



WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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## MESSAGE FROM CANTOR DAVID SIMS

Dear Holy Trinity community,

After seven wonderful years as Cantor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, it's with a heavy heart that I'm resigning my position as of September 30, 2021.

I love this community so much. Our years together worshipping, singing, laughing, praying, listening, and sharing stories have shaped who I am and how I live and think about worship. I have had the very best colleagues, who trust one another as we support all of our ministry areas. I have had the very best choirs, who shared their voices as a way of sharing who they are as people. Most of all, I have had the very best congregational collaborators, all of you who sing hymns from the pews and listen thoughtfully to choir anthems and bell choirs and will try anything we put in the bulletin as we seek to encounter the mystery, wonder, and love of God each week.

In 2017, I was hired by our ELCA publishing house, Augsburg Fortress, as their music editor. I am still grateful for the church leadership that let me reduce my hours at Holy Trinity so I could serve the wider church during the rest of the week, and especially for Ann Schrooten who took on more music leadership in my absence.

Both organizations are growing in new and wonderful ways, and it's become difficult for me to do both jobs as well as each deserves. Holy Trinity does such a wonderful job supporting the creative imaginations of our staff and needs someone whose time can be devoted to fulfilling that mission. Augsburg Fortress has never had a music editor who was able to travel to different churches on Sunday morning to listen, learn, and teach. With the introduction of our new hymnal supplement *All Creation Sings* and the growing need to learn how the entire church body is worshipping, I feel a strong call that my next area of ministry will be helping to shape and develop the resources for the whole church by engaging with as wide an assembly as possible.

Every time I work on new music for the church, it's the voices of Holy Trinity that are in my head and heart, and your voices have already shaped the music for the whole of the ELCA. It has been an unending source of joy to make music with you each week, and I am grateful that I am able to do a long, Minnesota goodbye and play for church throughout the month of September.

In wonder, love, and praise for the God that keeps all of us singing,

David

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



### READINGS

Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 54;  
James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

## ADULT FORUM

**10:00 A.M. IN THE BARTSCH ROOM**

View the Adult Forum from Sunday, September 12, [here](#).

*Holy Trinity Adult Forums now feature in-person presentations in the Bartsch Room, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The presentations will also be available on Zoom for those unable to attend.*

*ID and password remain the same:  
ID 858 5687 1594; Password 317879.*

**SEPTEMBER 19 "Lutheran Volunteer Corps"**  
Meet the new volunteers living in the Wellstone House.

**SEPTEMBER 26 "Coalition of Asian American Leaders"**  
Sally Sudo and her grandson Ryan will speak about her experience as a Japanese American placed in a concentration camp in World War II and about his work in addressing some of the other social justice issues being dealt with at CAAL (Coalition of Asian American Leaders).

**View the worship service from Sunday, September 12, [here](#).**

### SAMPLE BALLOT FOR MINNEAPOLIS ELECTION

To find a sample ballot for the upcoming election, go to <https://myballotmn.sos.state.mn.us/>

### MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY OCTOBER 4-8

Holy Trinity will deliver meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels the week of October 4-8. If you are interested and able to volunteer 1-1 1/2 hrs. at lunch time, please contact Mary Engen ([engenmary@yahoo.com](mailto:engenmary@yahoo.com) or 612-716-6338.) Meals are picked up at 11:15 a.m. at Nokomis Square Cooperatives (35th Ave. S. and 50th St.). If you have not delivered before, you can do a training by driving behind Mary or another experienced driver for one day.

## **\*\*AMENDED\*\* 2021 FALL RETREAT: SEPTEMBER 24**

The Nurturing Committee has decided to postpone Holy Trinity's Fall Retreat at St John's. With the resurgence of the COVID variant, the committee doesn't feel the safety of attendees can be assured this fall. They will consider re-scheduling the full retreat in the spring. There *will* be a shorter program with Dr. Bell offered via Zoom on the evening of Friday, September 24. Watch for more information.

## **YOUTH CHOIRS BEGIN REHEARSALS THIS WEEK**

Children's Choir (grades 1-4) will rehearse outdoors (weather permitting) on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. *Cantate!* Youth Ensemble (grades 5-8) will rehearse on Wednesdays from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. (mostly outdoors, weather permitting). To provide a safe singing experience, face masks are required for singing activities. If you're interested in joining the choir for the first time, contact Ann Schrooten (612-309-9583 or [aschrooten@htlcmpls.org](mailto:aschrooten@htlcmpls.org)).

## **LED CAMPAIGN MESSAGE FROM THE SULZBACHS**

Ginny Jordan recruited us to talk about LED bulbs at our neighborhood block party. We held a raffle to award one free package of bulbs. That motivated us to go home and look at our light fixtures. We found 22 lightbulbs that were not LED, and switched them to LED bulbs. We were able to take the fluorescent bulbs to the recent South High hazardous waste collection. Change a bulb, save the planet! The Caring for Creation team has more free packages of bulbs, too; e-mail [10000LEDbulb@gmail.com](mailto:10000LEDbulb@gmail.com) or call Kathy at 612 245 9381 if you could use some.

## **NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY**

The following books have been added to the Holy Trinity Library. Call librarian Roberta Shaw (651-206-6334) or the church office if you wish to check out a book.

- *Journeys Through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today*, Barbara Rossing
- *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave*, Frederick Douglass
- *Narrative of Sojourner Truth*, Sojourner Truth
- *Housekeeping: a novel*, Marilynne Robinson
- *An Anti-Colonial History of This Place: an Atlas of the Land Presently Called Minnesota*, Jennings Mergenthal
- *American Apartheid: the Native American Struggle for Self-Determination and Inclusion*, Stephanie Woodard
- *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*, Isabel Wilkerson
- *The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate*, Peter Wohlleben

## **LONGFELLOW HIGH SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP**

Holy Trinity has been a partner with Longfellow Alternative High School, a school for teenage moms and their children. We are like a Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) for the school. This September, we provided a breakfast to Longfellow A.H.S. staff. It was a good way to start off the year and a way we could say thank you for all their hard work. In past years, we've collected school supplies and backpacks, but they weren't needed this year. As the cold weather approaches, we'll again collect warm winter outerwear for the students and their children.

At Christmas time, we usually pair a Longfellow student and their children with a Holy Trinity family to provide them with gifts for the holiday season. We also sponsor a holiday celebration. In June, we like to celebrate the students who are graduating with a gift card and a bag of treats.

In the past, volunteers have been welcomed into the school to rock babies in the day care center and help support students in their academic work, but because of COVID, no volunteers are allowed in the school right now.

Prior to the pandemic, Fare for All, a program to help provide food at low cost for those in need, distributed at Holy Trinity each month. People from Holy Trinity would contribute funds to provide Longfellow students with fresh fruits, vegetables, and meat through Fare for All. Because of COVID, the Fare for All program is not happening at Holy Trinity at the present time. Hopefully, it will soon be able to return.

Longfellow has a newly formed foundation to support students and staff. A brochure is being developed to explain how Holy Trinity can be involved.

During the school day, there had been a knitting class which met weekly to teach the students how to knit. Students have produced many amazing things for themselves and their children. Volunteers are always needed when these classes can resume.

These are some of the ways we have supported the Longfellow Alternative High School Program. It has been a joy for Holy Trinity, the students, and the staff and we look forward to the time we can again be more actively involved.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Zoe Martínez at [zoenan52@yahoo.com](mailto:zoenan52@yahoo.com) or 612-724-4848.

## **MPLS PUBLIC SAFETY CHARTER AMENDMENT FORUM**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church is inviting all to a Zoom event on Sunday, September 19, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. This event will educate attendees concerning ISALAH's work supporting the public safety charter amendment. Clergy and current council members will be leading the forum. If you are interested, please visit the following link: <https://forms.gle/c2Ha9VMH1v5ugjeA6>.

## **HOLY TRINITY SOLAR UPDATE**

One of the last critical pieces for our solar system, an "inverter," was just delivered. Now our developer is going through the process of meeting Xcel Energy's requirements to safely connect our system to the electrical grid. We are optimistically hoping the system will be functional by Halloween!

**PARISH EVENTS SEPTEMBER 19-25**

<b>Sunday</b>	8:45 am	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Youth Education
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	11:00 am	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	12:00 pm	Public Voice Committee
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 pm	Executive Committee
	7:00 pm	Church Council
<b>Tuesday</b>	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 pm	Children's Choir
	6:45 pm	Cantate!
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir

**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SEPTEMBER 19, 2021**

<u>8:45 AM</u>		<u>11:00 AM</u>
David Rojas Martinez	Preacher	David Rojas Martinez
Angela Khabeb	Presiding Minister	Angela Khabeb
Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	Jeff Olsen Biebighauser
Karen Batdorf	Assisting Minister	Wayne Vetter
Marcea Mariani, DeWayne Townsend, Steve Murray, Sally and David Kohlstedt, Bob Peschiutta	Ushers	Josh Combs, Sue Roberts, Joy Nelson, Chris Amundson, Bob and Helen Norheim
Donna Heyer, Joyce Peterson	Counters	John Sulzbach, Needed
	Closer	Bob Hulteen