

Holy Cross Ministry Teams and Programs

In one sentence!

Acolytes are a team of children, youth, and adults who serve at the altar.

Adult Education Series: Meets during Lent and fall to explore topics of theological and spiritual interest

Aging Gracefully is a retired community that meets monthly for lunch and reflection.

The Altar Guild cares for the altar, vestments, vessels, and linens used for worship, sets up the sanctuary for services, and cleans up afterwards

The Arts & Soul Team provides an annual expression for the artisans at Holy Cross to share their gifts.

The Bread Team provides homemade bread for our communion services.

The Children's Ministry Team plans weekly worship experiences to our children in their faith journey, and offers wonderful children's events throughout the year.

The Choir rehearses on Thursday evening and supports congregational singing on Sunday morning and at most major feasts.

Coffee Hour: Congregants gather in the reception hall Sunday mornings after the 8:30am and 10:15am service for refreshments and conversation

The Community Care Team coordinates meals, rides, communion, and help with small household tasks for those in our church community in need of these services.

The Contemplative Prayer Group meets weekly for a time of readings and reflection.

Corazón: a group of Holy Cross members travel to Mexico to help build a house for a family in need.

The Dead Wardens' Society is made up of former Rector's wardens, and serves as an ad-hoc team to advise the rector and to take on special projects of the parish.

Deanery Delegates are members elected from the congregation to represent Holy Cross at Diocesan convention and deanery ministries.

The Endowment Team meets quarterly to review our investment strategy and to make recommendations to the vestry for their approval.

Eucharistic Ministers serve at the altar and assist in the administration of Communion during corporate worship.

Eucharistic Visitors bring the sacrament to those who are ill or recuperating and can not make it to corporate worship.

The Finance Team makes recommendations to vestry regarding our parish finances, initiates fundraising campaigns, and prepares our annual budget for vestry approval.

The Healing Team is available during every Communion service to offer prayers for healing, and meets monthly to learn and support each other.

The Greeter/Usher Ministry Team works to provide a welcoming presence for all newcomers and members of Holy Cross with Greeters and Ushers at Sunday services, Get Better Acquainted Dinners for new members, and Newcomer Classes.

In His Hands meets weekly on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm for reading and discussing books that offer insight and questions that deepen our understanding of our lives and our faith.

The Lectors read lessons at corporate worship.

The Liturgy of the Steward meets on the third Saturday of each month to say prayers and care for our parish campus.

The Memorial Garden Team oversees the administration of the columbarium.

The Oak Creek Team provides a simple monthly worship service for the residents of Oak Creek hospital. (on hiatus due to COVID)

On Our Own, a group for all who fit this description, meets monthly for dinner and conversation.

Outreach Market: hosts monthly bake and craft sales to support church outreach programs.

Potluck and Table Talk: meets the second Sunday of every month for dinner and conversation.

The Receptions Team provides receptions for all funerals, major feasts, and celebrations at Holy Cross.

The Saturday Morning Book Group meets monthly to discuss a selected book over coffee, tea, and goodies.

Senior Adult Ministry: Sponsors outings to local activities for our senior members (others are welcome to join in too!)

The Shawl Ministry Team knits shawls to be blessed and given away as we become aware of likely recipients.

The Stewardship Team helps us to consider how we are doing with our Time, Talents, Treasure, and Breath, and orchestrates the fall stewardship campaign.

Sunday Offering Counters Team is made up of pairs of non-related members who count the Sunday offering and prepare the deposit for the bank.

VBS (Vacation Bible School) is a summer program that explores God's love through the use of a familiar theme, filled with music, fun, games, crafts and snacks

The Vestry is the "board of directors" of Holy Cross, elected by the congregation to serve on a three year revolving schedule, to represent the needs and concerns of all the teams and ministries at Holy Cross.

Wired Word meets in the conference room on Wednesday mornings to explore the relationship between current events and scripture.

The Women's Retreat is a yearly weekend event for the women of Holy Cross to grow in faith and love.

Women's Journaling Group meets monthly as a time to gather and share a potluck meal before spending some quiet time to journal, be creative or relax.

The Wrestling Team provides a place of discernment and support for aspirants to Holy Orders to struggle with the questions, and seek God's will.

Youth: Our middle school and high school youth assist with many church activities throughout the year, and participate in fun social activities as well.