

Holgate Community Church

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

June 2026/July 2026



Message from the Pastors:

Eunice was just a bit of a thing. At age 98, she was a wiry little sprite weighing less than 100 pounds soaking wet. She still had her mental faculties, and was able to get around pretty good on her own. One of her favorite things to do was walk to the corner supermarket every day, and buy fresh food. One day on her journey, a rough looking character confronted her and grabbed ahold of her purse. Eunice refused to let go, and a tug of war ensued. The man was just about to cast the small woman aside, when suddenly his eyes grew as big as saucers and his gaze averted up and behind Eunice. The next thing she knew, he let go of her purse and just started running. Eunice did not know what had startled the man, but she dusted herself off, and thanked God for taking care of business. It was only later that she found out she was right, for the man confessed that as he attacked Eunice, this giant of a man with bulging muscles was suddenly standing behind her. He said she was too well protected.

Our God has so many dimensions to His personality: He is compassionate. He is caring. He is loving. He is omnipotent. He is ever present. But one additional characteristic we see in our Savior is that he is covertly protective. He has a strategic protective watch over all of us for no other reason than we are His children. Those of us who are parents understand this concept. From infant to toddlers to teens, we are on 24/7 patrol of the environment our children are in. We would do anything to protect them and to keep them from harm.

Does that mean that we as believers will never have anything bad happen to us? We know that is not true. We do not get through this life without a few scars along the way. It is not due to a breach in His protection over us; it is due to the free will He gave to all of us, even those who make poor and sometimes destructive choices. But He does not abandon us during these times. We do not always have the answers as to why He allows something to happen, but we know He is with us throughout it.

His Word is filled with examples of the protection He provides. Sometimes he is a refuge. Sometimes he shelters us. And sometimes he pulls out celestial warriors on our behalf. He protects us in ways we cannot imagine and may not even be aware of. He has but one reason that we grapple to understand: love. Know that our Father knows us, cares for us, loves us and protects us. Rest in the confidence that He brings to us. We do not have to feel 'worthy'. We already are worthy for we are His.

Pastor Diane and Pastor Shawn

Joy and Hope Youth Group

The Youth have completed Sunday School for the Summer and will reconvene in the fall. Congratulations to Holden Hartman on his graduation from Holgate High School!

Sunday School

We had a great year in Sunday school! We are now on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER:

Scripture Verse: Matthew 6:13

‘And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one’

Prayer:

Heavenly Father:

Protect us from evil and those powers who wish to cause us harm. The evil one is ever lurking, seeking to devour us. We cannot battle this on our own. Please place a hedge around us and stay close to us. You will keep us in perfect peace as the ones who trust in You for protection and deliverance. In Your holy name we pray. 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



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LifeWise

On May 8th, we had the privilege to attend the kindergarten clinic at St. Peter's Church. During that time we introduced ourselves to the parents of the 2026-2027 Kindergarten students. We shared with them what Lifewise is all about, how it looks on a school day and gave them an opportunity for them to sign their child up. It was wonderful! We heard comments like "My kid needs more Jesus, I am signing him up" "I didn't sign my older kid up last year but I am for this next school year" "I think I'd like to sign myself up for Lifewise too". We currently have 20 kindergartners signed up already! God is so good!

I heard a Holgate student put a suggestion note in our box in the lobby, to pray about having Lifewise for the 6th grade. Well, God has answered that prayer, just need to work out the details with Mr. Root. He said we can now offer it to the 6th graders and the rest of the middle schoolers during their lunch period. So, if a student is in choir or band, they still have the opportunity to come to Lifewise! It's wonderful to hear the students really want this available for them! Praise God!

Ellen and I will be attending the LifeWise Summit on July 21 & 22 in Dayton. This is a time to get together with other teachers, directors, and leaders to continue to grow in faith, worship, leadership skills, classroom situations, learn more about the LifeWise growth, struggles, visions etc.

Program information: There are 101,218 students served all time. There are 34 states that have LifeWise programs. There are 1,021 schools that have Lifewise active programs. Please continue to pray, support and share about Lifewise.

Missions

Thank you to all the ladies in the church for taking time out of your busy schedules to give Janie Moore recipes from your heart. Thank you Deb Burkhart for coming up with the idea to show her a physical act of love from our church by creating such a wonderful gift. She absolutely loves it! Thank you all who came to the wedding to celebrate and support Gabe and Janie. We not only count you all as friends but family. We are blessed.

Love,

Shawn and Angie Moore

Baby Bottles

Please continue to fill the bottles up with coins, dollars, or a check to help the mission work of the Community Pregnancy Center. We will need them returned back to the church by June 14th. If you fill it up sooner and want to return it earlier, please give it to Angie Moore. Thank you for your continued kindness and 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??

Summer is here, and that sounds like ice cream!! Holgate Community Church will be holding its annual Ice Cream Social in August! The tentative date is August 9th, but that still needs to be finalized with the Leadership Team to ensure we have no conflicts. It will be held inside the church building again, as we discovered last year that we have the perfect set up for it. This is a church-wide event, and we have been so blessed in past years to have so many hands serving the community. Everyone can find something to do, from setting up tables, to pitching in with the food, to talking with our guests. We will keep you updated as plans are finalized.

We also have some updates on other projects:

- **Church addition: we are still waiting on bids from contractors to do the project.**
- **Senior Giveaway: Pastor Shawn and Angie passed out our gifts to the graduating class of Holgate High school on May 20th. Thank you to all who donated to fuel that cause. The seniors were very appreciative!**
- **We are still collecting for our baby bottle fundraiser to help the pregnancy crisis center. The deadline for that drive is June 14th.**
- **You may have noticed a new tree planted near the handicapped parking spaces. Many thanks to the Fritz and Bowers families for the tree to honor John. And thanks, John, for offering to plant it on our church campus!**

One final thought: summer is here, but don't take summer off!!! We all need the feeding and the fuel that comes from worshipping our Lord. It is part of a healthy diet for our system, and good exercise for the soul! Come join us during the summer months to remain spiritually healthy!

Worship Plans for June

Date	Pastor	Message
7	Pastor Diane	'The 4 Dimensions of God's Love
14	Pastor Diane	'The Searched For and the Sad'
21	Pastor Shawn	
28	Pastor Shawn	

June Worship Leaders

June	PASTOR	LITURGIST	ACOLYTE	CAMERA	AUDIO/VISUAL	TRANSPORTATION
7	Pastor Diane	Nikki Hastings	Haizel Hartman	Gabe Moore	Stephanie Zachrich	Kevin Simon and Barb Fritz
14	Pastor Diane	Levi Zachrich	Jack Hastings	Nikki Hastings	Stephanie Zachrich	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner
21	Pastor Shawn	Chris Kelly	Hollis Hartman	Gabe Moore	Nikki Hastings	Kevin Simon and Barb Fritz
28	Pastor Shawn	Barb Fritz	Hudson Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Stephanie Zachrich	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner

Worship Plans for July

Date	Pastor	Message
5	Pastor Diane	The Protective Nature of God Part I: God Our Refuge
12	Pastor Diane	The Protective Nature of God Part I: God our Shelter
19	Pastor Diane	The Protective Nature of God Part I: God our Warrior
26	Pastor Shawn	

July Worship Leaders

July	PASTOR	LITURGIST	ACOLYTE	CAMERA	AUDIO/VISUAL	TRANSPORTATION
5	Pastor Diane	Deb Wagner	Haizel Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Stephanie Zachrich	Kevin Simon and Barb Fritz
12	Pastor Diane	John Fritz	Jack Hastings	Gabe Moore	Nikki Hastings	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner
19	Pastor Diane	Kevin Simon	Hollis Hartman	Levi Zachrich	Nikki Hastings	Kevin Simon and Barb Fritz
26	Pastor Shawn	Nikki Hastings	Hudson Hartman	Gabe Moore	Stephanie Zachrich	Chris Kelly and Deb Wagner

June Events

Birthdays

- 4 Clay Evans
Kyle Evans
- 6 Deb Ehlers
- 8 Lindsey Brinkman
- 13 Peter Fritz
Hayden Hartman
- 14 Janie Moore
- 23 Chris Kelly
Levi Zachrich
- 25 Joe Jehanyar
- 28 Baker Zachrich



Anniversaries

- 17 Peter & Tiffany Fritz
Rick & Mary Lou Miller
- 18 Nathan & Michelle Dopp

Events

- 10 Leadership Meeting-7pm
- 10 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm
- 21 Father's Day
- 24 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm

July Events

Birthdays

- 7 Noah Zachrich
- 8 Autumn Zachrich
- 13 Kylie Shaneyfelt
- 18 Shawn Moore
- 23 Nancy Anderson
- 27 Amanda Morgan
Clay Tobias
Hudson Hartman
- 30 David Hanson



Anniversaries

- 1 Ryan & Stephanie Zachrich
- 24 Tim & Stacy Bowers
- 30 Adam & Grace Byram

Events

- 8 Leadership Meeting-7pm
- 8 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm
- TBD VBS
- 22 Together We Can Make A Difference-6pm-7pm

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