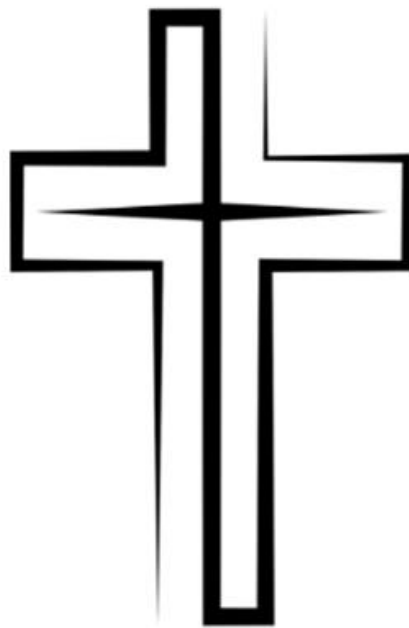


Church of the Holy Cross

The Second Sunday after Pentecost



June 7, 2026
10 a.m.
Holy Communion

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Gathering of the People

Prelude

Opening Hymn

All are Welcome



1. Let us build a house where love can dwell And
2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, And
3. Let us build a house where love is found In
4. Let us build a house where hands will reach Be -
5. Let us build a house where all are named, Their



all can safe - ly live, A place where saints and
words are strong and true, Where all God's chil - dren
wa - ter, wine and wheat: A ban - quet hall on
yond the wood and stone To heal and strength - en,
songs and vi - sions heard And loved and treas - ured,



chil - dren tell How hearts learn to for -
dare to seek To dream God's reign a -
ho - ly ground, Where peace and jus - tice
serve and teach, And live the Word they've
taught and claimed As words with - in the



give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions,
new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness
meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus,
known. Here the out - cast and the stran - ger
Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter,



Rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the
And as sym - bol of God's grace; Here as
Is re - vealed in time and space; As we
Bear the im - age of God's face; Let us
Prayers of faith and songs of grace, Let this



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
house pro - claim from floor to raft - er:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Opening Acclamation (Anglican Church of Kenya)

Celebrant The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it.

People **Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.**

Celebrant The Spirit is here.

People **The promise of God.**

Celebrant Let us pray:

All **Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness,
and know the shadow of our hearts:
cleans and renew us by your Spirit,
that we may walk in the light and glorify your name,
through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise H 400 (vs 1 & 8) *All creatures of our God and King*

1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
7 Let Il things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -

1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the

1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain
O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

First Lesson

Hosea 5:15-6:6

Reader A Reading from the Book of Hosea.

Thus says the Lord: "I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: 'Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.' What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 50:7-15

The reader leads off, and congregation responds with the bold verses.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:

"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.

**8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.**

9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, *
nor he-goats out of your pens;

**10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine, *
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.**

11 I know every bird in the sky, *
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.

**12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, *
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, *
or drink the blood of goats?

**14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and make good your vows to the Most High.**

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; *
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me."

Second Lesson

Romans 4:13-25

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So

numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn WOV 713 *Lord, let my heart be good soil*

Sing once before the gospel & once after.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your Word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der - stood. When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day." The piano accompaniment features various chords such as E, G#m, A, F#m, B, EM7, B7, G#m7, A, F#m7, A/B, B7, and B.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Jonathan Sams

Nicene Creed *Please stand as you are able.*

We believe in one God, the Creator, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Creator, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Creator; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Creator.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Creator, who with the Creator and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People (adapted from the Anglican Church in Australia)

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

For the community and world we live in, and for the ministry of Holy Cross,
We pray in the Spirit, O God.

For our search committee. Grant them wisdom, discernment and patience as they move through this process. **We pray in the Spirit, O God**

For the pastor who will be joining us. Lead the right priest to our Church and guide us as we move forward together. **We pray in the Spirit, O God**

For our church. Thanks you for sending us a tenant.
We pray in the Spirit, O God

For the least, the last and the outsiders to find belonging in love,
We pray in the Spirit, O God.

For the wise, the gifted and the strong to offer their talents in Christ's service,
We pray in the Spirit, O God.

For all who seek faith to discover the Good News here in their own way,
We pray in the Spirit, O God.

For all who are broken or discouraged to find healing and peace, in the grace of Christ,
We pray in the Spirit, O God.

For those who have gone before us.
May we be one in the resurrection to God's life.

Give us such trust in you, our generous God,
that our own generosity may be expressed in your service.

Give us the grace to live our unfolding story with you,
and to be changed by your Spirit as we live in hope.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions aloud in the room.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution (Episcopal Book of Common Prayer)

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

God's Peace is exchanged with one another.

Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Music "Come, Thou Fount of Boundless Welcome" by Rev. David Wheeler

The Offertory is performed while the Celebrant sets the table.

Come, Thou Fount of boundless welcome, tune our hearts to sing Your grace; every life and every story finds in You a sacred place. Streams of mercy, never ceasing, flow through those once cast aside; in Your love we claim our stories—fear and shame no longer hide.	O to grace how fierce and faithful, breaking chains of fear and shame; healing wounds from church and culture, speaking life in love's own name. Bind us now to one another, make us strong and make us brave; send us out to live Your welcome, love more boldly, wide as grace.	God of covenant and promise, sign of hope across the sky, call us into deeper justice, where no child is cast aside. Till all people live in freedom, till all know their sacred worth, we will sing and work for welcome—love alive in all the earth.
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Communion Prayer (Church of Ireland, Holy Communion Two, Prayer 3)

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Creator, Lord of all creation, we praise you for your goodness and your love.
When we turned away you did not reject us.
You came to meet us in your Son, welcomed us as your children
and prepared a table where we might feast with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened wide his arms upon the cross
and, with love stronger than death, he made the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

Lord Jesus Christ, our redeemer, on the night before you died
you came to table with your friends.
Taking bread, you gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying,
Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, we bless you: **you are the bread of life.**

At the end of supper you took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said,
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, we bless you: **you are the true vine.**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ: **dying, you destroyed our death, rising, you restored
our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon us now; may this bread and wine be to us
the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.
**As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us, who know our need of grace,
one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, Blessed Trinity:
with your whole Church throughout the world we offer you
this sacrifice of thanks and praise and lift our voice to join the song of heaven,
for ever praising you and saying:

Sanctus S 124 *Holy, holy, holy*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.
People **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer (New Zealand Prayer Book/He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa)

As Jesus taught us, we now pray,

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread (*Celebrant takes and breaks the bread.*)

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Gifts for Holy People.

Fraction EOM1 38 *Lamb of God*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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The Communion of the People

No one who comes to the bread and wine seeking Christ is turned away. The words of distribution are:

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. Amen.

The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation. Amen.

Communion Music Holy Cross Choir *For all the children*



1. God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -
2. Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be
3. Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and
4. God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the pro-mise of Your love.
free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,
shame so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.
wide, can live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we trust it soon will
that they nev - er have a rea - son to doubt that they are
May the mess - age now be ban - ished that Your love is for the
As they grow in strength and sta - ture, may they join us hand in



be, when your chil - dren will be free.
blest. May they, in Your love, find rest.
few, may their faith in You re - new.
hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.



O, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the church doors o - pen



wide. May there be room e - nough for ev - 'ry-one in - side.



For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -



long. May that wel - come be our song.

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Music: David Lohman

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Announcements & Blessings of Life Events

Pride Blessing

Post Communion Prayer (Anglican Church of Kenya)

Almighty God, eternal Creator,

we have sat at your feet, learned from your word, and eaten from your table.

We give you thanks and praise for accepting us into your family.

Send us out with your blessing, to live and to witness for you in the power of your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead. Amen.

Sending Hymn H 657 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

Going into the World

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, ALLELUIA!**

Postlude

*This brings the worship to a close.
All are invited for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall following the service.*

Ministers of Today's Service

Reader 1: Pam Janson
Reader 2: Rebecca McCormick
Greeter/Usher: Zean Smartt
Zoom Host: Bekah Schultze
Counters: Pam Hinkle & Rebecca McCormick

Altar Guild

Joanne Quinlan, Carole Abshier, Gael Grossman,
Anne Hamilton, Katherine Housman, Kathie Kirby,
Cathi Peterson

Clergy

Bishop of Michigan: The Rt. Rev. Bonnie Perry
Deacon: The Rev. Dcn. Cleda Smartt

Staff

Administrator: Teri Landreth
Music Director: Kate Autry
Sexton: Katie Forbing

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IN-PERSON SERVICES
Sunday 8am & 10am
WEEKLY ZOOM SERVICES
Sunday Service
 @ 10 AM
Wednesday Night Compline
 @ 7:45pm
 Information and Zoom links
 at www.holycrossnovi.org

Teri's Summer Schedule
 Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday:
 9 am - 3 pm Remote
 Friday: 10 am - 2 pm in Office

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 Note: The best way to connect with Teri is email or text. You can call or make an appointment to meet in person during remote office hours.

The flowers this Sunday are given to the glory of God in celebration of Holy Cross family by Kathie Kirby.
 If you would like to donate altar flowers, you can find more information and signup on the flower board - *Located in the hall*



Are there any graduates this year?
 If you'd like a graduate (GED or above) celebrated, please send Teri their name, school, and degree **by June 7th**.

Mark your calendars:

- **June 7th - Pride Sunday**
 - Rev Jonathan Sams
- **June 14th - Graduation Sunday**
 - Rev Sally Boelter
- **June 21st - Juneteenth, Father's Day** Hot Dog Barbecue @11am
 - Rev Jonathan Sams
- **June 28th - Chair Volleyball 12-1pm**
 - Rev Jonathan Sams

We Have a New Tenant!
 We are happy to announce that we have secured a new tenant for Holy Cross!
Little Hearts Learning Home is a childcare program offering Montessori curriculum and the state-funded GSRP program. They will be moving in as of August 1st. We are very thankful and look forward to welcoming them!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
Summer 2026 No Sunday School.
 The teachers will be taking a break from ministry June - August.
 Children are **welcome and encouraged** to attend church in the sanctuary with their families.

All are welcome to warm up before the service 9:20-9:35 when Kate will run through that day's music. All are welcome - no experience needed!
Choir Rehearsal time:
 11:30am - 12:15pm



Online Giving
 We have 2 ways to give online.

Zelle	Anedot

Social Justice Jar
 The Social Justice Jar is currently collecting for **SE Michigan LGBTQIA+ folks** via Affirmations located in Ferndale and serving mostly SE Michigan, and also supporting smaller LGBTQ+ organizations in all of MI.

 Online donations & checks memo "Affirmations"



Please pray for:

Peace the world over; for children in war zones, for all soldiers deployed, for all who have been victims of gun violence, for children affected by measles, for all those who are detained without due process, being housed in inhumane circumstances, for those affected by dangerous weather conditions.

In the Diocesan & Anglican cycle of prayer, St. Stephen's, Troy; Mother Savior Arab-American Christian Ministry, Dearborn; Church of the Transfiguration, Bani DR. The Scottish Episcopal Church

In our Holy Cross community, Rich, Paulette & Hank; Raul; Minerva; Wendy; Mike S; John J; Kumiko; Barbara; Lisa; Greta.

Please pray for the repose of soul for Cheryl Williams; and Pat.

Hospitality House Outreach

Did you know that SNAP benefits do not cover cleaning, personal hygiene or feminine products? Or that an established pantry, like Hospitality House, have a lot of resources to keep their shelves filled with shelf stable food?

Holy Cross' ministry to provide personal care & cleaning products makes a great impact on 950 families that are served each month.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Do you enjoy knitting or crocheting? Come join us on the **2nd Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m.** to create beautiful prayer shawls that will be handed out to those in need. Prayers for healing, grief, celebration, and everything in between.

If you would like to come join us, have any questions or would like to request one of the blessed prayer shawls, feel free to contact Thorne Hinkle thcatcrazy101@gmail.com

Prayer Request



If you have a pastoral emergency
Deacon Cleda Smartt
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(734) 718-4187

Faith & Advocacy

Meets the 2nd Friday of each month 7-8:00pm on Zoom.

We plan to focus on immigration, especially the horrible way that it is being handled by the current administration (ICE/CBP).

If you would like to be included, email Jane Foote at jfoote@mi.rr.com or text her your email address to 248-207-0652. Jane will email the zoom link to those on the email list the day before each meeting.

Social Time

Men's Breakfast Sat, TBA @ 9am.

Moe's on Ten

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Ladies Lunch Friday, June 12 @ 11:30 am

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