

June 14, 2026

A Children's Sunday



HOLMDEL COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

*Our mission is to deepen our relationship with God,
follow Jesus in service to our community,
and work for justice and peace.*

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Third Sunday after Pentecost

bold type denotes collective response

❖ means please rise in body or in spirit.

Large print bibles, bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.

Hearing enhancement devices are also available.

Please remember to turn off your cell phones.

PRELUDE

*All Things Bright
and Beautiful*

arr. Charma Davies Lepke

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nada B. Sellers

❖ GREETING YOUR NEIGHBOR

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

(Don't forget to turn around and wave to our church family online!)

INTROIT

Dazzling Bouquet

Bret Hesla

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Olivia Spatola

Leader In the beginning, as the Spirit hovered over the water;

People God was there.

Leader As light arose, filled the Earth and then faded into night;

People God was there.

Leader As the waters separated and land formed; as plants and animals came into being and the Earth was filled with the colors and sounds of living things;

People God was there.

Leader As human beings became a part of God's good creation;

People God was there with love and delight.

Leader This good creation is still loved and cherished by God.

ALL Beloved, God is still here! Let us worship God together!

❖ **OPENING HYMN** *God of the Sparrow,
God of the Whale* **No. 70**

❖ **GATHERING PRAYER** Amanda Spagnolia

Leader Loving Creator, you brought the Earth into being, and we say, 'thank you!'

People Thank you!

Leader Jesus, human son of God, with love you brought salvation into this world,

People Thank you!

Leader Spirit, whose loving breath brings guidance and comfort,

People Thank you!

Leader Together with the whole of creation, we raise our voices to sing your praises.

People Amen.

❖GLORIA to the tune of No. 35

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TIME FOR RECOGNITION **Sharing The Gift** Amanda Spagnolia

SPECIAL MUSIC *This Little Light of Mine* George Mabry
Joyful Noisemakers

SCRIPTURES

Psalm 126 (*The Message translation*) Reverie Cazel

Matthew 9:35-10:4 Reverie Cazel

MESSAGE **Faith Story Boards** 2026 Confirmands

❖ HYMN *All Things Bright and Beautiful* No. 61

SHARING OUR GIFTS

Call to Generosity Wyatt LeMeune

Let us welcome moments in which to offer gifts and pledges, in thanks for all God has done. Thank you for supporting the ministries of this church, through the sharing of time, talents and treasure; every gift matters.

Musical Offering

❖ **Doxology** (*Tune is Old Hundredth*) **No. 48** (words by Mary Luti)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One!**

❖PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Madison & Brayden DeFelice

Reader 1: We are grateful for your presence in our midst.

Reader 2 We are blessed by the gifts of your goodness and love.

Reader 1 With thankfulness, we celebrate the ways you are with us

Reader 2 and within us, to reconcile all things.

Reader 1 We offer these gifts and pray they will bless others.

Reader 2 Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Nada B. Sellers

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer ending with the Lord's Prayer

(a version by John Philip Newell)

**Holy One beyond all names,
Eternal Wellspring
May love rise for every table
Shelter for every family
And reverence for every life.
Forgive us our failings in love
And free us from all falseness
That the light of our souls may shine
And the strength of our spirit endure
For Earth and all its people
This day, tonight, and forever.
Amen**

❖CLOSING HYMN

A Place in the Choir

SLIDES

❖BENEDICTION

Rev. Nada B. Sellers

POSTLUDE

Angel Eyes

Jim Brickman

***After the Postlude, you are invited to join us next door.
This is a wonderful opportunity for us
to connect with one another; coffee and refreshments served!***

Liturgical Resources: Front Cover *Come Unto Me, Little Children* by Wm Johnson, in **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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Land Acknowledgement: Our buildings stand on the ancestral land of the Munsee Lenape, Lenape Haki-nk (Lenni-Lenape). We acknowledge these Indigenous Peoples and decry the unjust taking of their land, the unfulfilled promises of U.S. treaties granting land access, and the still unresolved traumas of forced migration, genocide, and theft. We acknowledge and affirm Native American values and Indigenous cultures while holding space for atonement and healing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for visiting with us today! It is a pleasure to have you here. Please feel free to take information about our church from the table by the church entrance. And PLEASE sign our guest book by the door, so that we can send you our monthly newsletter and other information. (Make sure to include an email address!) Thank you again for stopping by, and stop in again!

Thanks to today's **Worship Leaders:**

Rev. Nada B. Sellers, Minister; Reverie Cazel, Brayden DeFelice,
Madison DeFelice, Wyatt LeMeune and Olivia Spatola, Readers;

Susan F. Davies, Minister of Music;

Amanda Spagnolia, Children's Minister;

Michelle Ucciferri, Slide Changer; The Spatola Family, Greeters/Ushers;

Matt Snodgrass, Sound Board Operator

Pastor Rev. Nada B. Sellers

Ministers Members of the Church

Minister of Music Susan F. Davies

Children's Minister Amanda Spagnolia

Office Manager Lynn C. Hudzik

Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9:30am – 2:30pm

Pastor's Office Hours: **Tuesday**, 10am – 3pm;

Thursday, 10am– 1pm

and as arranged

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Celebrate 250th Anniversary of our
County with Monmouth County! Scan
the QR Code at right to participate in
the HCUCC Contribution to this
wonderful and fun event
through July 4th!



THIS JUST IN!!!



Cleaning Supplies are not allowed to be purchased with WIC (Women, Infant, Children) Program dollars.

The Calico Cat Food Pantry helps support local families in need by supplementing their pantry shelves at home. Holmdel Community UCC is part of a cooperative of churches that support the Food Pantry. During the summer, the Church School is collecting condiments, BBQ Sauce, Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels & last but not least, Cleaning Supplies. Donations for Calico Cat will be offered up on Food Dedication Sundays, June 28th, July 26th and August 23rd.

HELP WANTED!

Marketing Committee needs different kinds of talent.
Give Sylvia Allen a call (732) 241-1144.

Only 3 spaces left on the November 5-18 trip to Uganda with Sylvia's Children! This is a wonderful trip as you will participate in the ground-breaking for a health and wellness clinic that will be a prototype for 3rd and developing world countries. PLUS participate in a Christmas party with 600 children who have never seen Santa or Mrs. Claus and finish the trip with a 3 day safari (elephants, lions, hippos ... the works!) Total trip ... all expenses except airfare, Visa and malarone ... is only \$3600. Air fair is usually less than \$1500. This is Sylvia's 38th trip ... why not make it your first! Call her at 732-241- 1144 or email sylvia@SylviasChildren.org.



It will change your life!



SAVE THE DATE!!! JUNE 28th **Bring Your Bike to Church Day**

It's a relaxed after-church bike-safety and skills activity. Bring your bike, we'll check it over, divide by ability, and practice a few basics like starting, stopping, turning, and using stop and yield signs. It's meant to be fun, welcoming, and helpful for beginners as well as more comfortable riders. ANYONE, of ANY AGE, who is riding a bike **MUST** wear a **HELMET**!

Are you interested in a book/bible study?

Please complete this survey below.

<https://bit.ly/4gajAYo>



**NEXT
WEEK!!!**



You're invited to join us for Brunch on Fathering Sunday, June 21st, starting at 11:15am immediately after church! A great menu provided by Taste of Holmdel guru, Sue Field. Free Will Offerings accepted. Come to Fellowship Hall and join us!

Do you have a Facebook page?

If yes, we need your help!

The American Red Cross has trusted us to run 3 more blood drives for them. Please post the following on your Facebook page and make us look good! If you want the flyer graphic, email or call Lynn.



American Red Cross Blood Drives
Held at
Holmdel Community United Church of Christ
40 Main Street
Holmdel, NJ
Friday, June 26, 2026
12p to 5p

Appointments preferred, please scan QR Code to make an appointment or call 800 RED CROSS



**Make summer shine for patients in need.
Come to give blood June 1-28 for a \$15 e-gift card!**

RedCrossBlood.org/LGBTQ | 1-800-RED CROSS | Download the Blood Donor App

We're hosting a blood drive on Friday, June 26th, from noon to 5pm. To donate blood, make an appointment by calling the American Red Cross , 1-800-RED-CROSS or call Lynn in the church office, 9:30am – 2:30pm, Tuesday – Friday. Thanks so much for helping us solve the desperate need for blood in the summer.

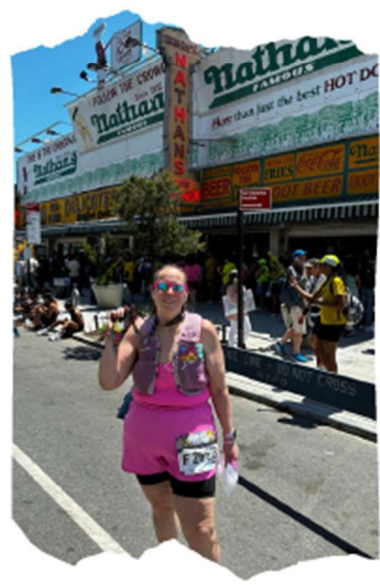
American Cancer Society

fundraiser

Natasha Beck-King is running the Philadelphia Marathon on November 22nd with the American Cancer Society. This fundraiser helps continue ACS's work to end cancer. After losing two grandparents to cancer, this fundraiser is incredibly personal. Every mile ran is a mile for both her Granny and Pepa.

Please consider donating what you can to the link below. With your help, we can reach our goal of ending cancer forever!

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/BK>



Open and Affirming Statement of 2009

We rejoice in the good news that in Jesus Christ we find that we are all God's children through faith without distinction. (See Gal 3:26-28)

God calls all faithful people together to be a community of justice and peace. We lament that throughout history, and even in our own time, churches have silently allowed or actively called for hatred, hostility, and exclusion, and have failed to live up to God's call to inclusion and sanctuary.

Therefore we, the members of Holmdel Community United Church of Christ, covenant together to welcome and embrace all people into the life and ministry of our congregation regardless of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, age, mental and physical condition, race, ethnicity, nationality, or economic status. With God's help, we promise to be a church of open arms and open doors, and to celebrate the diversity that reflects the glory of God's creation. We seek to live as a compassionate community united by faith and diverse in its expression.

Join Us

Fellowship, food & fun
CHURCH
Picnic



TODAY!!!

Sunday June 14 after service

**Franks, burgers, veggie burgers, and drinks will be provided.
Please bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share.**

RSVP to Regina 732 320-6210 regcris35@gmail.com

Celebrate the father figures in your lives!

HCUCC Fathering Sunday Brunch



Sunday, June 21
(during Coffee Hour)

Go to <http://bit.ly/3PJQ7cO>
if you are able to provide
donations of food. Please
contact Sue Field \at
sfield@georgian.edu for any
additional questions.

MENU

Philly Cheesesteak Sandwiches
(with Chicken and Vegetarian options)

Greek Salad

Waffle Fries

Bloody Marys

Truffle torte

Coffee and Tea

Free Will donations are gratefully accepted.



Community Church of Keyport
42 Elizabeth St., Keyport, NJ

MURDER MYSTERY!

Murder in Sin City - Party Game

Everyone's a suspect
Can you figure out who did what?

June 20, 2026
6:00 PM



FOOD - BYOB - \$30





HCUCC Youth
Group

Summer Bash

BBQ

BRING YOUR APPETITE AND GOOD VIBES!

06.28.2026
1:30PM

RSVP at
tmhennessy81@gmail.com



JUNE						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10am Service / Children's Day 11:30am Church Picnic	10am-5pm Meeting with Jill White	10am-11:30am Monmouth Housing Coalition with Derek Bloom 1pm Food Waste Mtg 5pm-6:30pm Howard Kradjel Parking Lot 7:15pm Scouts	8pm Lifeline Group of AA	7:30pm Choir		10am Meditation with Grace
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
10am Service / Children's Summer Church School Begins / Hawaiian Shirt Day/ Choir Sunday 11:15am Fathering Day Brunch	10am Bayshore Lunch Program	7:15pm Scouts	2pm Care Team 8pm Lifeline Group of AA	5:30pm-9pm 1946 movie and Potluck	12pm-5pm American Red Cross Blood Drive	10am Meditation with Grace Worship & Music Planning Meeting

WHAT IF THE WORD **HOMOSEXUAL**
WAS NEVER MEANT TO BE IN THE BIBLE?

1946

THE MISTRANSLATION
THAT SHIFTED CULTURE

JOIN US!

JUNE 25th at 5:30pm

FELLOWSHIP HALL

Potluck & a movie!

administrator@holmdelucc.org

RSVP with Office

1946 is a feature documentary that follows the story of tireless researchers who trace the origins of the anti-gay movement among Christians to a grave mistranslation of the Bible. It chronicles the discovery of never-before-seen archives at Yale University which unveil astonishing new revelations, and casts significant doubt on any biblical basis for LGBTQIA+ prejudice.