

LUTHERAN CHURCH THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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ELCA Climate Care social message draft Your Opportunity to Comment is Open

"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it." —Psalm 24:1

What is a faithful Lutheran response to Earth's changing climate and worsening natural disasters? How do we think about this crisis as people of faith, and what are we called to do?

After hearing requests from across the church for guidance, the ELCA Church Council in November 2021 authorized development of a social message on climate care. Social messages are ELCA social teaching documents on specific social topics; these documents shape ELCA policy and help members discern how to respond to an issue.

A draft of the social message "Earth's Climate Crisis" is now posted for public comment. Feedback of this kind helps the drafters know how the document could be more clear, helpful, and faithfully Lutheran.



Please read the social message draft and use this survey to share your input by Friday, December 2. Email questions or longer responses to <u>draftsocialmessage@elca.org</u>. [Holy Trinity's Creation Care team needs your help to craft a longer response from Holy Trinity. Contact Deacon <u>David</u> if you can help.]

The drafters and review team will study the public feedback to prepare a proposed social message. That proposed message will be reviewed by the Conference of Bishops and presented to the Church Council for consideration this coming spring.

This public comment period is your chance to contribute directly as our church considers how to address this crucial topic affecting God's good creation. Please help improve this social message so it can be as effective as possible. And share the news with others, so they can participate too!

God's peace,

Rev. Roger A. Willer, Ph.D., Director for Theological Ethics, Office of the Presiding Bishop, ELCA

REFORMATION AND THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION SUNDAY READINGS

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

Newsletter

ADULT FORUM

Holy Trinity Adult Forums feature in-person presentations beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. The presentations are also available via Zoom for those unable to attend in person. ID and password remain the same: ID 858 5687 1594: Password 317879.

OCTOBER 30 "Doctrine of Discovery"

The Doctrine of Discovery was a proclamation (papal bull) by the Vatican in 1493, the year after Columbus "discovered" islands in the Caribbean. The Doctrine gave the Christian nations of Europe permission to take the lands of non-Christians around the world and murder and enslave their occupants. Sadly, the doctrine remains in effect in American law and continues to influence the government's treatment of Native peoples. Holy Trinity's Doctrine of Discovery Task Force was formed to address the effects of the doctrine and to seek justice for the Native peoples of Minnesota. This forum will provide an update on the Task Force's work with Native partners on legislative advocacy and education. (in the Library)

NOVEMBER 6 "Celebrating the Lives of Our Saints"

We will remember those sinner-saints who have died before us. Too rarely are we given the opportunity to talk with one another about the loss of beloved friends and family members. We invite you to bring pictures of the saints in your lives and display them during the forum. You can also share stories about your loved ones.

PLEASE SHOW PARKING COURTESY ON SUNDAYS

Please reserve the cul de sac parking spots on Sundays for those with **limited mobility**. Reminder, only the west side of the cul de sac lot is for Holy Trinity's use. The east side is for Trinity Apartments use only. Holy Trinity's large lot is on the east side of the Trinity on Lake Apartments, entered from Lake Street. You can park anywhere in that lot that is not indicated as a parking space for apt. residents.

CONFIRMATION, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Two young people from Holy Trinity—Konami Khabeb, and Peter Weiss—will affirm their baptisms during the 11:00 a.m. service. Adult and youth choirs will help lead the celebration.

REFORMATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Pull out your red outfits!

CELEBRATING THE LIVES OF OUR SAINTS NOVEMBER 6

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JOHNSON SYMPOSIUM NOVEMBER 11-12

Holy Trinity has long sought to provide opportunities for conversations about faith and life. Designed to celebrate and honor the exemplary ministries of Pastors Ronald K. Johnson and Stacy K. Johnson during a creative and exciting period in the life of the congregation, the Johnson Symposium on Faith and Society is an annual event in which a leading theologian, scholar, and/or practitioner leads conversations over a two-day period on important issues facing the church and society today.

This year we are offering plenary sessions with Winona LaDuke and Dr. Diane Jacobson. Winona LaDuke is an Anishinaabekwe (Ojibwe) enrolled member of the Mississippi Band Anishinaabeg. Ms. LaDuke is a tireless and charismatic fighter for climate justice, indigenous and human rights, alternative energy, and clean water.

Dr. Diane Jacobson, professor emerita of Old Testament at Luther Seminary, wrote her dissertation on Creation in the Psalms and serves on both the St Paul Area Synod's Care of Creation Workgroup and the leadership team of the NE Synod EcoFaith Network.

Symposium Schedule

Friday, November 11

6:30 p.m: Doors Open 7:00 p.m: Music 7:30-9 p.m: Plenary 1 with Winona LaDuke

Saturday, November 12

9:00 a.m: Plenary 2 with Winona LaDuke 10:00 a.m: Break with snacks by Yazzie the Chef 10:30 a.m: Plenary 3 with Dr. Diane Jacobson

> Click here to <u>Register</u> by Friday, November 4 (or call 612-729-8358)



NEED HELP WITH ADVENT SUPPERS IN NOV. & DEC.

We're looking for 12 households to help with soup suppers prior to the Wednesday Evening Worship Services in Advent (November 30, December 7, 14, 21). Each Wednesday, four households would bring soup enough for 30 people and help to serve it. Please sign up in the Community Room. Thank you!

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8!

FINAL TWO LIFE TOGETHER SESSIONS Please sign up in the Community Room for the two remaining sessions.

CONSERVATION AND BIODIVERSITY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 12:00 PM

Join Shaun Morrell in the church library on Sunday, November 20, at 12:00 p.m., to discuss a chapter from *A Life on Our Planet* by Sir David Attenborough. Lunch will be provided. Group participants will have the opportunity to talk about how Christian faith intersects with wildlife conservation and biodiversity. Copies of the chapter will be available in the Community Room. Sign up in the Community Room by Sunday, November 13.

SURVIVE AND EVEN THRIVE IN A MINNESOTA WINTER THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 6:30 PM

Winter can be long in Minnesota. Advent and Christmas bring opportunities for gathering and celebration, but many of us experience some dread as we face the long nights and cold months of winter. Kari Kleven will host a candlelight gathering in her home to share companionship and encouraging ideas with each other. Sign up in the Community Room by Sunday, December 11.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MARY ELLEN OLSON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5, 1:00 PM

Mary Ellen Olson died on June 1, 2022, following a short illness.

Mary Ellen had been living at Walker Methodist Care Center in Minneapolis for about seven months, and at Augustana Independent



Senior Living in Minneapolis prior to that. She'd been through several years of declining health. Mary Ellen's Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2022. Visitation will begin at noon; the service will start at 1:00 p.m., and a small reception will follow. All are welcome to join us at Holy Trinity Lutheran. A livestream link will be available soon. Obituary can be found <u>here</u>.

WEAVING PROJECT - INVITING YOU TO BRING: OBJECTS OF MEMORY-OCTOBER 30-NOV. 13

A photo of your pet, seeds, a college acceptance letter, tools for a new hobby, a pride flag... During these weeks, we invite you to bring an object that somehow represents *memory* for you.

- Bring your objects to the box in the Community Room.
- We'll weave your objects into the community tapestries; your objects will not be returned to you. If there's a cherished item you want included, consider a photo, scan, drawing or other creative representation!
- Objects should be light (lighter than a medium apple or 150 grams) and fit in a shoe box. Contact weavers Ryana or Mariah if you have questions. Some objects may be outside our given bounds but still can work! (like a stick, for example).

Please make time to stop by the outdoor fiber arts project (just east of the library on Lake Street) to write thoughts inspired by the theme on a piece of fabric. Tie or weave in the fabric to the wire and add to this bright and fluttering display of community stories and emotions.

DO YOU NEED A NAMETAG?

Just contact the office (612-729-8358) and tell us how you want your name printed (e.g. Christina or Chris? Joe or Joseph?)



We'll create a beautiful name tag for you and leave it on the nametag board on the second floor!

NOMINATIONS

NOMINATE A LEADER TO SERVE ON CHURCH COUNCIL

This year's Nominating Committee (made up of the outgoing Council members: Connie Adams, David Broberg, Scott Cole, and Katy Benson, and the at-large members elected at last year's annual meeting: Rod Johnson, Ginny Jordan, and Andrew Martin) will soon start to discern a slate of new Council members. If you would like to nominate a great leader to serve on Holy Trinity's Church Council, please send their name and a brief description of their leadership to <u>Connie Adams</u>.

COMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP BUDGETS FOR 2023

It's time to start drafting your 2023 budgets! Given the ways that COVID has shifted programming, committees may need to do some discerning of what can be done during this time and what financial support is needed to do it. (In other words, simply saying "the same as last year" doesn't seem to work this time around!) Committees should try to submit this information by **November 1**.

HELP PACK THE PANTRY FOR NEW LVC VOLUNTEERS!

Lutheran Volunteer Corps (LVC) is pleased to announce that they have two new volunteers coming to live at LVC's Winona House for this service year. They'll be looking for opportunities for the volunteers to engage with support congregations during their year here.

The week of November 7, Winona House's two support churches will be "Packing the Pantry." If you can assist in packing the pantry to help provide a warm welcome to the new volunteers as they settle into their home for the coming year, please contact <u>Margaret Kinney</u>.

As one of LVC's support congregations, Holy Trinity has agreed to help pack the pantry quarterly, rather than just at volunteer move-in, so watch the Community Church for opportunities to help pack Winona House's pantry in the near future.

FALL BACK! DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS ON NOVEMBER 6, 2022

NOMINATE A SPECIAL APPEAL FOR 2023

Each year, Holy Trinity authorizes special financial appeals for 2-3 organizations. Special appeals are characterized by being open ended (i.e., we give to the organization(s) what we receive), they are normally approved for just one year, and they are supported by a special appeal letter which is sent to all the giving units in the congregation. The Financial Stewardship Committee and Church Council work together to select the organizations. If you have a 501(c)3 organization that you'd like to nominate, please contact one of the church's standing committees and ask for support for your nomination. By tradition, the World Hunger of the ELCA has been included as one of the causes designated for a special appeal and therefore does not need to be submitted by a standing committee. Nominations, supported by a standing committee, will be accepted until November 15, 2022, and may be emailed to **Pastor Ingrid**.

~ Concerning People ~

We pray mindfully for the needs of others, especially those who face illness or hard times, including **Carol Masters** and family upon the death of her brother, Don; **Cody**, Wade, Ann Schrooten and their families upon the death of Ann's brother, Don; Lois Eid's friends, **Ras and Marian Erdahl; Mary Ann Sheets & Jack Hanson; Jeanne Salmon; Dorothy Kelly**; Mary Petersen's friend, Joe; Cori **Gershon; Marcea Mariani; DeWayne Townsend III; Marlene Peterson; Mary Heltsley; Mark Symchych**; **Kaia Ellis; Tom and Kathy Skold** upon the death of their dear friend, Earl;.

Worship Par	ficipants for Sunday,	Остовек 30, 2022	
8:45 ам		11:00 ам	
David Rojas Martinez	Preacher	David Rojas Martinez	
Angela T. Khabeb	Presiding Ministers	Angela T. Khabeb	
Sally Kohlstedt	Assisting Minister	Stephanie Cole	
Anne Beschnett, Josh Becker	Altar Guild Doris Gbala		
Cathy Alpizar	Cantor Cathy Alpizar		
Mary Engen, James Hartsoe	Coffee Servers Nicki Hines, Josef Fortier		
Carol Berg, David Kohlstedt, Richard Liedholm	Communion	Sean Gosiewski, Bryan Kuzel, David Krig	
	Crucifer	Wayne Vetter	
Annie Hines, Jennifer Frenzel	Counters Deb Helmel, John Sulzbach		
Julie & Tom Cahoy, Steve Murray, David Broberg	Ushers	Joy Nelson, Jeff Olsen Biebighauser	
	Video Operator		
	Closer	John Sulzbach	

Рад	ISH EVENTS OCTO	DBER 30-NOVEMBER 5, 2022	
Confirmation & Reformati Sunday, October		Worship Service of Holy Communion (Trinity Singers) Adult and Youth Education Worship <u>Service</u> of Holy Communion (Child. & Adult Choirs) Swahili Service	
Monday, October	6:30 рм	Adult Choir Rehearsal	
Tuesday, Novembe	1 11:00 ам 2:00 рм		
Wednesday, Novembe	2 5:00 рм 5:30 рм 6:00-8:00 рм 6:00 рм 6:30 рм	Children's Choir Practice Supervised Play Time	
Thursday, November	3 6:45 рм	Big Meeting Night	
Saturday, November	5 12:00 рм 1:00 рм	Visitation Memorial Service for Mary Ellen Olson (reception follows)	

LIVESTREAM LINKS FOR WORSHIP SERVICES

A <u>live-stream</u> of the 11:00 a.m. Sunday, October 30, service is available online at 9:55 a.m. You can access recordings of previous worship services through this <u>link</u>.

