



## Holly Presbyterian Church Newsletter February 2023

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There will be a Congregational meeting Sunday January 29<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship. Please plan on attending.

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Bible Study will start in February on the first and third Sunday of the month. It will be 10:00am-10:45am. Dessalee Cook will be our instructor.



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### Thoughts From Ted

One of my guilty pleasures is the Food Network show *Worst Cooks in America*. As the name suggests, some of the worst home cooks in America are divided into two teams, each coached by a celebrity chef. For one of this year's coaches, this is the first time they have coached these worst cooks. On the opening episode, after seeing the culinary disasters, this chef said, "I thought I would come here and teach them how to make some good food. I didn't know I needed to teach them that the bottom of the knife is sharp."



Almost literally, "ouch!" Here in the Presbytery, many of us may know that "the bottom of the knife is sharp." But many of us don't know that when it comes to the life and the workings of Presbytery. It's a good reminder that sometimes we need to start with the basics. That's as true in faith, church, and even the Presbytery. If I've learned one thing in over thirty years of ministry, it's to never assume how much people know. For those of us who are active in churches or Presbytery life, it's easy to assume how much "anybody" would know. But that's not always the case.

Consequently, I've learned I need to be patient. The old cliché that there are no bad questions is really true. And because of that, over the years, I have learned so much from questions that I otherwise would never have learned. That makes a big difference in ministry.

So as we enter into 2023, especially as a Presbytery, may we both ask and answer questions thoughtfully and carefully, with the love and grace that Christ calls us to have. For that is when we can really start cooking!

Yours in Christ,

**Ted McCulloch**, Stated Clerk

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**Potluck** February 5<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship. Please bring your own table service and a dish to pass.

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## Calendar of Events for February

Fri Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00am	Baby Pantry
Sun Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Bible Study
	10:30am	Coffee hour
	11:00am	Worship
	11:45am	Potluck



Tues Feb 7th	6:00pm 7:00pm	Outreach Team meets IT Team meets
Wed Feb 8 <sup>th</sup>	1:00pm	Worship Team meets
Sun Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am 11:00am 11:45am	Coffee Hour Worship Congregational Care Team Meets
Thurs Feb 16 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm	Session Meeting
Fri Feb 17 <sup>th</sup>	10am-12pm	Baby Pantry
Sun Feb 19 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am 10:30am 11:00am	Bible Study Coffee Worship
Wed Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup>	tbd	Ash Wednesday Service
Sun Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am 11:00am	Coffee Worship

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I have an address correction for you to put in your directory:

Sharlyn DeHaven Gates  
12700 E. 100th St. N  
Owasso, OK 74055  
phone 918-237-0012




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***Happy Birthday! May God bless you all year long!***



Feb 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tim Burns
Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ben Muenzer
Feb 17 <sup>th</sup>	Dessalee Cook
Feb 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Penny Schettling

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## **Finance Team**

Income Dec \$7,717.13 YTD \$ 96,957.29

Expense Dec \$8,286.49 YTD \$114,473.71



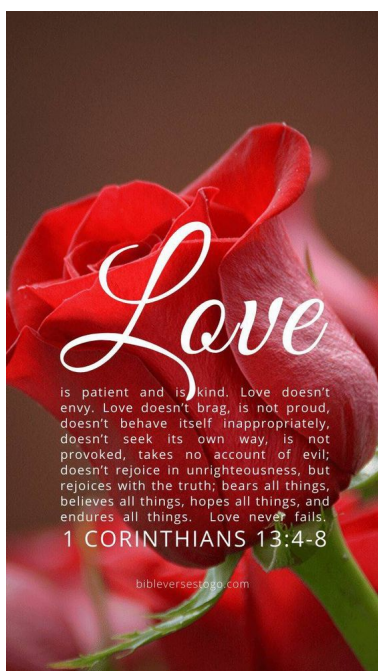
**Per Capita**-Our per capita payment to the presbytery is due February 15. The amount is \$29.77 per person. The Finance Team requests that all our members who are able please contribute this amount above your regular pledge; we need your help to make this payment. Please make a note on the memo line of your check, the "Other" line of your regular giving envelope, or on one of the green and white envelopes in the pews. Thank you.

## **Bob Killewald and Vicki Lyles**

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### **From the Congregational Care Team**If you have prayer

**requests** please submit them to Karen Haneline (email [address-haneline526@gmail.com](mailto:haneline526@gmail.com) , phone 248-894-3489) of the Congregational Care Team.



### ***February quote***

• **For healing, strength, comfort and peace: : Tom Schettling** who is having

knee surgery Feb 1<sup>st</sup> and his recovery; **Ray Knudsen** who is in rehab for his knee to get strength in it; **Gene Stevens**; Pray for peace and comfort for the family of **Sharlyn Gates brother**; Pray for peace and comfort for the family of **Roger Montreuil** (Donna DeNise's ex-husband); peace and comfort for the family of **Jack Cook** (Randy and Broady Cook's father); **Pete Olson** (Carlee Ramirez's brother) who continues to battle colon cancer; **Steve** in FL (Friend of Cathy & Bob Killewald) who has



stage 4 bladder cancer; **Jim Killewald** (Bob & Cathie's son) who is in a lot of pain after his car accident.

- **Prayers for those suffering from natural and man-made disasters:**

- Those affected by the mud slides and rain in CA.
- Those affected by the school shootings.
- The families of the victims and those affected by Winter Storm Elliot and Hurricanes Ian and Nicole.
- Those affected by the fire in downtown Holly.
- Those people affected by the war in Ukraine

*Bring protection and healing to the people of Ukraine. Show them that You are with them and that You hear their prayers. Strengthen those who are hurt, alone, or broken, and Bless them with Your Peace and Hope.*

**We lift up those in prayer from the Presbytery**

• **The Rev. Peter Russell**, Honorably Retired, who is residing at Abbey Park in Grand Blanc.

• **Our churches currently in pastoral transition.**



**Our Mission Co-Workers:**

**Lucy Der-Garabedian** serving in Lebanon.

**Cathy Chang** and family serving in the Philippines.



***Iobst Family***



***Keefer Family***





Baby Pantry dates and volunteers

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Pam Remillard & Jennifer Chanter

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> Donna DeNise & \_\_\_\_\_

We need you! Sign up sheet is in the narthex.

**Thank you in advance.**

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We are looking for your used ink cartridges. Bring in your ink cartridges and any batteries you have. Thank you.



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Dear Holly Presbyterian Family

A gentle reminder as we enter the season of flu and colds, as well as the continuing challenge of Covid, we wanted to reach out and urge everyone in our congregation to continue to exercise the best care for one another by following suggested guidelines. We navigated the first two winters of Covid with excellence. Let us continue in that spirit in our care for each other. Below is the most recent guidance from the CDC on Covid.

Updated August 11, 2022

If you were exposed to COVID, you should wear a high-quality mask for 10 days and get tested on day 5.

Regardless of vaccination status, you should isolate from others when you have COVID 19.

You should also isolate if you are sick and suspect that you have COVID but do not yet have test results.

If your results are positive, follow CDC's full isolation recommendations. If your results are negative, you can end your isolation.

Should you test positive for COVID 19, you should stay home for at least 5 days and isolate from others in your home. You are likely most infectious during the first 5 days. Wear a high-quality mask when you must be around others at home and in public.

If after 5 days you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medication and your symptoms are improving, or you never had symptoms, you may end isolation after day 5.

Regardless of when you end isolation, it is recommended that you avoid being around persons who are more vulnerable to sickness until at least day 11.

You should wear a high-quality mask through day 10.

If you share a dwelling with someone who is COVID positive you should test immediately, as you may have it too and have no symptoms. You would also test again 5 days later, which is the current estimated incubation period. Since you are sharing your home with a COVID patient you would also test again at day 10 to evaluate if you contracted it during their contagious period.

To care for your fellow congregation, we ask that you not attend any events at Holly Presbyterian Church if you are Covid positive or are in an evaluation period.

### **As always**

☐ Wash your hands after using the toilet, before eating, and if you cough/sneeze into your hands (follow the [20-second hand-washing rule](#)). Hand sanitizer can be found in the bathrooms and sanctuary doors.

☐ Cough/sneeze into your sleeve, preferably into your elbow. If you use a tissue, discard it properly and clean/sanitize your hands immediately.

☐ Avoid touching your face, particularly eyes, nose, and mouth with your hands to prevent from getting infected.

☐ If you find yourself coughing/sneezing on a regular basis, avoid close physical contact with others and take extra precautionary measures to minimize the risk of cold, flu or COVID.



### **2024 Session Members**

Clerk.....	Jan Bradshaw.....	2023
Christian Education.....	Dessalee Cook ...	2025
Congregational Care.....	Cathie Killewald...	2023
Finance.....	Bob Killewald.....	2025
Information Technology..	Brian Parker.....	2024
Outreach.....	Donna DeNise.....	2023
Property.....	Jim Lyles.....	2023
Worship.....	Tom Schettling...	2024