

Holly Presbyterian Church
First Sunday of Lent
February 22, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

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

Prelude

Julia Hull

*Call to Worship

Psalm 27:1, 4

The Lord is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives; there is none we shall fear.

We seek the Lord and ask that we may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of our lives.

We want to see the beauty of the Lord and seek God in His dwelling place.

Let us come in our seeking and worship God together...

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

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we wish to be in Your Light. We wish to live in the fullness of Your Truth. But Lord, we must admit we sometimes lurk around the shadows, afraid to come into the Light. Forgive us for our self-protectiveness. Forgive us for our unwillingness to trust in Your goodness. Give us a new heart full of courage to step out from darkness and into Your Light.

(please take time for silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Based on Romans 5:8

Amen!

Prayer for Illumination

Based on Psalm 119:105

Lord, you have shone in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of Your glory in the face of Christ. Give us boldness to see You through Your Word and draw near. Amen.

Scriptures

New Testament Gospel

John 3:1-21

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 88

New Testament Gospel

John 7:37-52

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 94

New Testament Gospel

John 19:38-42

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 108

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Video

Sermon "Nicodemus"

The Chosen, S1 E7 Scene
Rev. Chris Thomas

*Hymn #729 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

*Affirmation of Faith

Selections from the Athanasian Creed**

That we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and human, equally. He is God from the essence of the Father, begotten before time; and he is human from the essence of his mother, born in time; completely God, completely human, with a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father as regards divinity, less than the Father as regards humanity.

He suffered for our salvation; he descended to hell; he arose from the dead; he ascended to heaven; he is seated at the Father's right hand; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. At his coming all people will arise bodily and give an accounting of their own deeds. Those who have done good will enter eternal life, and those who have done evil will enter eternal fire.

Amen!

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

*Doxology Hymn #607 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)"

*Prayer of Dedication

Lord, you have not held back in giving to us. You gave us your one and only Son, with whom you are well pleased. You sacrificed all for us. Take our sacrifices this morning as a sign of our gratitude and surrender to you. Strengthen us to see all that we have as yours and to use those resources for your glory. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #463 "How Firm a Foundation"

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

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

Annual Congregational Meeting

Our annual congregational meeting will be held today immediately following worship. The annual reports are at the back of the sanctuary.

Easter Lilies for Easter

Purchase an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one. Singles are 6" pot \$17 and Doubles are two plants 8" pot \$28. Please see the order form in the sanctuary. Your order needs to be in by Sunday March 15th. Make checks payable to HPC and in the memo put flowers.



Per capita

Our per capita payment has been sent. If you can help the church by covering your own portion of this, the cost is \$35 per member. Please add a "per capita" note to your giving envelope or in the memo line of your check.

Volunteers needed

We appreciate all you do to help this church. Please check the sign-up sheets at the back of the sanctuary for coffee hour, worship, and the baby pantry and see where you could help.



Bible Study

Join us at 10am for an in-depth look at Scriptures. We meet the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.

Congregational Care Team

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

Prayer Concerns

(For a more complete prayer list visit <https://www.hollypc.org/>)



Pray for: Bob Killewald; Sherry McLaughlin; Mike Pelton with dementia; Lori and Don Vallance (Randy Cook's sister and brother-in-law) strength and healing as Don has been diagnosed with dementia; Glynnna Parker pancreatic cancer; Dale Huffman for increased strength; Perry Smith recovering from brain surgery; Toni brain aneurysm;

Ongoing prayers: Elizabeth Kici; James Teddy and Charly recovering from liver transplants; Micha Swanson; Tom and Penny Schettling; Jerry Watkins (Laura Parker's dad); Alex Perry; Josh Haneline.

Prayers of Thanksgiving: Jody Robinson and Jennifer Cotaling (Randy Cook's sister and sister-in-law) whose cancers are in remission.

Prayers for those suffering: for all those affected by war, severe weather, hunger, gun violence, abuse, health issues, and/or addiction.

Mark your calendar

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| Sun Feb 22nd | 10:00am | Bible Study |
| | 10:30am | Coffee |
| | 11:15am | Worship |
| | 12:15pm | Annual Congregational Meeting |
| | 1:15pm | Property Team |
| Sun Mar 1 st | 10:30am | Coffee |
| | 11:00am | Outreach Team |
| | 11:15am | Worship |
| | 12:15pm | Potluck |
| Mon Mar 2 nd | 7:00pm | Information Technology |
| Fri Mar 6 th | 10:00am | Baby Pantry |