



WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES RESUME

It is a new calendar year, and we are looking forward to Sunday School and Confirmation classes starting again this upcoming Sunday January 15th from 10:00 a.m. through 10:50 a.m.! Godly Play (pre-K) and Trinity Village (grades K-5) meet in the Education Suite on the second floor and Confirmation students (grades 6-9) meet in the Sky Room on the fourth floor. If your child has not participated, please simply show up! Adult teachers will help you get signed up in the correct classroom. If you have wanted to volunteer for at least one Sunday per month to help, but have forgotten to let me know, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any of the teachers. We look forward to growing in faith alongside you all!

As we imagine what opportunities for faith education are before us, I invite us to wonder two things. Firstly, I ask that we become curious about how we want to shape the faith journeys of the youngest among us. Alongside learning sacred story and song at the church building, I invite all of us to carry these things into the home. Perhaps parents or guardians will choose to connect with the Sunday School teachers and learn about the story or song that their child is learning on any given Sunday so that you can chat about it at dinner or at bedtime throughout the week! Secondly, I invite us to think about volunteering time and energy at least once per month this upcoming winter/spring. We would love to have any one from age 18-118 assist the Sunday School teachers at least one time before our summer break!

While wondering these things and moving into a new rhythm I continue to ask that we give each other lots and lots of grace. The pandemic is still happening, and the coronavirus continues to be deadly. With that in mind, we will continue to listen to the recommendations of our COVID-Taskforce, have industrial air purifiers in all the classrooms, encourage vaccinations and boosters, and ask that anyone who is sick remain at home. This means that sometimes last-minute changes will be made, some may choose to not be present every single Sunday, and others may yearn for a return to life pre-pandemic. We will need to hold each other carefully, prayerfully, and with lots of grace. Thank you for doing so!

In conclusion, we are so excited to be restarting faith formation for the youngest following our Christmas break!

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



READINGS

*Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11;
1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42*

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.

JANUARY 15 "Committee and Working Group Fair"

Please join us at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room for a fair with Holy Trinity's committees and working groups. Learn about many of the ways this community of disciples seeks to follow Jesus and make a difference in our world! Teams will be especially focused on ways you can connect with their work! This fair takes the place of the adult forum for the day.

JANUARY 22 "Annual Meeting Preview"

Pastors and Church Council

There's a lot of business to cover during Holy Trinity's annual meeting, which will be held in the gym and via Zoom on Sunday, January 29, after the one 10:00 a.m. worship service. Join others during the adult forum hour to preview the meeting agenda with Pastor Ingrid and Council representatives. At the Annual Meeting, we will elect new council members and vote on the proposed 2013 budget. Bring your questions!

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We look forward to having children and teenagers back in the classrooms as they learn about a God who loves us all. It is my prayer that the story of Jesus will be meaningful and redeeming for the young ones in our care. I hope that we can provide them with bricks upon which to build their faith homes. May God our Creator enfold us as we journey alongside each other, may Jesus our Redeemer and Friend walk beside us in surprising ways, and may the Holy Spirit stir her wings of hope, change, and comfort in our midst. See you all on Sunday!

~ Deacon David Rojas Martínez



REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BREAKFAST MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 7:00 AM

General Mills and the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) present the 33rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Breakfast on Monday, January 16 at 7:00 a.m. This year's theme is "Keep Moving Forward" and the keynote speaker will be Valerie Jarrett, former senior advisor to U.S. President Barack Obama. The event will be held at the Minneapolis Convention Center, and there will be several community sites streaming the event. Holy Trinity is hosting the Minneapolis community site, and we are doing so in partnership with St. James, St. Peter's, and Wayman AME. Interfaith Action's Registration has closed, but please let [Kathy Hollander](mailto:Kathy.Hollander) know if you will be able to attend but have not yet registered.

KATHY EKWALL IN NEW POSITION

Please make Kathy feel welcome as she transitions into her new position at Holy Trinity. Kathy began on Monday, January 9. She will begin to make the job her own after January 20—Pam Wetterlund's final day at Holy Trinity. Kathy can be reached at kekwall@htcmpls.org or by calling the church office (612-729-8358).

CHURCH COUNCIL NOMINEES



MATTHEW (Matt) FLODING

Hi! I'm a native Minneapolitan and was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran church. I'm married to Marcia, and together we have three adult children, a son and two daughters—and two grandchildren! I've served as an ordained minister in the Reformed Church in America, as congregational minister, college chaplain, and dean of students. Last year, I retired from Duke Divinity School as Director of Ministerial Formation. I'm very grateful to be back home in Minnesota and at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.



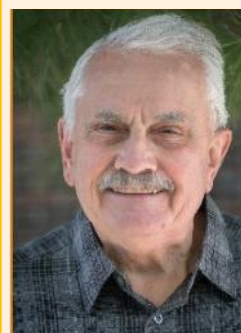
SANDRA HISAKUNI

Hello! I'm Sandra Hisakuni and I've been attending Holy Trinity since 2016 when my partner Mark Hennessy and I moved to Minneapolis. We've been members since 2018. I'm so grateful to be a part of this community.

I grew up in Hastings, MN, and was raised in a WELS church. It was an experience. I lived in Japan from 1988 to 2006 where I taught English and enjoyed living in rural Japan. It was there that my two children were born and then the three of us moved back to the U.S. when the marriage ended.

I recently retired from teaching English Learners in the Hastings Public School district for 17 years. Now, I'm navigating living in Minneapolis and caring for elderly parents in Hastings.

My favorite activities are spending time outdoors, reading, writing, and eating and cooking good food!



DENNIS O'BRIEN

Hello! I moved to Minneapolis in 2018 after retiring from 42 years as an ELCA pastor, having served congregations in California, Wisconsin, and Illinois. My daughter and granddaughter worship at Holy Trinity and they initially brought me here.

I have been blessed to be a member of the Lectio Divina group here since its inception, and I'm a happy member of the Creation Care team. I look forward to supporting this congregation and its staff in discerning and following God's call in a world of deep peril and great possibility!

PARISH INFORMATION

COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP FAIR JAN. 15

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CHILDREN & YOUTH CHOIRS AND TRINITY SINGERS RESUME PRACTICE ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

Children's Choir and Trinity Singers will resume rehearsals on January 18. For more information on choral and instrumental opportunities, talk to Phil Radtke. Children's Choir meets from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and sings in worship every 4-6 weeks. Trinity Singers rehearses from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. and sings in worship once a month during the 8:45 a.m. service.

GAME NIGHT SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Holy Trinity members and friends of all ages are invited to an evening of some fun competition playing favorite games and new games. Come and play from 5:00-9:00 p.m. The Nurturing Committee will provide pizza, drinks, and dessert. Bring your favorite game. Sign up in the Community Room by January 15.

ONE SERVICE AT 10:00 A.M. ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

The 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services will gather together for one service at 10:00 a.m. followed by the Annual Meeting in the gym. Today's texts remind us that the blessed are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. We are called into this counter-cultural way of living and serving. A perfect message for Annual Meeting Sunday! Gloria Ringers help to lead our worship at 10:00 a.m.

HOLY TRINITY'S ANNUAL MEETING, SUNDAY, JAN. 29

Holy Trinity's 119th Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 29, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. The meeting will be in-person with a livestream option. There will be one worship service only that Sunday. We hope you'll make plans to join us!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH TALENT SHOWCASE, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5 10:00 A.M.

We will celebrate the talents of Holy Trinity's young people during our annual talent showcase in the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. This will serve as our adult forum for the day. Music, dance, poetry, art... Sign up in the Community Room.

FIRST SUNDAY MUSINGS, FEBRUARY 5

Head to Turtle Bread at 4205 E. 34th St. at 12:15 p.m. with several other members for lunch and conversation. No sign up necessary. The group meets by the brightly colored sign in the Community Room.

HOLY TRINITY DELIVERS MEALS ON WHEELS MONDAY-FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6-10

Holy Trinity volunteers will deliver meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels on Monday-Friday, Feb., 6-10. Volunteers pick up meals at 11:15 a.m. at Nokomis Square (50th St. and 35th Ave. S.) Meal Delivery take about one hour. Contact Mary Engen or sign up in the Community Room for part or all of the week.



ECOFAITH SUMMIT 2023

FEBRUARY 4TH, 2023

ECOFAITH SUMMIT 2023 FEBRUARY 4, 10:00 A.M.

This Summit will bring together lay people, clergy, community partners, and everyone in between from across the Minneapolis Area Synod to learn from one another about the incredible work already happening in our communities and future opportunities to further our Lutheran commitment to push back against our climate crisis.

Look forward to a morning of great speakers, lunch, social time, and opportunities to learn how you and your congregational community can take effective creation care actions.

Lunch will be provided. And, if you need onsite translation or childcare, please fill out the registration form by January 16. Register [here](#).

PASTOR ANGELA ON LEAVE

Pastor Angela is still on leave. To honor this time of rest, we ask you to refrain from emails, phone calls, and text messages (even the most kind and loving ones!). Your prayers, of course, are welcome and appreciated.

~ Concerning People ~

We pray today for all those in need of God's tender care, especially those who face illness, sorrow, or hard times, including Deacon David's mother, **Margarita; Mike Miller; Lee Kampinen; Pastor Angela; Jack Hanson; Dorothy Kelly; Cori Gershon; Marcea Mariani; DeWayne Townsend III; Marlene Peterson; Mary Heltsley; Mark Symchych; Mary Petersen's friends, Anna Marie and Dolores.**

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023

| 8:45 AM | | 11:00 AM |
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| Ingrid Rasmussen | Preacher | Ingrid Rasmussen |
| Doug Mork | Presiding Minister | Doug Mork |
| | Crucifer | Jeff Olsen Biebighauser |
| Dietrich Jessen | Guest Organist | Dietrich Jessen |
| Stephanie Sulzbach | Cantor | Stephanie Sulzbach |
| Rick Liedholm | Assisting Minister | Nicki Hines |
| Andrea Martin, Sally Kohlstedt, Tom Kleven | Communion | Roberta Shaw, Libby and Keith Olstad |
| Ginny and Chuck Jordan, David Broberg | Ushers | Helen and Bob Norheim, Chris Amundson |
| Carol and David Berg | Altar Guild | Roberta Shaw, Doris Gbala |
| Mary and Chris Engen | Coffee Servers | Arlene Helvig, Ann White |
| Annie Hines | Counters | Wayne Vetter |
| | Closer | John Sulzbach |

PARISH EVENTS JANUARY 15-21, 2023

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| Sunday, January 15 | 8:45 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 2:00 PM | Worship Service of Holy Communion Adult Forum Worship <u>Service</u> of Holy Communion Swahili Service |
| Monday, January 16 | 6:30-8:00 AM | MLK Day/Office Closed MLK Day Breakfast in the Gym |
| Tuesday, January 17 | 11:00 AM | Worship Readings <u>Discussion</u> |
| Wednesday, January 18 | 5:00-8:00 PM 5:30-6:30 PM 6:00-8:00 PM 6:00-7:30 PM 7:30-8:30 PM | Choir Family Meal Children's Choir Rehearsal Supervised Play Time Gloria Ringers Rehearsal Trinity Singers Rehearsal |
| Thursday, January 19 | 8:00 AM | Encore! (at Turtle Bread on 42nd Ave) |

LIVESTREAM LINKS FOR WORSHIP SERVICES

A [live-stream](#) of the 11:00 a.m. Sunday service is available online at 10:55 a.m. You can access recordings of previous worship services [here](#).

