



Holly Presbyterian Church Newsletter April 2023



April Bible Study dates are April 2nd and April 16th, both at 10:00am.

Thoughts From Ted

There is a wonderful and challenging book that has been shared with a number of our congregations, church leaders, and committee members. The title is [Part Time is Plenty](#) and in it, the author argues that part-time ministry is plenty for many, many churches. That part-time ministry can actually be a healthy and vital option for many congregations. If you have not read it already, I would encourage you to do so – even if your congregation has full-time clergy.



In the introduction, there is a purported quote from the writer Toni Morrison: “If you find a book you really want to read but it hasn’t been written yet, then you must write it.” If we applied that to our churches, it is quite the challenge. What if we have a vision, an idea, even a suggestion of something we want our church to be but isn’t... we should bring it forward.

That’s one of the things that constantly amazes me. Their best ideas, the most energizing new ministries almost always start with someone saying, “I know we don’t do this but what if we...” and there comes the idea. Every congregation, of every size, has people that might have that one inspiration that their congregation or even the Presbytery needs. It is not just full-time clergy or staff that have these ideas. It’s not just the so-called “professionals.”

We need the thoughts and the input and the time from the people of our congregations. Traditionally, we call them “the people in the pews” only we need them to be the people not just in the pews but in the life and actions of our congregations. When that happens,

we will thrive whether we have a full-time pastor or a part-time pastor or however our particular congregations does ministry. That's what each of us can do. So what's our next idea?

Yours in Christ,

Ted McCulloch, Stated Clerk

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Potluck April 2nd immediately following worship. Please bring your own table service and a dish to pass.

Calendar of Events for April

Sun Apr 2nd 10:00am Bible Study

Palm Sunday 10:30am Coffee

11:00am Worship

11:45am Potluck

Tues Apr 4th 6:00pm Outreach Team

7:00pm IT Team Meets

Wed Apr 5th 1:00pm Worship

Thurs Apr 6th 7:00pm Maundy Thursday

Fri Apr 7th 10:00am Baby Pantry

Good Friday No Svs.



Sun Apr 9th 10:30am Coffee hour

Easter 11:00am Worship Team

Tues Apr 11th 7:30pm Property Team Meets

Sun Apr 16th 10:00am Bible Study
10:30am Coffee
11:00am Worship

Thurs Apr 20th 7:00pm Session Meeting

Fri Apr 21st 10:00am Baby Pantry

Sun Apr 23rd 10:30am Coffee
11:00am Worship

Sun Apr 30th 10:30am Coffee
11:00am Worship

Happy Birthday! May God bless you all year long!



Margaret Perry	Apr 13 th
Gerry Jackson	Apr 17 th
Cathie Killewald	Apr 18 th
Broady Cook	Apr 22 nd
Jan Bradshaw	Apr 25 th



Happy Anniversary

Walt & Barb Brown-April 21st-61 years

WOW! Congratulations!

Finance Team

Income Feb \$6,327.46
YTD \$14,323.49

Expense Feb \$11,849.13
YTD \$24,539.14



Bob Killewald and Vicki Lyles

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.

April quote

Prayer of Thanks

- That some **businesses affected by the fire in Holly** are beginning to reopen.

Prayer Concerns –

- **For healing, strength, comfort and peace:** **Sherry McLaughlin** recovering from surgeries; **Tim McLaughlin** (Sherry's husband) recovering from surgery; **Mark Bolan**, (Debbie Miller's husband), who is recovering from heart transplant at Henry Ford Hospital.; **Tom Schettling** is home now recovering; **Terry Striggow** has to make medical decisions; **Ray Knudsen** who is in rehab for his knee to get strength in it; **Gene Stevens** having trouble seeing, isolated, misses us a lot.



- Ongoing Prayers for—**Pete Olson, Steve in FL and Jim Killewald.**

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 shooting at Michigan State University and all the others.
- The families of the victims and those affected by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria, winter storm Elliot and hurricanes Ian and Nicole.
- 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.

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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.



Jobst Family



Keefer Family



Baby Pantry dates and volunteers

Apr 7th Donna DeNise & Loretta Weiss

April 21st Jennifer Chanter & Cathie Killewald

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

Thank you in advance.

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



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