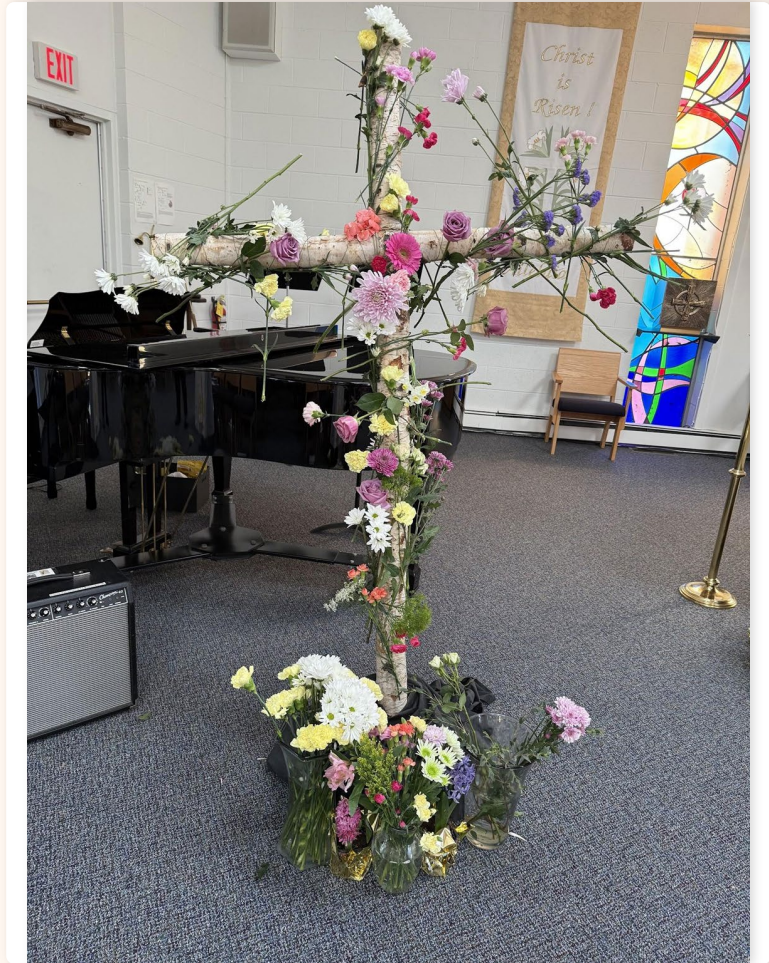


Holy Cross
Episcopal Church
2025

Stuff We
Did Together



Part I: Faith & Advocacy Stuff

“I, the Lord, love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing.”
—Isaiah 61:8

Protesting Stuff

April,
Lansing



Protesting Stuff



Protesting Stuff



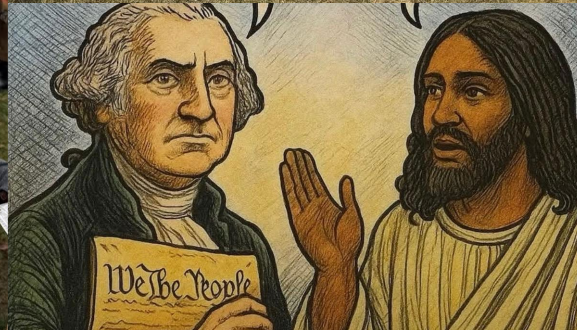
Protesting More Stuff

June, Novi



Protesting Yet More Stuff

August, Novi
& Traverse City



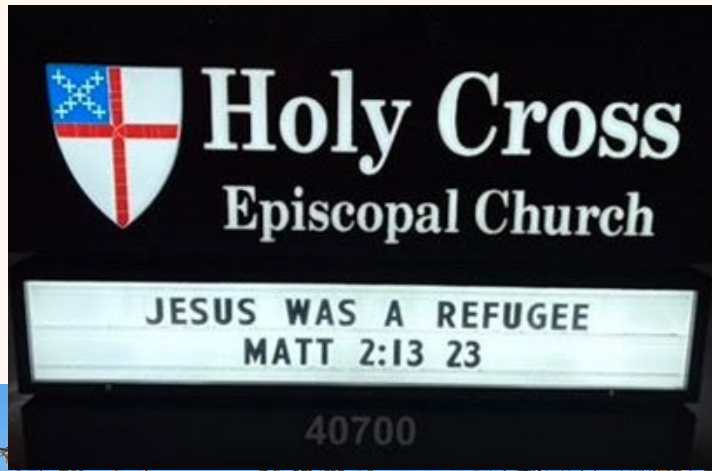
Keeping Stuff Safe

Gave out 23 gun locks



Now *that's*
Smartt work!!

With all these signs of the times ...
we got
some
kudos ...



"I wish *my* church was
out here protesting!"
– demonstrator



**and
we got
some
fatigue!**

Therefore ...

Part II: Rest & Social Stuff

“Caring for myself is not self-indulgence, it is self-preservation and that is an act of political warfare.”

—Audre Lorde

Puzzling Stuff Out



Turns out putting
all the pieces
together ...



Puzzling Stuff Out



...is pretty
rewarding!



Food: The Stuff of Life



Whether
picking it ...

Food: The Stuff of Life



collecting
it ...



Food: The Stuff of Life



Having fun,
Teri?



...or
cooking it!

Too Much
Stuff?

Too Little
Stuff?

Exchange your
Stuff for free ...

Buy Nothing!



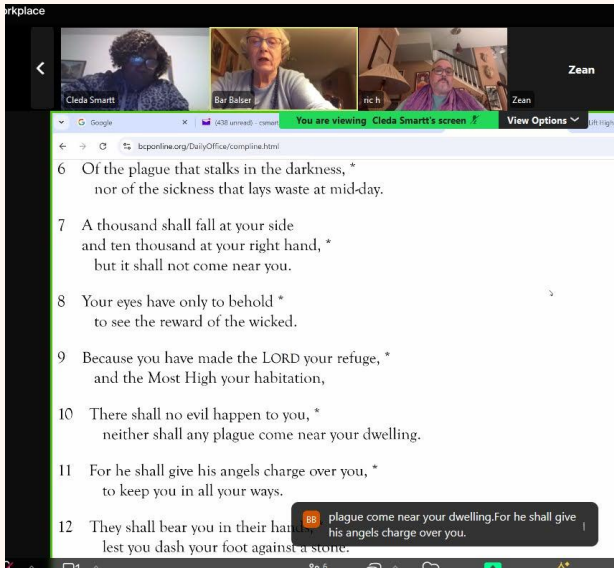
Part III: Worship & Prayer Stuff

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances ...”

–1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Praying Stuff

& Lighting Stuff On Fire



5 Years of Compline ...
Thank You Deacon Cleda!

“Watch that
ember!”

“Sorry!”

Singing & Playing Stuff



Thank You Kate!

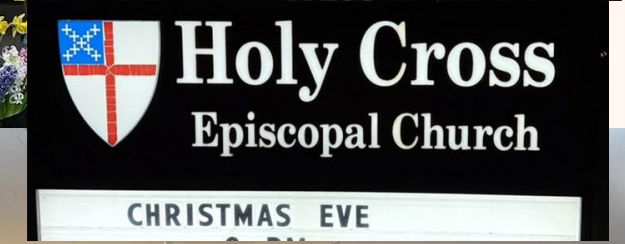


Adorning &



Carrying Stuff

Worship of the Year



Pentecost



& Ordinary Time

In Memoriam

Marlene Aughton
Paul Broderick

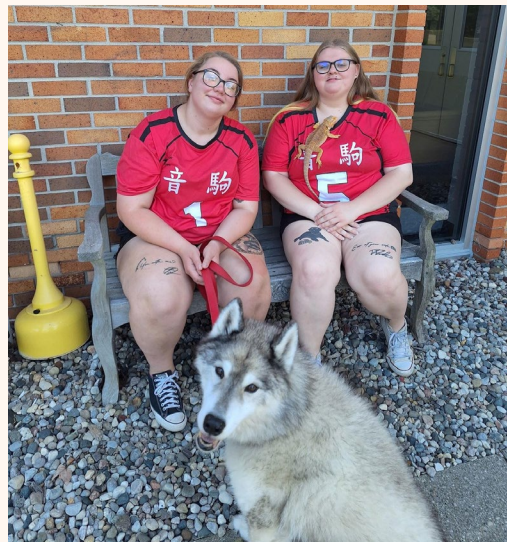


& In Celebration!

Blessing Our Pets



“I just hope
they don’t
‘do their stuff ’
inside!”



“No problem, Boss!”



And
of course ...

Blessing Our People



~ 3 Baptisms

Blessing Our People



Thank you,
Bishop Bonnie!



~ 6 Confirmations & Receptions

Part IV: Other Stuff

“Stuff happens”*

–Anonymous

**quotations have been cleaned up for general audience suitability.*

Behind the Scenes Stuff

College of
Congregational
Development, Year 2

(learning stuff)



(polishing stuff)



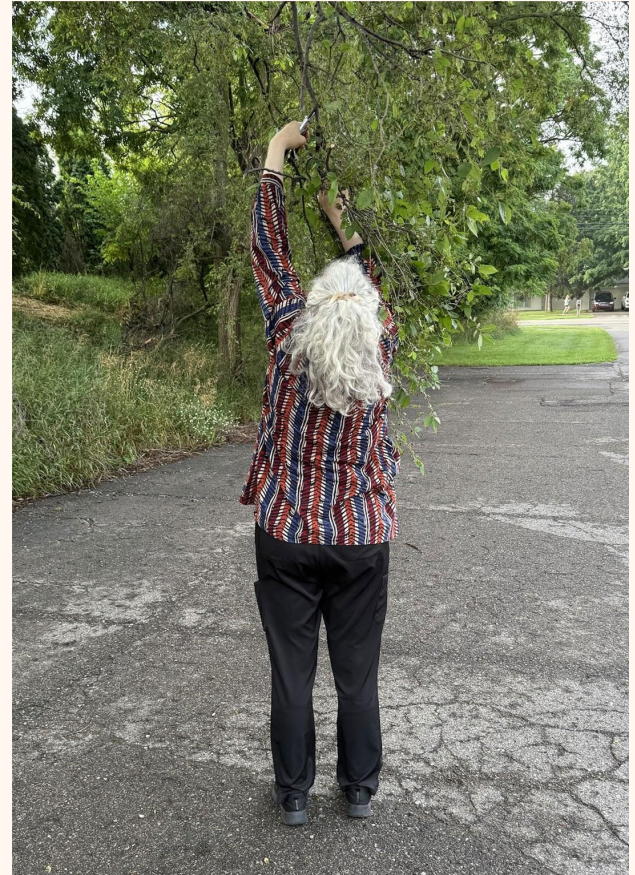
Ladies and
Gentlemen,
Your Altar Guild!



Behind the Scenes Stuff

In 2025 Your Vestry

- Completed the new roof (gutters/flashings)
- Secured \$20K in roof grants (retroactively)
- Finalized the Lilly grant report
- Completed an infrastructure needs assessment for future planning
- Pruned and gardened
- Conducted an external financial audit and ...
- Replaced the furnace!!!



(pruning stuff)

Behind the Scenes Stuff

In 2025 Your Vestry



“I may not be very sexy.”



“But now it’s so toasty in here I’m in short sleeves ... in December!”

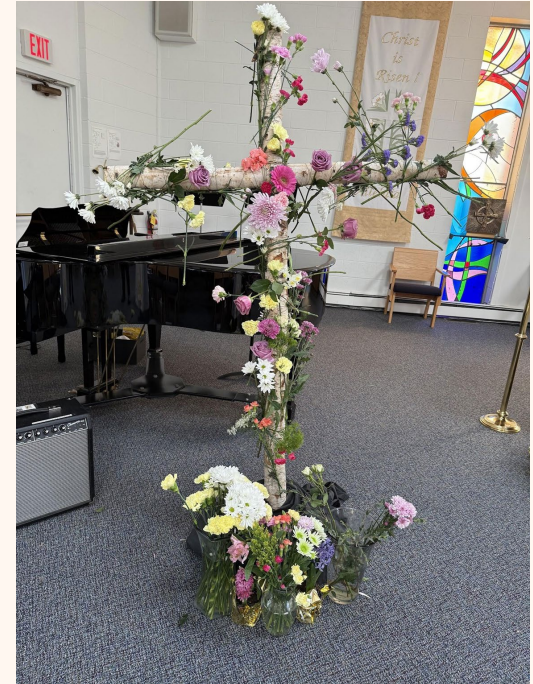
Awesome Work, Vestry!!

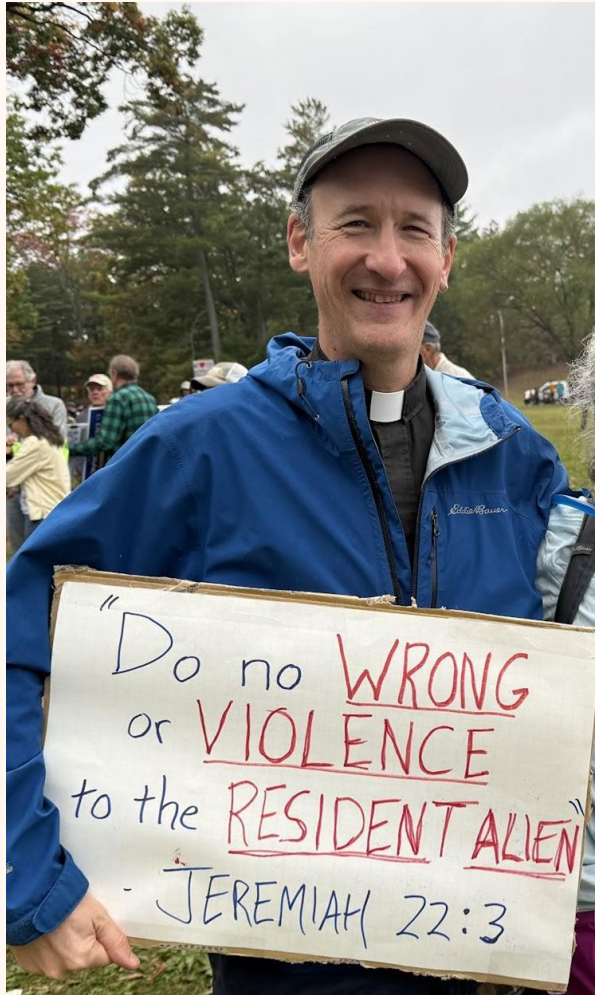
So, yeah we have done a lot of stuff together
and even though we are parting ways
we are an Easter people, which
means God knows how to get us

from here

...to here.

Holy Cross,
you are made of
the right stuff!
God bless you always.





See you at the crossroads!