

This Week (Jan 6 – Jan 13, 2019)

Sunday	8:00 a.m. Worship
	9:00 a.m. Epiphany Tea/Cowboy Breakfast
	10:30 a.m. Worship
	1:00 p.m. Christmas Décor take-down
Monday	1:00 p.m. HG & LWR Quilters
Tuesday	1:00 p.m. HG & LWR Quilters
	4:00 p.m. Youth Bells
	5:15 p.m. Bell Ensemble/Investment Team Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast Devotion
	10:30 a.m. Extra Books of the Bible class – Pastor David
	5:00 p.m. High School Bells
	5:30 p.m. Cancer Support Group Meeting
	7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir
	8:00 p.m. WYWP
Thursday	7:00 a.m. Men's Community Bible Study
	9:30 a.m. Lydia Circle
	1:00 p.m. Katherine Luther Circle
Saturday	Lenten Devotion Sign-ups (Sat-Sun)
	6:00 p.m. Worship/Communion – Baptismal Remembrance
Sunday	8:00 a.m. Worship /Communion – Baptismal Remembrance
	9:15 a.m. Sunday-School
	10:30 a.m. Worship/Communion- Baptismal Remembrance

Holy Ghost Lutheran Church is a member congregation of the North American Lutheran Church and Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. HGLC is Biblically-based, Christ-centered, Theologically traditionally-tooled, Disciple-developing, Mission-minded, and Confessional.

Weekend Worship at Holy Ghost Church: Three types of worship services at three different times are offered. Saturday evenings at 6pm is an Informal service on piano and occasionally on organ. Sunday morning 8am is the Traditional service, and 10:30am Sunday is the varied service- musically led on piano, or with praise band, or even organ once a month. You are encouraged to attend the service that speaks greatest to your soul!

Visitors and Guests! Your presence in worshiping 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!

Sharing of the Peace: Due to cold and flu season, please be aware that some persons might prefer to share the peace in different ways. This might include a nod of the head, an elbow bump, a fist pump, or other creative ways to keep germs in check! Thank you for your sensitivity of others.

Child Care is offered on Sunday mornings from 7:45am - 11:45am on the lower level of the church. Penny Ersch is the adult supervisor of this ministry.

In respect of others, please silence your technology during worship. Thanks!

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Sione Family in memory of Nancy Crenwelge.

Hospitalized this week: Clarence Stahl, Kenny Moellering.

The HGLC Hospice list includes: Frieda Kusenberger, Alice Thomas, Dorothy Klutz, Loreen Nebgen, and Frances Klein. Please pray for them and for all who are in need.

Poinsettias! If you placed a poinsettia for Christmas, you are welcome to take yours home with you following any of the services this weekend!

Baptismal Droplets will be celebrated as a special part of the worship service next weekend for all those baptized in 2018.

De-decoration of Christmas! Gather on Sun., Jan. 6 at 1pm to remove the seasonal decorations and tree. Join the fellowship and fun!

The January/February Sermon Series is titled, "The Great Physician" as weekly themes will center on various aspects of healing. This week's focus is "Do You Want to be Healed?" Next week's is "Healing from Past Guilt."

G.R.A.C.E.D! The "C" means "Connect in a Study or Small Group!" **Sunday Morning Opportunities at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall.:** "God's World & God's People": "A study based on Genesis" is led by Jim Paige & Norm Nevins; **The Book of Proverbs** study is led by Pastor David.

Midweek Studies: Men's Breakfast Devotion on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30am at Jalisco's Restaurant. **Extra Books of the Bible:** led by Pastor David meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:30am in the FH. **Ladies Lunch Study** resumes on Wed, Jan 9 at Noon in the FH Alpha Room. This week we will have an introduction to our new study by Beth Moore...Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman. Study books may be purchased at: <https://www.lifeway.com/en/product/esther-bible-study-book-P005162885>. All ladies are welcome and feel free to bring your lunch. For more information call/text Kim Gibbs 830-456-7299 or Barbara George 210-216-5165.

Pastor Bobby's Adult Sunday School class will meet Jan 14, 21 & 28 around the subject of "ask the pastor." Beginning February 10, the next book study is titled, "Celebration of Discipline" by Foster which will cover twelve spiritual disciples which are guides in our relationship with God. Limited copies are available in the church office for \$10 or from the vendor of your choice.

The Special Offering for January has been designated by the Stewardship Team for emergency assistance. When a church member or community person need is made known to the pastors a confidential process is followed and thoroughly vetted before any assistance is given. The church has two funds which provide such support: one is the Alex Frantzen Trust Fund which extends a helping hand specifically to HGLC members; and the other is the Emergency Aid Fund which can provide assistance to HGLC members as well as anyone from the community. Half of the brown pew envelope offering will be placed in the Frantzen Fund and half in the Emergency Aid Fund. Jesus said in Matthew 25, "I was hungry, and you fed me, naked and you clothed me, thirsty and you gave me drink." Thank you for your generous heart.

Cowboy Breakfast: Sun., Jan. 6 at 9:15am all men are invited to join the open fire breakfast outdoors between the Fellowship Hall and church office and devotion! (Inside Youth Center if weather is inclement).

Epiphany Tea: Sun., Jan. 6 all women and girls are welcome to the tea, fancy finger foods and devotion in the Fellowship Hall at 9:15am.

An All Team Gathering is scheduled for Sunday, January 20 at Noon. Updated 2019 special events calendars will be handed out and a short leadership video viewed. Ministry Opportunity Booklets will also be handed out. Sausage and the works will be served for \$5. Any and all who would like to be part of a team ministry are invited to attend.

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Youth Led Worship Sun., Jan 20th!
Friday Night Live Fri., Jan 25, 6:30pm-8:30pm
Mother/Son Bowling Sunday, January 27 11:45am-2:30pm
\$6 for Bowling and \$4 for lunch!
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Holy Ghost Sanctuary WIFI Password: Hglsanctuary1846!

Stewardship Verse for the Week: Proverbs 22:9 *Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.*
New Year's Eve Attn: 82
Weekend Attn: 316 General Offering: \$10,099.00
Sunday-School Attn: 41 Sunday-School Offering: \$215.00
Building/Property Fund Pledges/Gifts Received: \$3,990.00
Mexico Mission Trip: \$674.33



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Epiphany Weekend January 5th & January 6th 2019 All Worship Services

- Pastor Bobby Vitek
- Pastor David Priem
- Pastor Clint Plueneke - Youth & Family
- Pastor Rick McMinn – Life Care Ministry
- Daniel Hofmann - Minister of Children & Young Families
- Pastor Jan Unger – Visitation Minister
- Pastor Alan Williams – Visitation Minister

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 TITHE AND BEYOND!**

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WORSHIP SERVICE

Ring the Bell, Welcome, & Announcements

Invocation & Confession of Sins

L: In the name of the God who made us, redeemed us and sustains us;

C: Amen!

L: Let us come before God with broken hearts.

C: We confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace. For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us, and grant us forgiveness of all our sins. By Your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*L: God is gracious and merciful through our Savior, Jesus Christ. As far as the East is from the West, He separates our sins from us; He buries our transgression in the deepest part of the sea! Therefore, as a called minister of Christ and by His authority, I get to declare that our sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! **C: Amen!***

Opening Song "We Three Kings" #646

1. We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

(Re): Oh, star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright; westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to Thy perfect light!

2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again; King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. (Re)

3. Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a deity nigh; prayer and praising, gladly raising, worshiping God most high. (Re)

The Greeting & Healing Liturgy from the Psalms and Isaiah

L: May the grace of God, the compassion of Christ and the hope....

C: And also with you!

L: LORD my God, I called to you for help,

C: And you healed me (Ps 30:2).

L: The Lord is close to the brokenhearted,

C: And saves those who are crushed in spirit (Ps 34).

L: Be merciful to me, Lord, for I am in distress;

C: My eyes grow weak with sorrow, my soul & body with grief (Ps 31).

L: But I trust in you, Lord; I say, "You are my God."

C: My times are in Your hands (Ps 31).

L: He heals the brokenhearted,

C: And binds up their wounds (Ps 147).

L: My flesh and my heart may fail,

C: But God is the strength of my heart & my portion forever (Ps 73).

L: So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed,

C: For I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will

uphold you with my righteous right hand (Is 41).

L: Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am faint; heal me, Lord, for my bones are in agony.

C: My soul is in deep anguish. How long, Lord, how long? Turn, Lord & deliver me; save me because of Your unfailing love (Ps 6).

L: A bruised reed He will not break,

C: And a dimly burning wick He will not quench (Is 42).

*L: The Lord IS with you! **C: And also with you!***

Prayer of the Day: *Great Physician, we come to You for You are the One who orchestrates healing and wholeness in a broken and sick world. Turn our worry, fears and sorrow into hope, confidence and strength as we turn to You for any an all healing; in Jesus' name; **C: Amen.***

Children's Message (Prayer Cards Received)

Gospel Song "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" #90

1. Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise; manifested by the star to the sages from afar, branch of royal David's stem in Thy birth at Bethlehem: anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

The Bible Reading John 5:1-9 (NT page 96)

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?' The sick man answered him, 'Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.' Jesus said to him, 'Stand up, take your mat and walk.' At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

*L: The Word of the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!***

Message "Do You Want to Be Made Well?"

Song of the Day "As With Gladness Men of Old" #82 (Tithes & Offerings Received)

1. As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led by Thee.

2. As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to Thy lowly bed, there to bend the knee before Thee, whom heaven and earth adore; so may we with willing feet ever seek Thy mercy seat.

3. As they offered gifts most rare at Thy cradle, rude and bare, so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.

4. Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way; and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide, where no clouds Thy glory hide.

5. In the heavenly country bright need they no created light; Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down; there forever may we sing Alleluias to our King.

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.

Life Care Ministry Moment

Sharing of the Peace

L: The peace of the Lord be with you!

C: And also with you!

Apukostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

Prayers of the People, Lord's Prayer, & The Blessing

Sending Song "Bright and Glorious is the Sky" #75

1. Bright and glorious is the sky, radiant are the heavens high where the golden stars are shining. All their rays to earth inclining beckon us to heaven above, beckon us to heaven above.

3. Sages from the East afar, when they saw this wondrous star, went to find the King of nations and to offer their oblations unto Him as Lord and King, unto Him as Lord and King.

4. Him they found in Bethlehem, yet He wore no diadem; they but saw a maiden lowly with an infant pure and holy resting in her loving arms, resting in her loving arms.

5. Guided by the star, they found Him whose praise the ages sound. We too have a star to guide us which forever will provide us with the light to find our Lord.

6. As a star, God's holy Word leads us to our King and Lord; brightly from its sacred pages shall this light throughout the ages shine upon our path of life.

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!***

*L: Merry Christmas! **C: Merry Christmas!***

*L: Happy New Year! **C: Happy New Year!***

*L: Blessed New Year! **C: Blessed New Year!***

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Message Notes:

1) Do you want to be made well?

2) Stand up, take up your mat and walk.