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WORSHIP SERVICES:

8:45 and 11:00 am

CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 15

Last Friday and Saturday, March 23 and 24, Council members, COMPASS Team, committee chairs, and the Personnel Committee gathered for reflection and conversation. It was a time to assess where the leadership of the congregation is as COMPASS completes its work and the congregation moves closer to beginning the call process to seek its next pastor.

On Friday evening at Holy Trinity, Mary Russell (our outside facilitator), led everyone in reflection on where they are in the journey from the past (with its endings, losses, and the kind of grief that is a natural part of that) into the present (a kind of 'neutral zone' and transition time of wilderness wandering) and forward into the future (with new beginnings and new vision for a new chapter).

On Saturday at Hospitality House in Circle Pines, Ann Schrooten opened the day with a time of worship and devotional reflection. She addressed the need of the congregation and its leaders for discernment at this time. She spoke of how seeking to listen to God is so central to this discernment. During the morning the COMPASS Team led everyone in reviewing and receiving input into the rough draft of their final report. In the afternoon Mary Russell led everyone in a process that considered the kind of future leadership (pastoral, lay and other staff) that Holy Trinity will need. At the end of the day she asked everyone to share what excites them and what concerns them about moving into the future at Holy Trinity.

The congregation is invited for further input and conversation on Sunday, April 15. Following a light lunch, you will have a chance to consider where you are in the journey from the past into the future at Holy Trinity. As you hear more about COMPASS findings and conversations from the leadership retreat, you will be able to add your voice to the deliberations about the future leadership needs of the congregation. Please sign-up in the Community Room! Further details will be in next week's *Community Church*.

Bruce C. Arnevik, Interim Pastor arnevik@htlcmpls.org

Symbols of the Faith Retreat

You are invited to participate in an all day retreat on symbols of the Christian faith Saturday, April 14, from 9 am–4 pm. The retreat leader is Dr. Randy Nelson, Director of Contextual Education at Luther Seminary. Whether you are a long-time or a recent member, the retreat offers an opportunity to reexamine and revitalize your faith.

Four symbols will be presented: God, Christ, Spirit, and Church. Following the presentation of these symbols, a film is shown so that participants can identify the symbols of the faith in a story format. People who have attended the retreat have stated that they "feel more grounded in the basics of the Christian faith" and "more comfortable witnessing to their faith." There is no charge for the retreat. Child care will be available. A sign-up sheet on the table in the community room.

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

The readings for this Sunday are filled with contradictions. The faithful servant of God is obedient even to death. The triumphal parade into Jerusalem soon turns dark, with the story of Jesus' passion.



LESSONS

Luke 19:28-40

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 22:14—23:56

SUNDAY ADULT FORUM

9:55 am Library

April 1 "Cup of Blessing liturgy"
Rachel Trelstad Porter

Rachel shares her process of writing the "Cup of Blessing" liturgy, written for the Holy Trinity community during the 100th anniversary year. Learn some additional portions of the liturgy! The forum will be held in the sanctuary.

April 8 Easter Sunday – No forum

THE SEASON OF LENT

Wednesday, March 28

6:15 pm Soup Supper; please make reservation

7:00 pm Evening Prayer - **Liz Rudrud**

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 5

6:15 p.m. Soup Supper

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion

Good Friday, April 6

12 noon Neighborhood Good Friday Service at

St. Albert the Great Catholic Church, 2836 33rd Ave. S

7:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Service: *Holy Readings, Holy Songs*

The story of Jesus' passion is read from the gospel of John.

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 7, 7 pm

The practice of gathering on the eve of Easter dates to the early times in Christian history. This holy hour of story and song moves from darkness to light, using the oral tradition of storytelling to trace the hand of God in leading the people out of exile. The Trinity Singers will lead the song.

CONCERNING PEOPLE: Please pray for **Kathy Ekwall**, as she cares for her **mother**, who is in failing health; **John Jahraus**, having knee surgery March 29; **Elaine Jahraus**, recovering from hip surgery; **Pat McGee**, recovering from a fall and artery blockage; **June Mohr**, receiving care at Richfield Health Care Center after a fall; **Kim Doss-Smith**, receiving treatment for a kidney stone; and for **Randy Nelson**, **Margaret Peterson** and **Teddy Tangen** in their continued recovery from surgery.

PARISH INFORMATION

DIALOGUE LUNCH ON GLOBAL WARMING

All are invited to attend a dialogue lunch on "The Most Important Decade in Human History: A Call to Action to Address Global Warming and Build a Better Society" Wednesday April 25, 11:45 to 1:30. The speaker is Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer, Associate Professor of Justice & Peace Studies, University of St. Thomas, with a response by Minneapolis Area Synod Bishop Craig Johnson. Lunch \$5. Please call the office for reservation for lunch. The event highlights our environmental emphasis to kick off on Earth Sunday, April 22.

HUNGER OFFERINGS through April 1

Food shelf use is at record highs across the state. Please bring nonperishable food for MN FoodShare to the Community Room south wall area, this week. Also, an Offering of Letters (to legislators) for Bread for the World's proposal on the Farm Bill 2007 continues through the week. You may also pick up materials to write letters at home. More information at www.bread.org.

EGGSTRAVAGANZA EVENT Saturday April 7, Noon-3 pm

All interested in Easter egg coloring are welcome to a potluck lunch and Easter Egg event at the Parshalls', 3334 24th Ave S. Sunday Schoolers and confirmands and families, adults with grandchildren or great-grandchildren welcome. Bring: hard boiled eggs to color—in cartons and we'll decorate those too!—and a dish to share for a kid friendly lunch. Sign-up sheet for items in the Community Room. If it rains shift to Holy Trinity basement for lunch and egg coloring. Hope to see you there!

YOUTH AT SIMPSON SHELTER: Holy Trinity Youth will prepare (at Holy Trinity at 5:30 pm) and serve dinner for the Simpson's women's shelter on Tuesday April 3, Thursday April 12, Monday April 16, and Wednesday April 25. If you can volunteer call Karrie 728-3885.

WOMEN AT THE WELL: Centering Prayer-Meditation for Women

Pamela Rediger invites you to discover your own inner well in a circle of support to explore the feminine side of spirituality. By sharing our experience of God as women, we begin to understand our relationship to ourselves and the world. Pamela, member of Holy Trinity, is a facilitator and Inter-Spiritual director in Training and has been an advocate and mentor to women for 15 years. Although not an officially sponsored activity of the congregation, this series will be offered at the church. Series begins April 12 for eight weeks, at 7 - 8:30 pm. Free will offering of \$10 per session suggested. More information, Pamela at 952-474-2392.

COUNCIL INSTALLED: Holy Trinity's Council was installed Sunday March 25. Council members are Bruce Arnevik; Bob Hulteen, president; Linda Jury, Vice President; Dawn Wiczorek and Mary Young, Co-secretaries; Vicki Mann, Treasurer; Cliff Brown, Nicholas Ellison, Harvey Gustafson, Kathy Hollander, Lee Kampinen, Deb Kohlhase, Randy Nelson, Kathy Ohler, Joyce Peterson, Karrie Cable Spratt, Sandra Thornby, and Jeff Weiss.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Fine Arts Series - Sacred Voice will present a benefit concert on Sunday, April 22, at 4:30 pm, in the sanctuary.

PARISH EVENTS April 1 – April 7			
SUNDAY	8:45, 11am	Worship Service of Holy Communion	
	9:45 am	Sunday School	9:55 am Adult Forum
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service and Fellowship	
MONDAY	11:00 am	Tax-Aides 7:00 pm	
TUESDAY	11:00 am	Tax-Aides	7:00 pm Tutoring
WEDNESDAY	6:30 pm	Children's choir	
	7:30 pm	Choir	
THURSDAY	6:15 pm	Soup Supper	7:00 pm Maundy Thursday service
FRIDAY	12 noon	Good Friday service at St. Albert's	
	7:00 pm	Good Friday service at Holy Trinity	
SATURDAY	7:00 pm	Easter Vigil	

GIFTS TO BOOKS FOR BUNAZI by Dennis Hauck, Elieshi Mungure, Linda McMahon

GIFTS TO WORLD HUNGER by Helen Cotton and in memory of

- **Florence Scheuerman** by Irene Blodgett

- **Husband Harold** by Doris Neuendorf

GIFT TO HYMNALS FUND in honor of

- **Children's choir** by Rachel/Jim Trelstad Porter

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS April 1, 2007

Preacher	Bruce Arnevik		
Celebrant	8:45 am	Dennis Ormseth / 11:00 am	John Buzza
Crucifer	8:45 am	Wayne Vetter / 11:00 am	Will Roberts
Liturgist	8:45 am	Liz Rudrud/ 11:00 am	Mary Lindell
Communion Asst	8:45 am	Mary Young, Pam Blomgren	
	11:00 am	Deb Sodt, Brian Lenz	
Greeters	8:45 am	Carol Berg / 11:00 am Helen Cotton, Maggie Kane	
Ushers	8:45 am	Bob Peschiutta, Dewayne Townsend, Jim Schneiders, Chris Engen	
	11:00 am	Dennis Nordholm, Lynda Nordholm, Lee Kampinen	
Altar Guild	8:45 am	Bev Peschiutta, Elsie Heyer	
	11:00 am	Pat Lundquist, Carol Lane	
Nursery	8:40 am	Gretchen Lund / 10:30 am Troy Davison	

CONSTRUCTION – LAKE ST. BUS CHANGES: Starting 9 am March 28, buses will detour between 36th Ave and the river during construction. Board buses at marked stops on 31st St between 36th Ave & 46th Ave or on 32nd St between 46th Ave and West River Pkwy.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS PRESCHOOL OPENINGS

Bright Prospects Cooperative Preschool, housed at Holy Trinity, has Monday-Friday morning openings for this fall. Children must be at least 33 months of age and potty trained before beginning school. FFI www.ppcns.org or Karen at 722-2554.

THEOLOGY OF ACADEMY AWARDS Movie Fans: In preparation for Doug Wallace's presentation on the Academy Awards and theological themes at the April 15 Adult Forum, it would be helpful to see the movies "The Queen," "Letters from Iwo Jima," "Babel," and "Venus."

FINANCIAL REPORT	March 25	Year to date
Budget Requirement	11,244.23	134,930.76
Budget Receipts	7,856.19	117,294.34
World Hunger	226.00	1,430.14
African AIDS Fund	12.65	189.48
Hymnals	70.00	175.00