



Holly Presbyterian Church
Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 22, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

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

Prelude

Julia Hull

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

Let us come and worship the Lord.

***Opening Hymn #826 “Lift High the Cross”**

Call to Confession

Based on Numbers 21:4-5

Prayer of Confession

Based on Daniel 9:4-6

Lord, great and awesome God, keeping covenant and steadfast love with those who love you and keep your commandments, we have sinned and done wrong, acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and ordinances. We have not listened to your servants, who speak your truth into our lives. Forgive us for our untrusting ways. Give us new hearts to believe and obey Your goodness over our own.

(please take time for silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Based on John 3:17

Amen!

Prayer for Illumination

Based on Ephesians 1:17-18

Lord and Father of glory, please give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation as we come to know You through Your Word. Enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we may perceive the hope You have called us to, and the riches of inheritance You have bestowed on all the saints. Amen.

Scriptures

Old Testament

Numbers 21:4-9

Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 134

New Testament Gospel

John 3:1-21

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 108-109

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "God So Loved the World"

Rev. Chris Thomas

*Hymn #215 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

*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, we give ourselves and all that we have to you this morning. We know that you desire our hearts more than anything else. Take these gifts in the plates as a sign of our willingness to give our hearts to you. If we hold anything back, give us the strength to release it to you. Use all that we have given to you for your goodness in the world. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #649 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Julia Hull

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

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Outreach Team

Traverse Place-We will again be making toiletries and candy bags for 5 men and 3 women ages 17-21 years old. You can make a cash donation. Jennifer and Fran will purchase the items. *Today* is the final day to help with this ministry. This will be a gift for Easter for them.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday April 2nd is Maundy Thursday. We will have a soup & bread dinner at 6:00pm with a worship service at 7:00pm.



Easter Lilies for Easter

Thank you for your orders. You can take your plants home after worship on April 5th.

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 on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.

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: Vicky (Tom Schettling's sister-in-law) fractured her femur; **Loretta Weiss** diagnosed with an autoimmune disease-causing inflammation of the muscle around her joints.; **Elizabeth Kici** at her apartment in Brighton **and** would appreciate visitors; **Mary Renico** broken wrist; **Ray Knudsen** (previous pulpit supply) fractured his scapula in left shoulder.; Randy's sister **Jenny and the Cook family.**; **Bob Killewald**; **Sherry**

McLaughlin.

Ongoing prayers: 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; Glynna Parker pancreatic cancer; Dale Huffman for increased strength; Perry Smith recovering from brain surgery; Toni brain aneurysm. James Teddy and Charly; Alex Perry.

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 Mar 22nd | 10:00am | Bible Study |
| | 10:30am | Coffee |
| | 11:15am | Worship |
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| | 11:15am | Worship |
| Thur Apr 2nd | 6:00pm | Soup and Bread dinner |
| | 7:00pm | Service |

Dale Huffman & Karen Haneline



Should you visit someone-take a picture and share it with us!