



# Holy Cross Connections

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## Birthdays in April

- \* Justin Smith (April 10)
- \* Bob Henning (April 15)
- \* Heidi Nelson (April 29)



## He Is Risen Indeed, Hallelujah!

Pastor Bill is beginning a sermon series entitled  
“The Life of Martin Luther” starting April 18.

You don't want to miss it!

## Have a Prayer Request?

Let us know so that we can be praying! Contact us by:

e-mail ([holycrossword@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossword@gmail.com))

Phone (858-273-2886)

Website ([www.holycrossword.org/prayer](http://www.holycrossword.org/prayer))

## Important Reminders

- \* Board Meeting is April 5th at 4pm
- \* 1st Sundays Mtg is April 11th after service
- \* Parking lot sale is May 1st from 7am-1pm

## Inside this edition

- Lutheran Hour Ministries “Rose Parade Float”
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- International Missions—donation matching
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Sign up for daily devotions at [lhm.org/devotions](http://lhm.org/devotions)

## Parking Lot Sale!

We need your assistance in selling items at our annual parking lot sale. We need to clear out all the items that we will not be needing in the future.

Can you join us from 7am-1pm on May 1st? We need help sorting, selling, set up and clean up. Let us know if you can be there to help. Thanks!



## Africa Orphanage

A generous donation of \$500 came in for the orphanage!

If you'd like to help support their efforts, please designate "Africa Orphanage" on an offering envelope and write the check to Clairemont Lutheran Church (they deposit the funds and sends all donations electronically)

See back page for more details.



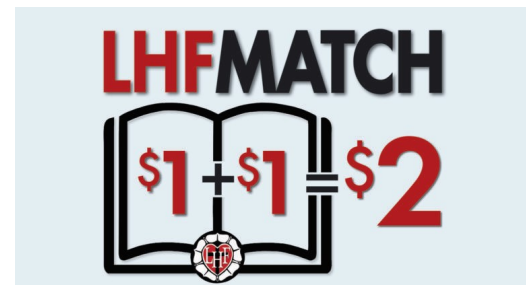
## International Missions donations—LHF Match is back!

If you haven't sent a mission gift to the Lutheran Heritage Foundation in the past 12 months, you're eligible for the LHF Match - a program that matches your donation, dollar for dollar, up to \$5,000!

No special paperwork is required. Gifts must be received by

Dec. 1, 2021, or before the \$160,000 match is exhausted

For more details and to give online go to: <https://www.lhfmissions.org/lhf-matching-gift/>



## **“Jesus Teaches” - Lutheran Hour Ministries Float for January 2022**



The Lutheran Hour Ministries' float is a self-funded project of the Southern California District of the International Lutheran Laymen's League, a dedicated group of supporters and volunteers who are active in ministry domestically and around the world.

The ministry of the organization is currently expressed through a wide range of Christ-centered outreach efforts under the name of Lutheran Hour Ministries. Thank you for your continued support of the LHM Tournament of Roses Parade Float Project. The float committee's ongoing work is funded primarily by generous donations from Christian friends and multiple fundraising activities and is not included in the operating budget of LHM or the LCMS.

If you like to send support you can send a check to: The Lutheran Hour Ministries Float Committee, PO Box 20044, Riverside, CA 92516

## Africa Empowering Children Orphanage

Africa empowering children in a non-profit organization dedicated in supporting the homeless kids find food and education in Kenya and east Africa. We have been helping the kids for many years with help of other interested partners from abroad and in the country. Clairemont Lutheran came on board in 2020 to help us and they have been doing a lot from helping us to drill water and shopping! Now we feed more than 200 kids in our locality! Many children have no place to go rather than live on the streets, they will look for plastic trash to sell them to find some food and marijuana to smoke so that they may not feel the cold when they are sleeping out at night. The photo below shows one of our kids when living on the streets looking for plastic trash to go and sell to get money to smoke marijuana at a young age. Thank you for joining us in saving kids from the drugs and giving them a home.

The care from all who sponsor and support the Africa Empowering Children's Homes in Kenya provides so much more than basic needs. In addition to a home, education, food, clothing, and healthcare the children experience a flourishing community, counseling, and a dynamic spiritual life so they can thrive.

The children have been helping with the chores and even making liquid soap for the Africa Empowering Children **Seeds of Hope** program which is distributing soap and seeds to communities in need.

