MAY 2020





May Worship has been cancelled until further notice. We are following Governor Evers "Safer at Home" decree.

You can stream online Sunday worship with YouTube or Facebook. Another option is TV with WXOW or cable. **Check your local listings for times.**

During this time HCLC is offering the following:

Give a Little....Take a Little

There us be a bin by the HCLC outside church doors for people to drop off food items and pick up anything you need from the bin. On Monday all excess items will be given to the Holmen Lutheran Food pantry.

Amy's Closet Items

Collecting items in bin by HCLC outside church doors: toilet paper, small packages of Kleenex, can 7-Up, saltine crackers, cough drops & anti-bacterial soap for elderly care packages.

PROPERTY TEAM

Vision Board looking for people to be on the Property Team due to the retirement of people on the team. Contact Patti Happel at 608-317-9525 or email patiszoo@yahoo.com for further information.



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Wear Red May 31! (if we are able)

On Sunday, May 31 we will celebrate the festival of Pentecost – the day when the Church was born when the Holy Spirit poured out on all the followers of Jesus who were gathered in Jerusalem after his ascension into heaven. (See Acts 2:1-21)

In the church, RED is the color of the Holy Spirit. You are invited to dress in red that day. We'll have a party with delicious treats from around the world between services.

We will also give thanks for graduates that day. If you or a loved one is graduating this year, please let the office know by May 21 so that we may include you in the celebration.





If your birthday is missing, please notify the office.

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Abigail Fredrickson	Benjamin Johnson	Mary Severson	Zachary Arendt
Lise Graham	8	13	Dylan Severson
2	Samantha Hammond	Jenny Lee	24
Keena Noth	Seth Heiser	14	Barbara Hale
Melissa Strauss	Megan Jostad-Myhre	Sayde Nelson	James Noel
3	Jordan Ouellette	15	25
Tina Mueller	9	Paul Eide	Priscilla Achterkirch
4	Evlyn Clark	Kermit Jostad	Jon Strangstalien
Laura Arnold	40	16	Olivia Temp
Nancy Holley	10	William Achterkirch	27
5	Samantha Bartnik	17	Susan Anderson
Paul Anderson	Lauren Bringe	Roger Casberg	Jeffery Severson
Lyle Gordon	Patricia Krause	Nicole Plomedahl	31
Joseph Noth	Betty Schmidt		Pamela Gran
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Options for You HCLC Contributions

With on-site worship suspended, HCLC is offering Simply Giving as a service for continue supporting our mission.

Simply Giving® is an automated giving program designed to help you conveniently and consistently give to Halfway Creek Lutheran Church. Through Simply Giving®, your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic gift—one time, weekly, or monthly—the option is yours. You also select when the donation will come from your account. Your gift is deposited into the church bank account on the same day it is withdrawn from your account—at no cost to you.

If you would like to enroll in *Simply Giving®*, please contact Joanne Nichols at 608-780-4748 or <u>jknichols24@gmail.com</u> for an enrollment form.

If you choose not to elect *Simply Giving®*, you can send contributions through the mail, drop it off at church or leave in mailbox.

Office Hours: 8-1:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Thank you for your continued support.

HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES RECOGNITION



At our June worship, the high school and college graduates will be honored. Please contact the church office by Thursday, May 28 if you or someone in your family is graduating this spring.



We pray especially Roy Ackermann, Katie Wier, Phoebe Kitzke, Ayla Humphrey, Ted Latham, Gayle Kuespert, Sue Bjerke, Larry Severson, Mark Sanders, Beulah Sanders, Betty Schmidt, Sarahann Jones, Cary Heyer, Eric Erdman, Dawson Reed, Jenny Lee



Dearest Halfway Creek Friends,

I pray this newsletter finds you all healthy and safe. Thankfully the weather is continuing to improve, so we can at least enjoy some outdoor time.

We, as a Vision Board, have started to have conversations about what it may look like once the Safer at Home order is lifted. There are many factors to consider, so please know that we will take everyone's safety into consideration. If you have any input, or ideas, please feel free to reach out.

Although we've not been able to be together physically, please know that I am thinking of you all, and praying for the day we can be together again. I sure do miss all of your smiling faces.

The Vision Board voted to postpone April's meeting, until such time as we can meet in person, or as a need may arise. We are, however, continuing to communicate via email and/or phone calls. We did vote (by email) to apply for the Payroll Protection Program (PPP), which is part of the Cares Act stimulus offered by our government. If you would like more information on this, please feel free to call and ask questions. Our finances continue to look good. Thank you to all who continue to send in your offerings even though we can't be together.

Archie completed some minor repairs to the parsonage, so that is in good shape. Thank you, Archie!!

Our property team is looking to retire, so we are in need of volunteers to take on these roles. Please contact the office, or any Vision Board members.

There was a wedding scheduled for May, however, due to the Covid-19 restrictions, they have rescheduled for September.

As always, if you have any prayer concerns, please reach out to the office or any Vision Board members.

I will continue to pray that we all stay healthy, and will be able to worship together as soon as it is safe to do so.

Blessing to all ~
Patti Happel
Vision Board President

SERVING AND WORSHIP

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Volunteer to help at Worship

For the month of May your assistance at each service is needed:

- Acolytes
- Greeters
- Communion Assistants
- Lectors
- Powerpoint
- Ushers

Use Sign-up Genius button on the website; email assistant@halfwaycreek.org or there are sign up sheets on the bulletin board near coffee area.

Gifting of your time is important to help meet the needs of this congregation at each service.

Sexton and Offering Counters are needed to assist on a monthly basis. If you want to know more, please contact the office.

Thank you to those that serve the church!

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Halfway Creek Lutheran Church

608-526-3701

www.halfwayyreek.org Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS

The office will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you need to reach Rose Wegner, you may leave a message on the answering machine or e-mail at assistant@halfwaycreek.org.

PASTORAL CARE

If the need arises for Pastoral Care, please contact Holmen Lutheran Church at 608-406-7592 or Pastor Kathy Ingbritsen 608-606-2903.

