



Holly Presbyterian Church

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May 1, 2011

From your pastor ...

He is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

What a glorious Easter Sunday we had as we celebrated the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ with a great breakfast, the final video from "24 Hours that Changed the World" and then worship that opened with the acolytes bringing in the Light with candles, and with beautiful liturgical dancers interpreting the women's joy of finding the tomb empty. We literally worshipped in a garden that morning! The choir anthem and Julia's special piano music heightened the inspiration of the day. We celebrated with 103 worshippers! Thanks be to God! If only Easter could come *every* Sunday!

But let us remember that Easter Sunday is just the beginning of the celebration. The Church does celebrate the resurrection of the Lord every Sunday; however, for the next 50 days we will especially magnify the resurrection, Christ's appearances, his ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. It is a joyous time in the church year! This is a wonderful time to invite friends to church and to encourage those who may be taking a break to return and enjoy the hope and promise we have in Easter. We continue our worship with praise and thanksgiving. Even without the literal garden, our sanctuary should be blooming with smiles, with love and joy, with eagerness to praise our God in song and prayer, and to embrace one another with Christian love.

Fred and I are getting more and more settled in to our new home and are enjoying the apartment and Holly very much. And we are so blessed to be a part of Holly Presbyterian Church! Your enthusiasm and commitment to Christ and His church are quite contagious.

I believe God has great things in store for us all as we continue this journey together in a new and glorious day. May the blessings and joy of Easter continue on in us for a long, long time!

Peace and Grace!

Pastor Sharlyn

Volunteer and help HPC !

The items for the garage sale are mounting and the committee is feeling good about what has been brought in so far! Yet, they know that maybe there are a few more items you would really like to get rid of, but don't have the means to get them here to the church. Please don't let that stop you from making your donation! Should you have an item that is just too large, we will find a way to get it here to the church. Just call the church office, any time at 248-634-9494. If Jinx isn't able to take your call , just leave a message, with your name and telephone number, and she will make arrangements to help get your item to the church. Also if you know of a business that is willing to hang one of our flyers promoting our Garage Sale, please let Roberta Single or Kay Vander Kuy know so they can get one of the flyers to you, the more promotions we place, the better the turn out, the more funds

we raise for the church. The more activity around the church, the more community we build.



We Love our Church and helping hands working together, will build a bigger heart in all of us.

Our Mission At Holly Presbyterian:

1. Worship God in a faithful and joyful manner;
2. Teach the good news of the Christian Faith, share that faith with each other and reach out to those beyond the church;
3. Be a loving family dedicated to the biblical values of peace, love, faith and justice;
4. Develop a dynamic presence in our community



Fundraising Update

On Sunday, April 3rd The Schwan's Fundraiser had approximately \$1,700.00 in sales from our Holly Presbyterian Families.

Schwan's corporation will be notifying the church as to the additional amounts earned from the cash sales made on the day of the delivery. Peggy Ranger should have the total amount by the end of June. Way to go!



Newsletter Deadline is May 15th ! Bulletin Announcements!

The deadline for our June newsletter will be the 15th of May. The summer months are always hectic for all, with many activities going on. So please make sure that you get your announcements for the newsletter in to the office by the 15th. We do have a holiday week this month, so your time will be even busier, than normal; and the 15th is a Sunday. **Also, if you wish to have announcements placed in the weekly bulletin, it would work out best if it would be submitted to the office by email at office@hollypc.org. Should you be able to do this by the Tuesday preceding the Sunday you wish to have the announcement run, your efforts would be greatly appreciated.**

Great Lakes Scrips fundraising is Here.

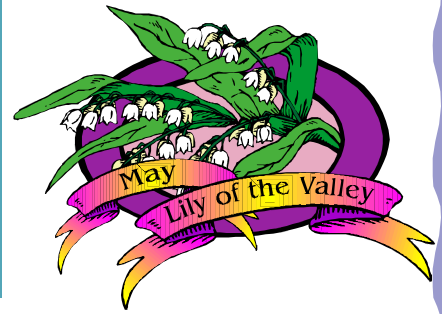
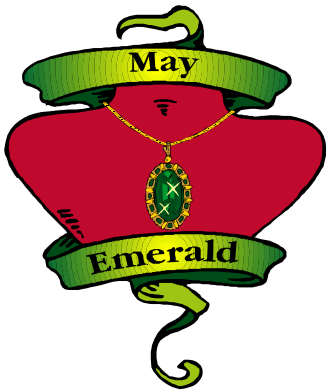
Great Lakes Scrips (Scrips) is a gift card based fundraising program. When you purchase a gift card through Scrips you pay the face value of your gift card but Scrips charges HPC a discounted price. For example, If you purchase a \$100.00 gift card to a gas station, you pay \$100.00 and receive a \$100.00

worth of gasoline. Scrips however only charges HPC \$92.00 and HPC earns \$8.00 off that one purchase. Discounts range between 2% and 16%.

See Christine Cook or Vicki Lyles for more information. We will be available on Sunday's to answer your questions and take

orders. Orders placed will be available for pick up the following Sunday.





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship with Communion	2 Office is Closed 7:30 AA/Alanon	3	4	5 AYSO—7:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting 6:30 at Pastor Gates	6	7
8 Mothers Day! 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship	9 Office is Closed 7:30 AA/Alanon	10	11	12 AYSO—7:00 pm	13	14 Church Wide Clean up & Scrap Drive
15 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship	16 Office is Closed (9-12) HELP Volunteers needed to help sort Garage sale items and arrange on tables 7:30 AA/Alanon	17 (9-12)HELP Volunteers needed to help sort Garage sale items and arrange on tables ***New Day for Session Meeting! 7:00 PM	18 (9-??)HELP Volunteers needed to help sort & price all Garage sale items and set on tables	19 Garage Sale 9am-5pm AYSO—7:00 pm	20 Garage Sale 9am-5pm	21 Garage Sale 9am-noon
22 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship	23 Office is Closed 7:30 AA/Alanon	24	25	26 AYSO—7:00 pm	27	28
29 9:30AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship	30 Office Closed Memorial Day 7:30 AA/Alanon	31	Up coming June Events to mark your calendar for: June 24th Set up for Summer Event— Volunteers are needed see Lori Goldsmith. June 25th Summer Event— Family fun events All Day event here in the Church and on the grounds. June 26th Worship Services at Crapo Park— 10:30 Volunteers need to help set up/tear down.			

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Welcome Spring! Finally!



*May the glory
and the promise
of this joyous time of year
Bring peace
and happiness to you
and those you hold most dear*

*And may Christ
Our Risen Saviour
always be there by your side
To bless you
most abundantly
and be your loving guide*

****Author Unknown

*sent via email to the church office.

Fall Auction! Planning & Preparation!



The sun is shining, though the sky has some storm clouds that want to throw a gloom towards my day; which I am not allowing to happen, instead I am diligently working away on the newsletter, and the Pastor is hard at work on her pastoral duties. I'm smelling the beautiful fragrance of the hyacinths; thankful that they were left here from Easter and just a little overwhelmed that that season has come and passed. I can't believe that since I have been hired, this church has already celebrated the birth, death and resurrection of Christ the King! These are the most important and wonderful gifts that our God has given us and we are truly blessed.

Which reminds me of how truly blessed I am to be here in this wonderful community of believers, and I would just like you to know how much I appreciate being here in my home town, to see people I haven't had the opportunity to see or talk to in many years. I look forward to the summer season that lies ahead, and then the fall season, which will bring with it the Fall Auction, and fundraiser. With that in mind, please be mindful of ideas you may have for craft ideas or items you may already have stored up that you would like to donate to the craft Auction which has been set for October 23, 2011. Believe it or not, I have counted, and like a kid waiting for Christmas,

it is only 26 weeks or 182 days, which means there are only 34 weeks or 238 days till Christmas... scary isn't it! Didn't ol' man winter just leave? I sure am hoping he did! But, the fall fundraiser is a very important event, and the committee that chairs this event is prayerfully hoping that each of you who are crafty will consider contributing to this year's auction. Also if you are a Distributor of such items as Avon, Tupperware, Simply Tasteful, Princess House, Pampered Chef, Shaklee, Amway, or any other Independent programs, please contact Donna Miller about setting up your items for auction.