

# HTLConnections

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## ANSWERING THE CALL

In May, Christo Obrero, one of our ministry partners, posted on their Facebook page "Volunteers needed to teach soccer."

Thankfully, Holy Trinity's Jacob Lee likes soccer.

Jacob, a junior at New Prague Area Schools and a captain of the school's soccer team, volunteered.

**Why did you offer to volunteer?** "I thought it was perfect for me because I enjoy playing soccer. It didn't feel like a job to me."

**How did you make it work with COVID-19 precautions in place?**

"Initially, due to COVID, we were unable to meet so I made [videos of me](#) teaching a soccer drill that Pastor Jorge would send to the youth families. For the first month, this is what I did. Then in July, we started Monday and Tuesday each week".

**What was the highlight of the experience?** "For me, the highlight was to just play soccer with the kids. I enjoy working with young players."

**How did the soccer coaching go?** "It was a good experience. We had about 4 boys and 8 girls, ages 3rd-5th grade. All the kids listened and wanted to be there to have fun. Going back each week was an easy decision because I was having fun, and I gave them my word that I would come each week."

**How did this strengthen your faith?** Click [HERE](#) to read the rest of the article.

## ONLINE WORSHIP

Watch online worship videos [here!](#)

## WE PRAY

God of all creation, bring your healing and hope to Tim D., Elaine J., Harriet B. - Nick's grandmother, Don M., Mark J., Jim, the people affected by the fires on the west coast, the hurricanes, and COVID-19. Unite us in love for you and one another. We pray in Jesus' holy name. Amen

## SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

[Philippians 1:27-30](#)

[Matthew 20:1-16](#)

## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

**Online:** 9am Sunday & 7pm Wednesday

**TV:** BevComm Channel 6 at 9:30 am Sunday and 6 pm Wednesday

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## HTLC PRAYER GARDEN

Thank you, Jon Bergquist, for the beautiful prayer garden at the south end of the HTLC parking lot!

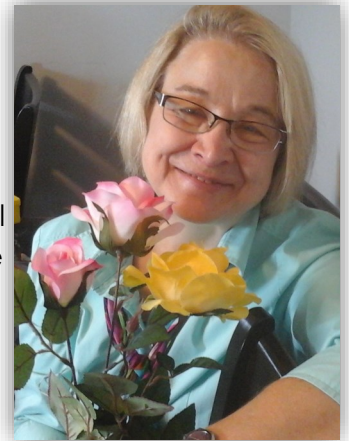
This quiet, peaceful space is open to everyone.

Thank you, Jon!



## PRAYER TIME IN THE GARDEN

Join Pastor Diane Goulson at 9am on Mondays for Facebook Live "Prayer Time in the Garden." She will pray for those on our prayer list and take special prayer requests from those tuning in. If you have a prayer request, please contact [Jamie](#) or call 952-758-3513.



## CYF KICK-OFF WEEK!

This week, our Children, Youth & Family Ministries will kick off their fall programming!

The schedule on Wednesday's will be:

**6:00 pm** - Children's Ministry and Confirmation

- Teaching videos will be sent to each registered family via email (view at 6pm)

**6:20 pm** - Virtual small groups will meet

- Leaders/students will connect via Zoom

**7:00 pm** - Watch online worship as a family!

**[REGISTER HERE!](#)**

Email HTLC Youth Director, [Casey Fremstad](#) with questions.

## COVID UPDATE

"When is church going to open up?"

We hear you. We miss you. We miss church too.

Click [here](#) to read the latest update.

## MISSION OUTREACH

Thank you to the Little Free Pantry Angels who keep it full for the residents of New Prague!

LeSueur Country Residents - FREE food distribution on Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Click the flyer for more info.



## KIDS CONNECTION

We're highlighting our Confirmation Mentors!

**Get to know Melissa Horejsi!**

**What has been a ray of sunshine in your life during this time of COVID-19 restrictions?** A ray of sunshine in my life during the COVID has been being able to spend more time on my farm and getting some very needed things done. Plus, I bought 2 mini donkeys and have gotten time to hang out with them! Chandler and Joey are super sweet and love it when I sit with them (that's when they give hugs!).

**What is your dream for the future of HTLC?** One dream I have for HTLC is for us to have a rambunctious group of youth who love to come to church! I am so excited about the possibilities of our church and just know that the kids are THE BEST part of it!

**Favorite HTLC memory. What made it memorable?** Oooh! Just ONE favorite memory of HTLC? There are so many! One of my top 10 would have to be when the ENTIRE congregation came together for spring cleaning/Earth Day cleaning. It was so fun seeing all ages and abilities pitch in and help clean up inside and outside of the church PLUS people even went and ditch cleaned too! There was food, fun, fellowship, and cleaning.

**If you had a magic wand, what would be the first thing you do?** This is my bonus question (since I am an overachiever). 😊

If I had a magic wand, I would most definitely go looking for Hogwarts. My perfect job would be the Professor of Muggle Studies. Just sayin'.