

Holy Cross Lutheran Church is having an annual meeting (as directed in the constitution and by laws) in order to approve the budget for the year. During a global pandemic this is a bit of a challenge, but we have the following plan in place – Sunday January 31, 2021, we will have in person worship at 9:30 am. We will begin the Annual meeting at 10:15 am, with just a 5 minute breather between the two.

Our gym at Holy Cross is where we have staged the safest indoor worship experience we can create – we have seats marked off at 6 foot distances from other family groups, masks and social distancing are required, there is no singing. We can continue these precautions for an annual meeting in order to keep the business of Holy Cross running successfully. However, you are expected to take the precautions YOU need to stay safe – all we need is a quorum to conduct this business. No one is being asked to make a risky choice they are not comfortable with.

Please arrange to read an Annual Report before the meeting if possible. You can pick one up at Holy Cross Tues-Thursday 9 – 1 (call the office to have us bring it to your car), or call the office 503-364-6041 to have us mail you a copy or email you a PDF (scanned) version of the annual meeting. We will also have annual reports available for pick up at the Drive up Communion this Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at noon. You might bring your own pen.

Mark your calendars for a special Congregational meeting on Sunday March 14, 2021 to review candidates nominated for council, and elect those individuals, as well as representatives to Synod Assembly. We will also discuss the future mission of Holy Cross together. Between the meetings, council members, and others will write articles for the weekly mailout focusing on the growing edges for our community in the days ahead.

This ‘shifting’ of elections to March means we will ask current council members to stay on until the new council is installed on May 2, 2021. We owe them a debt of thanks for being willing to be flexible in these Covid days.

We ARE having in-person Bible Study at noon on Thursday, January 21st (masks required and social distancing). If you don't feel well, please stay home and join us at 5:00pm on January 21st on Zoom at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84055018008?>

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We will be studying Mark 1:14-20



## Sunday Worship



This Sunday, January 24th, we will **NOT** have an in person worship service in the gym, but we **WILL** have drive-up communion at noon. Please bring your own bread and wine or juice for holy communion, as our service is contact free. Also, please pick up Annual Reports, Giving Statements, Contribution Envelopes and Devotionals! See you there!

As we do every week, check out our YouTube channel:

Pastor Patricia Hughes; or on our website:

[www.holycrosslutheran-salem.org](http://www.holycrosslutheran-salem.org); or on our Facebook page: HolyCrossLutheran-Salem.

All 5 worship moments will also be posted in the same three places.