



Holly Presbyterian Church
Seventh Sunday After Epiphany
February 21, 2025

Welcome and Announcements

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

Prelude

Julia Hull

*Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 107

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

He turns a desert into pools of water, a parched land into springs of water.

By God's blessing His people multiply greatly, and he does not let their cattle decrease.

He raises up the needy out of distress and makes their families like flocks.

Let those who are wise pay attention to these things and consider the steadfast love of the Lord. Amen.

*Opening Hymn #175 "Seek Ye First"

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 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

Old Testament	Genesis 12:1-3	Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 9
Old Testament	Isaiah 52:3-7	Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 642
New Testament Gospel	Matthew 28:16-20	Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 32
New Testament Letter	Romans 10:14-17	Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 150

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "DIY Sermon"

Rev. Chris Thomas

***Hymn #286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"**

***Affirmation of Faith**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

***Doxology Hymn #609 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Father, you gave us the gift of your Son. What can we possibly give in return? In eternal gratitude we offer you all that we are and all that we have. Use this offering to bring others peace, wholeness, and hope. Fill us with your love that we might become living sacrifices to the world you have placed us in. Amen.

***Closing Hymn #69 "I, The Lord of Sea and Sky"**
Charge and Benediction
Postlude

Assisting with worship today: Worship Leader **Vicki Lyles**; Usher/Greeter **Dessalee Cook**; AV Setup **Karen Haneline**, Sound **Randy Cook**.



Annual Congregational Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting is set for Sunday March 2nd after worship. Please plan on staying for this important meeting. We will be voting.

A hard copy of the Annual Report is available in the narthex for you to review. **See you there!**

Monthly summary	Average budgeted needs	Income received
January	\$6,102.00	\$5,216.00

Congregational Care Team



Colleen Spring is 90!
POSTPONED

Coffee and Fellowship

Please join us for Coffee, snack and some fellowship at 10:30am each Sunday.



Volunteers needed. Volunteers are needed for the month of March. God appreciates all you do and so do we.

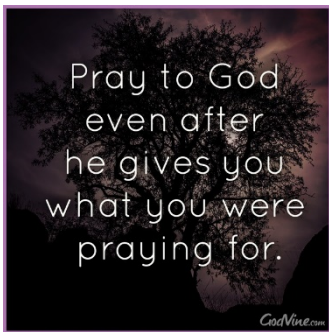
If you have prayer requests, please submit them to Karen Haneline - haneline526@gmail.com or 248-894-3489.

Prayer Concerns

Please remember to pray for Pastor Chris and his family, and our church, every day.

Prayers of thanks-Gordie Bradshaw has completed his chemo treatments.

Prayers, Comfort and Peace to the families of: **Keagen** (Margaret Perry) a 20 yr. old has cancer and it has metastasized-trying chemo; the **victims of the plane-helicopter crash** in Washington DC; **Wilma Perry** (Mother-in-law of Margaret Perry).



For healing: Aletheia Thomas knee; **Jennifer Chanter** in hospital; **Pam Remillard's great grandchild** who is in Hurley for jaundice.; **Mary Renico** broke hip is doing better in rehab at Regency; **Micah Swanson** (Sherry's second cousin) has been diagnosed with testicular and bladder cancer having surgery; **Cathie Killewald** recovering from knee surgery; **Jennifer Cotaling** (Randy Cook' sister-in-law) went to hospital for stomach pain and had a heart attack.; **Rosealie Robinson** (step mother of Julie Schram) struggling with dementia and COPD now has pneumonia in both lungs and is at St Ignace Hospital.; **Alex Searfoss** (great grandson of Donna Miller) Third degree burns over 40% of his body. He is home with his mother now and doing physical therapy; **Mike Schettling** (Tom Schettling's cousin) cancer, same age as Tom; **Won Chea** (Tom Schettling's brother-in-law) treatment stomach cancer; **Penny Schettling**; **Jerry Watkins (Laura Parker's dad)**.

Ongoing prayers: Mike Pelton, Don Neuville, 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.

Shar Hecht's Memorial Service – A memorial service will be here on March 16th at 1pm. For more information please go to: <https://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com/m/obituaries/sharleen-hecht/Memories>

IN LOVING
Memory

Mark your calendar

Sun Feb 23rd 10:00am Bible Study
10:30am Coffee
11:15am Worship
Sun Mar 2nd 10:30am Coffee
11:15am Worship

Tues Mar 4th 7:00pm I.T. meeting
Fri Mar 7th 10:00am Baby Pantry
Sun Mar 9th 10:00am Bible Study
10:30am Coffee
11:15am Worship

The office is open. What will be different is I won't be there. Don't worry, I will be an email or phone call away as I will be working remotely. You can email me at office@hollypc.org as normal or my cell phone is 248.249.3879. I will have the help of Jim Lyles doing things I can't do remotely. My husband and I will be traveling south for a couple months due to medical issues of Tim's. We will be returning March 5th.