



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICES:

8:45 and 11:00 am

CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am

REFLECTIONS ON WORSHIP

The perspective of many local ELCA folks outside of Holy Trinity about this congregation is that it is a 'social justice-oriented,' 'progressive,' 'activist' congregation, to use a few labels. While this is true, it is worship that is the heart of Holy Trinity. Those of you within the congregation have known this for a long time. Those who are not present at worship may be unaware of this. It is the worship life of the congregation that has drawn many people to Holy Trinity and, indeed, kept them here. Theologically, a congregation's life and mission grows out of and continues to be fed by its gathering together in word and sacrament worship. That seems evident here. There would be neither the sense of community nor the programs for congregation and community without worship. Yours is a rich tradition of high-class, quality, liturgical worship, thanks to the leadership of Pastors Ron and Stacy and your worship and music staff. It's been a privilege for me to be part of this worship – as preacher, as celebrant, as participant – during my sojourn with you thus far. For me, it's never been about how 'high' or 'low' a worship service and style is, but rather how meaningful and authentic it is for a particular community and context.

During Lent, Wednesday Evening Prayer services were both meaningful and authentic, as reflected in the comments of those who attended. Special thanks to Ann Schrooten, Cliff Brown, Jane Kretzmann, Mike Mann and Liz Rudrud. They each shared *from the heart* about their own faith journeys, including the place of Holy Trinity in those journeys. I sat there each Wednesday, deeply moved and inspired by what they had to say. By taking some risk and making themselves vulnerable, they enriched us all and deepened the bonds of community within the congregation.

Holy Week services have evoked words of appreciation from many worshippers. From Palm Sunday, through Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil, to Easter Sunday, worship was how we entered the story and where we encountered the mystery of God's presence in community with one another. The particular drama of Holy Week was experienced in some familiar ways along with some completely new ways. I want to thank Holy Trinity's incredibly gifted worship and music staff – Julie Lindorff, Rick Prescott and Ann Schrooten – for their creative planning and all their hard work which went into making these worship experiences what they were. It is a privilege to work with them. Thanks also to all of the choirs and other volunteers who continually give of their time and talents to enrich Holy Trinity's worship life.

Bruce C. Arnevik,

Interim Pastor arnevik@htlcmpls.org

CONCERNING PEOPLE: Prayers for continued recovery for **John and Elaine Jahraus; Pat McGee, June Mohr, Kim Doss-Smith, Randy Nelson, and Margaret Peterson.**

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

The revelation of God's action in history is a theme for this Sunday's readings. All is made new in the risen Christ, although such recognition is not always easy.



LESSONS

Acts 5:27-32
Psalm 118:14-29
Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-31

SUNDAY ADULT FORUM

9:55 am

Library

April 15

"Theology of the Academy Awards"

Doug Wallace

Join us as Doug Wallace does theological reflection on four top films of 2006: "The Queen," "Letters from Iwo Jima," "Babel," and "Venus."

April 22

"Chicago Trip Report"

Kris Bogren and Travelers

Recently a mixed group of youth and adults from Holy Trinity spent a weekend in Chicago. They will share their experiences on immigration, labor issues, parks, theater, museums and ethnic culture of the Windy City.

SYMBOLS OF THE FAITH – Saturday, April 14

Open to all, this annual retreat has been called "the best single event in Christian Education at Holy Trinity." It will be held Saturday, April 14, 9 am to 4 pm., and led by Dr. Randy Nelson. The retreat considers four symbols of the Christian faith, God, Christ, Spirit, and Church. There is no charge; lunch provided. Call for reservation. Highly recommended for those considering joining the congregation.

CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION– APRIL 15

After a light lunch, we will discuss the future at Holy Trinity and what leadership needs are for the congregation. Please come to add your voice to the deliberations. Call the church office for reservation. The afternoon will conclude by 3:30.

FINE ARTS SERIES – SACRED VOICE

Sacred Voice presents *Divine Expressions*, a benefit concert on Sunday, April 22, at 4:30 pm, in the sanctuary. The concert program will feature sacred, a cappella, choral music from America, Europe, Africa, India, and Brazil as well as choral music by living composers including Stephen Paulus, Eric Whitacre and others. A free will offering will be taken to benefit Mental Health Resources, Inc., a service assisting people at Trinity-on-Lake. All are welcome.

PARISH INFORMATION

DIALOGUE LUNCH ON GLOBAL WARMING April 25, 11:45 am

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 pm. 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 *this week* for a reservation. The event highlights our spring environmental emphasis, to kick off on Earth Sunday, April 22.

BIKE, HIKE, BUS or TRAIN, CARPOOL TO CHURCH April 22

Please consider saving energy on Earth Sunday, April 22 by taking public or alternate transportation, walking, or arranging carpools to church.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER Saturday, April 21, 6:00 pm

You are invited to a Progressive Dinner on Saturday, April 21. The meal is potluck—‘progressing’ from appetizer, to main dish, to dessert—and is served at multiple homes. Please sign up this week or call the office. House assignments will be made soon. Questions? Call Stephanie Cole.

SPRING CLEANUP DAY Saturday, April 21

Saturday, April 21, 9:00 am–1:00 pm, will be Spring Cleanup Day (outdoors) at Holy Trinity, weather permitting. Volunteers may come for whatever part of the day is feasible for them. We need at least 15 people. Bring your own rake!

SALVADORAN MUSICIAN TO PRESENT CONCERT

Guillermo Cuellar, internationally known musician from El Salvador, is doing a residency at St. Paul’s, 2742 15th Ave S. and a concert April 13 at 7:00 pm at St. Paul’s. A freewill offering will be taken.

12TH ANNUAL RAINBOW FAMILIES CONFERENCE April 21

Holy Trinity will have a presence at the Rainbow Families conference, resource section, at Bryn Mawr/Anwatin Schools. The largest event of its kind in the country, it’s day of workshops, resources, and activities for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender parents and their children, extended family, friends, educators, and those serving the community.

TREES AVAILABLE - You must order by April 15

The City of Minneapolis, through Tree Trust, is making up to 1,500 trees available to residents this spring. Trees are \$15 and order one tree per household, first-come, first-served. Order online by visiting Tree Trust at www.treetrust.org or by phone 651-644-5800. Pick up trees May 19 - 22 at Lincoln Elementary, 2131 12th Ave. N.

SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER Sunday, April 22, 6:00 pm

William Obaga, organist at Holy Trinity’s Swahili service and a doctoral candidate at Luther Seminary, invites you to a Service of Evening Prayer, Praise, & Song at Chapel of the Incarnation, Luther Seminary. The service combines traditional Lutheran with African sacred music. For further information contact William.

PARISH EVENTS April 15 – April 21

SUNDAY	8:45, 11am	Worship Service of Holy Communion	9:45 am	Sunday Church School	9:55 am	Adult Forum
	12 noon	Lunch, Congregational Conversation	2:00 pm	Swahili Service and Fellowship		
MONDAY	5:30 pm	Youth serve at Simpson				
TUESDAY	7:00 pm	Tutoring				
WEDNESDAY	6:30 pm	Children’s choir	7:30 pm	Choir		
THURSDAY	6:30, 8:30	Men’s Basketball				
FRIDAY	6:00 pm	Children’s Choir, Cantate, Lock-in				
SATURDAY	9:00 am	Spring Clean-up	6:00 pm	Progressive Dinner		
	9:00 am	Rainbow Families, Anwatin 10 am COMPASS				

GIFT TO AIDS ORPHAN FUND by Robert/Rosemary Nailon

GIFTS TO BOOKS FOR BUNAZI by Paul/Denise Stone, Sharon West

SPECIAL GIFTS by Patricia Johnson, and in honor of

- **Marion Englund’s 90th birthday** by Florence Goodmanson, Marilyn Odefey and in memory of

- **Loved ones** by Florenze Wick

- **Helen Hecceg** by Marge/Sheldon Torgerson

SPECIAL EASTER GIFTS in memory of

- **Jennifer and Mary** by Cathryn Olson

- **Edward Miller**

MINNESOTA FOODSHARE by Cliff Brown/Marianne Wargelin

GIFTS TO WORLD HUNGER by Sylvia Dixen, Peter/Barb Gillmor,

John/Stephanie Sulzbach and in memory of

- **Al Krumrei** by Paul and Dorothy Krumrei

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS April 15, 2007

Preacher	Bruce Arnevik	
Celebrant	8:45 am David Broberg	/ 11:00 am Jim Hartsoe
Crucifer	8:45 am Andrew R. K. Johnson	/ 11 am Korla Masters
Liturgist	8:45 am Mary Young	/ 11:00 am Stella Townsend
Communion Asst	8:45 am Matt Kane, Andrew Johnson	
	11:00 am Susan Wootten, Bob Hulteen	
Greeters	8:45 am Joyce Peterson	/ 11:00 am David Broberg
Ushers	8:45 am Bob Peschiutta, Shawn Barry, Ron Mack Murphy, Karrie Cable-Spratt	
	11:00 am Mark Hiner, Liz Blood, Lee Kampinen	
Altar Guild	8:45 am Jeanette Brown, Carole Schneiders	
	11:00 am Lynda Nordholm, Dennis Nordholm	
Nursery	8:40 am Rosanne Ekstrand	/ 10:30 am Tom Kleven
Coffee Servers	9:45 am Jim Hartsoe/Lyle Steinfeldt	12 Bill/Sue Roberts

YOUTH AT SIMPSON SHELTER: Holy Trinity Youth will prepare (meet at Holy Trinity 5:30 pm) and serve dinner for the Simpson’s women’s shelter, Mon April 16, and Weds April 25.

FINANCIAL REPORT April 8 Year to date

Budget Requirement	11,244.23	157,419.22
Budget Receipts	20,400.11	157,429.27
World Hunger	460.00	1,940.14
Capital Improvements	385.00	2,745.00
African AIDS Fund	239.81	429.29
Hymnals	282.00	457.00