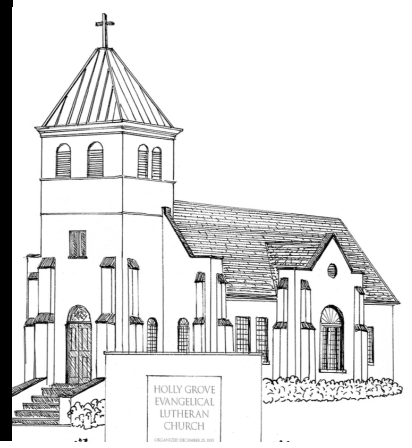


MARCH 2022

THE HOLLY LEAF

Holly Grove Lutheran Church



ASH WEDNESDAY

HOLY COMMUNION & IMPOSITION OF
ASHES



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 AT 6:30PM
HOLLY GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lent Midweek Worship

Lent Midweek Worship will be on Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, 30, and April 6 from 6:30--7:00 pm. The theme this year will be Continuing in the Covenant of Baptism. In holy baptism, we are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. The focus each week will be a portion of the baptismal covenant above which is found in the order for Affirmation of Baptism in our hymnal on page 236.

Our Mission Statement

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

March Birthdays and Anniversaries

2	Kate Cecil	16	Gaven Ferguson	15	Gary & Judy McLain
6	Walter Blower	17	Mandy Lawrence		
10	Chloe Gabriel	20	Taylor Fritts		
11	Mike Willson	21	Rebecca Kepley		
	Lindsay Black	23	Whitney Lohr		
12	Alex Chapman	25	Teresa Fritts		
	Carson Rose	28	Debbie Frank		
14	Terri Clark	30	Kim Troutman		
15	Ty Heitman	31	Kat Varner		

Prayer List

Our Members:

Gary Hedrick
Dean Conrad
Teresa Fritts
Gene Kepley
Gary & Judy McLain
Bill Curry
John Lohr
Mike Willson
Lateffa Dennis
Bob Troutman
Sandra Vaughn
Janna Waitman

Our Friends and Family:

Lynn Helms—cousin of Gaynell Davis
Pauline Young—sister-in-law of Dottie Curry
Joanne Conrad Koonts—cousin of Gaynell Davis
Gaynette Hedrick—mother-in-law of Caroline Hedrick
David Chappell—friend of Kelly Carrick
Debby Imbler—sister of Andy Ferguson
Mike Parnell—friend of Sherry Snider
Sandy Henrikin—friend of Sherry Snider
The Family of Peggy Horn—mother of Jim Horn
The Family of Bruce Fulbright
The Family of Robert Furr
The Family of Matt Feezor
David Kinney—friend of Frank & Jeanine Hamilton
The Family of Dencen Sellers—cousin of Guyla Kepley
David Kinney—friend of Frank & Jeanine Hamilton
Susan Jester—friend of James & Marie Palmer
Zelma Miller—sister of Jim & Jan Watkins
The Family of Eddie Hedrick—brother of Joe Hedrick
Butch Rhymer—friend of Sherry Proctor
Paula Labban—friend of James & Marie Palmer
Nathan Pettus—nephew of Neil & Terri Clark
Shirley Frank—sister-in-law of Herbert Frank
Debbie Moffitt—friend of Amy Kepley
Our service people all over the world
Those unemployed and looking for work

March 2022

The Mother's Rose Garden care is sponsored by Minnie Conrad in honor of All Mothers.

The Blessing Box is filled by Jane DiBonaventura and Kelly Carrick & Robert Napolitano.

Ushers—Dean Chapman, Johnny Fritts, Frank Hamilton, James Palmer

Basket Offering on the 1st and 3rd Sundays—SiLLY

Altar Guild—Kim Troutman

Sunday, March 6—First Sunday in Lent

Assisting Minister: Toni Chapman Acolyte: Conrad Sommer

Altar Flowers: open

Sunday, March 13—Second Sunday in Lent

Assisting Minister: Kim Troutman Acolyte: Gaven Ferguson

Altar Flowers: Andy & Kristal Ferguson--in honor of Drew & Gaven's birthdays

Sunday, March 20—Third Sunday in Lent

Assisting Minister: Debbie Frank Acolyte: Roseila Sommer

Altar Flowers: Robert & Mandy Fritts--in honor of Taylor's birthday

Sunday, March 27—Fourth Sunday in Lent

Assisting Minister: Micky Conrad Acolyte: Gracie Ferguson

Altar Flowers: open

Church Calendar

March 2: Ash Wednesday Worship at 6:30pm

March 9: Finance Committee at 6pm

March 13: Daylight Savings Time begins

March 14: Worship and Music Committee at 6pm

March 14: Church Council at 7pm

March 16: Senior Citizens at 10:30am at Mount Tabor

March 20: SiLLY event at Kaleideum

March 21: Agape Circle at 6:30pm

Lent 2022

MARCH 2

ASH WEDNESDAY

Worship service
6:30pm

WEDNESDAYS

Midweek Worship

6:30-7pm

THURSDAYS

Gospel of Luke Bible Study

March 10-April 7
Join Bishop Smith via
Zoom 7-8:15pm

APRIL 10

PALM SUNDAY

Palm procession and
laying down our cloaks

APRIL 14

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Worship service
7pm

APRIL 15

GOOD FRIDAY

Worship service
7pm

Holly Grove Lutheran Church

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

2022 Lenten Bible Study with Bishop Smith



Gospel of Luke

Thursdays
7-8:15 p.m.
March 10-April 7

From the Pastor...

In just a few short days, we will begin our Lenten journey as we worship together and have the sign of the cross made on our foreheads. We will be reminded that from dust we came and to dust we shall return.

Life goes by quickly and before you know it, we can get into habits and rhythms that pull us away from God, that shift our focus away from God. As disciples, we are called to struggle with everything that draws us away from the love of God.

If we allow it, the season of Lent can be a gift to help us sort out our lives. With humility, we can ask ourselves and answer with honesty, what is drawing us away from the love of God? We can then, in faith and hope, join with the Holy Spirit to do the hard work of transformation.

Traditionally people give up something for Lent. The goal isn't to give up something just for the sake of giving something up. The hope is that we would give up something in our lives that is hindering our relationship with God--something that is drawing us away from the love of God. And then we can go one step further and add something to our lives that would help us be drawn more deeply to God's love.

God loves you so deeply, beyond what we can even begin to imagine. God longs for us to return the Lord, our God, because God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love (Joel 2:13).

Whatever your Lenten practices are this year, I hope that they will include joining us for worship on Sunday mornings as well as joining us for our Midweek Worship Services on Wednesdays from 6:30-7pm.

I am grateful we are companions on this journey,
Pastor Anna

Holly Grove Senior Citizens Club

The Holly Grove Senior Citizens Club would like to invite you to our next meeting on Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.

The Holly Grove Senior Citizens Club met Wednesday, February 16 at the Mt. Tabor Fellowship Building with six members present. After a brief devotional the group caught up on what was going on with members of the club. We have members that are homebound and in Assisted Living Centers around the county.

Our President, Jan Watkins, announced that the May meeting will be her last one as President. We will consider the matter of the next president at the March meeting.

The group continued with their Outreach Program by reaching out to 33 individuals this month. After the blessing we enjoyed a variety of foods that each member had prepared.

HGLC JANUARY 2022 Council Meeting Minutes January 10, 2022

Call to Order: President Neil Clark with the following present: Pastor Anna Carter, Johnny Fritts, Marie Palmer, David Brown, Chip Blower, Robert Napolitano, Norris Feeny, Kim Troutman, Herbert Frank, Joe Davis, Sherry Proctor, and Jane DiBonaventura

Devotions: Marie led us in devotions and prayer.

Business Meeting

Approval of Reports

Minutes of the December 13, 2021 meeting were read. Chip made the motion to accept, Joe seconded and motion passed.

The Financial Report was presented for December. Marie made the motion to accept, Herbert seconded and motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was presented for December. Joe made the motion to accept, Robert 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 for December:

Since our last Council meeting:

I have done pastoral care- telephone, a few in-person visits

I have taught Bible Study

I planned and prepared for Advent/Christmas Eve/ Christmastide

I led Wednesday evening Advent services, Christmas Eve services , and Christmas tide services

I did the Memorial Service for Robin Beck on December 17, 2021

I celebrated my one-year ordination anniversary on January 9

I have been preparing to move to Holly Grove

Some things coming up:

My one-year anniversary at Holly Grove is January 11

I am moving to Holly Grove

I am completing several hours of Continuing Education--Church Finances for

Missional Leaders

Pastoral care needs

Committee meetings

Lent planning

Committee Reports:

No reports

Old Business

Discussed the Covid guidelines. Synod guidelines continue to encourage vaccines and mask wearing. We will continue to do the same. Discussed SiLLY youth activities. Chip made the motion and Joe seconded to allow the SiLLY youth to participate in the bowling plans using Covid guidelines and to only hold the parent/child dance outside. Motion passed. Pastor Anna will let Tina know.

The ice machine project was discussed. Thoughts are that we purchase an ice machine and place back in the basement until plans can be made to put upstairs. Joe will research this project for further action.

Pastor Anna gave council members information on the Responsibilities of a Church Council.

New Business

Basket Offerings for 2022--the first and third Sundays each month as follows:

January: Backpack, February: The Life Center, March: SiLLY youth, April: Hospice, May: Teen Parent program, June: Crisis Ministry, July: Davidson Medical Ministry, August: GLAMA, September: Bereavement meals, October: Scholarship Fund, November: Pastor's Discretionary Fund, December: Staff bonuses; the only change fro 2021 was the March offering going to SiLLY youth instead of HGLC youth. Norris made the motion to keep all designations the same except the change in March. Kim seconded and the motion passed.

Sign-up sheets were passed around for Committee Liasons for 2022 and monthly council devotions for 2022.

Our Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting was been tentatively set for February 27 with further verification at the next council meeting.

We have volunteers for administrative assistance during Lateffa's absence. Jane D, Kelly, Kim, and Toni have agreed to help.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Neil Clark, President
Marie Palmer, Secretary

2022	2023	2024
Chip Blower - Treasurer	Neil Clark - President	Joe Davis
Johnny Fritts	David Brown - Vice President	Jane DiBonaventura
Marie Palmer - Secretary	Norris Feeney	Herbert Frank
Sherry Proctor	Robert Napolitano	Kim Troutman

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