

## Pastor's Report: March 2022

- 3 kids for First Communion! Communion will be on Maundy Thursday [April 14] at 7 pm
  - o Instead of foot washing, we'll be hand washing
  - o I'd like members of Council to be there, in person, to wash the First Communicants' hands—**please mark your calendars to be there 4/14, 7pm**
  - o The First Communicants will then serve the congregation Communion
- Wedding for May 21, tentatively set for 1 pm
  - o Not a member, but it would be a small church service
  - o **Any building use charge?**
- All-Stars Update: 8 people from Holy Love met at Brewability in Englewood to discuss what we'd need. Cindy H. and I will meet with the All-Stars organization to get details on what is needed to start an All-Stars club for Fall 2022. People not connected to Holy Love will be volunteering with All-Stars.
  - o Looking to host one Monday a month
  - o Cindy and Jennifer W. will be leading an Adult Ed on March 20 after the service about All-Stars and how it connects to Holy Love's core values
  - o Cindy and Jennifer are the congregational co-leaders on All-Stars
- Bible Studies:
  - o PM Bible Study: Will resume April 20, continuing Exodus study
    - HUGE thanks to Rev. Harry for covering for me on February 23!
  - o AM Bible Study: Cancelled on 2/24 because of snow, 3/10 because I left town. Set to conclude our study of Judges March 31
- **Council Highlights:** Who's responsible for getting the Council Highlights out? Do we send them via a congregational email, in which case they'd need to get to Lori [admin@holylovelutheran.org], or do we include them in bulletin the Sunday after Council meeting? If bulletin, email Amy [office@holylovelutheran.org]
- Days Off: I was sick on February 24, out of town March 9 and 10, and I have no future plans to be off or out of town
- Synod & Churchwide news:
  - o Synod Assembly: I registered for all 4 attendants; Charlie and Debbie are sharing a room, Amy and I are sharing a room.
  - o Pew Flip: Mark J., Lori and Haley R., Jennifer W., and Cindy H. are the "Pew Crew." Jennifer and Cindy are help lead the preschoolers in decouping the bookshelf for the pew.
  - o I filled out Forms A & C for Churchwide
- VRSM Update: Tentative Mission Statement created, meeting with Pastor Dana on 3/29 for advice and help
- **Late April new member gathering: Still happening? Date(s) Council would pick?**
- Worship News:
  - o Midweek Lent: March 9 cancelled due to snow
  - o Returned to in-person Communion celebrated with people coming up to receive the elements
- Thanks to Lauren K. for the Narthex decoration of our 6 Core Values!
- Vaccine clinic follow-up: I contacted TrueCare; turned out their interest in hosting a vaccine clinic at Holy Love was to vaccinate people within our congregation. The company was counting on us to provide the majority of the patients. I declined to schedule a date with this additional information.
- I sent a letter to the Preschool families thanking them for their donations to the Tree Removal Fund
- I've reached out to some people who I've not seen in-person in a while via email, and I've continued home visits with homebound and youth

### Building Use Requests:

- Former member, Don Gatewood (from back in Pastor Rapp's time), Memorial Service on June 4. They would like to use the parking lot and have access to the bathrooms. They're hoping to have a lot of antique cars gathered as a memorial; people not affiliated with the memorial are welcome to come. **Approval? Certain conditions?**
- FYI, not a request, but good to know: from our partnership with Halo, we received ~\$168 for February building use