

Holly Presbyterian Church Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 17, 2025

Welcome and Announcements

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

Prelude Julia Hull

*Call to Worship

Based on Galatians 6:7-10

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow.

We come to sow seeds of the Spirit — love, joy, peace, and kindness.

If we sow to the Spirit, from the Spirit we will reap eternal life.

We will not grow weary in doing what is right.

For at the proper time, we will reap a harvest, if we do not give up.

So then, let us work for the good of all, especially for the family of faith, and worship the Lord with gladness!

Call to Confession

Based on Galatians 6:14

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we admit that we have often invested our time and energy in the things of this world's priority. We have neglected the values you have desired for us. We have accumulated wealth, success, comfort, and safety. We have hardly desired humility, mercy, justice, and sacrifice. Change our hearts to be like your heart. In your power, make us more like you day by day and show us how we can invest in what you desire.

(please take time for silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Based on Galatians 6:18

Amen!

Prayer for Illumination

We come before your Word with humble hearts. Open our ears to hear all you wish to bring us this morning. Give us all we need to act upon this Word and become your people in Holly and beyond. Amen.

Scriptures

New Testament Letter

Galatians 6:1-18

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 180

This is the Word of the Lord.

^{*}Opening Hymn #35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Foolish Galatians: Sowing and Reaping"

Rev. Chris Thomas

*Hymn #716 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Affirmation of Faith Galatians 3:6-14

Just as Abraham "believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness,"

those who believe are the descendants of Abraham.

And the scripture, foreseeing that God would reckon as righteous the gentiles by faith, declared the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying,

"All the gentiles shall be blessed in you." For this reason, those who believe are blessed with Abraham who believed.

All who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, for it is written,

"Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the things written in the book of the law."

Now it is evident that no one is reckoned as righteous before God by the law, for "the one who is righteous will live by faith."

But the law does not rest on faith; on the contrary, "Whoever does the works of the law will live by them."

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"— in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the gentiles, so that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Amen!

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

*Doxology Hymn #607 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication

Lord, we are yours and all that we have. We offer to you these gifts, trusting that you will use them for your glory and do far more with them than we can. Whatever is not in these plates, we also give to you. Make us to be your very will on earth that your redemption might be found here as it is in heaven. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #765 "May the God of Hope Go with Us"

Charge and Benediction Postlude

Julia Hull

Assisting with worship today: Worship Leader-Vicki Lyles; Usher-Dessalee Cook; AV Setup-Jim Lyles; Sound-Jim Lyles.

Monthly summary	Average budgeted needs Income received	
July	\$6,102.00	\$5,194.00

Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed for September for Worship Leader and Coffee Attendant. God appreciates all you do and so do we.



Coming in September-



-Starting September 7th, we will bring back Coffee Hour. If you are able to sign up to share a snack and make coffee, the sign up sheet is in the back of the Sanctuary.

Annual Picnic-

September 14th after worship we will have our Annual Picnic here. Please bring a dish to share if you are able. Hot dogs, buns, condiments and drink will be provided.



Congregational Care Team

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

Prayer Concerns

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



Pray for: Donna Miller recovering at her daughter's house; Dale Huffman prayers for recovery and increased strength.; Alex Searfoss (great grandson of Donna Miller) Update-feels good and is back to work. Prayers that he continues to improve. Also, they had a new baby.; Mark Bolan treatment for cancer;

Charly (Bob & Cathie's friend) age 16 had her liver transplant but is going through difficulty.

Ongoing prayers: Jody (sister of Randy Cook) small cell lung cancer-very aggressive-stage 1-praying the treatment stalls it.; Micah Swanson (Sherry's second cousin) possibly has throat cancer but does have testicular and bladder cancer; Jennifer Cotaling (Randy Cook' sister-in-law) Mike Schettling (Tom Schettling's cousin) cancer; Tom Schettling; Penny Schettling; Jerry Watkins (Laura Parker's dad); 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.

Mark your calendar

Sun Aug 17th 11:15am Worship

12:15pm Worship Team

Wed Aug 20th 6:30pm Zumba Sun Aug 24th 11:15am Worship Wed Aug 27th 6:30pm Zumba Sun Aug 31st 11:15am Worship