



# Halfway Creek

LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Welcome to Worship!*

**LOVE**

your enemies;

**DO GOOD**

to those who hate you;

**BLESS**

those who curse you;

**PRAY**

for those who mistreat you.

Luke 6:27-28

*February 23, 2025 10:00 a.m.*

*Pastor Carol Garman, presiding—Worship Accompanist: Lynn Wegner*

## Order of Worship

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

Prelude		
Welcome & Announcements		
Gathering		
Prayer Station Confession	<b>c: Amen</b>	
Words of Assurance	<b>c: Amen</b>	
Gathering Song	<i>“A New Commandment”</i>	WOV 664
Greeting		
Prayer of the Day		
<b>O God, the Father of all, whose Son commanded us to love our enemies: Lead them and us from prejudice to truth: deliver them and us from hatred, cruelty, and revenge; and in your good time enable us all to stand reconciled before you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</b>		
First Reading	Genesis 45: 3-11, 15	
Gospel Acclamation	<i>“Spirit of the Living God”</i>	see insert
Gospel	Luke 6:27-38	
Sermon		
Hymn of the Day	<i>“By Our Love”</i>	see insert
Apostles’ Creed		
Prayers of Intercession	God of grace, <b>hear our prayer.</b>	
Peace		
Offertory Song	<i>“This Little Light of Mine” v. 1</i>	ELW 677
Offering Prayer		
Words of Institution		
Lord’s Prayer		ELW pg. 191
Invitation to Communion		
Communion	<i>“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love”</i> <i>“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”</i>	ELW 708 ELW 659
Prayer after Communion	<b>c: Amen</b>	
Installation of Vision Board		
Reading	1 Corinthians 12:4-7 <b>c: We will, and we ask God to help us.</b>	
Blessing		
Sending Song	<i>“We Are One in the Spirit”</i>	see insert
Dismissal		
Postlude		

## Announcements

Birthdays this week: Cailyn Schreiber, William Miller, Noah Oines, Bambi Daily, Josie Happel, Samantha Osesek, Sara Osesek

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. Thank you!

Congratulations Vision Board: We are looking forward to supporting you throughout the year! Thank you for hearing God's call to serve HCLC in this way!

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, Patti's office has a fresh coat of paint. Stop by for a visit!*

### Upcoming Worship

**Mar 2 at 10 AM:** welcome Pastor Tara Shilts  
Lent Begins -

**Mar 5 at 630 PM:** Ash Wednesday service;  
Patti Happel presiding

**Mar 9 at 10 AM:** welcome Bishop Malpica

Confirmation: Classes will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 26.

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 a great opportunity to help encourage fellowship and build community at HCLC. Thank you for your consideration in helping with this ministry.

**Ash Wednesday:** Please join us for worship and distribution of ashes on March 5 at 6:30 p.m. Volunteers please sign-up in the gathering space. Thank you!

### **Mid-week Lenten meals and service:**

We'll gather on Wednesdays during lent from March 12 through April 9 at 5:45 p.m. for our meal and 6:30 p.m. for service followed by a short time of reflection and conversation. Sign up sheets for the meals may be found in the gathering space.

### **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 Ferik, 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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