

# HTLConnections

The weekly e-newsletter of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, New Prague, MN

April 9, 2021

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

John 20:19-31

## HUMBLY WE PRAY

God of the Resurrection, heal and encourage Eileen P., Ann G., Mark J., Christine, Mary Lou M., and all who are burdened and suffering. Comfort all who mourn. Help our disbelief. Thank you for your death-defying love. In the name of Jesus, our Risen Lord, we pray, Amen.

## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Online - Facebook & YouTube

Sunday @ 9 am

In-person - HTLC Parking Lot

Wednesday @ 6 pm

Cable TV - Bevcomm Channel 6

Sunday @ 9:30 am

Wednesday @ 6 pm

Radio - KCHK 95.5 FM & 1350 AM

Sunday @ 9 am

## RADIO SPONSOR

Our Sunday radio broadcast ministry is sponsored by Jonathan & Juli Hilding, in memory of Pastor Ben's and Pastor Alicia's grandfathers.

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## WORSHIP RETURNS IN-PERSON OUTDOORS

By Pastor Alicia Hilding

Mark your calendars and dust off your lawn chairs as we look forward to worshipping together in-person outdoors! **Join us this Wednesday, April 14, as we will begin outdoor worship at 6 pm.** Sunday worship will remain online at 9 am. Here are six key highlights to prepare for outdoor worship together.

1. **Car/Chairs:** You can stay in your car, sit by your car, or park and sit in the seating area. Please bring your own chairs/blankets.
  2. **Communion:** We will have Communion so bring your own elements or some will be provided.
  3. **Offering:** A space to give an offering will be available (including noisy offering), but plates will not be passed.
  4. **Restrooms:** Outdoor restrooms will be available.
  5. **Face masks & Distance:** Please wear face coverings and practice physical distancing.
  6. **Health Screening:** Please review [this health screening](#) and if you have symptoms or COVID exposure, please participate in worship online.
- Please RSVP here** so we can prepare adequate size for the specified parking/seating areas.



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## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Want to review the videos from the [HTLC Easter Worship service](#)? (Did Toby really sing the bass part? Wait...what...Pastor Ben plays piano??) Perhaps you want to take a second look at the [Easter Countdown Special](#)? (Did you approve of Josh? It's been verified, he is a Vikings Fan!)



Find all of your favorite videos on the [HTLC YouTube channel](#). It's the BEST place to find worship songs and services from the past year. We're up to over 200 subscribers! It just goes to prove that

location is not a limitation to enjoy a meaningful worship service. Thank you for helping us spread the word about our YouTube Channel!

## MUSICIAN SURVEY

After a full year of worshipping online, we believe the Holy Spirit has been at work, not only to "get us by", but also creating something new that will impact how we worship in the future. As we shift from strictly online worship to both in-person and online, [we'd like your input](#) on how we can listen to God's calling.



## CYF MINISTRY UPDATE

Wednesday Evening Faith Formation programs will be in-person on April 14, 6 pm, as we begin outdoor worship services. Online Faith Formation will end (as Casey cannot be both places at once).

Questions or concerns, please contact [Casey Fremstad](#), Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry.

## LOCATION IS NOT A LIMITATION

Prior to March 2020, the furthest reach of our worship services was 50 feet. Today, our reach is unlimited! Our 2021 Easter Service was viewed by people in Colorado, Iowa, Wisconsin, Oregon, Mississippi, Texas, Florida, Arizona, California, Canada, & Australia. Just like God, Holy Trinity can be found everywhere!

## WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

Our pre-recorded online worship services will continue to premiere on Sunday's at 9 am on the HTLC Facebook page and YouTube Channel. Woo-Hoo! Sunday morning Worship in your jammies continues!

## HTLC CLOTHING

Now that we're going to be seeing people, live and in-person, it's the perfect time to purchase your HTLC logo clothing! We've



partnered with local New Prague business, ID Threadz, to create unique items in youth and adult sizes. T-shirts, sweatshirts, tank tops, caps and hats - something for everyone! [Click here to order](#), Pick it up from the store to save shipping costs.

## THANK YOU

We've received many, many comments about our Easter Events. Here's what people are saying:

*"I'm watching our home church service right now and I love it so much. They did an amazing job - Holy Cow!"*

Ellen Popple, MS college student, to her mom, Julie.

*"Please pass along our THANKS to all who had a part in making the Easter Kits. That was so nice. Also, I think this Easter service may have been the best service in the entire past year! Of course, the music was beautiful and Pastor's message very meaningful. I forwarded the info to my brother in Florida and my sister in Mankato (who is no*

*longer able to attend church in-person). I'm sure they will both enjoy it." - HTLC Member*



*"Thanks for both hours and the Easter gifts. Great preaching. Good to see the little girls. God's blessings on your family"*

- Audrey Austin, HTLC Member

## UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 11

### EASTER 2

[A Community of Goods](#)  
Synod Led Service

April 14

### OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Join us at 6 pm.  
[Sign up here!](#)

April 18 & 21

### EMMAUS WALK

When has Jesus walked  
with you?

April 25 & 28

### I AM

The Good Shepherd