

## Weekly Email Blast!

## A Message from Pastor Patricia

Holy Cross Lutheran Church is alive and well! We have cancelled worship in the building at 1998 Lansing Ave. NE, Salem, OR 97301, for the time being (through April 5th—we will let you know about further cancellations in the days ahead).

BUT! *Our Church is ALIVE!* We are worshipping online at <a href="https://www.holycrosslutheran-salem.org">www.holycrosslutheran-salem.org</a>, we are worshipping on Facebook at Holy Cross Lutheran-Salem. We are worshipping in the printed bulletins and sermons, prayers and activity pages we send you weekly. If you would rather not receive these weekly mailings, please call the office at 503/364-6041 and ask Janet to take you off the mailing list.

You can always email me at <u>patriciamakesjam@gmail.com</u>, you can call me at 503/510-9976. And you can always call the office and talk to Janet. Our regular office hours are 9am-1pm M-F, although on some days Janet is working from home, having forwarded the phones and using the church laptop computer.

Stay well, stay connected, and we will join together for Joyous worship again on the corner of Lansing and Sunnyview. Pastor P +

Hello from Janet! Please look for a phone call from me, coming from the office phone, during the next several weeks. I'll be working on updating/verifying information in our Instant Church Directory and need your input. I'll also be happy to walk you through downloading the directory on your phone, computer or tablet (Android, Kindle, iPhone, iPad and any other iOS device) if you haven't done so already. I look forward to talking to you soon! Janet

## Praying together at Holy Cross—Sunday, March 29, 2020

We pray for those in leadership in our country, our state and our cities. May God sustain them and continue to point them to compassionate, quick and well-informed response.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those hospitalized, for those in assisted living centers or care homes. Keep them well, safe and focused on hope.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer. (Specific people are mentioned here)

We pray for individuals whose source of income is interrupted at this time. Fill them with God's supply of comfort, and may opportunities for their income increase. (Specific people are mentioned here)

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for children and parents dealing with a new normal—may their learning continue. Be with those teachers attempting to find a way to reach out in new and inspiring ways. (Specific people are mentioned here) Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for special circumstances—our friends at Family Promise, the homeless, the imprisoned, the hospitalized, and beg you, Lord, to protect them and encourage our leaders to care for them. (Specific people are mentioned here)

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for our financial systems, as new information and data comes our every day, pushing us to worry. Let us find ways to be mindful but not frantic. (Specific people are mentioned here)

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For this and all those matters, circumstances and individuals whose needs are brought to mind at this time. (Specific people are mentioned here) Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Thank you, Lord, for loving us. It is what makes all the difference.

Amen.