



HOLY GHOST
— LUTHERAN CHURCH —



Twentieth Weekend after Pentecost

October 10, 2026

6pm Worship Service

Holy Ghost Lutheran Church is:
Biblically based! Christ-centered! Confessional!
Disciple-developing!
Mission-minded!
Theologically traditional!
Family friendly & Spirit led!

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!

OUR WORSHIP TOGETHER:
SAT., 6:00PM

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation and Confession of Sins

L: We begin in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

L: Let us pray. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(silence for confession)

L: Now we confess our sins as a community of faith. Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

Opening Song

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

#415

1. God of grace and God of glory, on Your people pour Your power; crown Your ancient Church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
2. Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days, for the living of these days.
3. Cure Your children's warring madness; bend our pride to Your control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss Your kingdom's goal, lest we miss Your kingdom's goal.

4. Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of Your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving You whom we adore, serving You whom we adore.

The Greeting and Kyrie

L: The grace of God, the compassion of Christ, and the hope of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also, with you!

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy!

L: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy!

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy!

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy!

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C: Amen!

Hymn of Praise

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation: *L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.*

Prayer of the Day: *L: Lord God, You have given us a community in which to live and neighbors to serve. Give us open eyes to see even the hidden needs of this world, and open hearts filled with compassion and love. Above all, keep us humble, that we may remember that it is only by Your grace that we are saved, and only by Your grace that the work of our hands may bear good fruit. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

Gospel Song "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" #423

1. Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked Your mercy's perfect deed: we, Your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to Your purpose every gift which You impart.

Bible Reading

Matthew 25:31-40

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'"

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

The Message

"Outlaw God"

Song of the Day "O Master, Let Me Walk with You" #492
(Tithes & Offerings Received)

1. O Master, let me walk with You in lowly paths of service true; tell me Your secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love; teach me the wayward feet to stay and guide them in the homeward way.
3. Teach me Your patience; share with me a closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.
4. In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, in peace that only You can give, with You, O Master, let me live.

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!

Apostles' 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!

The Prayers of the People

L: Lord in Your mercy, C: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not
into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Benediction

Closing Song

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

#409

1. Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer for all things living, created good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.
2. Bless, Lord, the labor we bring to serve You, that with our neighbor we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with You, harvesting, milling for daily bread.
3. Father, providing food for Your children, by Your wise guiding teach us to share one with another, so that, rejoicing with us, all others may know Your care.
4. Then will Your blessing reach every people, freely confessing Your gracious hand. Where all obey You, no one will hunger; in Your love's sway You nourish the land.

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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*Prayer requests can be written on connection cards and
placed in the offering basket or texted to 830-383-0249.*

Kindernest Montessori School is hiring!

We are looking for the following positions:

*** Lead teacher 18mo- 2yr classroom * Floater- all ages! ***

Substitutes- all ages!

Our school offers a Christian environment, competitive wages, paid holidays, and the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of children every day!

Join our amazing team! Contact Annisa Alonzo @ 830-997-8939 or
Kindernest@holyghostfbg.org for more info!

Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 11	Church Picnic at the Fairgrounds / 3-Year-Old Bibles
(New Time) 9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:00 a.m.	Worship: KNAF 910AM/107.9FM
(New Time) 11:00 a.m.	Worship/BBQ Meal to Follow
Monday, October 12	
9:00 a.m.	Lutheran World Relief Quilters
1:00 p.m.	Holy Ghost Quilters
6:00 p.m.	Evening Guild
6:30 p.m.	High School Youth Bible Study
Tuesday, October 13	
8:00 a.m.	Band of Brothers
9:00 a.m.	Lutheran World Relief Quilters
12:00 p.m.	1st & 2nd Thessalonians Bible Study: Fellowship Hall
1:00 p.m.	Holy Ghost Quilters
5:30 p.m.	Book of Genesis Class
6:00 p.m.	Women's Evening Bible Study
Wednesday, October 14	
6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast
10:00 a.m.	Caregiver's Support
4:00 p.m.	After School Club: Youth Room
5:30 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group
5:30 p.m.	Cancer Support Group: Alpha Room
5:45 p.m.	Grace Notes
6:30 p.m.	Youth Dinner: Omega Room
7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 p.m.	WILD Youth Group
Thursday, October 15	
7:00 a.m.	Men's Community Bible Study: Alpha Room
10:30 a.m.	GCMA
Friday, October 16	
Saturday, October 17	Lutheran World Relief Quilt Dedication
6:00 p.m.	Worship/Baptism: Beau Eckert
Sunday, October 18	Lutheran World Relief Quilt Dedication / Feeding John
8:00 a.m.	Worship
8:30 a.m.	Breakfast Bar
(New Time) 9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:00 a.m.	Worship: KNAF 910AM/107.9FM
(New Time) 11:00 a.m.	Worship
1:00 p.m.	Women of Faith Fall General Meeting

!!Scripture Readers Needed!!

For those interested in being a Scripture reader, please use the QR code to sign-up for worship services. Please contact the church office if you have any questions at 830-997-2288.



WELCOME TO HGLC!

Welcome Visitors: We are so glad you are here! If you do not have a church home and would like to hear more about Holy Ghost Lutheran Church, please fill out the connection card in the pew and place it in the offering box or contact the church office at 830-997-2288, holyghost@holyghostfbg.org or Pastor Steve Qualben at pastorsq@holyghostfbg.org.

Weekly Worship: We offer three opportunities every weekend: Saturday at 6:00pm; Sunday at 8:00am and 11:00am with Sunday School for all ages at 9:30am.

Interested in becoming or growing as a Christian? We can help! Please contact the church office holyghost@holyghostfbg.org; Pastor David Priem pastordp@holyghostfbg.org, Pastor Steve Qualben pastorsq@holyghostfbg.org or Pastor Tobias Heike pastorth@holyghostfbg.org.

Youth Ministry at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church: We take our ministry to youth very seriously at Holy Ghost. Please feel free to contact our two full-time youth ministers directly: Daniel Hofmann (K-5th) danielh@holyghostfbg.org and John LaRocque (6th-12th) johnl@holyghostfbg.org.

Holy Ghost Lutheran Church is a member of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC) and Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC).

Worship-Online and on the Radio: We stream our services on our Facebook page and YouTube every week at 11:00am, and we broadcast at 10:00am each Sunday on the local radio station KNAF 107.9 FM and 910 AM.

October Special Offering is designated for Operation Christmas Child. One of our Christmas traditions at Holy Ghost is participating in Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child." Our children and youth will be gathering supplies to fill shoeboxes for children in need throughout the world. Our special offering for the month will help with the shipping costs of those boxes. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Steve Qualben.

Next Holy Communion: October 24th & 25th.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Sheri & Michael Majors, in honor of the marriage of their son, Sean Majors to Taylor (Kotfas) Majors on October 10th.

The HGLC Hospice List: Christi Wendt, Emma Hirschfield & Roger Spencer. Please pray for all who are in need!

Hospitalized: Please pray for all who are in need of any type of healing!

If You or a Family Member is in the Hospital, please contact the church office so we can visit & pray with them. If you or a family member is unable to attend worship & would like a visitation minister to bring communion, please call the office at 830-997-2288.

Holy Ghost Lutheran Church extends its warmest congratulations to Sean Majors and Taylor (Kotfas) Majors on their marriage, celebrated on Saturday, October 10th. May God bless their marriage with a lifetime of love, joy, and faith.

CHURCH PICNIC! This **Sunday, October 11th** is our annual church picnic to celebrate life and faith in Gillespie County with our sister congregations of St. Paul, Cave Creek, and St. Peter, Doss. There will be **Sunday School opportunities for youth and adults at 9:30 a.m., worship at 11 a.m.,** and a BBQ Pork meal to follow with all the fixings, along with a table of kid friendly food. Other events include a silent auction to raise money for our youth, dominoes and other opportunities for fun and fellowship. Everything that day will take place at the Gillespie County Fairgrounds.

1st and 2nd Thessalonians Bible Study is led by Pastor Steve on Tuesdays at noon.

Genesis Bible Study is led by Pastor David on Tuesday evenings at 5:30pm

Women's Evening Bible Study will begin a new study in October: "*The Sermon on the Mount*" by Jen Wilkins. We meet every other Tuesday at 6:00pm in the Spirit Haus. For more info, call or text Karen Nevins 830-992-9424. Meeting dates will be October 13th & 27th, November 10th, December 1st, 15th, 29th, January 12th, 26th, February 9th.

Cancer Support Group: Join us for support through your cancer treatments and beyond. Our next meeting is **Wed., October 14th** at 5:30pm in the HGLC Fellowship Hall. We are open to the community and surrounding areas for cancer patients, survivors and their caregivers, family and friends. Andie Ward, an Orthopedic Physical Therapist, will be our guest speaker. Call Karen Dolezal at 512-517-3180 for more information.

Ladies' Lunch Study: Ladies of all ages are invited to join us as we start a new study: "*See for Yourself: How to Study Your Bible with Confidence & Joy*" by Kelly Needham on **Wed., October 21st**. We meet every other Wednesday from 11:45am to 1:15pm in the Fellowship Hall Alpha Room. Bring your lunch if you wish. Please contact Kim Gibbs at 830-456-7299 for more information.

Potluck Reminder! Our next potluck meal is on **October 25th** in the Fellowship Hall, at 12:15 p.m., following the late service. Please bring a dish to share - whether it's meat, vegetables, salad, casserole, or dessert. **To ensure food safety when bringing dishes to the potluck - especially if you're traveling - transport hot foods in insulated containers and keep cold foods in an ice chest to maintain safe temperatures. Once you're at church, we have refrigerators for cold items and plenty of plugs for crockpots in the Fellowship Hall.** Note that the church will NOT be providing meat, but the plates, silverware, napkins, cups, tea, and water will be available for everyone! This event offers an excellent opportunity to connect with members of the congregation and enjoy fellowship together. We hope to see you there!

All Saints Weekend: Saturday and Sunday, October 31st and November 1st we will take time at each service that weekend to remember those saints that have departed in this past year. A special video tribute will be shared during each service, along with a prayer of remembrance, and a small token given to families in remembrance of their loved one.



Daniel H. / K-5th

Youth Choir: Mondays after school. (2nd-5th Grade) Contact Katie Hofmann to register.

After School Club: Wednesdays after school in the Youth Room. (2nd-5th Grade)

Friday Night Live: October 23rd from 6:30pm-8:30pm: Youth Room (K-5th Grade)

Fall Carnival: October 28th from 5:30pm-7:30pm @ Bethany Lutheran. Free Admission, Hot Dog Dinner, Games, Crafts, Photo Booth and plenty of candy!

Please reach out to Daniel Hofmann, our children's minister, at danielh@holyghostfbg.org.

John L. / 6th-12th

Middle School Youth Group: Wednesdays, at 5:30pm-6:30pm in the Youth Room.

6:30pm-7:30pm Dinner for both Middle & High School!

WILD Youth Group: Wednesdays, from 7:00pm-8:00pm in the Youth Room.

Please reach out to John LaRocque, our youth minister, at johnl@holyghostfbg.org.

10/3/26 – 10/4/26

German Service: 157 / Weekend Attendance: 320 / Online Views: 619 / SS Attendance: 87
General Offering: \$26,300.75 / Capital Campaign: \$8,630.00
Operation Christmas Child: \$775.00

To help our volunteers process donations quickly and accurately, please write separate checks for designated gifts (e.g., one check for Building Fund, another for Memorials and another for general offering). Thank you for your support!

Budget YTD Jan – Aug 2026	
YTD Income	\$768,805.57
YTD Expenses	-\$832,005.11
YTD Net Revenue	-\$63,199.54

TEXT GIVING: Text HolyGhost to 73256.

You can give to the general ministry, memorials, special offerings, or the capital campaign building fund! It's safe and secure!

Message Notes

Worship Schedule

Saturday: Informal Service 6:00 p.m.
Sunday: Traditional Service 8:00 a.m.
Family Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School for all ages including adults 9:30 a.m.



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