



# Halfway Creek

LUTHERAN CHURCH

## CURRENTS

SEPTEMBER 2021

### *Reaching Out to Share Christ with All*

On Sunday, September 12, Halfway Creek Lutheran Church is joining with Holmen Lutheran Church for Worship and Service in Halfway Creek Park.

8:00 AM Indoor Worship offered at Holmen Lutheran Church

8:30 AM Set-up begins at the band shell in the Halfway Creek Park (coffee & donuts)

10:00 AM Worship in the Park—Bring a chair or blanket to sit on

Service Project following – Holmen's Hope Backpack Program. Donations of Microwave Mac and Cheese cups, Hormel Compleats meals, Microwave Popcorn, Fruit and Applesauce Cups, Granola Bars, Peanut Butter Crackers. Items can be dropped off at church or bring that day.

*Join us for*

**"God's work. Our hands."**

A dedicated day of  
service in our community.

### **What's Happening in September**

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| <b>Sunday, Sep 5</b>    | 9:00 am Worship with Journey @ Whispering Pines   |
| <b>Thursday, Sept 9</b> | Vision Board Meeting  |
| <b>Sunday, Sept 12</b>  | Worship at Halfway Creek Park ( <i>details above</i> )<br>1:00 pm Troop 91 @ Whispering Pines             |
| <b>Sunday, Sept 19</b>  | 9:00 am Worship Blessing Backpacks & Miles Bartnik Baptism<br>followed by Rally Day—Sunday School Sign-up |
| <b>Sunday, Sept 26</b>  | <b>9:00-9:45 AM Worship</b><br><b>9:45—10:30 AM Sunday School; Fellowship; Education</b>                  |



## WANTED: FUN PEOPLE - for FLOCKING

Are you the neighborhood jokester who decorates your neighbors' yards for their significant birthdays? Did you TP people's trees during homecoming week when you were in high school? Or do you just like to have fun? If you answered yes to any of these questions, we need you.



We have an upcoming "flocking" fundraiser for a community organization that will also be a great outreach opportunity for the congregation. If you haven't heard about "flocking" fundraisers, just google "flamingo flocking fundraiser" (but our flocks will be sheep yard signs).

We need volunteers to join our "flocking teams". This would be a great opportunity for families and also youth that can drive to participate in a fun project for a good cause. Contact Lynn Wegner at 414-305-4803 or [lwegner2005@yahoo.com](mailto:lwegner2005@yahoo.com) if you are willing to help.

## BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSINGS

We pray for God's blessings on all students, teachers, bus drivers, administrators, lunch room workers, custodians, coaches, and everyone else who is heading back to school this month! We will have a special blessing for everyone at the start of the new school year during worship on September 19 (9:00am). Please bring your backpacks, book bags, lunch boxes to place them at the foot of the baptismal font at the start of service.



## Annual Quilt and Antique Auction - September 11, 2021



5K Run & Walk 8:00 registration  
8:00-2:00 Country Store & Craft Fair  
10:00-2:00 Quilt and Antique Action  
Silent Auction and Food will be available

13141 Sugar Creek Bible Camp Road, Ferryville, WI

## *Farewell from Rose*

I have accepted another position in La Crosse which allows me to be closer for my mom and other family. This has been a wonderful position for so many reasons. Not only have I gotten the chance to do what I love to do, I got to meet people and gain new friends in this position. I will truly miss all the you and wish you all the best.

Rose Wegner  
Administrative Assistant

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION**

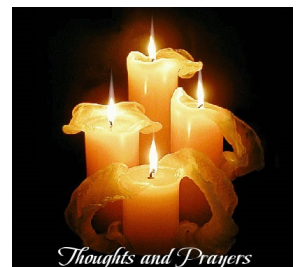


Will be on September 19th after the 9:00 church service. Sunday School welcomes all children 2 years of age to 5th grade! Parents and children will be able to turn in registration forms, meet teachers and take part in a fun start of the year activity. Registration forms will be sent out to parents soon and be available on the Sunday School Facebook page. We will also

have forms available for parents to fill out the day of registration. We can't wait to welcome all of the children to another fun year! Check us out on our Facebook page: HCLC Sunday School Families.

**Teachers and Helpers**— This year we are looking for teachers and helpers to complete our Sunday School Program. Teachers must be at least 18 years old and helpers at least 13 years old. If anyone is interested or have any questions about helping, please contact Carrie by phone (text or call) 608-790-4401 or email [payne.carrie@hotmail.com](mailto:payne.carrie@hotmail.com).

*We pray for Roy Ackermann, Katie Wier, Phoebe Kitzke, Ayla Humphrey, Ted Latham, Gayle Kuespert, Mark Sanders, Beulah Sanders, Cary Heyer, Eric Erdman, Dawson Reed, Jenny Lee, Mary Dokkebaken, Karla Johnson, Alice Fonfara, Ruth Scholze, Mildred Schwanebeck, Kathy Johnson*



*Thoughts and Prayers*

## **VISION BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 8, 2021**

MEMBERS: Pastor Chris Sesvold, Patti Happel, Mike Martin, Mike Nedoba, Gaye Johnson (absent), Jessica Cook (absent), Carolyn Bjerke, Diane Jostad

**TIME:**

6:00

**ITEM:**

Call to Order @ 6:05

Devotion/Reflection/Prayer

Learning Together

Pastor Chris would like to implement a team building – example: bible study or book reading/review

Pastor's Report

Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> – joint service w/ Journey

Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> God's Work Our Hands

Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> Rally Sunday

Septic 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday School begins

Confirmation will begin in September

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Carolyn, seconded by Mike N.

Approval of June minutes

Motion by Diane, seconded by Carolyn

Financial Report

Motion by Mike N, seconded by Carolyn

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Installation Service on Sunday July 11, 2021

Call Committee & Vision Board participated in the service –

Lynn accompanied & Worship Team sang

Fundraising – Parsonage roof & flooring

Flooring completed, roof to be done soon

Looking to reach out to the congregation for financial

support – possible fundraising at a later date. Two generous

members of the congregation, have already contributed

funds to help offset the expenses.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Projector/Smart TV

Tabled – awaiting pricing

Open Doors Grant – Lynn Wegner

Grand money received – pricing on sheep yard signs, to “flock”

Music Director job description/salary  
 Job description updated by Pastor Chris & discussion by  
 Vision Board  
 165<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of HCLC – October  
 Tabled  
 Parsonage – other uses  
 Tabled

Closing Prayer – The Lord's Prayer  
 Adjournment @ 8:28pm

Next meeting(s): Thursday August 12, 2021 6pm – Regular Vision Board Meeting

Additional notes/voting:

HCLC Vision Board Meeting for the purpose of hiring HCLC Music Director  
 Meeting was held by email and phone. Meeting begun Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 9:13  
 a.m.

**Mike Nedoba made a motion to:**  
**Hire Lynn Wegner as Music Director at a salary of \$17,000 a year and per the attached job**  
**description.**

\*(Job description and addendum attached)

**Motion seconded by Jessica Cook.**

Discussion time given until 5:00 p.m. on Friday July 23, 2021.

Dianne Jostad (not on email) was called by phone and made aware of all discussion that  
 took place, and was given opportunity to enter discussion.

At 5:50 p.m. on Friday July 23, 2021 discussion was officially called to close. Pastor of-  
 fered a prayer before voting.

At 9:33 a.m. Saturday July 24, 2021 Vision Board President declared the **motion passed**  
**with a vote of 5:1.**

Your giving helps with our mission-*Reaching Out to Share Christ with All*

<i>July</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Y-T-D Budget</i>	<i>Y-T-D Actual</i>
Expense	15,830	16,544	110,910	95,096
General Fund	15,833	15,832	110,835	109,863
Debt Reduction		395		3,046

# September 2021

September 2021							October 2021						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
5	6	7	1	2	3	4	3	4	5	6	7	1	2
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
Aug 29		30		31		Sep 1		2		3		4	
5 9:00am Worship - Whispering Pines w/Journey Lutheran (Halfway Creek Lutheran Church)		6 Labor Day		7 9:30am Text Study - Pastor Chris		8		9 6:00pm Vision Board Meeting (Halfway Creek Lutheran Church)		10		11 8:00am Sugar Creek Quilt Auction & Fall Festival (Ferryville, Wf)	
12 9:00am Worship God's Work Our Hands - Halfway Creek Band 1:00pm Troop 91 - Whispering Pines &		13		14 9:30am Text Study - Pastor Chris		15		16		17		18	
19 9:00am Baptism of Miles Bartnik 9:00am Worship - Rally Day (Halfway Creek 5:00pm Living Hope		20 Currents Deadline		21 9:30am Text Study - Pastor Chris		22		23		24		25 2:00pm Memorial for Paul Ronskog - at HCLC cemetery only (Pastor Alyssa)	
26 9:00am Worship (Halfway Creek Lutheran Church) 9:45am Sunday School (Halfway Creek		27		28 9:30am Text Study - Pastor Chris 5:00pm Holmen's Hope monthly dinner at 6:30pm Theology		29 6:30pm Confirmation Parent Meeting - Sanctuary		30		Oct 1		2	

HCLC Assistant

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

*If your birthday is missing, please notify the office.*

<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>26</b>
Rachel Temp	Jason Bramwell	Dawn Rink	Eric Theisen
<b>3</b>	Gayle Johnson	<b>21</b>	<b>28</b>
Adalyn Ruhbusch	Emersen	Nicole Lepsch	Aaron Balow
<b>4</b>	Strangstalien	<b>22</b>	Jason Ruhbusch
Gail Dent	<b>14</b>	Hadley Given	<b>30</b>
<b>5</b>	Buelah Sanders	Hannah Wegner	Jessica Cook
Gregory Britton	Rodney Sutherland	<b>23</b>	Chad Hanson
<b>6</b>	Shelly Thompson	James Hansen	Julia Yahnke
Teagan Yahnke	<b>15</b>	David Johnson	
<b>8</b>	Jesse Fiers	Morgan Jostad	
Angela Kinsman	<b>17</b>	Mark Sanders	
<b>9</b>	Kaden Casberg	Stan Schwier	
Casey Clark	<b>18</b>	Lila Sutherland	
<b>10</b>	Diane Jostad	<b>25</b>	
Rayna Hendrickson	Emily Jostad	Ruth Jostad	
<b>11</b>	Kimberly Noel	Benjamin Mueller	
Brody Happel	<b>19</b>	Richard Pedretti	
	Alyssa Shisler		



## Where Do Our Quilts Go?

### Lutheran World Relief BOXCAR - Loading in La Crosse

Sat, October 9, 2021 - 7 - 11 am



The La Crosse area Lutheran World Relief Ingathering has been scheduled. On that morning pull into the Boys and Girls Club parking lot at 1260 Clinton St, La Crosse, and keep driving straight ahead toward the railroad tracks. You should see the boxcar parked on the tracks.

[Check our Facebook page for any updates.](#)

## SERVING AND WORSHIP

		SEXTON	ALTAR GUILD	OFFERING COUNTERS
<b>S E P T 5</b>	9 0 0	Morgan Jostad	Carrie Payne  Nicole Stumlin	Rhonda Britton  Sonja Nelson
<b>S E P T 1 2</b>	9 0 0	<b>God's Work, Our Hands at Halfway Creek Park</b>		
		Stan Schwier	Karla Johnson  Diane Jostad	Bette Pedretti  Susan Jostad
<b>S E P T 1 9</b>	9 0 0	Archie Achterkirch	Nancy Holley  Diane Jostad	Jodi Eide  Mike Nedoba
<b>S E P T 2</b>	9 0 0	Dave Bringe	Bette Pedretti  Barb Hale	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>

### Volunteer to help at Worship

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

- **Acolytes**
- **Greeters**
- **Lectors**
- **Ushers**
- **Camera**



**Use Sign-up Genius button on the website or E-News; call the office or email [assistant@halfwaycreek.org](mailto:assistant@halfwaycreek.org) .**

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

**Thank you to those that serve the church!**





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### **OFFICE HOURS**

The office will be open Monday,  
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from  
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Leave  
message on the answering machine or  
e-mail at [assistant@halfwaycreek.org](mailto:assistant@halfwaycreek.org).

### **PASTORAL CARE**

If the need arises for Pastoral Care,  
please contact Pastor Chris at 608-  
526-3701 or 608-397-1578.

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