

**Serving Today**

**Lay Reader: Nancy Tripodi**  
**Nursery: Sue Nyzio**  
**Usher: Doug & Maryann Puls**  
**Acolyte: Emily Calcagni**  
**Altar Team: Carol Beismann**  
**Greeter: Val Calcagni**  
**Fellowship: Baptism / Nyzio Family**  
**CC Prek-1st: Cindy Zuzzio**  
**CC 2nd-3rd: Janet Barrett**  
**CC Assistant: Brianna Pagnani**  
**Projection: Bryce Tripodi**




**Today we celebrate  
 the Baptism of  
 Braeden Basler**

**Backpacks**

Although it is just the beginning of July, before you know it the kids will be heading Back to School! No child should go back to school without having a backpack and school supplies. HCLC, once again this year, will be collecting filled backpacks to make sure each child has what they need for school. Backpacks will be donated to the children living in the motels we deliver to as well as to other needy children in our area.

You can donate a backpack on your own or put one together with a few friends. You can also donate single items to be put into a backpack if you prefer.

Some items you can add are:

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|---|--|-------------------|
| Notebooks   |  | Folders           |
| Loose Leaf Paper                                  |  | Ruler             |
| Index Cards                                       |  | Stapler & Staples |
| Pens  |  | Pencil Sharpener  |
| Pencils   |  | Scissors          |
| Erasers   |  | Book Covers       |
| Highlighters                                      |  | Glue Sticks       |
| Dictionary  |  | Binders           |
| Crayons, Colored Pencils or Magic Markers         |  |                   |
| Protractor (for high school students)             |  |                   |
| Scientific Calculator (for a high school student) |  |                   |

**Thank you to all of our  
 volunteers for sharing  
 their gifts in God's House  
 with us this morning.**


**Serving Next Week – July 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Lay Reader: Mary Cardone**  
**Nursery: Janice Scharko**  
**Usher: Dave Rivera & Bill Zuzzio**  
**Acolyte: Katie Bertrand**  
**Altar Team: Bill Zuzzio**  
**Greeter: Mary Cardone**  
**Fellowship:**  
**CC Prek-1st: Patty Rivera**  
**CC 2nd-3rd: Barb Tonzini**  
**CC Assistant: Gabriela Rivera**  
**Projection: Adriana Cardone**

Please place your donations in the bin next to the fireplace in the fellowship area. Backpacks will be collected until August 6<sup>th</sup> so that we can deliver them to the children living in the Bordentown motels during the Isaiah Project on August 13 and the remaining backpacks to other needy children in our community.

Contact Nate Puls at [mrincredible075@gmail.com](mailto:mrincredible075@gmail.com) for more information.

## Upcoming Ministry Events

(all events take place at HCLC unless otherwise specified)

- July 24<sup>th</sup> – July 28<sup>th</sup> (Mon.-Fri.) ~ VBS  
Prek – Kind. ~ 9:00 - 11:30am  
Kind. – 6<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 - 8:30pm
- July 27<sup>th</sup>– July 29<sup>th</sup> (Thurs.-Sat.) ~ Lawn Team 1
- July 29<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) ~ Women's Fellowship Bible Study ~  
10:00am at Mary Cardone's home  
~ AA Meeting ~ 6:00pm
- Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> (Wed.) ~ Bible Storyline ~ 6:00pm  
~ Pastor's Bible Study ~ 7:00pm
- Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> (Thurs.) ~ Worship Team Practice ~ 7:15pm
- Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> (Thurs.-Sat.) ~ Lawn Team 2
- Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) ~ Women's Fellowship Bible Study ~  
10:00am at Mary Cardone's home  
~ AA Meeting ~ 6:00pm

## HCLC Fitness Ministry With Barb Tonzini - Certified Personal Trainer

- July 23<sup>rd</sup> (Today) ~ Walk-Run 3 Miles
- July 24<sup>th</sup> (Mon.) ~ Boot Camp ~ 5:15am  
NO PM Class
- July 25<sup>th</sup> (Tues.) ~ Core Blast\*\*~ 5:20am - 6:00am  
NO PM Class
- July 26<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) ~ Group Run~ 5:15am  
NO PM Class
- July 27<sup>th</sup> (Thurs.) ~ Boot Camp ~ 5:15am  
NO PM Class
- July 28<sup>th</sup> (Fri.) ~ 5K Friday
- July 29<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) ~ Gilder Park  
weather permitting
- New participants must pre-register.  
Contact Barb at [btonzini@comcast.net](mailto:btonzini@comcast.net) for a free  
Boot Camp trial class

\*\* Please RSVP



Next Week

A Year of  
**Psalms and Blessings**

**HALLELUJAH**

**JULY 30, 10am | Psalm 148**

## September 3<sup>rd</sup>

The backpack is a symbol of the new school year, and the blessing reminds all that God is with us every step of the way, in every part of our lives.



**Blessing of the Backpacks**

Please have your children, your neighbor's children, your nieces and nephews, your grandchildren, educators and anyone else you can think of who will be going to school this September join us as we launch our students and teachers into the new 2017-2018 school year with love and support. Have them bring their backpacks and briefcases to church on September 3<sup>rd</sup> and Pastor Dan will say a special blessing for each student and educator. Start off the new school year right!

## Preschool Happenings

We still have a few spots left for the 2017-2018 school year, so if you or anyone you know has a child and is interested in having them attend our preschool next year, please contact Kathy Schroeder for a registration.

### Pastor's Bible Study

Join us Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm as we study the Book of HEBREWS.

### Pastor's Radio Bible Study

Tune in to Pastor Dan's Radio Bible Study every Sunday afternoon at 2:30pm on station WWBD 860AM.

### Mystery Bus Tour

Join the NJ District Youth for a journey into the unknown! Board the Mystery Bus and get ready for an amazing ride to... well, you'll have to be there to find out!

**Date:** Sat. Aug. 26 – Sun. Aug. 27

**Cost:** \$75/youth if registered by July 31, \$90 after. \$30 per adult chaperone (limited number of chaperones per congregation)

This overnight will include National Youth Gathering speaker Pastor **Matt Popovits**. After many stops, our final stop will be somewhere at the Shore.

This event is designed for youth participants between the ages of 14 to 18. To register for the Mystery Bus Tour, youth participants must meet ONE of the two following eligibility requirements: Must be 14 years old at the time of the Mystery Bus Tour -OR- Entering his or her ninth grade year in the Fall of 2017. If interested visit:

<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07ee8cudtf28e6757d&oseq=&c=&ch=>

### Leadership Summit

**Thank you** to everyone who has sponsored a leader who will be attending this year. All participants have been sponsored. We encourage sponsors to take the bible verse cards with them to remember to **pray** for each participant.

Also we have 3 tickets available to anyone who would like to join the leaders participating. Price is \$149. Contact Karen for more information.

### Fellowship

Do you enjoy staying after service on Sunday's fellowshiping with your HCLC family? Do you enjoy the coffee and snacks? Won't you consider signing up to provide the refreshments one Sunday, maybe in celebration of a **birthday, anniversary, graduation**, etc? A sign-up sheet is hanging on the back of the projection/sound pit wall near the fellowship table. If you need more information, contact Carol Beismann at [btd03@aol.com](mailto:btd03@aol.com).

### Summer VBS

Believe it or not, but our

**Summer VBS** starts

**TOMORROW!** If you haven't

had the chance to sign up your child/ren to attend or yourself to volunteer, we are happy to inform you that it is **NOT** too late. Just see Alli after service today to get connected and signed up.

All volunteers are asked to stay after this morning for a brief meeting about the upcoming week. **Everyone** is asked to stay after service to help decorate the church for this exciting outreach event.



### Leadership Positions

If you have been contemplating joining our HCLC leadership team and don't know where your talents would best fit in, we'd like to inform you of a few positions that are/will be open. If you need more information on any of the opportunities below, please contact **Pastor Dan**. We ask everyone to prayerfully consider joining our team.

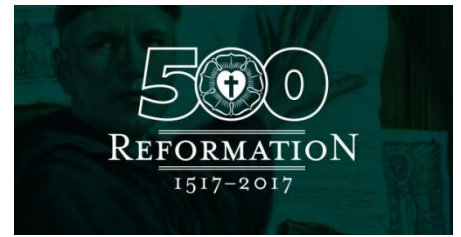
**Treasurer - CAO - Outreach Leader -  
Christian Board of Education  
President  
Faith Legacy Leader**

### Women's Fellowship Ministry

The Women's Fellowship Ministry will be finishing up the book **Coffee With The Savior** on August 5th. The next study on the book, **Forgiveness - Received From God, Extended to Others** by Donna Pyle will begin on Saturday, September 9. Mary Cardone has once again offered her home to host the Saturday morning breakfast studies. The book is available through Concordia Publishing House and costs \$14.99.

### LWML Women's Picnic

Thank you to everyone who attended the LWML Women's Picnic this past Tuesday evening. We enjoyed great food, great company and some really great stories.



### HCLC Oktoberfest Celebrating the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation

On Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, HCLC will be partnering with the Cool Cricket in Fieldsboro for a Community-wide celebration of Oktoberfest featuring Reformation-themed activities.

The Protestant Reformation beginning in 1517 is among the world's most significant historical events. All Christian churches were impacted positively by these events. Most importantly, the Gospel – the Bible's main message **that we are saved by God's free gift of grace** – became the church's primary message because a few brave people literally risked their lives to make it so.

As Lutherans, we have a special connection to the Reformation. The key documents that framed the Reformation became the foundational writings of the "Lutheran" church – the group of churches that adhered to the Gospel-rich theology of Martin Luther. These writings are now known as the "Book of Concord". The word concord means "agreement". So Lutheran churches are those in agreement that the Gospel-rich theology of the Reformation should remain the primary message of the church: **we are saved by God's free gift of grace!**

Oktoberfest, of course, is simply a Germanic excuse to have a large public gathering sometime near harvest. Oktoberfest in Munich takes place in late September, and so will Oktoberfest in Bordentown! And who better to lead it than the local Lutherans? This will be an opportunity for us to share and celebrate some very important heritage while also giving us a tremendous "excuse" to share a little bit of the Gospel with Bordentown. And so we need your help.

Please set aside a few hours on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Also, we want your help with all kinds of things in the weeks leading up to and on that day. Talk to **Pastor Dan** as soon as possible so we can find a perfect way for you to contribute to this awesome community event.

See the enclosed flyer for more information.

#### Tithes & Offerings:

July 16<sup>th</sup> ~ \$ 2,937.00

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### **We're so glad you joined us today!**

The members of Holy Cross welcome you today. We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us and we sincerely hope you are blessed through the service. For more information about Holy Cross, or for information about one of our wonderful programs, please fill out the information below and hand it to one of our church members or place it in the offering bag.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like -

to learn more about becoming a member

to learn more about HCLC's  youth  men's  women's  outreach  bible study  preschool  other programs

a call/visit from the pastor

Everyone is unique – no one understands that better than God. He welcomes you unconditionally, and so do we. Tees or ties, quirky or quiet, polished or pierced, canes or kids... at Holy Cross, we pray you will find God's love here and discover the unique people He made us to be. So please enjoy the music and the Biblical messages at a place where you can be yourself. And thank you for meeting us at the cross, at Holy Cross, where we think you'll come to discover how HCLC really is A Place Where Good (to GREAT) Things Happen!

### Points of Contact

For more information regarding one of our ministries, please contact the ministry coordinator listed below

#### Visitations/Confirmation/Baptism/Bible Study

Pastor Dan Sparling ~ [Pastorsparling@hclconline.org](mailto:Pastorsparling@hclconline.org)

Cell: 609-500-5027

Facebook: Dan Sparling /Twitter: @hclcpastordan

#### Preschool Director

Kathy Schroeder ~ 609-298-2880 or [preschool@hclconline.org](mailto:preschool@hclconline.org)

CAO / Fundraising/Grants ~ OPEN

#### Church & School Business Manager/ Offering Envelopes

Sunday Discipleship Schedule (TSIGH)

Karen Aschbacher ~ 609-298-2880 or [info@hclconline.org](mailto:info@hclconline.org)

Office Hours ~ W: 9:30–7:00 TH-F: 9:30-3:30

#### Fellowship

Carol Beismann ~ 609-387-1469 or [btd03@aol.com](mailto:btd03@aol.com)

Treasurer ~ Bill Zuzzio ~ [wil657@msn.com](mailto:wil657@msn.com)

#### Praise Team

Pastor Dan ~ [pastorsparling@hclconline.org](mailto:pastorsparling@hclconline.org)

#### Soul Shine

Danielle Stevens ~ [danielle.stevens84@gmail.com](mailto:danielle.stevens84@gmail.com)

#### The Projection Booth (Sight & Sound)

Dominic Cardone ~ [TheBooth@hclconline.org](mailto:TheBooth@hclconline.org)

#### Children's Church

Karen Aschbacher ~ [karena@hclconline.org](mailto:karena@hclconline.org)

#### Sunday Worship Nursery

Melissa Haines ~ [mhowarth77@yahoo.com](mailto:mhowarth77@yahoo.com)

Christian Education ~ OPEN

Governance Board ~ [Governance@hclconline.org](mailto:Governance@hclconline.org)

#### Isaiah Project / Isaiah Project Hygiene Items

Karen Aschbacher ~ [KarenA@hclconline.org](mailto:KarenA@hclconline.org)

#### Meals Support Ministry / Community Outreach

OPEN

#### HCLC Women's Ministry (LWML)

Carol Beismann ~ 609-387-1469 or [btd03@aol.com](mailto:btd03@aol.com)

#### Women's Fellowship Ministry

Maryann Puls ~ [mpuls528@comcast.net](mailto:mpuls528@comcast.net)

#### Men's Fellowship Ministry

Doug Puls ~ [dpuls1026@comcast.net](mailto:dpuls1026@comcast.net)

#### Fitness Ministry

Barb Tonzini ~ 609-647-3316 or [btonzini@comcast.net](mailto:btonzini@comcast.net)

#### Marketing/Website

Sam Brown ~ [Marketing@hclconline.org](mailto:Marketing@hclconline.org)

Prayer Chain ~ Karen Aschbacher ~ [prayers@hclconline.org](mailto:prayers@hclconline.org)

#### Grocery Bags/Squeezable Jelly

Judy Berkeyheiser ~ [judy.berkeyheiser@gmail.com](mailto:judy.berkeyheiser@gmail.com)

Facilities ~ Ben Zuzzio ~ [benz425@msn.com](mailto:benz425@msn.com)

#### VBS ~ Vacation Bible School

Allie Cardone ~ [VBS@hclconline.org](mailto:VBS@hclconline.org)

#### Ruth Ministry

Heidi Brennan ~ [ruthministry@hclconline.org](mailto:ruthministry@hclconline.org)

Elders ~ Tim Rook ~ [Timothyroock@gmail.com](mailto:Timothyroock@gmail.com)

Faith Legacy Series ~ OPEN

### Holy Cross Lutheran Church and Preschool

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Bordentown, NJ 08505  
(609) 298-2880

[www.HCLConline.org](http://www.HCLConline.org)

#### Mission Statement:

Building Faith in Every Home  
Through Witness, Mercy and Life  
Together

Facebook @ Holy Cross Lutheran  
Church

### Preschool

2, 3, 5 Day Preschool Programs  
For children ages 3 and 4

Preschool Director: Kathy Schroeder  
[www.hclconline.org/preschool](http://www.hclconline.org/preschool)

Mission Statement:  
Growing Kids, God's Way

Follow us on: Instagram @ hcls\_prek  
Twitter @ hc\_preschool

Facebook @ Holy Cross Lutheran  
Preschool

### Holy Cross Lutheran Church Youth Groups:

GANG 2.0 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades  
[www.hclconline.org/community/youth-group](http://www.hclconline.org/community/youth-group)

#### Mission Statement:

HCLC is a place where good things  
happen because youth are  
encountering Jesus Christ

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