



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
**THE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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**WORSHIP SERVICES:**

**8:45 and 11:00 am**

**CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am**

**Call Committee Update**

Particular care has been taken by the Call Committee during these initial meetings to clarify tasks and to reason through the dynamics by which the group will operate. Its first strides at establishing respectful guidelines, realizing the gifts of one another, and reaching agreement on foundational elements, point to the committee coalescing as a group.

Absorbing the findings and implications of the COMPASS Team report is the next task, while awaiting the Team's nearly completed recommendations for staffing options. At the same time, another reading on transition in churches and size/structure of congregations is being considered.

In striving to keep the congregation aware of the Call process, various channels of communication are being explored. Regular announcements during Sunday worship services began last week, in addition to weekly articles in the *Community Church*. A strong likelihood exists for having a dedicated voice mail and e-mail address which would link congregational members directly to the Call Committee. Other possibilities might include space on Holy Trinity's website.

Scheduled next for the Call Committee are meetings on Monday, August 13th and Tuesday, September 4th, the initial meeting with Bishop Craig Johnson of the Minneapolis Area Synod.

Your conversations, questions, concerns, and recommendations are invited and encouraged by the Call Committee. Please feel free to speak with any member directly. Their phone numbers were listed in last week's newsletter. Korla's phone number for her cell phone should be: 612-251-1430.

Please continue to pray for the Call Committee as we navigate the search process and begin to discern calling the next lead pastor of Holy Trinity in the months ahead.

- Lynda Nordholm, on behalf of the Call Committee

**Staff News**

Janice Lehman resigned from the office staff effective August 9. Janice was Holy Trinity's full-time Office Secretary for 30 years. Since January, she has been working fifteen hours per week. Stay tuned for more information about a time when we can thank Janice for her years of faithful service to this congregation.

- Bruce Arnevik, Interim Pastor

**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*False prophets and self-serving lies are not scarce in biblical narratives; but the faithful provide "a great cloud of witnesses" and examples. Jesus warns his followers that correctly interpreting the signs of the times and acting faithfully will ask much of them, indeed, everything.*



**LESSONS**

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Psalm 82

Hebrews 11:29 -12:2

Luke 12:49-56

**SUNDAY ADULT FORUM**

**9:55 am Library**

**August 19 "Was Jesus without Sin?"**

**Randy Nelson**

Another forum intended to explore an aspect of faith about which we may have questions. One of the ways Christians have spoken about Jesus is to say of him that he was human in every way – but without sin. What does that mean and why might that be an important statement to make about Jesus? Who is this Jesus?

**August 26 "Work of Resource Center of the Americas"**

**Kathleen McKown and Doris Rubenstein**

Our neighbors from the Resource Center of the Americas: Executive Director Kathleen McKown and Membership Director Doris Rubenstein will lead the forum relating our Lesson from Isaiah to the work of the Resource Center in Latin America and in Minnesota.

**CONCERNING PEOPLE**

Please pray for **Lorraine Pafko**, at Augustana Home, **Carol Kelly**, for her continued recovery at home after surgery on her leg, **Betty Fredrickson** at Abbott-Northwestern; and **Kathy Bruss** at Christ Church, who had surgery for a mass on her brain last Thursday. Kathy is on the Longfellow Lutheran Parish Steering Committee.

**Eugene Gearou**, member of Holy Trinity from 1957-1975, has died at 100 years. He received the Community Church, and remembered us in his prayers.

## PARISH INFORMATION

### SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL – TEACHERS NEEDED

As happens every year when August arrives, we are reminded that summer is quickly coming to an end. It is time to plan for the 2007-08 church school year. Teachers are needed. The year is divided into three terms; you are invited to volunteer for one or more terms. We will again be using the *Seasons of the Spirit* curriculum. A sign-up sheet is in the Community Room, or call the church office and leave a message for Stephanie Sulzbach.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** The first program in Holy Trinity's Fine Arts series will be a Trumpet-Organ Recital by The Hodel-Lehman Duo, Sunday, Sept 30, 2007, 4:00 p.m. The duo, Martin Hodel, trumpet and Bradley Lehman, organ, began performing together 25 years ago.

### EASTERN EUROPE TRIP

At this point, at least four openings are available for the Eastern Europe trip. Dates are April 25-May 6, 2008; some highlights are Budapest, Krakow, Bratislava, Vienna, and Lutheran communities. Brochures are in the Community Room. To make the trip "a go" we need 20 travelers, with an initial fee of \$50. Cost of the trip is \$2,959 per person. Contact Margaret Peterson.

### OPPORTUNITY SALE IS OCTOBER 6

Please remember the fall sale as you clean out your gently used tools, small furniture, games, books, and collectibles. You may drop off items inside the cul-de-sac door Mon-Fri, 8-4, or on Sunday before services.

### RIDE, WALK, CARPOOL TO CHURCH 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAYS

Several of our members make walking or biking or carpooling a regular practice, but most of us don't, or haven't figured out the means. The Peace with Justice committee encourages us to arrange conservation transport on the last Sunday of each month. Are there Holy Trinity people— or other friends! – in your area that you could call and pick up?

**THANKS TO OUR (VERY) LOCAL FARMERS:** For the fresh and delicious produce showing up in the Community Room! It is much appreciated – and seems to be gone quickly. Come early?

### BRIDGE TRAGEDY: A FAITHFUL RESPONSE

In light of the transportation burdens increasing over the next months and years, the City of Minneapolis is asking employers and citizens to: 1) vigorously support new transit options, which Metro Transit is currently developing; 2) consider alternatives to business-related truck traffic through the city core during rush hour; and, 3) consider other practical supports to help our community deal with this catastrophe. -R.T. Rybak

### SUSTAINABILITY 101 Thurs, August 23, 1pm at the State Fair

Learn what sustainability is and how it benefits your life, saving money and time as well as your health and the earth. Discuss the Union of Concerned Scientists Big Three Consumer Impacts and simple steps to can take to bring about sustainability. Presented by Terry Gips, Alliance for Sustainability, at The Progress Center Building at the fairgrounds (Cosgrove and Randall). [www.pca.state.mn.us/ecoexperience/](http://www.pca.state.mn.us/ecoexperience/)

PARISH EVENTS August 19 – August 25	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:45, 11am Worship Service of Holy Communion 9:55 am Adult Forum 2:00 pm Swahili Service
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:00 pm Executive Committee 7:00 pm Church Council
<b>TUESDAY</b>	9:00 am Healthy Seniors 7:00 pm Youth Committee

**GIFT TO LONGFELLOW SCHOOL SUPPLIES** by Vern/Vi Michaelson

**GIFTS TO WORLD HUNGER** by Ingrid Phillips, Vern/Vi Michaelson, Birgit Birkeland

**GIFTS TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT** by Matt Kane/Liz Conway, Aldora Ferrian

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS August 19, 2007	
<b>Preacher</b>	Bruce Arnevik
<b>Celebrant</b>	8:45 am Jim Hartsoe / 11:00 am Gary Sartain
<b>Crucifer</b>	11:00 am Wayne Vetter
<b>Cantor</b>	Ann Schrooten
<b>Liturgist</b>	8:45 am Jane Kretzmann / 11:00 am Greg Johnson
<b>Communion Asst</b>	8:45 am Matt Kane, Jim Klobuchar 11:00 am Susan Wootten, Bob Hulteen
<b>Greeters</b>	8:45 am Kevin Proescholdt / 11:00 am Liz Blood
<b>Ushers</b>	8:45 am Bob Peschiutta, Vernon Michaelson, Aaron Crawford 11:00 am Kathy Hollander, Tim Mann, Bob/Helen Norheim
<b>Altar Guild</b>	8:45 am Carole Schneiders 11:00 am Lynda/Dennis Nordholm
<b>Nursery</b>	8:40 am Sean Gosiewski / 11:00 am Dave Krig
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	9:45 am Helen Cotton / Noon Scott/Stephanie Cole

### HOLY TRINITY AT MIDTOWN FARMERS' MARKET

The Midtown Farmers Market is open from 3:30-7:30 pm Tuesdays, as well as 8:00 am - 1:00 pm time on Saturdays. What's in season? Fresh veggies from beans to zucchini, bread and other baked goods, cheese, honey, meats, pickles, local art, live music, and more... As a sponsor of the Midtown Farmer's Market, Holy Trinity will be "Guest Host" Tuesday, August 28. Hosting gives us the opportunity to keep the ministry visible in the community, hand out flyers with information on programming and services, and get to know our neighbors. Make a point of joining us for greater representation of our congregation.

### PEACE WITH JUSTICE FORUM – Sunday, August 19

The Mpls and St Paul synods' Peace with Justice Forum Aug 19, 12:30-2 p.m., at Central Lutheran Church, will be on "Cuba and the U.S.: Strands of a failed policy." Mavis Anderson, Latin America Working Group, Washington, DC, will speak. Lunch available for \$5.00.

FINANCIAL REPORT	August 12	Year to date
Budget Requirement	11,244.23	359,815.36
Budget Receipts	5,070.81	323,741.61
World Hunger	160.00	3,604.14
Capital Improvements	--	8,290.00
Nonviolent Peaceforce	--	334.00
African AIDS Fund	--	982.48
African Pastors Fund	--	135.00
Hymnals	--	877.00
Central American Fund	--	125.00