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WORSHIP SERVICES:

8:45 and 11:00 am

CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am

October 29 - Stewardship Commitment Sunday (Breakfast Included)

This Sunday, October 29, will be Stewardship Commitment Sunday at Holy Trinity. You are invited to a Stewardship Breakfast between services from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. During this time there will be presentations by congregational leaders on aspects of Holy Trinity's mission in the coming year and the opportunities for individuals within the congregation to share their time and talents to carry this mission forward. Printed materials will be available that highlight the life and programs of Holy Trinity and list some of the many service opportunities available. Some time will be available for limited discussion. The new Interim Committee members will be introduced with a chance to hear a word from them.

Sunday will also be a day for everyone present to decide how they will financially support this congregation in the year ahead. During both the 8:45 and 11:00 worship services, you will be invited to make a financial commitment to Holy Trinity for 2007. While this is certainly an important part of Holy Trinity's planning process for next year, it is much more than that. Such financial giving is a concrete expression of your faith and understanding of Christian stewardship. Will you give cheerfully, as you are able, out of thankfulness for all you've been given? Will you give generously as a responsible steward of all you have? (Keep in mind that, for most of us, the percentage of our income we give often more accurately and equally reflects our giving than what the actual dollar amount of our commitment is.)

Your financial commitment for 2007 will also reflect your love for and commitment to this congregation. Many of you have already shared with me how much Holy Trinity means to you and what you believe you stand for as a congregation. You value your commitment to seeking social justice, your vital connection to and involvement in the city, your inclusive welcome to all, your global connections, your high level of vitality and strength as a core urban church, your financial strength in being able to give so incredibly generously to Synod benevolence while simultaneously maintaining your beautiful property.

Now is a time of transition from the chapter that was to the chapter that will be. This time of some wilderness wandering can be a time to strengthen faith in the God who guides us and who provides what we need. While the financial needs of this congregation are growing, including future staffing needs, do not the resources yet lie within Holy Trinity to rise to the challenge, move your mission forward, and continue your practice of generously giving so much away as a congregation? This is a time for your leadership to grow and for everyone to 'step up to the plate' as an exercise of faith and confidence in the Spirit's continuing possibilities for your future. Please make every effort to be present this Sunday. Prayerfully consider how you will give to God's work through Holy Trinity in 2007.

Bruce Arnevik, Interim Pastor

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Stewardship/Commitment Sunday

This is a day to recommit our community of faith to the sharing of God's gifts. The spirit calls us to new ways of using our gifts for the well-being of the church and the world.



LESSONS

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 46

Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

October 29 STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, 9:45 am

The Annual Stewardship Breakfast will be held between services on Sunday, October 29, in the gym. It is important that all people of the congregation attend. There will be brief presentations outlining our ministry responsibilities and the opportunities we envision for 2007.

SUNDAY ADULT FORUM

9:55 am In the Church Library

November 5 "Reflections from the Minnesota Senate" Senator Wes Skoglund

The workings of the Minnesota legislature are often mystifying. Drawing on Senator Skoglund's many years in the senate, this forum will highlight trends in state government, difficult issues and how they were resolved, implications of federal policies on state government as well as personal reflections on his term in office.

November 12 "Human Rights in the Age of Terrorism" Frank Wright, former journalist for the *Star Tribune*

In the face of terrorist attacks, Western nations have at times adopted controversial counter measures. Can human rights and civil liberties be fully protected in an age of terrorism?

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Holy Trinity has a network of letter writers who receive notices of human rights abuses around the world, with names of government leaders to write regarding the situations. You may join this important effort to change lives for the better by requesting these notices from the office. Besides help for individuals, current issues that Amnesty USA is working on include:

- global misuse of arms via ruthless arms brokers;
 - the executions in the United States of persons with histories of mental impairment;
 - urgent work on Darfur to stop the atrocities; and
 - demand that the US government adhere to the Supreme Court's decision ensuring fair trial for detainees at Guantanamo.
- More information is available at www.amnestyusa.org.

PARISH INFORMATION

SABBATH ECONOMICS – At Holy Trinity, November 1, 6:00 pm
Ched Myers traces the witness of “Sabbath economics” through the life and teachings of Jesus and the early church. He argues that the Church today must offer alternatives to the dominant paradigms of economic theory and practice. He challenges us to revise our assumptions about prevailing economic practices and renew our commitment to follow Jesus more faithfully. Myers short book about “Sabbath Economics” is available through the church office for \$5. Please register: 6 pm, Supper (\$5.00); 7 pm, Lecture (\$5.00), 8:15 pm, All Saints Day evening prayer.

Also, for three consecutive evenings, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Nov. 2-4, 7 pm Ched Myers will be leading Bible Studies on the Biblical Vision of Sabbath Economics, at Faith Mennonite, 22nd St and 28th Ave.

TUTORS NEEDED Tuesday evenings, 7-8:30 pm

Please consider helping young people who are part of Longfellow’s tutoring program at Holy Trinity. Tutoring is especially needed in math and reading. Call the office at 612-729-8358 or Mike Vitt, 722-1764.

LONGFELLOW PARISH GATHERING

We are invited to come together with sisters and brothers (Holy Trinity, St. Peder’s, Christ Church and Bethany Lutheran) in our neighborhood on **All Saints Sunday, November 5**. We will be meeting at Bethany, 3901 36th Ave. S. The evening will begin with a light supper at 6 pm (\$5 suggested donation), with worship at 6:45 and program immediately following. Dr. Richard Bliese, new president of Luther Seminary, will lead us in exploring mission opportunities in our neighborhood. Call the Bethany church office to reserve a place: 612-729-9376.

LOAVES AND FISHES

It is our responsibility to prepare and serve a meal in the Loaves & Fishes program November 8. Three crews are needed: 2:00 pm, Cooking; 5:00 pm, Serving, and 6:00 pm, Clean-up. Please sign the volunteer list.

OPPORTUNITY SALE RESULTS

Receipts from the fall sale topped \$3,400; although not all publicity expenses are in yet, and food costs were about \$200, totals should be around \$3,000. A Thrivent matching grant of \$1,600 will add that amount to the proceeds that are going to World Hunger. None of this could have been accomplished without the many contributions in time and “recycling.” Thanks again to Kathy Hollander, coordinator, and all the volunteers who worked pricing, carrying, cooking, serving, and “checking out” items from a record sale.

EVENING POSITION AVAILABLE

We are in need of a part-time evening person; approximate hours are 5:00-9:00 pm Monday through Thursday and possible weekend hours. Call the office for a job description.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Drivers from Holy Trinity are needed Monday through Friday the week of November 13-17. Hot meals are delivered over the noon hour to people needing assistance. Your help is appreciated!

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PARISH EVENTS –October 29- November 4, 2006		
SUNDAY	8:45, 11am	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	9:45 am	Stewardship Breakfast; Sunday Church School
WEDNESDAY	6:00 pm	Ched Myers, supper; 7:00 Presentation
	6:30 pm	Children’s Choir 7:30 pm Senior Choir
	8:15 pm	Evening Prayer
THURSDAY	6:30 pm	Men’s Basketball
SATURDAY	5:00 pm	Trinity Singers Rehearsal

GIFTS TO WORLD HUNGER by John/Stephanie Sulzbach and in memory of – **Harold Fredrickson** by Carol Johnson, Irene Blodgett, Bill/Eunice Milbrath

- **Ross Blodgett on our 75th anniversary, and Dorothy Antil** by Irene Blodgett

SPECIAL GIFTS in memory of

– **Harold Fredrickson** by Betty Fredrickson, Donald/Lou King, Barbara Holmquist, Jean Johansson, William Fredell, Sharon Ledin, Earl/Roberta Anderson, Don/Dianah Sexter, Gloria Seiler, Marty Nelson, Karen Holmes, Cynthia Verhey, Gary/Laurie Rasmussen, Rachel Knips, Lee/Judy Kampinen, Vernon/Vi Michaelson, Ron/Margaret Peterson, Robert/ Dorothy Kelly, Rod Johnson/Kathy Hollander

URBAN LATINO MINISTRY by Bud/Sylvia Dixen & in memory of

- **Dorothy Antil** by Bill/Eunice Milbrath

GIFT TO NONVIOLENT PEACEFORCE by Birgit Birkeland

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT by Dennis Hauck

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS October 29, 2006		
Preacher	Bruce Arnevik	
Celebrant	8:45 am	Jim Hartsoe / 11:00 am John Buzza
Liturgist	8:45 am	Lyle Steinfeldt / 11:00 am Cathryn Olson
Communion Asst	8:45 am	David Moe, Nancy Moe
	11:00 am	Liz Blood, Andrea Hanson
Greeters	8:45 am	Kevin Proescholdt / 11:00 am Liz Blood
Ushers	8:45 am	Bob Peschiutta, Vernon Michaelson, David Kohlstedt, Ron Mack Murphy
	11:00 am	Kathy Hollander, Ben Wootten, Ron Peterson, Tim Mann
Altar Guild	8:45 am	Jeanette Brown, Carole Schneiders
	11:00 am	Lynda Nordholm, Dennis Nordholm
Nursery	8:40 am	Rachel Hefte 10:30 am Maelene Krig
Coffee servers	8:45 am	(Breakfast) 11:00 am Lee/Judy Kampinen

REMINDER: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

We return to standard time Sunday, October 29 – please remember to set your clocks **BACK** one hour! ☺

FINANCIAL REPORT October 22 Year to date

Budget requirement	10,905.77	468,948.08
Budget receipts	5,831.33	436,373.79
World Hunger	140.00	6,211.90
Capital Improvements	100.00	16,946.50
African AIDS Fund	16.66	1,956.26
Urban Latino Ministry	100.00	1,735.00
Hymnals	117.50	4,147.50

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