

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

On 28th Avenue between Lake and 31st Streets Minneapolis, MN 55406 • 612-729-8358 • office@htlcmpls.org • www.htlcmpls.org WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 am • CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am • Jay Carlson and Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastors

STAND WITH STANDING ROCK

Many of us at Holy Trinity have been following with interest and concern the resistance to the construction of the Dakota Access Crude Oil Pipeline in North Dakota. The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, joined by members of nearly 100 more tribes from across the U.S. and Canada, has contested the project for several months. If built, the \$3.8 billion pipeline would carry about 500,000 barrels of crude oil per day from North Dakota's Bakken oilfield to Illinois.

Tribal members have voiced several concerns about the pipeline. By crossing the Missouri River, just above their reservation, it presents threats to drinking water supplies in the area. It also could damage ancient cultural sites held sacred by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. For these reasons, the Peace with Justice Committee emailed an action alert to Holy Trinity members on their list on September 8, asking us to call the White House and support the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's request to halt construction of the pipeline. On September 9, although a federal judge ruled against the request, three federal agencies issued a statement calling for a voluntary stoppage of pipeline construction. The U.S. Departments of Justice, the Army, and the Interior stated, "We appreciate the District Court's opinion on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act. However, important issues raised by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and other tribal nations and their members regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline specifically, and pipeline-related decision-making generally, remain."

The intervention has not stopped construction in most areas, nor solved the issues in North Dakota, and so there is still need for supporters to stand with the Standing Rock Sioux tribe.

ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton also issued a statement on the situation, stating:

We recognize the complexity and the deeply personal significance of what is at stake for those living in the area. We have been looking at the situation in light of the Churchwide Assembly action to repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery, and our church's long-standing concern for respecting the sovereignty of tribal nations.

Bishop Michael Curry of the Episcopal Church, of one of our partner denominations, stated:

I stand with the people of Standing Rock in their efforts to respect and protect the Missouri River. We know that the right to clean water is an internationally recognized human right and that all too often indigenous communities, other people of color, and our most vulnerable communities throughout the world are the ones most at risk of losing access to clean water. As we join the people of Standing Rock, we also recognize that their stand is one that joins the fight for racial justice and reconciliation with climate justice and caring for God's creation as a matter of stewardship.

As people of faith, it is important that we stand with the people of Standing Rock. Continue to pray for them and their efforts. If you would like more information about ways of offering support, including an upcoming bus trip, please contact me or Kathy Hollander from the Peace with Justice Committee.

—Jay Carlson, Pastor

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those "at our gate," visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.



READINGS Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Psalm 146 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am—in the Library

SEPTEMBER 25 "Possible Partner Parish in El Salvador" Una Hermandad en Cristo: How could a Holy Trinity partnership with a Lutheran parish in El Salvador enrich our ministry? How could such a partnership inform our work on racial justice? How could a partnership inspire our work with immigrant Salvadoran youth in Minnesota? What about our relationship with the Northwest Diocese in Tanzania? For insight on these questions, join us for this adult forum.

OCTOBER 2 "Supporting Survivors of Sex Trafficking in MN" Amy Froiland-Parada

Member Amy Froiland-Parada is a clinical social worker who has recently started volunteering to support women survivors of sex trafficking in St. Paul. She will share information about the experiences, challenges, and services women often encounter when they are trafficked for sex. There is much more happening in Minnesota than we might realize, and there are some things we can do to support these brave survivors and spread awareness. Amy will share some general information about what clinical work with survivors looks like. *Please note that parts of the subject matter may be triggering for some; take care of yourself.

MINNESOTA MEAL SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 5:30 P.M.

It's time to gather and celebrate fall and the bounty of God's creation. Each year we come together to feast and share a meal of locally grown food at the Minnesota Meal. Plan to attend and bring your favorite dish to pass around. This year the celebration will be held on Saturday, October 15, at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room. In addition to the camaraderie and food sharing, we will hear a presentation by Howasta Means, chef at the Minneapolis American Indian Center, which was founded in 1975 and is one of the oldest Indian centers in the country.

NEW MOSAIC PANELS IN THE RAIN GARDEN

Next time you walk near the rain garden, check out the new mosaic installation on the stairs of the stage. Thanks to Helen Norheim, Julianne Rohr, Pam Kildahl, Sharon Englund, and Sarah Gannett for their leadership and hard work!

WORSHIP LEADERS TRAINING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 12-1:30 P.M. If you would like to serve as a leader in worship, this training is for you. From 12-1:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 16, we'll offer training for ushers, crucifers, assisting ministers, communion servers, altar guild, and coffee servers. Veterans and novices are welcome! Sign up in the Community Room by October 9.

PARISH INFORMATION

MEALS ON WHEELS

Holy Trinity will be delivering meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels the week of Oct. 3-7. Volunteers are needed to deliver meals for 1-5 days. Meals are picked up at Nokomis Square delivery area (50th St. and 35th Ave. S.) at 11:15 a.m. Delivery takes 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Sign up in the Community Room or call Mary Engen.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP BENEFIT

All are invited to a benefit featuring "The Biscuit Boys" Bluegrass band and a dessert bar, Saturday, October 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Longfellow Community Center, 3435 36th Ave S, Minneapolis. A free-will donation will be taken at the door. All funds raised will go directly to Seward Longfellow Restorative Justice Partnership. Come any time between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. to enjoy some wonderful bluegrass music and desserts from local restaurants!

DOWNTOWN LUNCH GROUP WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

Periodically those who live or work downtown meet for lunch. This time you'll find them at Thrivent's Cafe at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5. Sign up in the Community Room by Sunday, October 2, so organizers know how many seats to save.

KINSHIP DINNERS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 & 29

Twice a year the Nurturing Relations Committee organizes kinship meals, which allow members to dine together and learn about each other in the warmth of someone's home. We choose dates around the time that we receive new members so that we can invite these newest branches of God's living tree to a gathering soon after their arrival. The meals are for anyone interested in a more intimate gathering of people from church. Sign up in the Community Room.

YOUTH LOCK-IN FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 6:00 P.M.

Students in grades 6-12 and their friends are invited to join us for late night games, food, and worship from 6:00 p.m. to midnight.

TANZANIA EARTHQUAKE

On Saturday, September 10, a magnitude 5.7 earthquake struck northwest Tanzania, impacting our friends of the Northwest Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. Tremors were felt as far away as western Kenya, Uganda, DRC, Rwanda, and Burundi. At least 16 people are dead and 250 injured. ELCA Disaster Response and other organizations are currently assessing the situation to determine a possible response, and we will keep the congregation posted. In the meantime, please keep the people of Northwest Tanzania in your prayers.

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PARISH EVENTS September 25-October 1, 2016

Sunday

8:45 am Worship Service with Holy Communion
9:30 am Confirmation
9:45 am Sunday School
10:00 am Adult Forum
11:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion
2:00 pm Swahili Service

Tuesday
11:00 am Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday
6:00 pm Youth Choirs
7:30 pm Adult Choir

JOHNSON SYMPOSIUM NOVEMBER 4-5, 2016

Register now for the seventh annual Johnson Symposium on Faith & Society as we welcome Rev. Dr. Wil Gafney, Associate Professor of Hebrew Bible at Brite Divinity School in Fort Worth, Texas, on Friday, November 4, 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, November 5, 8:30. a.m. Register online or use the registration form on the brochure.

LUTHERAN VOLUNTEER CORPS COMMISSIONING SERVICE

You are invited to the LVC Commissioning Service and Dessert Potluck, Sunday, September 25, 2:00 p.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church (1800 Glenwood Ave., Mpls). Bring a dessert to share.

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WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS SEPTEMBER 25, 2016		
8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Jade Masiee, Lowenna Rian-Fairley	Acolytes	Marianna Hefte, Sara Christians
Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	David Krig
Karen Batdorf	Assisting Minister	Wayne Vetter
Carol/David Berg	Communion	Sean Gosiewski, Alan Libra
Anne Beschnett, Josh Becker	Altar Guild	Stella Townsend, Linda Woytasek
Bev/Bob Peschiutta	Ushers	Helen/Bob Norheim, Deb Sodt, Donna Scott
Jean Swanson, Kevin Proescholdt	Coffee Servers	Kari/Tom Kleven
Chuck Jordan, Bob Peschiutta	Counters	Lee Kampinen, Deb Helmel
	Closer	Rod Johnson

World Hunger, Church Library, and Sunday School Fund by Neil Anderson