



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.

For healing and continued recovery • Paula Dustman (broken leg), Jasmine (sister of Ben, Rachel Schremp's friend, undergoing tests following a seizure), Pansy Meyer (back pain), Bill Staffen (Bonnie Keir's brother, recovering from kidney surgery), Dustin Hutson (recovering from a brain bleed), Olivia (Betty Schremp's great-niece, recovering from a concussion), Emmalyn Ganey (Cathy Dew's granddaughter, ill), 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 November • Cathy Dew (November 3), Lisa Schlueter (November 13), Mary Perschbacher (November 19), Bill Surman (November 20), Bonnie Zerwig (November 24), Isaiah Reiter (November 25), Randy Ruzicka (November 27).

For those celebrating wedding anniversaries in November • Carl & Cheryl Noll (November 2), Jim & Stacy Bell (November 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.

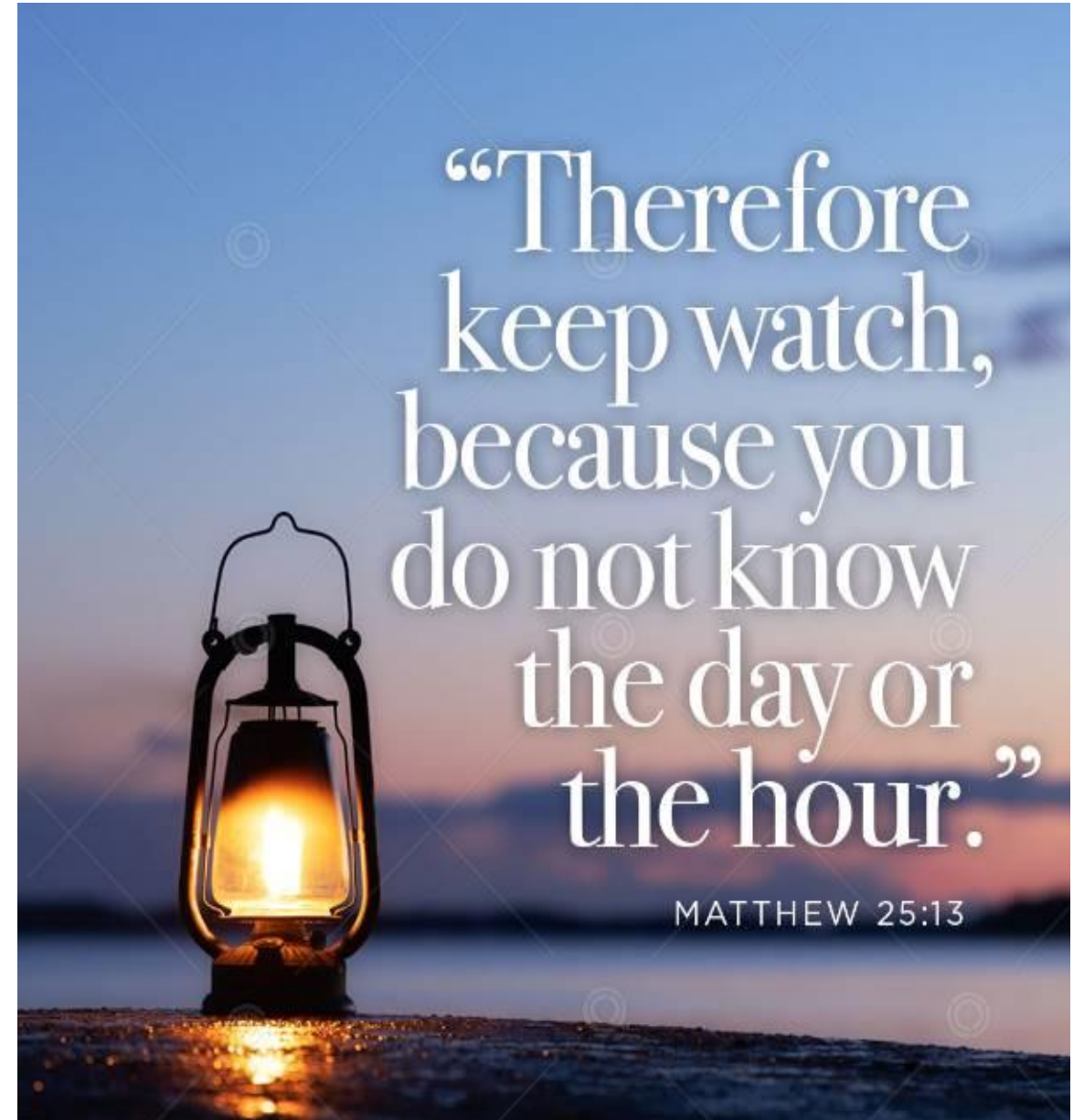
For our circuit congregations.

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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Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost **November 12, 2023**

Welcome to Holy Cross! We're glad you're here!

As We Gather • What do you do when you wait? What do others do? Whether sitting in the lobby of a doctor's office, or stuck behind a mile of cars in traffic, or counting down the days until an exciting event—what is done while waiting? Some seek distraction through technology to pass the time, others watch the time slowly pass, and still others wait impatiently, made known through verbal and nonverbal ways. How about when it comes to Jesus? What do we do while we wait for Him? Rather than seeking distractions to pass the time or feverishly looking at a clock while growing impatient, we are instead called to wait for Him in faith. We do not know the day nor the hour, but we wait in faith with more than oil in our lamps—faith in our hearts and on our lips until we meet the Bridegroom at the marriage feast.

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Rich and Irene Biscayart.

The insert in your bulletin is the first communion hymn for today.

The Strategic Planning Committee meets tomorrow (Monday) at 7:00 p.m.

NO Bible Class on Tuesday. Pastor is at the Circuit Meeting.

Would you like to give flowers for the altar next Sunday, November 19? We also have all Sundays in December available for Advent poinsettias: December 3, 10, 17, 24. All Sundays in January and February are also available. Clearly print your name and occasion on the flower chart on the wall by the narthex above the water fountain. On an envelope, write "Flower Fund"; put \$25 inside; and place it in the offering plate. Please note that flowers have increased in pricing. \$25.00 is now requested for those donating flowers for the altar.

Our Father's Business

SUNDAY November 12	MONDAY November 13	TUESDAY November 14	NEXT SUNDAY November 19
9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE Holy Communion BIBLE CLASS after the service	7:00 PM STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING	NO Bible Class Pastor at the Circuit Meeting	9:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE Holy Communion BIBLE CLASS after the service

Your Financial Support of Your Church	11/5/23	Year-to-Date
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$2,953	\$132,885
Actual Offerings—including online offerings (budget)	\$3,162	\$125,125
Ahead/Behind Budget Requirement	\$209	-\$7,760
% Ahead/Behind	7.1%	-5.8%

Members! If you haven't yet done so, please pick up your letter and pledge card in your church mailbox from the Stewardship Committee. There are extra copies on the desk in the back of the sanctuary. Please read through the materials. After prayerfully considering, please place the completed pledge cards in the box on the table in the back of the sanctuary. We will have a dedication on the Last Sunday of the Church Year, November 26.

There is now a music survey available for members to fill out if desired. They are available on the back table, and the collection box for the surveys is on the piano. We appreciate your feedback!
—Holy Cross Music Committee

Please plan to attend our Thanksgiving Service with Holy Communion on Tuesday, November 21. The service begins at 6:00 p.m.

We will decorate the church inside and outside for the Advent and Christmas seasons following the church service on Sunday, November 26.