

November 2021



Welcome to Holly Grove Lutheran Church



LOVE GROW SERVE

The Holly Leaf

This year during worship on All Saints Sunday, November 7, we are going to honor our members as well as any friends and family who have died since November 2019.

Please send the names of any family or friends you'd like remembered as well as their birth dates and death dates by October 31.

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."

• Daily Prayers, links, to ELCA , sermons, The Holly Leaf, events & more on our website:
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Love. Grow. Serve.



Birthday & Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Stephanie Hearn	3 Stacy Gabriel	4 Libby Carrick	5 Janice Queen`	6
7 Shane/Mandy Lawrence	8	9 Gaynell Davis	10	11 Rick Curry Jeff Voletto	12	13
14 Boyd Queen Ross/Elisa Sommer	15	16	17 Jennifer Davis	18	19	20 Robin Beck
21	22	23 Anthony Conrad Jacob Hearn Wilson Hearn	24 Kevin Gabriel	25	26	27
28 Jim Watkins	29	30				

November 2021

Altar Guild- Lateffa Dennis

Mother's Rose Garden-Open

Blessing Box – Lynn & Lateffa Dennis – Andy & Kristal Ferguson

Ushers for November – Robert Napolitano, Bob Troutman, David Brown, Ty Heitman, Sherry Proctor

7th **All Saints Sunday**

Assisting Minister: Joe Davis

Altar Flowers: Lynn & Lateffa Dennis-In memory of Leon Dennis & David Hedrick

Children's Chat: Pastor

Holy Communion

Basket Offering: Helping Hands

Acolyte: Madison Lohr-Pope

14th **25th Sunday after Pentecost**

Assisting Minister: Micky Conrad

Altar Flowers: Open

Children's Chat: Pastor

Holy Communion

Acolyte: Roseila Sommer

21st **Christ the King Sunday**

Assisting Minister: Chip Blower

Altar Flowers: Open

Children's Chat: Joe Davis

Holy Communion

Basket Offering: Helping Hands

Acolyte: Isabel Heitman

28th **1st Sunday of Advent**

Assisting Minister: Norris Feeney

Altar Flowers: Bob & Kim Troutman

Children's Chat: Pastor

Holy Communion

Acolyte: Roseila Sommer

We had our first Confirmation class of the year on Sunday, October 3 with Grace Lutheran, Thomasville, Emmanuel Lutheran, High Point, and Lutheran Church of Our Father Greensboro. Please pray for and support our confirmands Gracie Ferguson, Madi Lohr-Pope, and Roseila Sommer.





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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Do you ever find yourself singing the words or humming the melody of a hymn? This very thing occurs on a regular basis for me. I don't always know why a phrase or tune comes to mind, but I welcome them anyway. Several times a year, the first stanza of "For All the Saints" pops in my head and before I know it I am singing "For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed..." This is one of my favorite hymns. Full of rich imagery, it helps us understand what we mean when we say each week in the Apostles' Creed, "I believe in communion of saints."

The communion of saints are *ALL* of God's children—those who have died, those who are living, and those who are yet to be. God, who transcends time and place, gathers all of God's children into one beautiful union as this stanza from "For All the Saints" describes. "Oh, blest communion fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!" In the mystery of God's grace we are forever united in love to God and to all of our brothers and sisters in all times and in all places.

All Saints Sunday is November 7 this year and on that day, we will give God thanks for those in our congregational family (members, family, and friends) who have died in the past two years. We will read aloud their names and light candles as we remember them. These beloved children of God have joined the Church Triumphant. In the sure and certain hope of the resurrection we will join them someday. Until then, we remain united with all of God's people in the communion of saints.

Whether or not the lyrics and tune of "For All the Saints" pops into your head from time to time throughout the coming year, may we always hold in our hearts and minds the union we share with all of God's people.

Your sister in the communion,
Pastor Anna



Church EVENTS

October 25: LMiM at 6:30 pm

October 31: Reformation Day, baptism of Kate Cecil

November 3: Finance Committee meeting at 6 pm

November 7: All Saints Sunday, daylight savings time

November 8: Council Meeting at 7 pm

November 14: Confirmation 3-5 at Grace Lutheran, Thomasville

November 17: Senior Citizens at Mt. Tabor at 10:30 am

November 17: Worship and music at 6 pm

November 21: Christ the King Sunday

November 28: First Sunday of Advent

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

On Sunday, October 10, we celebrated the Commissioning of Joe Davis as a Lay Preacher for the NC Synod. He was commissioned on September 24 and we send him out to preach the Good News of God's Word with our prayers, blessings, and love.



HGLC SEPTEMBER 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2021

Call to Order: President Lynn Dennis with the following present: Pastor Anna Carter, Johnny Fritts, Marie Palmer, David Brown, Robert Napolitano, Sherry Proctor, Michael Willson, Eddie Heitman, Neil Clark, Chip Blower and Judy Thomson

Norris Feeney was unable to attend.

Devotions: David led us in devotions and Pastor Anna led us in prayer

Business Meeting

Approval of Reports

Minutes of the August 9, 2021 meeting were read. Neil made the motion to accept, Mike seconded and motion passed.

The Financial Report was presented for August. Neil made the motion to accept, Eddie seconded and motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was presented for August. Neil made the motion to accept, Mike seconded and motion passed.

Building Fund: No report

Pastor's Report was presented. Marie made the motion to accept, Chip seconded and motion passed.

Pastor's Report September

Since our last Council meeting:

- I have done pastoral care—telephone, a few in-person visits
- I have taught Bible Study—new evening—Tuesdays
- I have worked with 3 other area pastors to update our Confirmation model
- Blessing of the Backpacks—August 15
- I have worked with the Senior Citizens Group, Constitution Committee, O'Dell Black Gift Committee, Fellowship Committee, Finance Committee
- Rally Day—September 12
- I have spent time with Jimmy Beck and his family, did the Memorial Service on September 12.

Some things coming up:

- 9/19—Confirmation parents' Zoom, October 3—first event @HGLC
- 9/26—SiLLY event at Dan Nicholas Park
- 9/30—Synodically Authorized Leadership Team, 11-1
- Blessing of the Animals—Sunday, October 3 or Monday, October 4?
- 10/9—HGLC Outdoor workday?
- 10/10—Joe Davis preach
- 10/11-10/13—Fall Convo cancelled
- 10/31 Reformation Sunday
- 11/7—All Saints Sunday
- Advent/Christmastide
Constitution updates/Black Gift Committee/continued Finance Committee work

Correspondence

No correspondence

Committee Reports

No reports

Old Business

The following motion was made by Eddie: Due to multiple possible exposures and possible positive Covid 19 cases of members of Holly Grove Lutheran Church, as of September 13, 2021 all indoor events at the church are postponed for the next two weeks with in-church services being virtual through Sept. 26. The motion was seconded by Sherry and motion unanimously passed. The rescheduled date for the BBQ chicken will be Oct. 2.

With 13 years of service, Chip has requested help with the streaming service on Sunday mornings. We have had several volunteers but still need more people willing to serve in this capacity. Training will be held.

An O'Dell Black Gift Committee has been established and has been meeting.

New Business

A copy of the Holly Grove Lutheran Church Memorial Fund Policy was presented for review. Sherry made the motion and Mike seconded that we re-approve this policy with wording review to be done by Holly Curry. Motion passed.

Kristal Ferguson, treasurer of the Memorial Fund provided the council with a list of the memorials given to the church to date. With miscellaneous funds available Pastor Anna requested the purchase of 4 binders to be used during the church service. Eddie made the motion, Chip seconded and motion passed to allow purchase of the binders. Families will be contacted about amounts in the fund donated in memory of their loved ones

There being no further business Chip made the motion to adjourn, Sherry seconded and the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Dennis, President
Marie Palmer, Secretary

2021	2022	2023
Lynn Dennis - President	Chip Blower - Treasurer	David Brown
Eddie Heitman	Johnny Fritts	Neil Clark
Judy Thomason	Marie Palmer - Secretary	Norris Feeney
Michael Willson – Vice President	Sherry Proctor	Robert Napolitano

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