



In Our Prayers This Week



Throughout the week, please keep these people in your daily prayers. As a model for prayer, consider going through the **A.C.T.S. of prayer**. **Adoration**: praising God for who He is. **Confession**: confessing your sins to God, especially those that weigh on your heart. **Thanksgiving**: thanking God for specific blessings. **Supplication**: asking God for help.

For those who are homebound • Val Rakey, Barb Jones, Sharon Estes, Wanda Bollinger, Doug Arnold, Doris Bayuk, Nick Krege, Caryl Phillips, Pansy Meyer.

For healing and continued recovery • Dave Doenges (bladder cancer), Kelly Sullivan (recovering from knee surgery), Meaghin Schremp (undergoing chemotherapy for cancer), Bill Staffen (Bonnie Keir's brother, cancer), Dustin Hutson (recovering from a brain bleed), Pastor Jim Kirk (treatment for myeloma), Mike Fitzsimmons (chronic prostatitis, pelvic pain), Sue Schweiss (Cathy Dew's sister, back problems), Race and Clarissa (Connie Schwent's niece's children).

For those celebrating birthdays in May • Annette Rolfe (May 3), Pansy Meyer (May 15), Linda Ruzicka (May 18), Vicky Surman (May 21), Maryann Roth (May 23), Lance Meyer (May 27).

For those celebrating wedding anniversaries in May • Ben & LaJune Rottler (May 26).

For those who mourn.

For local, state, and national elected officials • that they uphold goodness and work humbly for those they serve.

For our community • that more people believe the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

For our circuit congregations.

For our church family • that we are transformed in Christ to share the hope of eternal life.

For missionaries.

For all prayer requests not listed here.

If you desire a prayer request to be printed in the bulletin, please let Pastor Craig or the church office know by email or phone by noon on Wednesday. Other prayer requests may still be prayed for during the church service by writing the request on the attendance card, folding your card in half, and giving it to an usher or placing it in the offering plate. Additionally, if you would like a prayer request removed, please talk to Pastor Craig, or contact the church office. Please note that if no update is given after a month, the prayer request will be removed from the list.



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The Day of Pentecost **May 19, 2024**

Welcome to Holy Cross! We're glad you're here!
Guests and visitors, we invite you to come back and worship with us again!

As We Gather • The Day of Pentecost is more connected to Easter than to the Sundays after Pentecost. It is the fiftieth day of Easter, marking the new dawn under the guidance of the Spirit. The Lord works through the preached Gospel and our life together as the baptized around His Table to deliver what He has promised. Thus the ministry of the Spirit is not some ethereal reality experienced in our feelings but the concrete reality of the Word spoken into our ears to bring forth faith and the body and blood of Jesus received by faith in Holy Communion. This is the way the Spirit continues to work in us and for us, and we continue to receive His ministry by faith and to celebrate this with great joy.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in memory of Laverne Fitzsimmons for her birthday on May 21.

Watering the church flowers in May: **Sundays: Betty Schremp. Mondays: Pastor Craig. Tuesdays: Betty Schremp. Wednesdays: Vicky Surman. Thursdays: Mike Fitzsimmons. Fridays: Bonnie Zerwig. Saturdays: Nikki Ringwald.** Each volunteer will water one day a week for the entire month.

We could use your help for the Honey Festival with volunteering to work or giving donations. CJ Kintz is busy making bears and glass plates. We are in need of small print fabric, suited for a bear and plate. She needs one yard to make both. Also: eight 1/2" buttons for the bear's legs and arms; two 3/4" matching buttons for eyes. These will be sold at the Honey Festival. Give your fabric to CJ, Vicky Surman, or Bonnie Zerwig by June. Potted plants will also be sold—donated by a member. If you make crafts, please consider donating to Children's Ministry & Evangelism. We are selling cookies like we do at Jour de Fete. We are asking members to bake and bag cookies six to 12 to a bag. Have the name of the cookie, and please note if it contains nuts. Watch for a work schedule sheet for signing up. We are trying to have one- or two-hour shifts or whatever works for you. The church will also be open for a rest area/eating lunch. If you would like to donate home-canning relishes, jellies, etc., we will gladly take them to sell.

Our Father's Business

SUNDAY May 19	TUESDAY May 21	NEXT SUNDAY May 26
9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE The Day of Pentecost Holy Communion	10:30 AM TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS	9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE The Holy Trinity Holy Communion
BIBLE CLASS after the service		BIBLE CLASS after the service

Your Financial Support of Your Church	5/12/24	Year-to-Date
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$2,777.00	\$52,763.00
Actual Offerings—including online offerings (budget)	\$3,450.00	\$53,314.11
Ahead/Behind Budget Requirement	\$673.00	\$551.11
% Ahead/Behind	24.2%	1.0%



Baby Bottle Campaign • Mother's Day to Father's Day

Support the Center for Life! You are invited to take a baby bottle from the back of the sanctuary home with you, and fill it with coins, cash, or checks. Return the filled bottle on Father's Day (June 16). You can also give online by visiting www.centerforlifemo.org.

The following upcoming Sundays are available for flowers for the altar: **June 2, July 14, July 21.** Please clearly print your name and occasion on the flower chart on the wall by the narthex above the water fountain. Please put **\$25** in an envelope; mark it: "Flower Fund"; and place it in the offering plate.

Acts 2:1 • "When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place." Pentecost was the Old Testament harvest festival—a time of thanksgiving, bounty, and giving gifts. In the New Testament, we have a new harvest—the ripe fields of the nations. This includes bringing in every tribe and tongue to praise the Lord. It is God who gives the increase with a harvest of thanksgiving.