



Halfway Creek

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome to Worship!

"I have seen the Lord"
John 20:18



January 19, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

Welcome LuMin Pastor Kathryn Thompson

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

"Gather Us In"

ELW 532

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Creating God, this is the day that you have made. Joining the chorus that is rising throughout all the earth, we rejoice in this day. You take our endings, and you make your new beginnings. You surprise and astound us in places where we expected that you were absent. You meet us in the thresholds of our lives and invite us to reconsider what is possible. We give you thanks for this day and for your love that surrounds us. Amen.

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation

"Word of God, Come Down on Earth"

ELW 510 v1

Gospel

John 20:1-18

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

"Women Weeping in the Garden"

see insert

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Loving God, **meet us at the threshold.**

Peace

Offertory Song

"We Are An Offering"

ELW 692

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

ELW pg. 191

Communion

Communion Hymns

"United at the Table"

ELW 498

"Grains of Wheat"

WOV 708

Blessing

Sending Song

"Send Me Jesus"

ELW 549

Dismissal & Postlude

Announcements

Birthdays this week: Tammy Howe, Donna Anderson, Rylend Tuquero, Kathie Severson, Chance Brandau

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 January we will be supporting Karuna, Inc. Karuna's mission is to build community by providing a supportive housing model that empowers people experiencing homelessness to cultivate their resilience, elevate their personal dignity, and find their own life worth living. Thank you for contributing to this worth cause!

Pizza Fundraiser: Our annual pizza fundraiser has been such a huge hit and a fun collaboration with Journey Lutheran that we are having it again! Order forms may be found in the gathering space, bulletin and in our weekly E-News. Please place orders before the end of January. We'll be making pizzas on February 5 at Journey. We'd love to have your help!!

Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Space.

Confirmation : Please plan to attend our Service Project on Feb. 5th—Making Pizzas at Journey from 5-8 p.m. Our next Confirmation class is Wednesday: January 22 at 6:30 p.m.

Upcoming Worship

Jan 26 at 10 AM; welcome Jason Knipe and Laurie Noelke on piano

Feb 2 at 10 AM; welcome Pastor Tara Shilts; annual meeting, cemetery meeting and Potluck!

Feb 9 at 10 AM; welcome Pastor Carol Garman and Laurie Noelke on piano

HCLC Annual Meeting is on Sunday, February 2 after worship. The Annual Cemetery meeting will follow along with our **Congregation Potluck and Fellowship!** Please sign up in the gathering space if you'd like to bring something. Please note that everyone is welcome and bringing food is NOT required; we'll have plenty! Please just come and enjoy the meal and fellowship. Annual Reports are available on our website and in the gathering space!

Operation Happy Mail Feb 2 and 9

We'll be writing letters to our local National Guard service persons who have been deployed to the Middle East and Africa. And we'll also be sending a care package to them. We'll have a list of items you could donate in next week's E-News and at worship. Thank you for participating in this outreach project!

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 placed at the entrance of the sanctuary and may be passed around as well.

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! There will be a Children's Message and coloring page, you may pass the offering plate or noisy offering. 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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Lyrics for Worship

Woman, Weeping in the Garden

1 Woman, weeping in the garden,
who has pushed the stone aside?
Who has taken Jesus' body,
Jesus Christ the crucified?

2 Woman, waiting in the garden,
after men have come and gone,
after angels give their witness,
silently you watch the dawn.

3 Woman, walking in the garden,
Jesus takes you by surprise;
when the gard'ner calls you, "Mary!"
faith and joy meet in your eyes.

4 Woman, weeping in the garden,
weep for joy, for you have seen
Jesus, the Messiah, risen;
Christ, of whom the prophets
dream.

5 Woman, dancing from the garden,
find the others and proclaim
Christ is risen as he promised;
tell the world he knew your name!

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In Our Prayers:

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

We pray for 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 Dokkebakken, Karla Johnson,
Alice Fonfara, the Coats family.

Super Bowl Pizza Fundraiser

Order your 12 inch take and bake pizzas today! Orders due Jan. 31. Pick up will be Wed., February 5th at Journey or after Worship on Sun., February 9th at HCLC.

- _____ 12" Cheese Pizza \$10
- _____ 12" Pepperoni Pizza \$10
- _____ 12" Veggie Lovers \$13
(green peppers, onion, mushroom, black olives)
- _____ 12" Meat Lovers \$13 (sausage, pepperoni, Canadian Bacon)
- _____ 12" Deluxe Pizza \$13 (sausage, pepperoni, mushrooms, onion,
green peppers, black olives)
- _____ 12" Hawaiian \$13 (Canadian Bacon, pineapple)
- _____ 7" Apple Pie Dessert Pizza \$7

- _____ Total Price

Name _____

Phone _____



Thank you for supporting the Super Bowl Pizza Fundraiser!

Congregation Potluck

Sunday, February 2

Following Annual meeting and HCLC Cemetery meeting

Sign-up in the Gathering Space if you'd like to bring something to the potluck.

You may also sign-up on-line. Find the Sign-up Genius link in your E-News.

You are NOT required to bring anything; we'll have plenty of food!

Just come and enjoy fellowship and food with your HCLC family!