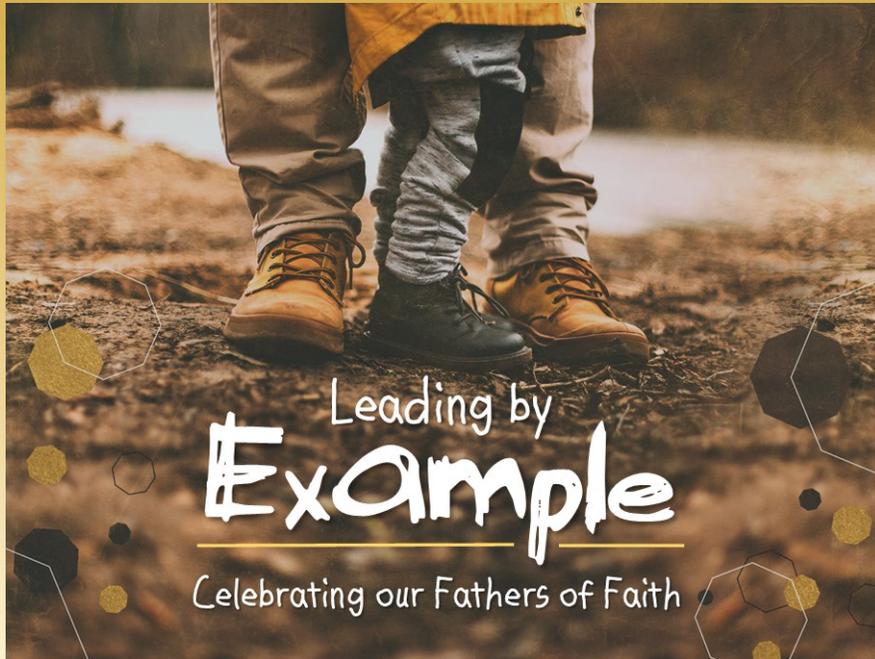


# HTLConnections

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## IT'S ALL ABOUT DAD!

This weekend we celebrate Father's Day. This has been a hard year, and so days like today are worth celebrating! We thank God for the dads in our lives, whether they are biological or figurative, and we give a shout out to the ways in which dads are carrying extra heavy burdens during 2020.

We also know that Father's Day is filled with mixed emotions. If you have a strained relationship with your dad. If your dad has abandoned you or hurt you. If you don't have children of your own. Or if on this day you deeply miss your dad, and you just wish you could be with him once again.

Recognizing all these dynamics, this Sunday we are going to have a special Father's Day service as we continue our sermon series on Jonah. We will reflect on how we can find comfort in God as our Heavenly Father. We invite you to invite your own dad or father-figure to worship if you'd like! See you Sunday!

## ONLINE WORSHIP

Watch online worship videos [here!](#)

## IN FAITH WE PRAY

As God's people led by the Spirit, WE PRAY: Heavenly Father, comfort, strengthen and guide Gam W., Ann G., Don M., Mark J., Pam E., people struggling for justice, our partners in faith in the LGBTQAI communities, and persons working toward a vaccine for COVID-19. Thy will be done, in Jesus' name. Amen

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

[Jonah 2](#)

## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

This week we celebrate the men in our congregation as Fathers of Faith. Join us Sunday at 9am on Facebook!



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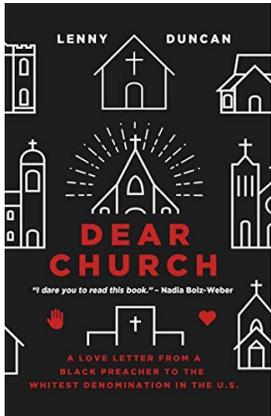


## COMING TO YOU LIVE...

From the Sanctuary of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in New Prague, MN...it's SUNDAY. MORNING. WORSHIP! (And the audience goes wild with cheering and applause!) INTRODUCING...new live streaming equipment!

We're bringing in more cameras, more technology and more of HTLC straight to you, no matter where you live. We've gained almost 300 new Facebook subscribers since our mid-March online worship started. We don't want to lose our online followers once in-person worship resumes, so live streaming is the answer. Not only will we reach outside of HTLC, we will live stream the service to overflow areas within HTLC like the Fellowship Hall, Paul's Place and the nursery.

## DEAR CHURCH



Join the HTLC Staff and Council in reading "Dear Church - A love letter from a black preacher to the whitest denomination in the US". Written by Lenny Duncan, he offers a bold new vision for the ELCA going forward that sees church renewal through the lens of racial equity and

justice. At HTLC, we are starting a Racial Justice Task Force with the help of Brenda Blackhawk, Minneapolis Synod Congregational Organizer for Racial Justice. If you'd like join this task force, please email [Pastor Ben](mailto:Pastor Ben).

## LAKESIDE SERVICE

Our outdoor worship service for June 24 at Cedar Lake has been cancelled.

## MISSION OUTREACH

To keep our community safe, the **HTLC Little Free Pantry** is now accepting **masks in Ziploc bags, small packages of diapers**, and other small household items.

The **Peace Center** needs donations of deodorant, toothpaste, body wash, and paper towels. Drop off during office hours (MWF, 9 am -12:30pm, Th 4:30 -6:30 pm) at 313 Columbus Ave. N., New Prague, MN.

## LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

## KIDS CONNECTION

We're highlighting our Sunday School Teachers!

### Get to know Gina Fadden

**What has been a bright spot during the COVID-19 social isolation?** *My kids keep me staying positive and motivated to get things done. My husband and I plan special date nights at home. Like movie night with a cute little buffet laid out with all our favorite goodies or card games and a fancy dinner just to have some mommy/daddy time.*

**If I had a magic wand...***This is a heavy question for me but I would wish out all the evil in this world. Such as abuse, addictions, depression, racism and SO much more. "Peace on earth" for sure!*  
**Share one Dream you have for the future of HTLC.** *I pray we keep growing and keep being the humble church family we are.*

## CARING CONNECTIONS

Would you like a Pen Pal this summer? Pen Pal - what is this, 1985? Yes, Pen Pals! If you would like to connect with a HTLC member that is at least two generations older/younger than yourself, contact [Jamie Bisek](mailto:Jamie Bisek) or call the church office at 952-758-3513. She'll get you connected with someone!