

# **Holgate Community Church**

**“Making new disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world”**

**February 2026/March 2026**



## **Message from the Pastors:**

A profitable cruise line, a high end hotel, and a successful restaurant all have something in common. While the amenities are impactful, what truly sets these three entities apart is the quality of their service. A cruise line can have the most enjoyable activities, a high end hotel can have the most comfortable beds, and a successful restaurant can serve the choicest products. But if the service is lacking, inattentive, and lackadaisical, the reviews will not be positive for any of them. These venues depend very highly on their service. This is why they are included as ‘Service Lines Industries.’

The same can be said of Christians. We can have the utmost knowledge of the Word of God. We can have perfect church attendance. But how well are we serving others? Are we being the hands and feet of Christ? Or do we prefer to be served rather than serving?

In the event we need some clarification on the subject, we only have to turn to Mark, Chapter 10. Jesus had just been approached by two of His disciples who requested positions of authority once His kingdom was established. Jesus quickly made the point in verse 45: ‘The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.’ Translated: The King arrived not to a ceremony of pomp and circumstance; He came as a cloaked server, with a towel wrapped around his waist, washing the feet of others. If that is the position He took, what right do we have to do anything different?

Lent is the perfect season of service. We need to dedicate ourselves during that timeframe to serving others. Leave our selfish tendencies behind and wrap around our waist the towel of selflessness. It will be one of the most beneficial Lents ever!

***Pastor Shawn and Pastor Diane***

# Joy and Hope Youth Group

The Joy and Hope Youth Group continues their Sunday School study of Moses. Great discussion of the Exodus and the parting of the Red Sea. We look forward to the rest of the story!

## Sunday School

We have been teaching the children the New Testament stories with crafts, activities and reading from the Bible together. It has been a tag team effort until we find the person who would love to lead the children's ministry for our kids. Please pray and ask God if it is You He wants to have fill this position. Blessings.

## BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER:

### Scripture Verse: John 13: 3-5

'Jesus knew that the Father had given Him authority over everything and that He had come from God and would return to God. So He got up from the table, took off His robe, wrapped a towel around His waist, and poured water into a basin. Then He began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel He had around Him.'

### Prayer:

Merciful Father:

Your loving service is an amazing example for us. Though You had sandals no one was worthy to untie, You washed the feet of Your disciples. Let Your spirit of service resonate in us as we heed the call to serve Your children. Let us use our gifts in service to You. Amen.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

As a reminder, if you have a prayer request that you would like shared with the Prayer Chain, please contact either:

Pastor Shawn: 313-999-2653      Pastor Diane: 419-438-0685



### Stay in touch ONLINE and through our SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNELS:

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## **LifeWise**

Thank you for your continued support of Lifewise with your prayers, donations, encouragement and generosity. We will be having a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for the Ark Trip on Sunday, Feb. 8th from 4pm-6pm at the church. It will be a free will donation as well as a dine in or take home option. We are asking if you are able to bring a dessert that Sunday morning to the church for us to provide at the dinner, that would be appreciated too. Looking for cake, brownies, cookies, pies etc. Just let Angie Moore know what you will bring by text or phone call 419-438-4974. Thanks again!

Continued prayers for Jada on healing from the bus accident as well as the others who were involved.

I do want to share with you all about the evidence of God growing the seeds of His Word in Lifewise...

I have a student that has been in Lifewise now for about 3 years. When he first started, he didn't want to be there, would have these huge prayers, mostly concerning, but later found out not true situations. But we still prayed. Leaving class, he would be in my continued prayers. The second year of LW, he was signed up again, but this time his prayer needs were different, they were real situations. He began to ask questions about our lesson, he wanted to change his seat so he could see better, and he was more engaged. When we would read from the Bible he would raise his hand to read. I would leave class, thanking God for what He was doing in that boy. This year, as students were signing up for LW, he and his mom came over to sign up again, with excitement, he shared with me that he read his Bible all summer and his mom told me... "he really did!" I was so proud of him and told him that was wonderful! School started and so did LW classes. He raised his hand during our prayer time again and told me he read his Bible and his mom read it with him too. The following weeks he asked for prayer because he was moving. We prayed. A few weeks later, he raised his hand, he and his family are now going to church! He was so excited and I was so excited for him. All I can do is praise God for what He does in the lives of these kids who come to learn of Him each week in Lifewise. So, know that when you support Lifewise, you support positive, impactful change. You support these kids to help them understand how loved they are, how God wants to be their Savior, how He wants them to know Him more and share the good news of the Gospel to others around them. Your support matters! God is good all the time!

## **Missions**

Together We Can Make a Difference is looking for donations of tissues, chap stick, lotion, and mouthwash. Thanks for your generosity!

## **Update on Serving Opportunities**

We still have the following areas open as opportunities for serving within our church:

- Song leader/Praise Leader
- Children's Sunday School teacher
- Camera operator
- AudioVisual creator/presenter
- Any new ministry opportunity you can think of!! Serving in the church is the greatest gift we can give to others and give to ourselves. Let us know what you would like to do!

## **Holgate Community Church - What's Next??**

Everyone is talking about safety these days, and that concept is not lost on churches. Churches rank 3rd on the list of facilities that have the highest risk of a 'major event' occurring (such as cardiac arrest, stroke, or active shooter). Given that, the Leadership Team has invested some time, interest, and funds into making our church as safe as possible for everyone. This week, approximately 20 members of our church family (and a couple of community members) attended training sessions on AED use and how to stop bleeding. These are important skills for all of us to know, but skill is not enough. The resources must be there as well. So, as you all may be aware, we have purchased an AED for our campus. We also, in the same vicinity, will be placing a Bleeding Control Kit, as well as a Narcan kit. The location will be to the left of our front doors as we enter the church, near the fire extinguisher. That will be our Emergency Resource Center. We have numerous people who use our facility in a week's time, ranging from children to seniors. Our goal is to create a safe place for worship, for community groups to gather, and for Lifewise. If there are other safety measures you believe HCC should employ, please let us know. We are again encouraged by the acceptance demonstrated by the community to use our building as a meeting place. We are always looking for projects within the community to improve life for others and help those in need. Please share with us any project ideas that fit that bill!

# Worship Plans for February

Date	Pastor	Message
1	Diane Simon	'What Brings People to God?'
8	Diane Simon	'Three Things God Requires'
15	Shawn Moore	Gideon Speaker
18	Diane Simon/Shawn Moore	
22	Diane Simon	7 Secrets to Serving God (Part I): Availability

## February Worship Leaders

FEB	PASTOR	LITURGIST	ACOLYTE	CAMERA	AUDIO/VISUAL	TRANSPORTATION
1	Diane Simon	Chris Kelly	Hollis Hartman	Gabe Moore	Nikki Hastings	Barb Fritz and Kevin Simon
8	Diane Simon	John Fritz	Hudson Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Stephanie Zachrich	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner
15	Shawn Moore	Deb Wagner	Haizel Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Nikki Hastings	Barb Fritz and Kevin Simon
18 Ash Wed.	Diane Simon Shawn Moore	—			Stephanie Zachrich	
22	Diane Simon	Kevin Simon	Jack Hastings	Gabe Moore	Stephanie Zachrich	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner

# Worship Plans for March

Date	Pastor	Message
1	Diane Simon	7 Secrets to Serving God (Part I): Authority
8	Shawn Moore	7 Secrets to Serving God (Part I): Humility
15	Shawn Moore	7 Secrets to Serving God (Part I): Ability
22	Diane Simon	7 Secrets to Serving God (Part I): Accountability
29	Diane Simon	7 Secrets to Serving God (Part I): Fidelity

## March Worship Leaders

MAR	PASTOR	LITURGIST	ACOLYTE	CAMERA	AUDIO/VISUAL	TRANSPORTATION
1	Diane Simon	Nikki Hastings	Hollis Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Stephanie Zachrich	Barb Fritz and Kevin Simon
8	Shawn Moore	Barb Fritz	Hudson Hartman	Gabe Moore	Nikki Hastings	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner
15	Shawn Moore	Levi Zachrich	Haizel Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Nikki Hastings	Barb Fritz and Kevin Simon
22	Diane Simon	Chris Kelly	Jack Hastings	Gabe Moore	Stephanie Zachrich	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner
29	Diane Simon	Deb Wagner	Hollis Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Nikki Hastings	Barb Fritz and Kevin Simon

# February Events

## Birthdays

- 1 Michael Cooper
- 2 John Fritz
- 7 Ed Cooper
- 15 Haylee Hartman  
Sophie Brinkman
- 20 Jim Burkhart
- 25 Rick Miller
- 26 Nathan Dopp
- 27 Terry Krogman



## Events

- 8 LifeWise Spaghetti Dinner-4pm-6pm
- 11 Leadership Meeting-7pm
- 11 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm
- 18 Ash Wednesday Service-7pm
- 25 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm

# March Events

## Birthdays

- 1 Beau Dickerson
- 2 Maurice Maddock
- 8 Thera Miley
- 9 Tyler Moore
- 11 Greg Hartman
- 13 Danica Ehlers
- 14 Angela Moore  
Holden Hartman
- 16 Curt Miley
- 25 Doreen Cole



## Anniversaries

- 15 Jeff & Harlene Stober
- 21 Brian & Amy Baker
- 26 Shawn & Angela Moore

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- 11 Leadership Meeting-7pm
- 11 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm
- 25 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm



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