



# Halfway Creek LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Welcome to Worship!*



*February 16, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.*

*Welcome Ron Christensen*

*Worship Accompanist: Lynn Wegner*

## Order of Worship

(ELW—Evangelical Lutheran Worship—red hymnal; WOV –With One Voice—blue hymnal)

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Merciful God, **you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.**

Gathering Song

*"We Come to the Hungry Feast"*

ELW 479

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

**Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Gospel Acclamation

*"Thy Word"*

see insert

Gospel

Luke 6:17-26

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

*"Lead Me Lord"*

see insert

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Peace

Offertory Song

*"When the Poor Ones"*

ELW 725

Offering Prayer

Lord's Prayer

ELW pg. 191

Beatitudes Sending Litany

see insert

Blessing

Sending Song

*"Canticle of the Turning:"*

ELW 723

Dismissal

Postlude

## Announcements

Birthdays this week: Jaxson Happel, Vivianna Yahnke-Kolbo, Heidi Rosenow, Megan Page, Maison Payne, Ellie Adam, Cailyn Schreiber

Giving at HCLC: We appreciate all the ways you help to meet our needs and the needs of others! To give through PayPal, please use the QR code on the back page of the bulletin.

Noisy Offering: Throughout February we will be supporting our HCLC Quilters Group. So far we've collected \$135.77! Thank you!

Vision Board Installation: Thank you to Kari Washburn and Patti Happel for serving on the Vision Board this past year! We appreciate your hard work and dedication to HCLC. We welcome our newest Vision Board members who were voted in at our annual meeting: Michelle Olson, Wayne Atchley, Ema Nedoba, and Olivia Nedoba.

***All Vision Board members will be installed at worship on February 23rd.***

Installation of Patti Happel: **Please join us at worship on March 9th as we welcome Bishop Felix Malpica, who will officially install Patti Happel as our Synod Authorized Minister (SAM)!** Congratulations, Patti! *Through a generous donation, we'll be putting a fresh coat of paint on the walls of the minister's office to help welcome Patti and her ministry.*

Upcoming Worship

**Feb 23 at 10 AM:** welcome Pastor Garman  
**Mar 2 at 10 AM:** welcome Pastor Tara Shilts

Confirmation: Classes will meet this month at 630 PM on the following Wednesdays: February 19 and 26.

Operation Happy Mail due today

Please take a moment to write a letter to our local National Guard service persons who have been deployed to the Middle East and Africa. We'll be sending the letters and care packages this week. Supplies and writing prompts are on the table in the gathering space! Thank you!

Coffee and Fellowship please sign-up in the gathering space at the info table: We are looking for a few more volunteers to help with coffee and provide treats after worship. This is an invaluable opportunity to help encourage fellowship and build community at HCLC. Thank you for your consideration in helping with this ministry.

**In Our Prayers:**

**We pray for** friends and family of those we have lost: Ray Cook, Charles Severson, Madilyn Vang, Jeff Rose, Ron Hanson, Rod Sutherland, Curt Nedoba, Judy Campbell, Mike Nedoba, Raymond Lee, Marie Jezova

**We pray for** Laurie Noelke, Brooklynn Cook, Megan Sacia Ulrich, Perry Voshage, Owen Gilbertson, Adisyn Rhyme, Kannon Happel, Marjorie Lee, Jean Latham, Bob Loper, Joan Vaughn, Bridget Ferk, Thelma Severson, Lisa Herrera Evans, Katie Wier, Phoebe Kitzke, Gayle Kuespert, Beulah Sanders, Cary Heyer, Eric Erdman, Dawson Reed, Jenny Lee, Mary Dokkebaken, Karla Johnson, Alice Fonfara, the Coats family.

## Welcome to Worship!

Thank you for being here today. We want you to feel at home when you are here at HCLC, so please remember:

### As you participate

Bolded words on the screen are for you to speak.

Even though the pastor indicates when to stand up or sit down, that is not mandatory. We do not judge when it's done differently. Move around as you need to and please worship as *your* body demands it.

### Offering

The offering is our way of showing that when we come to the table we bring ourselves as well as all we have been given by God to be blessed for service in God's world.

The offering plate is passed around during the offering song.

The cake pan is for our Noisy Offering. Each month we choose a cause to support.

Offerings can also be made through our website or by using this QR code. Thank you for the many ways you support HCLC and our mission.



## Holy Communion

**All are welcome** to the table today when communion is offered. It is not our table, but Jesus is the host. So, in this place **all** are welcome to Jesus' table.

**Pre-packaged communion kits**, regular and **gluten-free**, are available for communing in your seats or bringing them with you as you come forward.

**Communion in the front aisle** will be baked bread and both wine and juice (the wine is red, juice is clear).

### Kids

We welcome kids to participate fully in any part of the service! You may pass the offering plate or noisy offering, and we have activity bags as you enter church.

An **AED is available** in case of an emergency. It is located just outside the sanctuary doors.

***Please join us for coffee and fellowship each week after service. Guests and members please take a moment to fill out the Welcome Card in the pew. We want to know how we can best minister to you.***

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