

Pastor's Report June 2025
Bold is to remind me to share

Worship:

- Celebration for P. Jim's 60th ordination anniversary on June 29 during service and special Fellowship Hour
- "Tell Your Story" Faith Testimonies: Over the summer, working to get 1-2 people to share prepared testimonies each week answering the question, "Why do you believe in God?"
 - o Fits in with our core values of Intentional Discipleship and Connected into Community
- Bulletin changes: feedback forum held and online form opened
 - o Main critique themes: inserts are awkward, original bulletin's text font and size were hard to read
 - Changes addressing those have been implemented
 - o Main approval themes: people feel more engaged in the service (there's more 'buy-in,' having to turn the pages and such), logical since we already have hymnals
- New hymnals:
 - o 5 new-to-us hymnals from a church in St. Paul in the pews
 - o 10 new-to-us hymnals from a church in Maryland...currently lost in the mail with USPS
 - o 7 coming from P Mack in mid-July via Bridget

Youth Group:

- 2 confirmations on June 8
- 5 middle schoolers going to Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp, 2 high schoolers going to Senior High Camp
- Will resume in Fall

Day Camp:

- 18 volunteers, 80 campers from 41 families.
 - o Of the families:
 - 13 are regular Holy Love attendees/members
 - 10 consider Holy Love their home church but are not members or regular attendees
 - 7 attend other faith communities but come to camp annually
 - 7 are family members/close friends of Holy Love members
 - 4 are new to us
 - 1 is only affiliated with us through the preschool
 - 1 is HLPS alum
 - 2 are friends of regular day camp attenders
 - o Of our volunteers:
 - 2 come only for Day Camp but consider Holy Love their church
 - 1 attends a different church
 - The remainder are regular Holy Love attendees/members

Space Sharing with LifeHouse:

- Space sharing agreement started, working through issues as they arise

Food Pantry:

- June's donation will go to Buckley Space Force Spouse Alliance program

HLPS

- Hosting a July 9 Faith-Based UPK Provider Gathering at Holy Love
 - o Contacted 37 Denver-metro UPK providers
 - o Reps from 12 expressed interest in coming
 - Goal is to have a network where accurate information can be shared and best practices around recruitment of staff and students
 - For staff, clergy, and lay people

Parking Lot Repaving:

- As of 6/11, we're at just under \$10,000 total
 - o Breakfast/brunch fundraiser on July 15 after worship

Dungeons & Dragon and Theology Event:

- Saturday, September 27 with Rev. Bill Dohle

Time Off/Away:

- Will be out of town July 2-5, pastoral coverage TBD
- At Rainbow Trail July 13-16 with Confirmation kids
- Out of town August 6-8