Holden Highlights

October 2023

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR HOLDEN LUTHERAN PARISH MOUNT MORRIS HOLDEN & WEST HOLDEN LUTHERAN



We would love if you could join us for worship at either of our churches!!! We are a fun group of people who welcome all people! Take a look and see what time works best for you!!!



The office is located at Mount Morris and is open and available for stopping in, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9am– 2Pm!

<u>September – December</u> Schedule:

Mount Morris — Worship starts at 10:30

And is located at:

N3388 State Road 152, Wautoma, WI

West Holden—- Worship starts at 8:30

And is located at:

N4256 County Road MM, Wautoma, WI

Need to Contact us??

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We have been very blessed with some awesome leadership! Take a minute to meet our council members!!!

West Holden:

Holly Holick	President	(715)281-9828	
Dan Bray	Secretary	(920)765-0258	
Gary Thompson	Fin. Secretary	(920)647-1588	
John Jenks	Treasurer	(920) 647-1060	
Pat Lehman	Deacon	(920)622-3707	
Dina Roseland	Deacon	(920)659-2444	
Marie Wilson	Deacon	(920)622-3029	

Mount Morris:

Laurie Jarvis	President	(920)291-5737
Diane Waite	Secretary	(262)707-4124
Deb Simonson	Treasurer	(920)851-4064
Dennis Waite	Fin. Secretary	(262)490-1933
Greg Foster	Building and Grounds	(920)765-1210
Mary Stepanek	WELCA Rep.	(920)582-8720
Dan Scharnhorst	Deacon	(920)629-2803
Kris Peterson	Deacon	(920)240-6227



From The Desk Of Vicar Amy

Hello my church family!!

I usually end my note with this but today, today I am going to start with this... God is good! This last month has been so incredibly busy but so incredibly fulfilling! First, I would like to share that I have officially completed all my course work and classes in my journey towards minister of word and sacrament!!!! Now the only thing between me and ordination is a few months remaining of internship!!! I can't thank you all enough for walking with me during this time of growth. You have all been so incredibly patient with me and full of grace and I am so grateful for each of you. I look forward to seeing what God has in store for our beautiful churches!! Second, I wanted to say a huge shout out to the many hands that have made our young youth group, youth group and confirmation a reality!!! Thank you so much Brionne Roberts-Bray, Sarah Pietkauskis, and Brittany Meier for all your hard work with our 19 kiddos... that's right, 19 kiddos signed up for young youth group!!!!! God is good! Thank you ladies! And don't forget about the older youth group!!!! Thank you so much Mary and Tom Stepanek for not only hanging out with our teens, but also feeding them!!! You guy's rock! God blessed us with I believe 7 youth kids last Wednesday!!! God is good! And finally, our fearless confirmation leader, Dale!!! Thank you for coming out to teach our youth kids a bit more about our Lutheran traditions and their own faith as well! God is good! In closing I wanted to also share that Bible study is up and running as well!!! I may be speaking for myself, but I think it was loads of fun and I can't wait to continue to grow with the group! So, if you have off Wednesday nights, take some time to check out the schedule for all of these amazing events on our web page and join us for God's work our hands! I look forward to seeing you!!! As I always say.....

God is good!!!

Vicar Amy

If you love music as much as I do, take a moment to look this one up!!! Psalms 23 by Phil Wickham!

If you would like to chat, I would love to meet/ talk with you!!!!

Please call the office to schedule an appointment (sometimes I have other meetings!)

Here are my hours!

Monday off Tuesday 9-3 @MM Wednesday 9-3 @MM

Thursday 9-3 @MM Friday 9-3 @WH



Here is the upcoming readings for the month of September! Take a second to read ahead to prepare for Sunday

Date:	First Reading	Psalms	Second Reading	Gospel Reading
October 1	Ezekiel 18: 1- 4, 25-32	Psalm 25: 1-9		Matthew 21: 23-32
October 8	Isaiah 5: 1-7	Psalm 80: 7-15	Philippians 3: 4b- 14	Matthew 21: 33-46
October 15	Isaiah 25: 1-9	Psalm 23	Philippians 4: 1-9	Matthew 22: 1-14
October 22	Isaiah 45: 1-7	Psalm 96: 1-13	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Matthew 22: 15-22
October 29	Leviticus 19: 1 -2, 15-18	Psalm 1	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22: 34-46

Thanks be to God!!!



Happy Birthday to our church members!!!! Do you have a birthday that is not on here? Let our office know so we can add you to the celebration!

October Birthdays!

10/02	Alex Frank	10/27	Larry Johannes
10/03	Patricia Krueger	10/31	Carol Auck
10/11	Steven Scott Johannes		
10/12	Steve Ustarbowski		
10/14	Sara Paugels		
10/14	Aaron Simonson		
10/20	Phyllis Olson		
10/21	Herb Rosby		
10/23	Evelyn Dally		
10/24	Heather Anderson		
10/24	Peter Jarvis		
10/24	Elmer Mathison		
10/25	Roger Wilke		

October Anniversaries!

10/03 Ron and Sue Jansen	10/05 Eugene and Rose Fink	10/05 John and Cindy Jarvis
10/08 Eric & Tayna Johnson	10/11 Jeremiah and Amiee Simenson	10/11 Gary and Carol Clair
10/15 Matthew & Micayla Knollen	10/16 Michelle & Jason Siebert	
10/23 Jeremy & Sarah Pietkauskis	10/27 Charles & Judi Slovinski	

We celebrate you on your very special days!!! May God bless you and keep you in the year to come!!!

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Here is a look at what exciting stuff is coming your way!!!!

<u>September – December Church Service Times</u>

West Holden Lutheran Church: 8:30 am

Mt. Morris Holden Lutheran Church: 10:30 am

October 1st: We are planning to go to Chaplin Vicki Jenks first service at First English Lutheran Church at 9:30am. The address is 440 Garfield St, Wisconsin Rapids. Who hope you can all attend. However there will be a joint service at Mt. Morris at 10:30 for those of you that will not be able to go to Vicki's first service.

October 21st: Flight Farms (10-12)

October 22nd: Jeans for Jesus

October 25th-27th: Directory Photos

October 29th: Liturgy Service

Mission Committee

Tree House Central. The schedule for preparing and serving a meal is as follows: October 31, November 28,
December 12. If anyone would like to volunteer to contribute to the menu or participate in the serving and clean
up, please sign up on the volunteer sheet that will be available. Monthly Mission Projects: The month of September we will collecting personal hygiene items to take to the elderly in assisted living facilities.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE UPDATE:

Work continues for this group as we continue to search through church documents uncovering memories and treasures from the past. If any one has any historical photos, or information about our churches, please share those with a member of the committee. We are excited to share what we learn with the community and are always looking for new ways to do this! Future meetings have been scheduled for the following days:

October 10th @ 5:30pm ~ Mt. Morris

November 14th @5:30pm~ West Holden

December 12th @ 5:30pm~ Mt. Morris

Church Directory!!!!!!

You can now sign up for directory pictures!!!! There are three options available for signing up to make it as convenient as possible!

1. There is a QR code you can scan and that will send you right over to the scheduling site



2. There is a website you can access for direct scheduling listed below.

http://book.appointment-plus.com/d0nm3xs6/?employee_id=7221

3. There is a sign-up sheet for office staff to contact you for assistance if you do not have cell phone or email capability.

Pictures will take place on October 25-27th at Mount Morris. We are in need of some volunteers to come and assist the families coming in for photos. Each shift will be a two-hour block unless you would like to stay longer. There will also be a sign-up sheet in the back for that!

Updated Info:

If you have not done so, please fill out a form to update your personal information for our new computer system!

Mt Morris Camp housekeeper needed We are seeking a dependable, trustworthy, ministry minded person to assist in housekeeping at Mt Morris Camp. It's about a 15 hour per week position and the bonus is they get to work alongside some AMAZING people!

If you know anyone, please have them contact me via email, or at the camp.

920-787-2861

THANK YOU!

Dan Scharnhorst

danscharn@gmail.com

<u>Starting September 5th Mt. Morris quilters</u> will start Mission quilting Tues. Sept. 5th from Noon until 3PM. We will meet every Tues. unless notified.

Everyone is invited. No experience needed. If you can tie your shoe strings, you can help us out.

Young Youth Group for September

10/13/23 Mt. Morris 5-6 pm 10/25/23 West Holden 5-6 pm

Confirmation Classes for September:

10/4/23 West Holden 6-7 pm 10/11/23 Mt. Morris 6-7 pm 10/18/23 Mt. Morris 6-7 pm 10/25/23 West Holden 6-7 pm

Adult Bible Study

10/11/23 at Mt. Morris from 6-7 pm

10/25/23 at West Holden from 6-7 pm

CALLING ALL YOUTH:

Our East Central Synod of Wisconsin is sponsoring a youth event (Grades 6 thru 12) on Saturday, October 14th at the Feltz Corn Maze near Stevens Point. We will be meeting with other youth from various churches across our Synod as we set out to experience their farm and their newly completed 2023 corn maze!

Transportation will be provided as we plan to depart at 8:45 a.m. from the Mt. Morris Holden parking lot. We can either bring our own lunch or find a favorite dining spot in the Stevens Point area afterwards. We can make that decision once we know how many are actually attending.

Adult chaperones (and possibly drivers) are always welcome so please join us if you are able!

Please RSVP to this event by contacting the Stepanek's at (920) 572-8720 or tomstepanek@yahoo.com no later than Thursday October 5th. The Synod needs to know how many are attending. The entry fee for the youth will be provided.

We hope to be hearing from you soon! Please invite a friend if you'd like.

Tom & Mary Stepanek

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Vicki's first service	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Bible Study Mt. Morris 6-7pm	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Flight Farms (10- 12)
22 Jeans for Jesus	23	24	25 Pictures for Directory Bible Study West Holden 6-7	26 Pictures for Directory	27 Pictures for Directory	28
29 Liturgy Service	30	31				