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From The Pastor's Desk

Rev. Randy Cullen

Dear Friends,

A generous or loving person is sometimes called "big-hearted." That's a nice compliment, but it's not necessarily true - literally that is. A heart does not have to be large in order to fulfill it's purpose. God designed it to pump blood, and not store it. The heart is made to "give" blood regularly, efficiently, dependably. Size has little to do with it. In fact, if it grows too large, it may be because it is constricted and thus, not able to give freely.

People are like hearts. We are made to give, to love, and to share regularly, efficiently and dependably. Giving, for the Christian, is not optional: it is more like a heartbeat. It is a need, a way of life, the way of faith.

At Holly Presbyterian Church, we are blessed by so many people who give away their time, energy, money, skills, talents, love, bottles and cans, food, gifts for the needy, batteries, scrap metal, and yes, even their blood. Thank you all for making the church one of your main arteries of sharing.

Your Pastor and Friend, Rev. Randy Cullen

150th Anniversary Celebration July 12 at 10am

The 150th Anniversary Celebration Day of Holly Presbyterian Church on July 12th is almost upon us! Judy Studer and her committee have been hard at work, and many people have put in countless hours of time and effort to make this day and the next few weeks a time of celebration and remembrance. On June 28th and July 5th our worship services will be warm-ups to taking us

July Calendar

Jul. 1 Weight Loss Chall 5:00pm
Jul. 5 Worship 10:00am
Jul. 5 Communion 10:00am
Jul. 7 Men's Sm Group 7:00pm
Jul. 12 150th Celebration 10:00am
Jul. 12 150th Potluck 11:30am
Jul. 14 Men's Sm Group 7:00pm
Jul. 15 New sletter Deadline
Jul. 17 Blood Drive
Jul. 19 CE Meeting 9:15am
Jul. 19 Worship 10:00am
Jul. 19 HPC Hikers 11:00am
Jul. 20 Session 7:00pm
Jul. 21 Men's Sm Group 7:00pm
Jul. 21 Big Fish Lk Triathlon
Jul. 26 Worship: Lakeside Pk 10:00am
Jul. 28 Men's Sm Group 7:00pm

August Calendar

Aug. 2 Worship 10:00am
Aug. 2 Communion 10:00am
Aug. 6-8 HPC Hikers Camping
Aug. 9 Worship 10:00am
Aug. 14 Reunion w/ a Cause
Aug. 15 New sletter Deadline
Aug. 16 CE Meeting 9:15am
Aug. 16 Worship 10:00am
Aug. 17 Session 7:00pm
Aug. 23 Worship 10:00am
Aug. 23 HPC Hikers 11:00am
Aug. 30 Worship 10:00am

Check out our [online calendar](#).

Blood Drive

We will be holding another blood drive on July 17th. Please watch your bulletin or contact the office for further information.

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all back to the days when our congregation was first founded. The two services prior to July 12th will feature sermons in the style of the late 19th Century. On the day of the celebration, we will begin with a pageant at 10:00 A.M., followed by an 1860s style worship service. Several ministers from the past will be participating, as well as other special invited guests. You are all invited to dress-up in period costumes that day. If you need any ideas, there are ideas posted on a bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. A special pot-luck dinner will follow worship, with displays designed to bring you back such as a slideshow, collected memories, memorabilia and the like. Our commemorative mugs, tote bags and cookbooks will also all be available that day. So, invite your family and friends, especially those that have ever been a part of this church, and let's all celebrate these glorious 150 years of doing God's work and spreading Christ's love here in Holly.

Potluck Celebration

Come to our 150th birthday potluck celebration July 12!! We will be having an old-fashioned potluck/picnic. There are sign up sheets in the narthex for dishes to pass. We have printed out some old time recipes if you would like to try something "old". We will be having the picnic outside, weather permitting. Please bring a lawn blanket if you wish to eat on the grass or your own lawn chairs, like we do at Lakeside Park each year. If you think you would like some shade, bring a patio umbrella, or sit under the trees. Please bring your own plates, cups and silverware. We will have a birthday cake to share, along with great food and fellowship. Hope to see everyone there!

Commemorative Coffee Mugs, Totebags and Cookbooks Available

Coffee mugs, tote bags and cookbooks commemorating our 150th anniversary are available for sale every Sunday after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Tote bags are \$4 and Coffee mugs are \$5. The set is also available for \$10 which includes a \$1 love offering. Cookbooks are \$11. These items will also be for sale during the celebration.

Our Life Together

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Canned Food Collection Program

The new Canned Food Collection Program needs aggressive growth because of a spiraling need within the community. The canned food will be shared with the Holly Baptist Food Pantry and open to the needs of the community. A bin is now available in the narthex.

Application For Building Use

Application for Use of the Church Building & Proposed Special Events

There is now a new form available for using the church building and scheduling events. These forms are now available in the narthex. When completed, please place in Teri's mailbox downstairs. They will be reviewed, with your assistance, by a committee (i.e. Congregational Care) and the committee will assist you in presenting it to session. This is a new tool to help facilitate scheduling and communication.

Office Hours

Regular office hours are:

9:00 am - 3:00 pm M, W-F

The office is closed on Tuesdays, but the pastor may be available in the office before 12pm or by cell: 248-835-5204.

Pastor Cullen may also be reached at home at 248-879-0507 or by email at pastor@hollypc.org.

Our Missionaries

Please pray for our missionaries. Up to date information on them can be found on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall:

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Mission Statement

Holly Presbyterian Church is a community of faith in God that values peaceful, loving and

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Please pray...

...for the following individuals: Joyce Walters, Mary Jones, Jerry Studer, Beth Foss, Margaret Perry, Pat Frank, Ardath Regan, Harriet Striggow, Dorothy Pretznaw, Alice Horak, and all of the members of the church who are facing health problems.

Reunion With A Cause

This year we will again be participating in the Reunion With A Cause sponsored by the Genesys Health Foundation. This event is a fun-filled, non-competitive evening celebration to commemorate those lives touched by cancer and to raise money to support cancer patients through various programs that provide physical and emotional needs during treatment. 100% of the money raised will go directly to Genesys cancer patients. This event will be on Friday, August 14 from 6-10:30pm at Holly High School's track. If you are willing to be on the "team" for the church and get donations, see Roberta Single at church or call 248-634-4360.

The September Newsletter Deadline is August 15th.

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just relationships in our church, families, and the world.

Our Mission is to :

- Worship God in a faithful and joyful manner;
- Teach the Good News of the Christian faith, share that faith with each other and reach out to those beyond the church;
- Be a loving family dedicated to the biblical values of peace, love, faith, and justice;
- Develop a dynamic presence in our community under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

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