

This Week (Jan. 10 – Jan 17, 2020)

Sunday	Baptismal Remembrance
	8:00 a.m. Worship/Communion
	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
	10:00 a.m. KNAF 910AM Worship
	10:30 a.m. Worship/Communion/Facebook Service
Monday	9:30 a.m. Men's Support Group
	1:00 p.m. HG & LWR Quilters
Tuesday	6:00 p.m. Evening Guild
	1:00 p.m. HG & LWR Quilters
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Weekly Word
	6:00 p.m. Mati's Small Group
	6:30 p.m. Zoom Bible Study with Pastor David
	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
	5:30 p.m. Investment Team Meeting
Sunday	8:00 a.m. Worship
	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
	10:00 a.m. KNAF 910AM Worship
	10:30 a.m. Worship/Facebook Service
	4:30 p.m. Kindred Spirit Small Group

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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.

Two Worship Services are offered on a weekly basis at HGLC: Sun., 8am & 10:30am. Please join us in person or on the Radio KNAF AM at 10:30am; FaceBook or Youtube at 10:30am or replay anytime.

Church Office hours are Mon-Thur, 9am-4pm. Please wear a mask.

Per health code guidelines all who are at risk, or not feeling well are encouraged to watch or participate at home, on the radio, or on Facebook & YouTube.

For you & your neighbors health & safety: Please wear your mask, shield or face covering during the service covering your mouth & nose, social distance, refrain from handshakes & hugs, wait to be ushered out of the church. Respect that others may not be as comfortable with the social interaction that you are. Thank you for your cooperation.

Prayer Card requests may be sent via text to the church cell phone at 830-383-0249 or written on a piece of scratch paper and placed in the offering box.

For the time being nursery childcare, Sunday volunteers, and coffee fellowship are suspended.

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

Hospitalized this week is Lamar Itz and Larry Reavis.

The HGLC hospice list includes: Dorothy Kluttz, Slim Kuhlmann, Mildred Henke, Milton Boos, & Ned Moritz. Please pray for them and for all who are in need.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Jane Payne in honor of Louis & Esther Kunz, Waymon St. Clair, and Bobby & Ricky Payne.

Christian sympathies are extended to the family of Roscoe Basse whose funeral service was Tuesday.

Prayers: Thank God for the reason for the season, travelers, those separated from loved ones, those grieving the loss of loved ones, homeless persons sleeping on the streets, generous hearts of faith to share this season with the needy, smart decisions with gatherings and the COVID during the holidays, rain, peace, & safe travels.

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. Wine & wafer, wafer & grape juice, or gluten free bread & grape juice are the choices on the entrance table. Instructions will be offered and empties picked up.

An Adult Sunday School Class meets in the church from 9:15am-10am on Sunday mornings. Bring Your own Bible and continue to grow in faith, love and obedience to the Will of God!

Ladies' Lunch Study: Meets every-other Wednesday at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. We will start a new study this Wednesday, January 13: Discovery: God's Answers to Our Deepest Questions by Will Wyatt. This week will be an introduction and all ladies are welcome! Please contact Kim Gibbs at 830-456-7299 or Barbara George at bdgeorge@beecreek.net for more information.

Men's Support Group: This special group of husbands caring for wives with memory issues is welcoming members. The group meets on the 2nd Monday of each month (Jan 11) from 9:30-10:30am. Pastor Rick McMinn leads the group in fellowship and a devotion. Currently the group is meeting socially-distanced, at the church parsonage that is located on the NW corner of San Antonio and Llano Streets. If you or someone you know in the community would like more information about the group, please contact Pastor Bobby at 830-456-0000.

Small Groups Ministry: New groups are always forming with the mission of **Strengthening the Saved by Growing Friendships & Faith.** Groups meet in a variety of locations, on all different days/times, and with individual group personalities and agendas. If you would like to join a group to grow in friendship and faith, call or email the Small Groups Ministry Leader: Kim Gibbs, 830-456-7299, kimogibbs@outlook.com.

Two Mid-week Learning Opps: There is a Men's Thursday Bible Study that meets by conference call on Thursday mornings from 7-8am. Call the church office & visit with Pastor Bobby to sign up! And, Pastor David offers a Wed, 6:30pm Bible study. Call the church office to get the log in info!

The Special Offering for January is designated for **Kindernest Teachers appreciation.** There is a special team of kindernest parents who invite others to join them in offering support, love & thanks for the women who pour out so richly on the 57 children presently attending our church preschool. Eleven teachers give and give in this specialized ministry to our church & community during these COVID times, and the appreciation team invites anyone in the congregation who also wants to support these teachers to join them in the special offering for January. Gifts will be used as tokens of gratitude via gift cards, snacks, Starbucks, special meals and other thoughtful gestures of gratitude in an effort to uplift those in the trenches. Place your gifts in the offering basket as you enter or leave church, and thank you for your sharing.

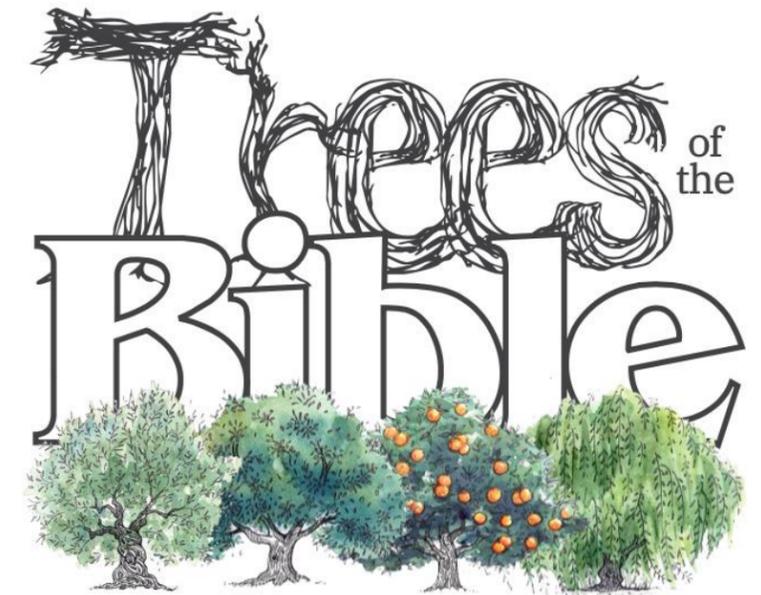
Hill Country Memorial Hospital is applying for Gillespie County to be a "mass vaccine" area for the COVID. What that means is that due to our population demographics and high visitor volume, we may qualify for 1000 vaccines per week (200 a day) to at least offer it to county constituents. As of right now, there are no vaccines remaining in the county—all have been administered. If approved, the hospital is asking for churches, city, county, and other organizations to help with this huge endeavor by volunteering as parking attendants, registration persons, trained shot administration from retired or off duty nurses, etc. We currently have HGLC persons with the COVID (some at very high risk and are quite ill), and some who have died. We at HGLC want to do our community part in offering ourselves in this quest to curb the virus. Please call the church office to place your name on the list IF our area is approved as a "mass vaccine" site.

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LIFE CARE MINISTRY

Pastor Rick McMinn leads us in this unique ministry which seeks to "shine the light in the darker places of our community." He is available for FREE counseling & a variety of workshops. For appointments call 830-370-9237.

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Holy Ghost Sanctuary WIFI Password: Hglsanctuary1846

Worship attendance on New Year's Eve: 29
Worship attendance: 136 / Online Attendance: 377
Text Us Your Prayer Requests: 830-383-0249



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**The Baptism of our Lord
January 10, 2021**

8am & 10:30am Worship Services

Pastor Bobby Vitek

Pastor David Priem

Pastor Clint Pluenneke - 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!

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WORSHIP SERVICE for 8:00am & 10:30am

Ringing the Bell, Welcome, Announcements

Invocation & Confession of Sins

L: In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

C: Amen!

L: Cleanse our hearts from sin,

C: And make us pure within.

L: Let us confess our sinfulness before Almighty God,

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. We have not loved You with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not treated our neighbors as ourselves. By the blood of Jesus Christ, forgive us, empower us, and by the power of the Holy Spirit renew us to live more according to Your Will; in the name of our Lord and Savior, Amen.

L: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us and for His sake—God forgives our sins. As a minister of the church of Christ and by His authority, I get to declare that our sins are forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior!

C: Amen!

Opening Song **"Shall We Gather at the River" #499**

1. Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

(Re): Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

2. On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. (Re)

The Greeting & Liturgy

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

C: And also with you!

L: O come, let us worship the Lord!

C: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

L: For He is our God, and we are His people,

C: The people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

C: And all that is within me, bless His holy name!

L: O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise!

C: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!

L: The Lord be with you,

C: And also with you!

Prayer of the Day: *Almighty God, as we celebrate & remember our own baptism, remind us that we are joined to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through death and resurrection, and we are called to live out our baptism in our daily lives, sharing the Good News and caring for others in the name of Jesus. It's in His name that we pray,*

C: Amen!

Children's Message *(Submit prayer request by texting 830-383-0249)*

Bible Reading

Genesis 6:11-22

Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. ¹² And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. ¹³ And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. ¹⁴ Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. ¹⁵ This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits, its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits. ¹⁶ Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks. ¹⁷ For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. ¹⁸ But I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁹ And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. ²⁰ Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground, according to its kind, two of every sort shall come in to you to keep them alive. ²¹ Also take with you every sort of food that is eaten, and store it up. It shall serve as food for you and for them." ²² Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

L: The Word of the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Message

"Gopher Wood & Water"

Song of the Day

"Borning Cry"

#770

(Tithes & Offerings placed in boxes as exiting)

1. "I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell."

2. "When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun."

3. "In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise."

4. "I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold."

Offering Prayer: *Merciful Father, 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!*

Baptismal Celebration & Video

The Apostles' Creed

L: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, & born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, & was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day, He rose again. He ascended into heaven & is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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!

The Prayers of the People

Sacrament of Holy Communion & Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Sending Song

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

#651

(Re): Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with love and mercy; send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

1. Lord, the light of Your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth You now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me. (Re)

2. As we gaze on Your kingly brightness, so our faces display Your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here, may our lives tell Your story. Shine on me, shine on me. (Re)

Announcements

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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