

This Week (February 11 – February 18, 2018)

Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday-School/Burning of the Ashes
	10:30 a.m.	Worship/Communion
	11:45 a.m.	Nursing Home Service Project
	6:15 p.m.	Valentine Dinner
Monday	1:00 p.m.	HG & LWR Quilters
	5:30 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Guild
Tuesday		Newsletter News Due
	1:00 p.m.	HG & LWR Quilters
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Bells
	6:00 p.m.	Pancake Dinner
Wednesday		Ash Wednesday/Valentine's Day
	6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast
	7:00 a.m.	"Ashes to Go"
	11:00 a.m.	Worship/Communion
	5:00 p.m.	High School Bells
	5:45 p.m.	Grace Notes
	6:30 p.m.	Worship/Communion
	8:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Community Bible Study
	8:30 a.m.	LWR Quilters
	10:00 a.m.	Quilters Devotion
Saturday		Ethiopian Kamiso Oromo Church Guest (Sat & Sun)
	6:00 p.m.	Worship
Sunday		Feeding John
	8:00 a.m.	Worship
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday-School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship

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R= Read God's Word Daily:

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Visitors and Guests! Your presence in worshipping the Lord is our joy! Please join us for Sunday-School and Bible Study classes as well as fellowship. Thank you for your faith which brings you here and please come again!

Three Different Worship Services are offered on a weekly basis at HGLC: Sat., 6pm is Informal; Sun., 8am is Traditional; and Sun., 10:30am is Varied.

Suspending the Sharing the Peace: Due to the recent flu outbreak, this portion of the service will be put on hold. Thank you for your understanding!

Hospitalized this week is Wes King, Clinton Feuge, Ilee Ersch and Chester Ellebracht, Helen Usener, Allan Schollian, Irene Klinksiek and Tim Ersch.

The HGLC Hospice list includes: Loreen Nebgen, and Frances Klein. Please pray for them and for all who are in need.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Olfers Family in honor of Rudy & Betty Olfers 62nd Wedding Anniversary.

Pedestal Flowers are given to the glory of God by Lenny & Patricia Isles in celebration of their 10th wedding anniversary.

Tax Assistance! The Needs Council offers FREE Income Tax help for persons that fit certain criteria. Please call and ask at 997-9756.

Holy Communion: All Christians are welcome to receive Communion. The Lutheran understanding in the Sacrament is that we receive the true presence of Christ in this meal-- that His body and blood are given for us as we receive the bread and wine in faith, remembering what He accomplished for us in His death and resurrection. White grape juice is offered for those who prefer. Young children or those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing and indicate that by crossing arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are now provided for those who prefer.

G.R.A.C.E.D! The "C" means "Connect in a Study or Small Group!" **Sunday Morning Opportunities:** "God's Urgent Call and The Faithful Answered: "A study of Isaiah, Hebrews & Revelation" is led by Alton Klier, Jim Paige & Norm Nevins; "Luther's Catechism" led by Pastor David. All these classes meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:15am. **Midweek Studies:** A Ladies Lunch Study meets every-other Wednesday at Noon in the FH Alpha Room, studying "Anything" by Jennie Allen (contact Kim Gibbs at kimgibbs@ctesc.net or Barbara George at bdgeorge@beecreek.net for more info). **Men's Breakfast Devotion** on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30am at Jalisco's Restaurant. **Men's Bible Study of Abraham** every Thursday at 7am in the FH Alpha Room. And, "12 Keys to Spiritual Vitality: Powerful Lessons on Living Agelessly" led by Pastor David sharing some of his sabbatical learning on Wed. at 10am in the FH Alpha Room. "Before Amen" is a book study by Max Lucado led by Pastor Bobby which meets during the Sunday-School hour.

The Special Offering for February is designated for Support Staff Appreciation. The Resource Management Team is inviting the congregation to share our appreciation of those who are "behind the scenes!" All the church employees other than the pastors and Children & Young Families minister are included in this gift. Thank you for your generosity as we uplift these important players on the team! **NOTE:** these contributions are not tax deductible and won't be recorded on your giving record due to them being directed to specific individuals; IRS rule.

Lutheran World Relief Health Care Kits – February is the month to collect items for our LWR health care kits. There will be a display of red hearts on an easel in the entry of church with the items needed listed on the hearts. Each kit will consist of a 27x52inch lightweight dark towel, 2 bars of soap (4.5oz. each), one adult toothbrush, one sturdy comb and one metal nail clipper (attached file optional). Please take as many hearts as you are able to fill. After the items have been purchased, bring them back to church and place them in the collection box by March 3.

LENT begins with Ash Wednesday on Feb. 14 with services at 11am and 6:30pm. The theme this year is: "Create in me a clean heart," based on Psalm 51. **Lenten daily devotion booklets**, written by many of you, will also be part of the journey along with **Lenten yard crosses** made by the Men in Mission. This year "**Drive Through Ashes To-Go**" will be offered from 7-8am from the Fellowship Hall drive way to start your Ash Wednesday! Breakfast tacos, coffee, juice, a Blessing, and a Lent schedule will be given as well.

A Congregational Meeting is set for Feb. 25 at 11:30am. Annual team, group, and organization reports as well as 2017 financials will be provided. A report from the Strategic Planning Team will be shared, Investment Team recommendations will be voted on for ratification, and Trust Fund Allocations will be chosen. Please take an Annual Report, read it, and return with it next Sunday!

Lenten Devotion Booklets, written by the Holy Ghost Family of Faith, are available for pick-up at each of the church exits following services. The devotions center around this year's Lenten theme, Create in Me a Clean Heart...Psalm 51:10-12. We ask that you take one booklet per family only until everyone who wants a booklet has gotten one. The devotions will also be posted daily on the church's Facebook page (search Holy Ghost Lutheran Church and like the page to see updates).

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Family Pancake Dinner February 13, 6-7:30pm - Let the good times roll with some good ol' breakfast for dinner! Free will donations will be taken to benefit our summer trips!

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Stewardship Verse for the Week: *Matthew 21:22 Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive.*

Weekend Attn: 428	General Offering: \$18,166.00
Sunday-School Attn: 159	Sunday-School Offering: \$91.00
Building/Property Fund Pledges/Gifts Received:	\$2,550.00
Funeral Meal Fund: \$150.00	Support Staff Appreciation: \$312.00



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Sixth Weekend after Epiphany

February 10th & 11th, 2018

All Worship Services

Pastor Bobby Vitek

Pastor David Priem

Pastor Clint Pluenneke - Youth & Family

Daniel Hofmann - Minister of Children & Young Families

Kindernest Montessori Preschool: 830-997-8939

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WE ARE CALLED TO BE AND MAKE DISCIPLES - TO BE "G.R.A.C.E.D." PEOPLE OF GOD:

GO TO GOD IN PRAYER DAILY!

READ GOD'S WORD DAILY!

ATTEND WORSHIP REGULARLY!

CONNECT IN A STUDY OR SMALL GROUP!

ENGAGE IN SERVICE IN THE CHURCH AND COMMUNITY!

DEDICATE SELF TO THE TTTHE AND BEYOND!

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WORSHIP SERVICE With Communion

Ring the Bell, Welcome, & Announcements

A Biblical Confession of Sins Based on Psalms 16, 25 & 30

L: Cleanse our hearts from sin;

C: And make us pure within!

L: Good and gracious God! Psalm 25:11 confesses:

C: For Your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

L: Psalm 27:7 encourages us to say before God:

C: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for Your goodness' sake, O LORD!

L: That same Psalm, vs. 18 appeals to the Almighty:

C: Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

L: For the good news is found in Psalm 30 for those who earnestly confess:

C: For His anger is but for a moment; His favour is for a lifetime.

L: That Psalm continues,

C: You have turned my mourning into dancing; You have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy!

L: Psalm 16:9 affirms the good news of forgiveness for all who through Christ come for His cleansing, and ask for the power of the Spirit to do better:

C: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; and my body rests secure. Amen!

Opening Song "Seek Ye First" #783

1. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.
2. Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find; knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.
3. We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia.

The Greeting

L: The grace of God, the compassion of Christ,..... **C: And also with you!**

Prayer of the Day: Father God, so often we get the order of life upside and backwards. So lead us by the Holy Spirit to put first things first and all these things will find their place. In Christ's name we pray, **C: Amen!**

Special Music

"Just as I Am" Grace Notes 8:00am
"Breathe on Me Breath of God" Youth Bells 10:30am

Children's Message (Prayer Cards Received)

Gospel Song "Create In Me" #732

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit.

The Bible Reading Matthew 6:25-34 (NT, Page 6)

(Jesus taught) 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?'²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin,²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?"³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

L: The word of the Lord! **C: Thanks be to GOD!**

Message

"The Silent Killer & The Vocal Healer!"

Song of the Day "How Great Thou Art" #532 (Tithes & Offerings Received)

1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed;

(Re): Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art!
How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art! How great Thou art!

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; (Re)

3. But when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin; (Re)

4. When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great Thou art!" (Re)

Offering Prayer L: Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Words for Holy Communion

L: In the night in which He was betrayed, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples saying:

C: Take and eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.

L: In the same way He also took the cup, gave thanks and gave it to them saying:

C: Take and drink. This is the cup of the new covenant in My blood which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of Me.

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God, You who take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, You who take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, You who take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Distribution Reflective Music

Closing Prayer & Blessing

Sending Song "I Love Your Kingdom" #368

1. I love Your kingdom, Lord, the place of Your abode; the Church our blest Redeemer saved with His own precious blood.
2. I love Your Church, O God! Its walls before You stand, dear as the apple of Your eye and graven on Your hand.
3. Beyond my highest joy I prize its heavenly ways, its sweet communion, solemn vows, it's hymns of love and praise.
4. Sure as Your truth shall last, to Zion shall be given the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.

Announcements and Dismissal

L: The worship is now ended,

C: And the service begins!

L: We leave to live out God's call:

C: To save the lost, and strengthen the saved!

L: May we go to Be and Make Disciples,

C: Blessing and teaching in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

L: And remember, He is with you always,

C: Even till the end of time!

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