

## MARCH/APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER



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**Holly Grove Christian Church**  
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### “BITS FROM BOB”

#### Forgetting Your First Love

Our Wednesday evening Bible study group just started a look into the book of Revelation. In Chapter Two Jesus shares with John his letter to the Seven Churches in Asia Minor. After commending them for their good works he says in Revelation 2:4:

**“But I hold this against you. You have forsaken the love you had at first.”**

This Revelation to the Seven Churches, in what is today Turkey, is also for all the churches. For we are part of the Body of Christ. Jesus knows, Jesus sees, and Jesus hears.

Ever since that study I have been trying to apply that word to the churches I have served and to myself. The question I ask is, have I forsaken my first love? Have I lost my desire to study God’s word? Have I lost the discipline that is required to make sure that each day I spend time having a talk with God. Have I lost my zeal and enthusiasm to share the Good News with people I come into contact with? To simply know that I must do these things is in itself not enough.

The Apostle Paul shares in Ephesians Chapter Four that we **“Should live a life worthy of the calling we have received.”** He says later in the same chapter that **“We should speak the truth in love.”**

The “speaking” that Paul asks of us is not by mouth but by our actions. In other words, live the life that reflects the calling we each have received.

The world we live in today is beset with many problems. We have a virus we are dealing with, we have armored troops staging and surrounding a country. We have anger and divisions in our own country. Have we lost our first Love? Are we living a life worthy of the calling we have received?

Soon we will begin our Lenten journey to the cross. We begin this journey by acknowledging and repenting of our sins. During this journey we have the opportunity to rekindle that “First Love” we have for the Gospel and the change it brought to our lives. By doing so we can speak the truth in love by living a life worthy of our calling.

PS. Still have some books available for the new study of Revelation if you are interested. There’s always room for one more!

God Bless you all!

Bobby

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## Announcements

- Our next bi-monthly board meeting will be on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.
- We have the Children Worship and Wonder Program on Sunday mornings for children around ages 3 - 9. The group goes to the Children's Sanctuary at 10:45 a.m. for their own Bible lesson and program.
- The Adult Choir has resumed practice again so come and join them on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m.
- The March/April/May "Our Daily Bread" devotionals are on the table in the vestibule near the front door and on the table by the back fellowship hall door. We hope you will pick up a free copy and enjoy quiet time with God.
- The Pruners Food Pantry will be open on the last Saturday of the month from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. If you would like to help the Pruners, see, or email Dianne at [dianne.montgomery1949@gmail.com](mailto:dianne.montgomery1949@gmail.com).
- Our Christian Women's Fellowship (CWF) will not meet in March but hopes to meet on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This group comes together for study, worship, and planning projects. For March, the group will be donating to the Louisa County Resource Council and for April, the group will be sending a donation to Goochland Free Clinic and will do blessing boxes. If you would like to help with these projects or join the CWF, please see Patricia Hicks, President if you have any questions.
- The Holly Grove Crafters' Club meets on the second and fourth Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. If you like to knit or crochet, come, and join this wonderful ministry!
- If you would like to receive church emails during the week and are not on the email list, please give Cindy your information at [bccawilson@yahoo.com](mailto:bccawilson@yahoo.com) or call or text (804) 357-4412 and you will be added to the church email list.
- If you would like to give a monetary donation to the church, you can give at the Sunday service or safely give online via Givelify @ <https://giv.li/w063gb> or on our website @ <https://www.hollygrovechristian.com/>.
- If your birthday or anniversary is not on the calendar, please let Cindy Wilson know, so you can be included and celebrated!
- If you would like a church t-shirt, we still have a few. They are located in the Pastor's office and are \$15.00 each. There is a box to leave cash or a check to Gwen Rose.
- With questions on reserving the church, fellowship hall or gazebo, please contact Tammy Mayo, Vice Chairman.
- If you should have any articles or pictures for the next newsletter, please give to Cindy Wilson or email to [bccawilson@yahoo.com](mailto:bccawilson@yahoo.com).



## Lenten Season and Easter Services

Come join us for a special service as we mark the beginning of the Season of Lent with Ash Wednesday, on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

A wooden cross will be placed on the front porch/sidewalk area on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> and Palm Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> to be used as a Prayer Cross. If you have a need or concern on your heart, you are invited to write your prayer requests on paper that will be provided and place them on this cross. On these two Sundays during the interlude time and quiet time of prayer, you will hear the sounds of a hammer striking. Take this time to reflect on the pain and suffering leading to the crucifixion of Jesus, as well as the suffering of humanity and the world under sin. As we open ourselves before God, we place our needs, our fears, our failures, our hopes, our very lives in God's hands. We pray that this will be a moving time for reflection and a powerful call to prayer. At the close of our Palm Sunday service, our prayer requests will be removed and burned, to symbolize releasing our needs to God and to humble ourselves before God, that without Him we are but dust and ashes. We will also have palms in the aisle and our Christian Youth Fellowship will be singing a special on Palm Sunday.

On April 14<sup>th</sup>, Maundy Thursday, we will be having a very intimate and meaningful service at 7:00 p.m. with communion.

On April 17<sup>th</sup>, Easter morning, we will begin at 7:00 a.m. with an outside Sunrise service (weather permitting) by the old, rugged cross near the cemetery. Our Hospitality Committee plans to have a very nice HeBrews breakfast with muffins, coffee cakes, juice, coffee, etc. If you would like to help by bringing an item, please see Dawn or Katherine Lipscomb. The breakfast will also be outside if the weather is nice. It will be a very delightful and joyous time of fellowship together!

Also on Easter morning, Sunday school will be at 9:30 a.m., the Worship service will be at 10:30 a.m. and we will have the Children Worship and Wonder program during the Sunday service.

We are happy to have the Living Cross this year. We have not been able to enjoy decorating it for the past two years. Please bring fresh flowers on Easter morning to the front of the church and give to Pam Hart and see what a beautiful cross it will become. At the end of the service, this cross will be placed outside at the base of the old, rugged cross.

Jane Harris and her Sunday school class will be preparing Easter treat bags again this year. There will be a basket on the table in the vestibule for donations such as candy, stickers, and small toys. We do not plan to do an Easter egg hunt this year but hoping we will next year. The treat bags will be given out to the children after the Sunrise service and the 10:30 a.m. regular service.

We hope all will come to these special services as we journey to the cross.

## Bible Studies



The Ladies Bible Study meets on Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. The group will be starting a new 12-week study on March 7<sup>th</sup> entitled "Step by Step Through the Old Testament." If you have any questions, see Dianne Montgomery. Come enjoy Adult Bible Studies on Wednesdays with Pastor Bob Lane. The morning session meets at 11:00 a.m. and the evening session is at 6:30 p.m. The Christian Youth Fellowship (CYF) meets with Associate Pastor Andy Rose also on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. This group does study and community projects. We invite you to come and join us!

## New Member



We are thrilled that Jenn Gernat joined Holly Grove Christian Church on Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. May God be with her as she serves Him!

Joshua 24:15b says:

"But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

## Skystone Bluegrass Band

Skystone Bluegrass Band is coming to the Louisa Arts Center on March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. This is the band that Tommy Barlow plays in. Mary Anne Barlow is happy to get tickets for anyone that is interested in going. The cost is \$12.00 a ticket plus an online service fee depending on how many tickets are purchased but will not be more than \$2.00 each.

## HGCC Social Media Platforms



(Stay in touch with Church activities and get information you may need.)

Church Website is [www.hollygrovechristian.com](http://www.hollygrovechristian.com)

Instagram Page: Hgcc1873

Facebook Friend: "Holly Grove Christian Church"

(There are also two private Facebook pages. There is the "Holly Grove Christian Church Private Prayer & Study Group" for sharing prayer concerns, reflections, and other information that we may not wish to put out to the world on the regular Facebook page and there is the "HGCC Youth Connections" group that is geared towards keeping youth and parents of youth informed and connected.)

## Elder and Deacon Serving List March 6<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

### Group I

Billy Lloyd  
Nancy Lloyd  
Robert Bowman  
Steven Klein  
Thomas Klein  
Josh Lloyd

**Group I will be serving: March 20  
April 10  
May 1**

### Group II

Tammy Mayo  
Gwen Rose  
Donna Davis  
Steve Montgomery  
Hunter Trayer  
Byron Wilson

**Group II will be serving: March 6  
March 27  
April 17**

### Group III

Jane Harris  
Pam Hart  
John Kruep  
Matthew Kruep  
Dawn Lipscomb  
Zach Lipscomb

**Group III will be serving: March 13  
April 3  
April 24**



## CW&W Program Schedule

March 6<sup>th</sup>: Storyteller: Suzanne Bowman  
Greeter: Carrie Vincze (Jesus and Bartimaeus #33)  
March 13<sup>th</sup>: Storyteller: Dawn Lipscomb  
Greeter: Katherine Lipscomb (Parable of the Great Banquet #30)  
March 20<sup>th</sup>: Storyteller: Nancy Lloyd  
Greeter: Gwen Rose (Jesus and Zacchaeus #34)  
March 27<sup>th</sup>: Storyteller: Associate Pastor Andy Rose  
Greeter: Steve Montgomery (Parable of the Leaven #26)  
April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Storyteller: Suzanne Bowman  
Greeter: Carrie Vincze (Jesus the King #35)  
April 10<sup>th</sup>: Storyteller: Dawn Lipscomb  
Greeter: Katherine Lipscomb (Jesus' Last Passover #36)  
April 17<sup>th</sup>: Storyteller: Nancy Lloyd  
Greeter: Gwen Rose (Jesus' Appearance to Mary Magdalene #37)  
April 24<sup>th</sup>: Storyteller: Associate Pastor Andy Rose  
Greeter: Steve Montgomery (The Road to Emmaus #38)

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   | Fri  | Sat   |
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|   |  | <b>1</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.   | <b>2</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>~Ash Wednesday Service - 7:00 p.m./Lent Begins~<br><br>Danny Dean - B | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b>  |
| <b>6</b> Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m.  | <b>7</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m. (New study begins)<br><br>Mary Anne Barlow - B                                | <b>8</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.   | <b>9</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Hayleigh Williams - B   | <b>10</b> Crafters' Mission Circle - 6:30 p.m.                        | <b>11</b>  | <b>12</b> Patrick Barnes - B<br>Rhonda Gorman - B<br>River Harris - B             |
| <b>13</b> Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m. (Pastor Bob Lane is away and Associate Pastor Andy Rose will be delivering our sermon)<br><br>Daylight Saving Time Begins (Advance your clock forward one hour)<br><br>Don Richardson - B | <b>14</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Stephen & Janette Rose - Anniversary                                  | <b>15</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.  | <b>16</b> Church Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.<br><br><b>NO</b> CYF or Adult Bible Studies<br><br>Skylar Barnes - B   | <b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day   | <b>18</b>  | <b>19</b>   |
| <b>20</b> Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m.<br><br>Spring Begins<br><br>Thomas Klein - B  | <b>21</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Eddie "Mule" Hendrick - B<br><br>Robbie & Kristy Trayer - Anniversary | <b>22</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.<br><br>Winnie Chenault - B<br>Michael Shores - B | <b>23</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Kyle Smith - B   | <b>24</b> Crafters' Mission Circle - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Ember Trice - B | <b>25</b> Dale Lipscomb - B  | <b>26</b> Pruners Food Pantry Open - 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Nancy Franklin - B |
| <b>27</b> Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m.   | <b>28</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Robbie Bagby - B<br>Elizabeth Lloyd - B                               | <b>29</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.  | <b>30</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Michelle Crowder - B   | <b>31</b> Jane Harris - B<br>Shirley Masten - B                       | <b>B - Birthday</b><br><br><b>CYF - Christian Youth Fellowship</b> |   |



# April 2022

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| <b>B - Birthday</b><br><br><b>CYF - Christian Youth Fellowship</b>  |   |  |  |   | <b>1</b> Rudy Wesselhoff - B  | <b>2</b> Jamie Lloyd - B<br>Wyatt Wilson - B                                     |
| <b>3</b> Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m. (Prayer Cross)<br><br>Tony & Barbara Jeanne Goolsby - Anniversary  | <b>4</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Christian Trayer - B<br>Brooke Vincze - B                     | <b>5</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.                              | <b>6</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Autumn Lee - B   | <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b> Mary Hicks - B   | <b>9</b>   |
| <b>10</b> Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m. (Prayer Cross, Palm Sunday and Missions will receive our Easter Special Offering)<br><br>Elsie Harris - B   | <b>11</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Ronnie Bagby - B   | <b>12</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.                             | <b>13</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CWF Meeting - 7:00 p.m.<br><br>Lucille Gammon - B       | <b>14</b> ~Maundy Thursday Service - 7:00 p.m.~<br><br><b>NO</b> Crafters' Mission Circle<br><br>Pat Harris - B<br>Steve Montgomery - B<br>J.D. Allison - B | <b>15</b> Good Friday<br><br>Lloyd Hicks - B<br>Sherrie Sommer - B<br><br>Alexander & Jordin Wilson - Anniversary | <b>16</b> Lent Ends<br><br>Pete Smith - B<br>Rhonda Welton - B                   |
| <b>17</b> Easter Sunrise Service - <b>7:00 a.m.</b> (outside) with a big, joyous Hebrews Coffee afterwards<br><br>Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m. (Last Day for Missions to receive our Easter Special Offering)<br><br>Mariah Rose - B | <b>18</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.   | <b>19</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.<br><br>Carol Jean Smith - B | <b>20</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.  | <b>21</b> Porter Rudolph - B<br><br>Justin & Tammie Allison - Anniversary   | <b>22</b> Earth Day   | <b>23</b> Grayton Clough - B<br><br>Tom & Amy Boothe - Anniversary               |
| <b>24</b> Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.<br><br>Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. and CW&W Program - 10:45 a.m.<br><br>Brenda Parker - B  | <b>25</b> Ladies Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Jessica Ahern - B<br>Herbie Bagby - B<br>Brianna Beckley - B | <b>26</b> Adult Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.                             | <b>27</b> Adult Bible Studies - 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.<br><br>CYF Study/Meeting - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Matthew Bagby - B<br>Timmy Clough - B<br>Alex Lloyd - B | <b>28</b> Crafters' Mission Circle - 6:30 p.m.<br><br>Toriana Bagby - B<br>Doris Fox - B<br>Cindy Wilson - B  | <b>29</b> Mary Alice Noel - B   | <b>30</b> Pruners Food Pantry Open - 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.<br><br>Coltin Clough - B |

## Highlights from the January 19, 2022

### Board Meeting

Chairman Dianne Montgomery called the meeting to order with a prayer. Carrie Vincze, Secretary took a silent roll with 19 members present.

Rhonda Gorman presented the Treasurer's Report dated November 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. There was \$100,515.28 in the general operating funds with \$4,457.48 in the Givelify Account which gave a total of \$104,972.76. There was \$21,221.10 in receipts and \$16,797.78 in disbursements. We have \$3,230.94 in Designated Funds which includes \$480.00 in the Samaritan Fund. We have \$13,294.20 in the parsonage Savings Account and we have \$178,977.55 in CD's. Report was accepted.

Mary Anne Barlow presented the Cemetery Treasurer's Report dated November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 through January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Current Principal Amount in CD (not to be used for upkeep) is \$26,935.00 with \$700.00 being held to place in a CD. The current amount in General Checking (to be used for general maintenance for the cemetery) is \$22,230.30. Mary Anne noted there was an invoice for cemetery fencing for approximately \$5,000.00 that will reduce the balance. Report was accepted.

Associate Pastor and Chairman of Christian Education Andy Rose reported that a meeting was held on January 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss the future of the Christian Education programs. He stated that Nancy Lloyd was appointed "Director" of CW&W and they were still looking for another storyteller. He said Jane Harris is hosting a Sunday school class for all ages, with the focus on the younger children. CYF decided they would like to donate \$300.00 to the Week of Compassion to go to the Kentucky tornado victims. He also advised that the youth were looking for missions' projects such as feeding people or helping with dogs/cats. Pam Hart presented the Christian Education Committee with a check for \$400.00 in memory of her uncle, Edward Gammon. The funds will be used to purchase Bibles for the youth.

Jeff Clough, Property Chairman reported that the water faucets in the kitchen will be replaced in the next couple of weeks. He also stated that Lloyd Hicks will no longer be cutting the church's grass so we will start accepting bids in the next couple of months. Also, the replacement of playground equipment will need to be considered this summer.

Patricia Hicks with the CWF gave a report of projects done.

Cindy Wilson, Worship Chairman reported the committee would be meeting to plan Easter and other upcoming special services.

Associate Pastor Andy gave a report on District 10. He has Craig Spring calendars for \$15.00. He brought the District 10 newsletter for those that wanted to review it. He stated that District 10 has \$8,250.00 in the checking account for distribution with approximately \$6,200.00 designated for upkeep of the Monroe Cabin and there was \$10,000.00 in a CD. He also mentioned there would be two work weekends coming up in the Spring at Craig Springs. He said it was time for the yearbook entry to be done and he and Carolyn Bagby would be working on that. Andy also stated he would be filling in the pulpit at several nearby churches during January and February.

Pastor Bob Lane gave the Minister's report and said June 4<sup>th</sup> would be the Regional Assembly and he would be attending. He also mentioned that the evening Bible study group would be studying Revelation. He spoke about Ministry month in October and wants to spotlight the ministries that are done in the church on a Sunday in October. He said these small ministry groups are the key to growing our church and are the key to spiritual growth.

Sanctuary Renovation/AV equipment/Architect bid had been received and another architect would be coming to give us another bid.

Dianne Montgomery said there was only \$50.00 in the Food Pantry Account if anyone would like to donate. The Pruners are distributing once a month and spend about \$125.00 on groceries and necessities.

Steve Montgomery advised that the cemetery fence would come in around the second week of February and it will be installed by the end of February. UPDATE: The fence is being installed now.

Jeff and Andy will try to repair the windowpane that fell out in the steeple area, but it will eventually need to be replaced.

Tammy Mayo typed and presented Andy his new covenant that he signed before the Board meeting.

A new refrigerator for the fellowship hall was purchased from Lacy's Appliance in Goochland by Steve.

Andy said he would like to see a men's ministry started and there was discussion.

Pastor Bob closed the meeting with prayer.

 **EASTER BLESSINGS** 

## Andy's Corner

### "Gifts that Give Back"

The Apostle Peter said, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10) and we, the many people who make up Holly Grove Christian Church, have been blessed with a variety of these gifts and talents. Among our congregation are people from all walks of life, each with their own knowledge, experiences, and passions and I wonder often what it would look like if we each used those gifts both privately and more important collectively in the service of our community to the glory of God? For many years we have done much in that service, from our food pantry ministry, the crafting of beautiful clothes and things, quietly assisting others financially, collecting donations and offerings, and so much more. We are also blessed to live in a community where there are programs like Goochland Cares and the Louisa County Resource Council, yet there are so many various needs in our community that are unmet and so many that are suffering and often the various programs only help alleviate the symptoms but do little to cure the disease. In the early church, worship and service were inseparable acts. The poor were fed, the ignorant were educated, the orphan and widow looked after, and community was put above self. Talents and skills were recognized and used in humble service to the community as a way of, as Peter put it, being "faithful stewards of God's grace." So how can we do more to return to this original vision of church? What can we do to uplift those around us and begin the long process of healing the wounds in our community? Among our numbers are educators and educated people, both working and retired. What if we created a ministry that could help those in our community who are struggling to obtain a good education through tutoring or after school programs? For without an education and positive reinforcement and mentors, the cycle of poverty and ignorance will never be broken. In our congregation we have trades people of all kinds, carpenters, electricians, plumbers, painters, computer specialists, mechanics and more. What an impact could be made in our community through ministries of building, repairing, and also passing on these skills to the next generation. We have nurses, healthcare specialists, and others who could use their expertise to alleviate the suffering of illness, which is multiplied when you cannot afford to go to a doctor or provide help and encouragement to those struggling to handle diabetes, hypertension, or a host of medical conditions. Most of all we have people who have the skill of Love, who can brighten the day of another just with their warm presence, a home baked treat, a smile, or a listening ear. There is so much that we can do together, as a church, to take our many skills and talents and put them to work for the greater good and glory of God, as Christ taught us. That is ministry, and that is what all Christians are called to do. Dream with me my beloved family of what we can do together, of the Divine love that could be poured out through us and in us. Will it be hard? Will there be risks? YES, but what good has ever been accomplished without a healthy dose of work and risk? In this season of Lent let us search our hearts and repent for what we may have left undone because we took the temptation of the easy life, and then like on that blessed first Easter become resurrected and bless the lives of all those around us just as we have been blessed by the grace of God through sacrifice. Dream with me church and let us be hands and feet of Jesus in our world as it is stated in our Church constitution, let us seek out new ways to serve and uplift, let us Love like there is no tomorrow.

May God's blessings and peace be with you all,

Pastor Andy.

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## *Recent Holly Grove Happenings*



*Our Christian Youth Fellowship serving the community at the Louisa County Resource Council on February 16<sup>th</sup>*

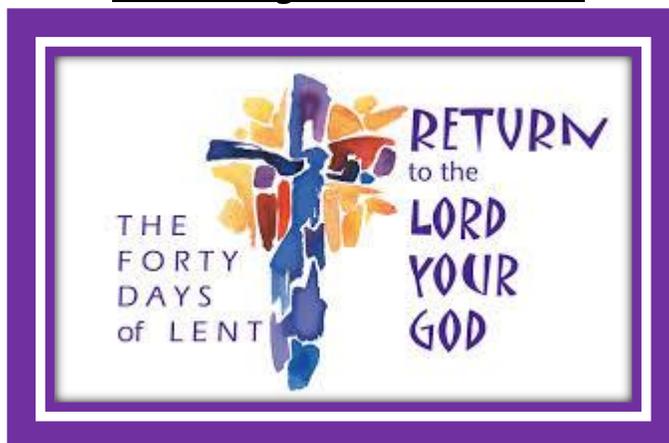


*Our Scouts and Scout Leaders on Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup> being recognized and reciting the Scout Oath*



*The National Guard staged at the church after the snowstorm in January. Associate Pastor Andy opened the church for the National Guard and those in the community for warmth, charging phones, coffee, etc.*

## Something to Think About



Lent is the Christian season of preparation before Easter. In our Christian religion during the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites itself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert and in spiritual preparation for the celebration of His Passion, Death and Resurrection. This is a time to make a special point of self-examination, of considering what wrongs we need to repent and what amendments of life or areas of spiritual growth we especially need to ask God's help in dealing with. It is an incredibly special time for Christians to reflect on Jesus Christ and **ALL** He has done for us. So, what will you do this Lenten season as we journey towards the Cross?

### **John 3:16 says:**

For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.



### Craig Springs Camps

Craig Springs Camp and Retreat Center is a campground in the beautiful Allegheny Mountains with cabins. It is owned and operated by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Virginia and has overnight Christian camps for youth. Go to [www.craigsprings.com](http://www.craigsprings.com) and check out the camp schedule for this year.



### Hanover Harmony

Mark your calendar for a delightful evening of music. Hanover Harmony, a wonderful all-men's Christian choral group will be coming to perform a patriotic program on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. There will be ice cream and desserts afterwards.



### Our Mission

*The mission of Holly Grove Christian Church is to attempt to be the eyes, ears, hands, and feet of Jesus, as we serve our community and share His love.*