

Holly Presbyterian Church Sixth Week of Easter May 5, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Pennies from Heaven A voluntary small change offering for building projects.

Prelude Julia Hull

*Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 126:4-6

Restore us, O Lord, in our act of worship

Make us a fountain overflowing with goodness in your land

Plant in us the seeds of joy

Make even our suffering fruitful for your harvest

We come before you and go out with shouts of joy

Make us to come back with a great harvest from your work! Come let us worship our Lord!

Call to Confession

Based on Hebrews 12:1

Prayer of Confession

Lord you offer us transformation but we are looking for control. You offer us a partnership and we want the judgement seat. You offer love and we look for transactions. Forgive us for when we turn down all you have to offer us in order to pursue something lesser. Give us new hearts that beat like yours. Give us new minds that think like yours. Give us new eyes and new ears to see and hear like you do. We surrender our failures to you and look for your transforming power.

(please take time for silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

We are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. Amen!

Prayer for Illumination

King of our hearts, only you know the true depth of our love for you. Only you can deepen our love for you. Break down the walls we have constructed around

^{*}Opening Hymn #2 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

our hearts. Transform them to be your dwelling place. And may this word we read and hear this morning bring forth your glory in our lives.

Scriptures

New Testament Letter Romans 6:1-11 Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 146

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Gospel John 21:15-19 Pew Bible (NT) Pg.

109-110

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Sermon "New Transformation" Rev. Chris Thomas

Affirmation of Faith

2nd Helvetic Confession (5.098)

Friends let us be reminded together of God's call to be reconcilers of the world from the 2nd Helvetic Confession...

THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION. In the letter to the Corinthians the apostle says that the Lord gave the ministry of reconciliation to his ministers. And what this is he then explains, saying that it is the preaching or teaching of reconciliation. And explaining his words still more clearly he adds that Christ's ministers discharge the office of an ambassador in Christ's name, as if God himself through ministers exhorted the people to be reconciled to God, doubtless by faithful obedience. Therefore, they exercise the keys when they persuade humanity to believe and repent. Thus they reconcile humanity to God. Amen!

Communion

Invitation
Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer
Words of Institution

Offertory

- *Doxology Hymn #607 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
- *Prayer of Dedication
- *Closing Hymn #69 "I, The Lord of Sea and Sky"

Charge and Benediction

^{*}Hymn #498 "Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"

Postlude Julia Hull

Assisting with worship today: Dessalee Cook Worship Leader; Margaret Perry and Mary Renico, Communion Servers Tom Schettling/Vicki Lyles Usher, Gerry Jackson/Karen Haneline AV Setup, Randy Cook Sound.



Volunteers needed! We appreciate you as well as God appreciates you. Please look at the volunteer sheets on the table in the narthex and fill an empty spot (or more) with your name. There are opportunities to help with the worship service. If you don't know what that position entails, please ask Vicki or Jim Lyles. Can you step out in faith and sign up for something you haven't done before in May? Thank you for signing up for coffee hour and Baby Pantry. They are filled for May. Thank you!

Christian Education: Bible Study will meet again on May 12th at 10:00am. There will be **no** Bible Study on May 26th.



A big thank you to all who helped during the clean up. Our church looks so much better. Thanks again. Jim Lyles



Mark your calendar:

Sun May 5th 10:30am Coffee

11:15am Worship

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Tues May 7th 6:00pm Outreach Team

7:00pm Information Technology Team

Thurs May 8th 1:00pm Worship Team

Sun May 12th Mother's Day

10:00am Bible Study 10:30am Coffee

11:15am Worship

Congregational Care Team:



Coffee fellowship is at 10:30am. Come and have a snack, drink, and fellowship.

If you have prayer requests, please submit them to Karen Haneline - haneline526@gmail.com or 248-894-3489.

Prayer Concerns

For healing: Barb Brown; Gordie Bradshaw; Donna Miller; Penny Scheduling recovering from another surgery and is dealing with sepsis; Jerry Watkins (Laura Parker's dad) recovering from broken femur; Jessica Duis (Jim & Vicki Lyles' niece) complications have arisen regarding her thyroid cancer treatment. Sierra & Dalton Sink repairing damage to home from tornado.



Ongoing prayers: Mike Pelton, Don Neuville, Mark Bolen, Steve in FL, and Jim Killewald.

Prayers for those suffering: for all those affected by war, severe weather, hunger, gun violence, abuse, and/or addiction.



Summer Flower Fundraiser: Thank you to all who ordered flowers. The flowers and gift cards will be available for pickup on Friday May 10th from 9:00am-12:00pm or next Sunday May 12th after church. For anyone who has not paid yet, please be sure that payment is made before delivery. Thanks so much.'



Sunday, May 19th is Pentecost Sunday. If possible, please wear red that day.