

HTLConnections

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IT'S TIME FOR VBS!

This years [Vacation Bible School](#) experience is very similar to the way Jesus interacted with people over 2000 years ago...in their homes! Back then, Jesus did not have the internet or computers to help him, but spending time with families in their most personal spaces was all he needed. The Bible has over 50 instances where Jesus went into peoples homes, and this week, we are going to learn about some of those people (and what Jesus did)!

It's not too late to register for VBS! Click [here](#) to register online. Invite your friends, your neighbors, your cousins who live in Iowa, whoever you want! Registration materials will be handed out to New Prague attendees on Sunday, July 5 from 4 - 7 pm on the front lawn of Holy Trinity. Materials will be spread out alphabetically to minimize contact between families.

It's going to be a GREAT week @ home with Jesus!

ONLINE WORSHIP

Watch online worship videos [here!](#)

IN FAITH WE PRAY

WE PRAY as God's beloved children: Holy Lord, comfort, strengthen and protect Gam W., Don M., Mark J., Pam E., Lenny N., people striving for justice, and those struggling financially. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in Jesus' name. Amen

SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

[Romans 7:15-25a](#)

[Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30](#)

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Join us as we experience a service sponsored by the Minneapolis Area Synod! Sunday at 9am on Facebook!

RADIO SPONSORS

We have open slots! Call the office if you'd like to sponsor this ministry.



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VBS MISSION PROJECT

Last month, Pastor Ben introduced us to [Prairie Pointe](#), a 46 unit housing complex, during the [May 20 HTLCheck-in](#). In conjunction with our VBS theme of “@ home with Jesus”, HTLC has a goal of sponsoring one unit in Prairie Pointe in Shakopee. Each unit costs \$15,000 and would provide stable housing and specialized services for families that would otherwise experience homelessness. Many of these families are former Hope House guests and Prairie Pointe is the next step in assisting them back on their feet. We are blessed by a generous church - Endowment has offered \$5000 and the Mission Outreach team is covering another \$5000. Our goal for VBS is to raise the remaining \$5000! More information will be coming via Facebook and our website.

OFFICE CLOSED

The HTLC office will be closed on Friday, July 3 in observance of Independence Day.

BAPTISM RECAP

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Baptism Parade for Andi Mae Fadden! If you missed last Sunday's worship service that included the at-home baptism of little Miss Andi Mae and her amazing parade, [click here](#).

MISSION OUTREACH

The **Little Free Pantry** is expanding! We're adding two more pantries to keep food and non-food items separated. Thank you to Jon Bergquist for building our new additions!

RADIO BROADCAST

Each Sunday at 9 am, KCHK broadcasts a 30 minute version of our worship service. This is an important ministry to our homebound members! Please consider sponsoring a week in honor or memory of someone you love for \$63.75. Contact [Jamie Bisek](#) or call 952-758-3513 to sign up.

LIVE STREAM UPDATE

We are excited to continue our online worship capabilities once we resume in-person worship by investing in new live streaming equipment. This comes at a cost of almost \$10,000! If you'd like to support this new ministry, please indicate “Live Stream” on your offering.

HELP WANTED!

Volunteers are needed for our Sound booth area. If you are willing to learn how to run the sound board or live streaming equipment on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings when we return to in-person worship, please contact [Karen Taylor](#).

KIDS CONNECTION

We're highlighting our Sunday School Teachers!

Get to know Laurie Thorp!

What has been a bright spot during the COVID-19 social isolation? *A true blessing during shelter in place was the opportunity to have our granddaughters, ages 7 and 5, spend the days with us. We baked, fed the animals, learned, read books, rode bikes, made LOTS of forts, snuggled, and loved.*

If you could interview any Biblical figure, who would it be? What would you ask? *Jesus. He would have the answer to my many, many questions.*

Favorite COVID-19 recipe - *While having our granddaughters, I resurrected the bread machine from the top shelf in the pantry, and we made pizza dough, cinnamon rolls, and honey wheat bread.*

WORSHIP CONNECTIONS

Do you ever hear a song in worship and think “Wow! I want to hear that again”? Now you can...with the HTLC YouTube Worship Songs playlist. Click on the photo to listen to your favorite online worship songs.

