

September 2021



## Welcome to Holly Grove Lutheran Church



**Join us for Rally Day on Sunday, September 12!**

**9am**--Doughnuts, coffee, and juice will be served at the Picnic Shelter.

**9:15am**--Trivia Game

**10:30am**--Worship--During Worship new age level Bibles will be given to children and Lutheran Study Bibles for adults.

**Following Worship**--The Fellowship Committee is hosting lunch at the Picnic Shelter. BBQ chicken, potato salad, slaw, and tea will be provided.

*Please bring a dessert and yard chairs.*

### Mission Statement of Holly Grove Lutheran Church

*"As united people of God under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, our purpose is to provide worship and Christian education, and respond in a loving action to a needy world."*

LOVE GROW SERVE

# The Holly Leaf

- Daily Prayers, links, to ELCA , sermons, The Holly Leaf, events & more on our website:

[www.hollygrovelutheranchurch.org](http://www.hollygrovelutheranchurch.org)

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**Love. Grow. Serve.**



# SiLLY for Christ

Spreading Lauren's Love Youth

## 2021-2022



Date & Time	Event
Sunday, Sept. 26, 12-2pm	<u>Dan Nicholas Park</u> • Meet at Shelter #__ (TBD). Bring a picnic lunch. We will enjoy the train, carousel, wildlife adventure, feed the ducks at the pond, and play on the playground as a group. Then, you are welcome to explore other activities on your own if you like!
Sunday, Oct. 24, 6-8pm	<u>Halloween Party</u> Meet at the picnic shelter for a hayride at 6pm, followed by a hot dog roast & s'mores. Wear your costume, and bring a bag for treats!
Sunday, Nov. 7, 4pm Sunday, Nov. 14, 4pm Sunday, Nov. 21, 4pm Sunday, Nov. 28, 4pm Sunday, Dec. 5, 4pm Sunday, Dec. 12, 4pm Sun., Dec. 19, 10:30am	<u>Christmas Play</u> • Play Practice • Play Practice • Play Practice • Play Practice (Plan to stay for dinner, and to make advent wreaths!) • Play Practice • Full Dress Rehearsal • Christmas Play
Friday, Dec. 3, 5:00pm Supper 7pm Show	<u>Disney on Ice</u> Meet at the McDonald's in Archdale (Exit 111 off I-85N). Performance at the Greensboro Coliseum begins at 7pm. Wear SiLLY shirts!
Sunday, Jan. 23, 1:30- 3:30pm	<u>Bowling</u> Meet at the Lexington YMCA bowling alley. Wear socks and your SiLLY shirts!
Saturday, Feb. 12, 7:00- 8:30pm	<u>Mother-Son, Father-Daughter Valentine's Dance</u> Meet in the fellowship hall. Dress to impress!
Sunday, Mar. 20, 11:30 am	<u>Kaleideum North Planetarium &amp; Science Museum</u> Leave after church. Eat lunch at Chick-fil-A (328 E Hanes Mill Rd, Winston-Salem). Head to Kaleideum North (400 W Hanes Mill Rd, W-5). Wear SiLLY shirts!
Saturday, Apr. 16, 9am	<u>NC Transportation Museum Easter Egg Hunt &amp; Easter Bunny Express</u> Meet in the church parking lot to carpool to Spencer Train Station (1 Samuel Spencer Dr, Spencer). The event begins at 10am. Wear SiLLY shirts!
Sunday, May 15, 1:30-3:00pm	<u>Shut Ins &amp; Snow Cones</u> Meet in the fellowship hall at 1:30 to practice. Wear your SiLLY shirts!

**Leader Contact Information:** Call or Text Tina Heitman at 336-250-0618. Hope you can join us!  
Youth younger than 2nd grade or who require additional supervision MUST be accompanied by an adult.





# Holly Grove Lutheran Church

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

When you receive this newsletter, it will officially be September. Each year, all summer long, I long for Fall to arrive. There is a quote that says, "Ah, September! You are the doorway to the season that awakens my soul." I love everything about Fall—the colors, the cooler temperatures, the flavors, and so much more! I am also looking forward to what this Fall holds for our life together at Holly Grove.

I am deeply thankful and am so proud of how faithfully our Council and congregation have handled the pandemic thus far. As a result of all we've done, no one in our congregation has gotten the Coronavirus because of something they attended or participated in at Holly Grove. The health and well-being of ALL of our congregation members has been and continues to be our highest priority.

The Council and I are grateful to all of you for all that you have done to help keep our congregation protected from the Coronavirus. You have followed the guidelines and recommendations that the Council has approved with understanding and grace. You have shown us your love for one another in tangible ways—masking, social distancing, staying home when you don't feel well, etc. And, so many of you who are eligible for the vaccine have been vaccinated! Thank you!!

All of these efforts combined mean that we are able to continue to gather in-person at Holly Grove and have some semblance of normalcy in our congregational activities. We will continue to enjoy the gift of worshiping together on Sunday mornings, the adult Sunday school classes and the Pastor's Bible Study continue to meet, SiLLY events can take place, and so much more.

We do ask that, even if you are vaccinated, you wear a mask indoors anytime you are at church in order to protect our children who are not yet eligible for the vaccine and those with compromised health conditions.

I hope you will join us for Rally Day on Sunday, September 12 to give thanks to God and celebrate that we are able to continue to gather together in-person this Fall and continue participating in many of the congregational activities that we enjoy. Join us for worship, for lots of food, and for fellowship.

With thanksgiving,  
Pastor Anna



# Announcements and Upcoming Events

**September 8:** Finance Committee at 6pm.

**September 8:** Choir practice resumes, 7-8 pm

**September 12:** RALLY DAY

**September 13:** Council at 7 pm

**September 15:** Seniors at Mt. Tabor at 10:30 am

**September 18:** B-B-Que Chicken

**September 19:** Parents Information Meeting for Confirmation at 7pm on Zoom

**September 20:** AGAPE at 6:30 pm

**September 27:** LMIM at 6:30 pm

## 2022 National Youth Gathering

Calling all students that will be rising 9th grade students through graduating seniors in the year 2022. The Youth Gathering will be in Minneapolis, MN. Youth will gather with approximately 30,000 other Lutheran youth from across the country.

**We need at church a full list of all students who meet the above criteria.** We will then host a meeting with families and youth in August. Please let us know if your child is eligible.

**Bible Study:** Join Pastor Anna for Bible Study each Tuesday from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**No July Council Minutes—The Council did not meet in July.**

On Sunday, August 8, we dedicated the Grand Piano, given by Max and Libby Carrick, to the praise and glory of God. We are grateful for this wonderful gift, which has already enhanced our worship significantly.



On July 26, Janice Queen received the Distinguished Community Citizen Award from the Silver Valley Civitan Club. Janice is described as a Christmas angel because of her generosity in contributing toys to Project Sant over the years. Congratulations Janice!



On Sunday, August 15 we had a Blessing of the Backpacks for our students and teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. We also blessed the school supplies and backpacks that folks had donated for students at Davis Townsend Elementary School. Thank you everyone for your generosity.



You may have noticed several of these blue recycling bins around the Church and Church Office. We are now recycling as part of God's call for us to care for creation. Please recycle your bulletins, any paper or cardboard, plastic bottles, and aluminum cans. Paula Hedrick has offered to empty our bins at the local recycling drop off area.



## HOLLY GROVE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The Holly Grove Senior Citizens Club met August 18<sup>th</sup> with 9 members present.

Pastor Anna Carter from Holly Grove Lutheran Church was our program leader this month. She encouraged us to think of God as a gardener, tending his ever changing garden. Plants are given life through seedlings planted in the soil, nourished, encouraged and given the ability to grow to their full potential as are we. Pastor Anna concluded her program with a short story from "Stories for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ear" by Lee Wallas.

Last May in his presentation, Pastor Sluder encouraged us to "Bump Up" our involvement with the community at large. With the loss of so many of our members in the last year and the continued warnings of COVID illnesses, it was difficult for us to find an outreach that was possible for our members to be able to become more involved in community service.

Pastor Anna suggested a written outreach program to the community. We will be reaching out to the members of our community who are isolated, ill, or struggling for any reason.

After the blessing we enjoyed a light salad and other refreshments.



On Saturday, September 18, the Holly Grove Lutheran Men in Mission and the Davis Townsend Lions Club are sponsoring a pick up BBQ chicken plate from 11am-4pm. It is pick up only at Holly Grove Lutheran Church. The meal includes 1/2 chicken plate, slaw, dip, potato salad, and a roll. Tickets are \$10.



This summer, James Palmer, Boyd Queen, and Frank Hamilton have been doing some outdoor projects at Holly Grove. We have a new mailbox, a new mailbox post, and new signs for the Church Office. James, Boyd, and Frank also painted the shed behind the Picnic Shelter. It all looks great! Thank you James, Boyd, and Frank!



This summer, Ty Heitman has been working on our Picnic Shelter as his Eagle Scout Project. Ty cleaned and pressure washed the shelter, purchased supplies, and hosted his troop and Scout Masters for a workday on Saturday, July 31. Together, they installed two ceiling fans and hung screens along the outside perimeter of the shelter in addition to other tasks.

We are grateful for Ty's dedication to serving Holly Grove Lutheran Church. His Eagle Scout Project has made our Picnic Shelter a more friendly and usable outdoor space for meetings, fellowship, meals, and gatherings.

Thank you Ty!



With gifts of donations, Ty was able to purchase a new gas grill for the Picnic Shelter.

Project  
Completed!

With the gift of donations, Ty was able to purchase the supplies he needed for his project.



Before Ty and his troop worked on the Picnic Shelter, he cleaned it and pressure washed it.



On Saturday, July 31, Ty, his dad Eddie, several of his troop members, and his Scout Masters worked at the Picnic Shelter installing ceiling fans and screens along the outside perimeter.



Ty has completed his Eagle Scout Project at the Picnic Shelter.


Ty Heitman and his dad Eddie and his two Scout Masters.





# September

# Birthday & Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Janna Waitman  	7 Amy Kepley	8	9 Todd Conrad  Bob/Kim Troutman	10	11 Herb/Wendy Lohr
12 Virginia Everhart	13	14 Ava Murphy	15 Jonathan Hedrick	16 Chris Varner Kara Feeney Monica Parsons  Keith/Lori Cecil	17 Ann Blower Dean Chapman Connor Hekking	18 Scott/Holly Curry  Kyle/Meagan Murphy
19 Rex/Tracy Everhart	20	21 Kelly Carrick	22 Anna Clark Victoria Voletto	23	24	25
26 John Payne	27	28	29	30		



## **Please pray for:**

### ***Our Members:***

- \* **Gary Hedrick**
- \* **Dean Conrad**
- \* **Teresa Fritts**
- \* **Gene Kepley**
- \* **Harold & Myra Beck**
- \* **Gary & Judy McLain**
- \* **Bill Curry**
- \* **The family of Jimmy Beck**
- \* **Sherry Proctor**
- \* **Raven & Tim Hylton**
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### ***Our Friends & Family:***

- \* Lynn Helms—cousin of Gaynell Davis
- \* Pauline Young—sister-in-law of Dottie Curry
- \* Joanne Conrad Koonts—cousin of Gaynell Davis
- \* Mitchell Watts—grandson of Frank & Jeanine
- \* Adam Watts—grandson of Frank & Jeanine
- \* Donna Kepley--sister of Marie Palmer
- \* Keegan Watkins—grandson of Jim & Jan Watkins
- \* Lynda Conrad
- \* Les Price
- \* Gaynette Hedrick—mother-in-law of Caroline Hedrick
- \* Amy Coltrane—daughter of Jim & Jan Watkins
- \* David Chappell—friend of Kelly Carrick
- \* James Stepp—friend of Lynn & Lateffa Dennis
- \* Christopher & Elizabeth Dennis—son & daughter-in-law of Lynn Dennis
- \* Debbie Imbler—sister of Andy Ferguson
- \* Our service men and women all over the world
- \* Those unemployed, looking for work

\*\*\*\*Names are generally rotated off after three weeks but we are happy to add them again if requested. Please send Prayer Requests to: [hglcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:hglcoffice@gmail.com) or leave a message at the church office complex (336-249-2708)

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