

# Holy Cross Lutheran Church Salem Email Blast!

Current and upcoming events

Important Phone Numbers: Pr. Sena 971-707-3350

HC Office 503-364-6041 CGS Office 503-363-3726

## Thu Oct 26

Noon Bible Study  
7pm Capital Discussion  
(AA)  
7pm Zumba

## Fri Oct 27

2pm Casa Infantil Family  
Free Play  
7pm Zumba

## Sat Oct 28

9am TDR Safety Trng  
**1pm Darlene Tolleson  
Victory Service**  
6pm Manantial Groups

## Sun Oct 29

**10am @ St Mark Refor-  
mation Unity Service**  
4pm Manantial

## Mon Oct 30

11am LaCasita  
5pm TDR Safety Trng  
5pm LaCasita b-ball  
7pm Esperando Un Mil-  
agro (AlAnon)  
7pm Zumba

## Tue Oct 31

**Halloween**  
9am Tues Crew  
6:30pm Festival Chorale  
7pm Manantial Prayer  
Service

## Wed Nov 1

9am Rosemalers  
7pm Zumba

## Thu Nov 2

Noon Bible Study  
7pm Capital Discussion  
7pm Zumba

## Fri Nov 3

2pm Casa Infantil  
Family Free Play  
7pm Zumba

## Sat Nov 4

11am Cloud Setup  
6:30pm Aztec Dance  
Group

**Daylight Savings Time  
Ends "FALL BACK"**

## Sun Nov 5

**10am @ HC  
All Saints Service—**  
4pm Manantial Worship

**Weekdays 8am to 4pm  
— Casa Infantil**

[Please see the letter  
from Loran Sell, your  
Church President , on  
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## Reformation Sunday October 29, 2023

**ELCA Unity Service at  
St. Mark at 10am**  
790 Marion St NE

Celebration of the 1517  
Reformation with a  
service of Word and  
Sacrament.

Please attend (**wear  
RED**) to hear beautiful  
music and witness the  
confirmation of five  
young adults.

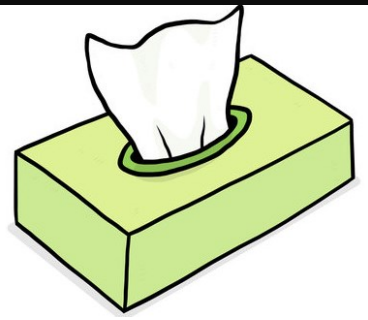
Longtime member  
Darlene Tolleson  
passed on Friday,  
Oct. 13, 2023. Her ser-  
vice will be held on  
Saturday, October 28th  
at 1 PM.

Beginning on Sunday, 11/26  
Holy Cross will hosts Family  
Promise guests for 7 nights.  
Volunteers needed. Contact  
Doug Odell if you are curious  
and interested.

503-856-5151

## Faith in Action / Outreach

Washington Elementary Needs—Throughout the school year there is a huge need for facial tissue (aka Kleenex). If you are at the store and purchasing your supply please consider adding a box or 2 and bring to the church. Suzanne will make sure they get to the right person at Washington.



Outreach Fall Collection—This season our focus is on collecting feminine products for girls at Houck Middle School and women at Simonka Place. Collection tote will be in the Gathering Space, thanks!!

Starting next week Holy Cross begins a journey with Church @ Park and their Safe Parking Program. 2 cars will park in our lot that is east of the Garden. Church @ Park will provide a dumpster and porta-potty for their use. They will be parking in cars for up to 12 hours between 7pm and 7am and then moving to a day center for community resource connections.

Salem for Refugees

Thrive Fundraiser

Thursday Nov 9th

4:30pm or 7pm

Willamette Heritage

Center Spinning Room

1313 Mill St SE Salem

Call HC office for further  
information 503-364-6041

### Altar Guild

Altar Guild needs members for Sunday service Table set up. Please contact the church office at 503-364-6041 if you would like to walk alongside someone and prepare the table for Sunday Service.

### Bible Study

You are welcome to join our bible study  
We meet in the Library at Holy Cross on  
Thursday's at Noon.

You can connect with our partner congregation at CGS (Christ the Good Shepherd) by clicking on these links :

For News from the Pews (aka Newsletter) ;

<https://www.christthegoodshep.org/news/october-news-from-the-pews--40>

To livestream (or watch later) Sunday services from CGS

<https://youtube.com/live/i5VQb-3fd9o>



## Oregon Spirit Choir

### Christmas Show

Hosted at CGS Tuesday,

December 5th, 2023

7:30pm to 8:15pm.

Followed by Refreshments



## Presidents Letter

To: Fellow members and friends of Holy Cross Lutheran Church

October 24, 2023

Talking with friends today I realized that it has been some time since I have communicated with many of you. I know that if you're not involved in the daily operation and flow of information it might seem like very little is happening. I assure you that is not the case. I would like to update you on our progress.

The Transformation Core Team, Margo Jensen, Wendy Smith and Pastor Sena have met and presented a joint decision-making process at the last Council meeting. It was adopted.

Chuck Palmquist was elected as the Joint Council Chair. He will conduct the discernment and transformation business while Heidi Pramuk, Cindy Spicer and I will continue to direct our separate council business.

The Joint Council meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month prior to our individual Council meetings. The officers of both congregations are meeting informally. Faith in Action is meeting monthly with the Outreach Committee of Christ the Good Shepherd.

Altar Guild and Altar Care have met and are working together to prepare the altars at both sites. A combined group interested in music is in the formation stages. Contact Pastor or me if you would like to be a part of this group. We are looking for someone to organize the group.

We have scheduled a joint congregational gathering for after service on Dec. 3 at Holy Cross. This meeting will be conducted by the presidents and Core Team. The intent is to present the survey results and give you, the members, an opportunity to have input into the process.

Please note the deliberate use of “Transformation” not “Transition”. I don’t know where this process will take us, but believe 2 things about where we are headed:

- 1) What we end up being will not look like the current Holy Cross or Christ the Good Shepherd. The end result will and must be something different than what we are now to survive in a different and changing world. Thus “Transformation”.
- 2) We will be better together!!!

The Council and Core Team may be leading, but we are all in this together. Your part is to stay informed and make your thoughts and ideas known. Please read the Council topics and notes (on the bulletin board and in the Blast), attend the congregational gatherings, remember that both Pastor and I are available to you by phone or in person, and Council meetings are open to any of you. If you would like to address the Council, please let me know in advance and I’ll put you first on the agenda. No notice needed to sit and listen.

Let’s continue to work together towards whatever God has in stores for us.

In the words of a very dear friend, “May God Bless you Real Good!”

President Loran Sell.