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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 am • CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am • Jay Carlson and Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastors

## OPEN WIDE THE DOORS

We gathered near the accessible east entrance yesterday to give thanks for Holy Trinity's new building renovation and to dedicate it to the glory of God. We hope the new doors will offer a clear welcome to each person who uses them. We hope our new offices and meeting spaces will be areas for faithful learning, planning, and discernment. We pray this building will continue to be a place for proclaiming the good news of God's grace and a place for bringing life and hope to this community.

There are a few more details to complete on the project; you'll see other features taking shape in the coming days, including the new sign out front, a canopy by the entrance, some more stone work outside and tile work inside, new landscaping, and the lampposts will come back. That's all still to come. But already, this project, through its focus on accessibility, hospitality, and safety is supporting Holy Trinity's ministry and the wider neighborhood.

This project has been a community effort. From sharing input to the design process to asking good questions about our needs and the project's feasibility, to serving on the architectural selection team, the design team, and funding team, to making pledges of financial support, to offering words of encouragement, to extending patience with the north door entry these past several months, each of you has played an important role in making this dream become a reality.

We would like to recognize the members who served on leadership teams for this building project:

- The initial building working group members were Liz Blood, David Krig, Randy Nelson, and chair Lynda Nordholm.
- On the Design Team were Christine Brand, Rob Englund, Sara Jensen, Randy Nelson, Randy Newberg, Dennis Nordholm, Dawn Wiczorek, and chair Deb Sodt. Also, Dawn served as our owner representative and helped oversee the construction, which has meant a huge number of meetings, emails, and phone calls.
- On the Funding Team were Josh Becker, Scott Cole, Allison Johnson, Gary Johnson, Mike Mann, Joyce Peterson, and Pam Blomgren, who served as chair.
- We give thanks for Kelly Mastin and Paul May from Miller Dunwiddie Architects and Dean Adolph and Nate Robitschek from Watson-Forsberg Contractors, who, at every turn of the project, have taken seriously our wants and needs.

We also announced yesterday that 95% of the active membership of Holy Trinity participated in the Opening Doors capital campaign, and we received gifts from 27 generous non-member households. This summer, after the major emphasis of our campaign was complete, we were still about \$100,000 short of our goal. Nine households generously and quietly added a fourth year to their pledges, thus bringing us up to our goal of \$850,000 (with \$460 dollars to spare)!

This has been a meaningful part of our ministry this year. We are grateful.

—Jay Carlson and Ingrid C. A. Rasmussen, Pastors

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God's forgiveness. Keep the faith. God's people—"all who have longed for God's appearing"—shall be accounted righteous for Jesus' sake.*

*Our God is merciful to sinners. For all this the assembly glorifies God forever.*



ADULT FORUM

10:00 am

### READINGS

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

Psalms 84:1-7

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14

### OCTOBER 23 "New Member Welcome"

The congregation is invited to come and boldly welcome new members at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room. We'll hear from two current members, who will offer reflections on what it means to be a part of this community of faith. We'll also be introduced to the many people joining the congregation.

### OCTOBER 30 "My Life Story, My Faith Story" Cori Gershon

As part of our ongoing commitment to sharing our narratives of faith, today we hear from Holy Trinity member Cori Gershon. By sharing her coming out story, Cori will also connect her journey to the theme of "the body."

### ALL SAINTS SERVICE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 4:00 P.M.

On Saturday, October 29, we will gather in the Bartsch Room at 4:00 p.m. to remember those sinner-saints who have died before us. This service will attend to the full range of emotions that accompany the loss of beloved friends and family members. Please join us as we grieve together, sing together, pray together, and celebrate love together. Worshipers are invited to bring a picture of their loved one(s); these saints will surround us in worship.

### HOUSE PARTY AT PASTOR JAY'S FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

The 20s, 30s, 40s group invites you to Pastor Jay's home for a meal at 6:30 p.m. This event is being coordinated with Parents' Night Out, so caregivers can drop off their children at the church for the evening. Sign up in the Community Room by November 13.

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 6:00-9:00 P.M.

Adults and youth work together caring for HTLC children while their parents go "out" from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room to help with childcare or to save a spot for your kids in the nursery. Volunteers must complete a background check through Holy Trinity.

### LOOKING AHEAD: HOLIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

- **Saturday, December 24, 4:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, December 24, 10:00 p.m.**
- **Sunday, Christmas Day, 10:00 a.m.**
- **Sunday, January 1, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.**

## PARISH INFORMATION

### 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 found in the Community Room.

### ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

We are creating an Advent devotion booklet featuring daily reflections written by Holy Trinity members and friends. If you are interested in writing a 300- to 400-word reflection on the daily lectionary texts, please sign up in the Community Room. Typed or handwritten reflections are due to the office (htoffice@htcmpls.org) by November 6.

### ENCORE! EVENT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 11:00 A.M.

On Saturday, November 12, Encore! will take a trip to the K'UL chocolate factory, located across the street from Pizza Luce' on 22nd and Franklin Avenue. The tour takes 1-2 hours, depending on the size of the group. We'll learn about beans and history then tour the facility and make our own chocolate bars for \$3.50. Sign up in the Community Room.

### 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. The meals are for anyone interested in a more intimate gathering of people from church. Sign up in the Community Room.

### END POVERTY PROFITEERING & POVERTY WAGES IN MPLS

Holy Trinity has been working on the issue of predatory payday lending for 5 years—and the movement is growing! We'll join together on Saturday, October 22, from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with our neighbors at Greater Friendship Missionary Baptist Church for a training before we head out to talk with our neighbors about ending predatory payday lending and raising the minimum wage. No expertise in the issues necessary—come ready to learn and connect with people of faith working for reform. Sign up in the Community Room and/or contact Meghan at the office to learn more or indicate your interest.

### PROPERTY WORK DAY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

Come and help us with raking and bagging, weeding and trimming. We'll work from 8:30 a.m.-noon. Sign up in the Community Room by October 23.

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### PARISH EVENTS October 23-29, 2016

Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Adult Forum in the Community Room
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	12:00 pm	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Youth Choirs
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
Friday	6:00 pm	Kinship Dinners in Homes
Saturday	8:30 am -noon	Property Work Day
	4:00 pm	All Saints Service in Bartsch Room
	6:00 pm	Kinship Dinners in Homes

Worship and Fine Arts, in memory of David Sims' grandmother, Terry Bakanowski, by Lois Eid

### CONCERNING PEOPLE

Please pray for **Holy Trinity members** traveling to Germany.

### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS OCTOBER 23, 2016

8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
Jade Masiee, Lowenna Rian-Fairley	Acolytes	Kayden Nordby, Audrey Jakopin	
Josh Becker	Crucifer	Paul Chindvall	
Lyle Steinfeldt	Assisting Minister	Scott Cole	
Theresa Rian, Liz Rudrud	Communion	Kathy Hollander, Carol Kelly	
Lisa/Bruce Martens	Altar Guild	Melanie Townsend Family	
Bob Peschiutta, John Goring, Anton Werth	Ushers	Alan Libra, Kathy Ohler, George Christians, Mike Mann	
DeWayne Townsend, Marcea Mariani	Coffee Servers	Libby/Keith Olstad	
Pam Blomgren, Joyce Peterson	Counters	Vicki Mann, Deb Helm	
	Closer	Vicki Mann	

Financial Report	October 16	Year to date
Budget requirement	14,432.69	606,173.08
Budget Receipts	5,381.28	561,449.60
Longfellow Alt. H.S.	50.00	640.00
Opening Doors	6,032.87	288,809.65
Refugee Resettlement	75.00	1,405.00
World Hunger	31.00	5,568.68