as a witnessing tool. This is a fantastic effort, since the Catechism can often serve as a bridge between modern language thinking and scriptural reasoning.

Participants learn: What is witnessing? Why do we witness? And the "how-to" of witnessing using the LASSIE approach — Listen-Ask-Seek-Share-Invite-Encourage.

### **Church Planting**

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's Office of National Mission is investing significant energy and effort in working with our districts to assist in their church planting efforts.

Church planting can be accomplished through mother congregations, sponsoring circuits, or planting networks that may simply need support to get things started. Partnerships are also formed between struggling congregations in the inner city or rural areas and healthy congregations who wish to help them restart. Worldwide, there are hundreds of LCMS churches and missionaries who are committed to spreading God's word to all nations, everywhere. My own good friends from college are spread from Peru to Slovakia for God's mission to his children. For more information (there is so much to learn about World Missions) just check out LCMS.org!

These are just a few examples of how the great commission, to make disciples of all nations, is truly becoming a reality today. If there is an evangelistic tug at your heart to reach out to others with the Gospel, then know that you are not alone! The call to be God's people is heard far and wide!

God Bless,  
Josh Weiser



# FIRST LOVE

Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love (Rev2:4)

Do you remember your first love? I was five years old when it happened to me. It didn't work out though. It's hard to "go a courtin'" with all of the restrictions that parents put on a five-year-old. Besides, her mother was my grandmothers' boss, so there was that family status thing. (And let's not even talk about the fact that she was Jewish)

Most people experience their first love a little bit later in life. And when it happens it is consuming. The object of your love dominates your thoughts and becomes the center of your life. But alas, for most people, that first love does not last. We move on with our lives and later, if we marry another, we find that our first love was not our true love.

The subject of first love came up a few years ago when I was leading a Bible class on the book of Revelation. (What a fabulous book that is). The first vision John had was letters sent to seven Christian churches. These were real churches that existed in Asia Minor. But they represented the entire Christian Church of all time. The letters were filled with encouragement, praise and warnings for the Christian Church.

In the letter to the church at Ephesus the congregation was praised for several things including the fact that they put false apostles to the test. In other words, they did not listen to false doctrine. But they were also given a warning. *"Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love"*. Their first love was a steadfast love for Christ and His Gospel. It seems that, while they were eager to hold on to proper Christian doctrine, their first love was no longer their true love.

Should we be concerned about this? Certainly, one of the things that drew me to the Lutheran church is the importance we Missouri Synod Lutherans put on sound Christian doctrine. As we witness other Christian bodies "water down" their doctrine to fit more comfortably into the modern world, we do a good job of testing what we see and hear against the sound Christian doctrine we have learned. And I believe that the praise given to the church at Ephesus applies to us as well. But what about the warning? Does our first love, that consuming love for Jesus and His Gospel, still dominate our lives?

A parallel can be drawn between the Christians at Ephesus and the Pharisees of Jesus day. With them it was the law. In their eagerness to obey God's law, as they understood it, they lost sight of the promised Messiah. They did not recognize Him, even though their knowledge of the Scripture should have made Him stand out. For the Christians in Ephesus, they were eager to test false doctrine against true doctrine, but they put that ahead of their love for spreading the Gospel.

Let us hold fast to the sound Christian doctrine that we Lutherans are so famous for. But let us never forget why we are here. In the following months, Holy Cross will be engaging in serious outreach to the people in our community. I pray that each of us will be ready to "answer the call" to be part of this effort when the call for help goes out. Let the love for Jesus and his Gospel and our eagerness to take it to all those in our community who need to hear it, remain forever both our first and our true love.

God Bless,  
Tom Griffin



# SELC CHICAGO-LAND REFORMATION SERVICE

SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2017

2:30PM

## A BLENDED REFORMATION SERVICE

(English/Spanish/Slovak)

### GUEST PREACHER

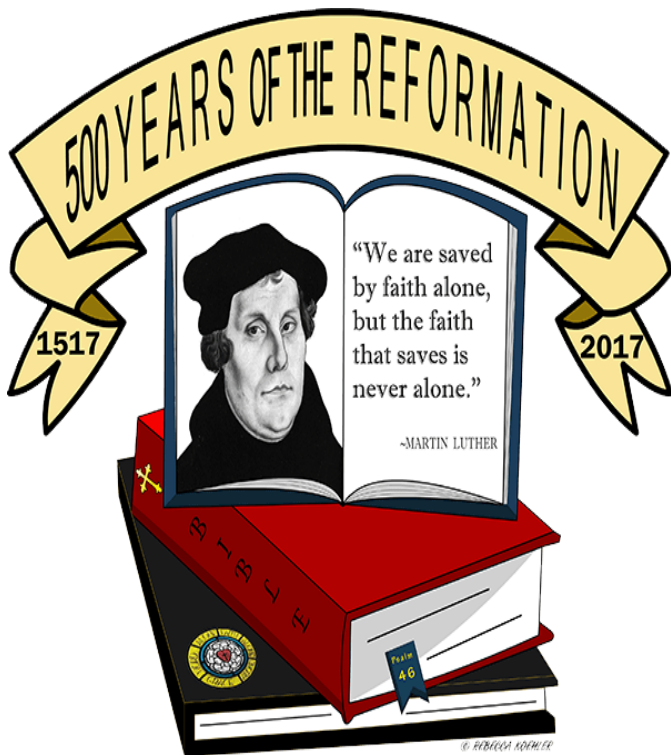
The Rev. Dr. Carl Krueger  
President Emeritus of the SELC District

### HISPANIC PREACHER

The Rev. John Henry

### HOST PASTOR

The Rev. Richard Ramirez



LUNCH WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

### HOSTED BY:

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Dr. Martin Luther  
5344 S. Francisco Ave. Chicago, IL  
Cell Phone: 440-360-0390



## SERVANTS IN WORSHIP -October, 2017

DATE	TIME	USHER	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	LECTOR	ALTAR GUILD	COUNTER	GREETER	PROJECTIONIST
1	8:00AM ----- 10:30AM	Jim Boltz ----- Ron Wedster	Jim Boltz -----	Donna Judd ----- Donna Meilahn	Martha Stevens ----- Carole Vrshek	Dorothy Lux ----- Martha Stevens	Barb Piekosz ----- Pauline Griffin	Martha Stevens ----- Theresa Boltz
8	8:00AM ----- 10:30AM	Jim Boltz ----- Ron Wedster	-----	----- Pam Rutkowski	Martha Stevens ----- Carole Vrshek	Faith Schulz ----- Donna Meilahn	Barb Piekosz ----- Pauline Griffin	Martha Stevens ----- Theresa Boltz
15	8:00AM ----- 10:30AM	Jim Boltz ----- Ron Wedster	Jim Boltz -----	Josh Weiser ----- Liz Wilczynski	Martha Stevens ----- Carole Vrshek	Pam Rutkowski ----- Marye Meyer	Barb Piekosz ----- Pauline Griffin	Martha Stevens ----- Theresa Boltz
22	8:00AM ----- 10:30AM	Jim Boltz ----- Ron Wedster	----- Tom Griffin	----- Sue Wilczynski	Martha Stevens ----- Carole Vrshek	Terry Vrshek ----- Carole Vrshek	Barb Piekosz ----- Pauline Griffin	Martha Stevens ----- Theresa Boltz
29	8:00AM ----- 10:30AM	Jim Boltz ----- Ron Wedster	----- Jim Bahr	----- Aimee Wilczynski	Martha Stevens ----- Carole Vrshek	Pauline Griffin ----- Nancy Fehser	Barb Piekosz ----- Pauline Griffin	Pauline Griffin ----- Theresa Boltz

***Thank you for all you do for Christ and His Church!***

## October, 2017

**Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, 708.597.5209 [hclc@hc-lc.org](mailto:hclc@hc-lc.org)**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1 FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY</b> 8:00AM Worship/Traditional (C) 9:15AM Sunday School/ Bible Class 10:30AM Worship/Contemporary	<b>2</b> 4:30PM Financial Wisdom 7:30PM Southwest Chorus 7:30PM Elders Meeting  Danielle Beukema (b)	<b>3</b> 7:00PM Financial Wisdom	<b>4</b> 4:30PM Tom Soltis for Consecrated Stewards	<b>5</b> 9:00AM Senior's Group Gathering	<b>6</b> Pastor's Day Off	<b>7</b> 10:30AM Food Pantry 2:00PM Praise Band  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"><i>Pastor on Vacation</i></div>
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