

Holly Grove Lutheran

December 2009

Merry  
Christmas



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# The Holly Leaf



## Results of 2009 Congregational Meetings!

4 New Council Members are: Chip Blower, Carol Conrad, Jennifer Davis & Michael Willson

The proposed 2010 Budget was approved.



# HOLIDAY



## Schedule

### Advent Sundays

November 29  
December 6  
December 13  
December 20

### Advent Wednesday Services—6:00PM Meal 6:45PM Worship

December 2  
December 9  
December 16

### Christmas Celebration Sunday—December 13

### Christmas EVE EVE—Wednesday, December 23

6:00PM Meal, 6:45PM Worship

### Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Hand Bells 9:45PM  
Worship 10:00PM

### Home Communion Schedule

December 6 Amy & Harold to Edna Conrad & Beverly Harrison

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[www.hollygrovelutheranchurch.org](http://www.hollygrovelutheranchurch.org)
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**Toni Chapman**  
**Paula Hedrick**  
**Caroline Mocko, Editor**

## 2009 Church Council—Officers & Committee Representatives

President—Barry Conrad & Finance  
Vice—President—Amy Kepley & Fellowship  
Secretary—Kim Troutman & Stewardship  
Treasurer—Janna Waitman & Worship & Music  
Robert Hearn—Recreation  
Tracy Everhart—Capital Improvements  
Harold Beck—Mutual Ministry  
Sheila Davis—Social Ministry/Evangelism  
John Conrad—Parish Education  
Dean Chapman—Property  
Bobbie Fritts—Youth  
Joe Hedrick—Cemetery

Please contact these council people with your ideas, information, suggestions, etc.

### Church Health Team

CHT '09

*Listen & Lead*

Leader: Tina Heitman  
Lori Cecil  
Sheila Blower  
Jonathan Hedrick  
Ken Ward  
Pastor John Mocko  
Jonathan Reitz, NCD Coach

NCD=Natural Church  
Development

*Discover & Define*

A program developed & used around the world to help churches discover, define, and develop their greatest assets and identify their greatest needs.

The Holly Leaf Staff welcomes your suggestions, comments, concerns, wishes, ideas, and most of all any news you wish to share with our membership!

Thank you!

### CHT Prayer Team

Gary & Judy McLain  
Lisa Ward  
Debbie Frank  
Etta Lee Conrad  
Tina Hedrick  
Gary & Paula Hedrick  
Effie Burkhart  
Euzelia Johnson  
Sherry Proctor  
Cindy Hartley  
Barry Conrad  
Matthew & Monica Parsons



Praying always for the work and the goals of the CHT and individual CHT members.

### Holly Grove Lutheran Church Staff

The Reverend John Mocko, Pastor  
Judy Black, Organist & Pianist  
Caroline Mocko, Secretary  
Walt Anderson, Sexton

## December Meetings & Events

*Please check with the church office to avoid scheduling conflicts*

Tuesday, 12-1 10AM Bible Study—OC  
 Brothers in the Hood—630PM—OC  
 Wednesday, 12-2 Advent Meal & Worship—6PM  
 Thursday, 12-3 7PM Mutual Ministry—OC



Sunday, 12-6 930AM Sunday School 1030AM  
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 Hand bells practice at 3PM

All Youth 6PM December Wor-  
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Monday, 12-7 CHICK at 7PM  
 Tuesday, 12-8 10AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study  
 Wednesday, 12-9 Advent Meal & Worship 6PM

Sunday, 12-13 930AM Sunday School  
 1030AM Worship— **Christmas Celebration**  
**day**



Christmas Celebration Sunday  
 December 13

3P-4P Youth Christmas Party  
 Monday, 12-14 Church Council —7PM  
 Tuesday, 12-15 10AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study  
 Wednesday, 12-16 Advent Meal & Worship 6PM  
 Thursday, 12-17 January Holly Leaf Deadline  
 Friday, 12-18 Suggs/Shields Rehearsal  
 Saturday, 12-19 Suggs/Shields Wedding  
 Youth Caroling—6PM

Sunday, 12-20 930AM Sunday School 1030AM Worship-Holy Communion  
 Pack Back Packs 3PM Hand bells practice  
 Monday, 12-21 Agape Friends Circle at 630PM  
 Tuesday, 12-22 10AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study  
 Wednesday, 12-23 1030AM Seniors at Mt. Tabor

**Christmas EVE EVE—Meal & Worship 6-  
 - AWE Service**

**730PM**

Thursday, 12-24 **CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLE-  
 SERVICE**  
**Hand Bells at 945PM Worship at 10PM**



**LIGHT**

Friday, 12-25 **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Sunday, 12-27 930AM Sunday School 1030AM Worship  
 Monday, 12-28 630PM LMIM 7PM Holly Leaf work night  
 Tuesday, 12-29 **NO** 10AM Bible Study  
 Wednesday, 12-30 AWE Meal & Worship  
 Thursday, 12-31 **NEW** YEAR'S EVE



## Thank you for serving! December 2009

*Altar Guild* – Cindy Hartley

*Mothers Rose Garden* – Scott, Judy, Lindsay, Caroline Black in Honor of Barbara Black

6 *Acolyte*- Jay Proctor *Assisting Minister* – Caroline Mocko *Communion Assistant*

– Rex Everhart

*Ushers* – Bob Troutman, Max Carrick, Fred Lohr, Harold Beck

*Altar Flowers*- Pastor John Mocko in Honor of Caroline Mocko's Birthday,

Memory of Paul & Margaret Mocko, Sister Margaret Mocko, Nephew Ron Bosch

*Nursery Attendant*- Sandra Vaughn *Greeter*- Cornelia Conrad

*Children's Chat* - Pastor John *Prayer Room* – John Conrad

*Home Communion* – Amy & Harold to Edna Conrad & Beverly Harrison

*Gathering at the Grove*—Scott, Lindsay, Caroline Black with Ken Ward

*Lighting Advent Candle*— Scott, Judy, Lindsay, Caroline Black

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### 13 CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION SUNDAY

*Acolyte*- Caroline Black *Assisting Minister* – Cindy Hartley

*Ushers* – Joe Davis, Brandon Everhart, Tim Everhart, Nick Batten

*Altar Flowers*- Dean & Toni Chapman in Honor of Holly Grove Members

*Nursery Attendant*- Bobbie Fritts & Olivia Turner *Greeter*-Sheila Davis

*Children's Chat* - Joe Davis *Prayer Room* – Larry Conrad

*Gathering at the Grove*—Joe, Jennifer, Sarah Grace, Mary Davis with Paula Hedrick

*Lighting Advent Candle*— Joe, Jennifer, Mary, Sarah Grace Davis

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20 *Acolyte*- Sarah Grace Davis *Assisting Minister* – Debbie Frank *Communion Assistant*

– Tim Everhart

*Ushers* – Herbert Frank, Fred Lohr, Bob Troutman, Brandon Hedrick

*Altar Flowers*- Stanley & Joyce (Suggs) Sheilds

*Nursery Attendant*- Stephanie & Abi Hearn *Greeter*- Joe Davis

*Children's Chat* - Pastor John *Prayer Room* - Debbie Frank

*Gathering at the Grove*—Caroline, Brandon, Justin Hedrick with Toni Chapman

*Lighting Advent Candle*—Wendy & Colton Jones

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-----Christmas EVE EVE- Wednesday, Decem-  
ber 23—AWE—6PM Meal,  
645-730PM Worship—Everyone Welcome!



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CHRISTMAS EVE Candlelight Service at 10:00PM

Hand Bells play at 9:45PM

*Acolyte*- Lindsay Black *Assisting Minister* – Carol Conrad

*Communion Assistant* – Scott Black

*Ushers* – Dan Smith, Neil Clark, David Clark

*Greeter*- Cornelia Conrad

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27 *Acolyte*- Mary Davis *Assisting Minister* – Janna Waitman

*Ushers* – Dan Smith, Joel Hartley, Jenny Hartley, Robin Beck



## Spiritual Spotlight on Euzelia Johnson

Congratulations and thanks to Euzelia Johnson for providing 2500 hours of Volunteer Service at Lexington Memorial Hospital. Euzelia does an excellent job and is greatly appreciated!

*Debbie Parsons, RRT, RCP  
Assistant Director of Respiratory Care  
Lexington Memorial Hospital*

Thank you Euzelia! You are amazing!  
You touch so many with your loving care!

*“Let your light so shine before others that they may see  
your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven.”*

## Remember our Homebound!

Edna Conrad   Maxine Conrad   Hazel Eddinger  
Beverly Harrison   Defoy Miller   Vergie Monteith  
Aldene & Barbara Conrad



**HELP WANTED!**

HGLC looking for Part-time Youth Director! Please contact Pastor John Mocko at 336-249-2807 if you or someone you know is interested in this position.

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## **Evangelism at HGLC!**



Every month, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, we pack 25 backpacks for 25 children & their families as we work to “feed the hungry”-

***\*25 of each item listed below are requested:***

Peanut Butter – 18 oz

Canned Luncheon Meat – 12 oz can

Canned Vegetables – 14 to 15 oz can

Ravioli – 7 oz Pop-top can

Ramen Noodles w/veg – 2.25 oz cup

Macaroni & Cheese – 7.25 oz box

Fruit Bowls – Pkg of 4 – 4 oz

Seedless Raisins – 1.5 oz box

Toaster Tarts (1 pkt per backpack)

Ramen Noodles – 2-3 oz pkt (2 per backpack)

Fruit & Grain Cereal Bars (1 pkt per backpack)

Instant Oatmeal – 1.5 oz pkts (5 pkts per backpack)

Chocolate Pudding Snacks – Pkg of 4 – 3.5 oz cups

Graham Crackers – Box of 3 sleeves (1 sleeve per backpack)

Saltine Crackers – Box of 4 sleeves (1 sleeve per backpack)

Beans & Wieners – 7.5 oz Pop-top can (2 cans per backpack)

***\*Please keep this list!  
Give regularly!***

***Thank you!***

\$ Your donation of money is welcome. Items purchased by the Social Ministry/ Evangelism committee will be stored in the food pantry in the church basement.

***Please prayerfully consider being a part of this exciting ministry!***

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The Reverend John Mocko,  
Pastor

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Christmas EVE *EVE*  
*Follow that star.....*

December 23, 2009

Families Welcome! Children Encouraged!  
**A.W.E. - Awesome Worship Experience!**

Supper -6PM  
Music/Worship 645PM-730PM.

Holly Grove Lutheran Church  
Bring your friends!