



WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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ANNUAL MEETING RECAP

After a combined 10 AM worship service, the 119th Annual Meeting of Holy Trinity convened last week in the gym. It was the first hybrid annual meeting, with a full basement and a full zoom screen of members who joined us online. Thanks to everyone who helped with preparation, setup, lunch, childcare and all the other roles that made this gathering a success.

In addition to conducting the regular financial business of the congregation, highlights of the meeting include:

- Acknowledge of communal grief over Pastor Angela's departure and space for sharing, questions and conversation.
- Small group discussions around Holy Trinity's five congregational goals for next year:
 - Nurture community care and connection as we emerge from COVID separation and isolation.
 - Grow in competency and commitment to racial justice, particularly naming and actively addressing anti-Blackness.
 - Deepen commitment to issues of gender and sexuality, particularly people who identify as Transgender.
 - Continue to grow in competency and commitment to caring for God's creation.
 - Honor the Dakota people, the original and contemporary stewards of this land.
- Election of 4 new members of the Council (Anne Beschnett, Matt Floding, Sandra Hisakuni, and Dennis O'Brien) and announcement of the 2023 Executive Committee: Allison Johnson Heist, Council President; Gretchen Lund, Vice President; Erin Henry, Secretary; and Katie Schroeder, Treasurer. We are so blessed with leaders of vision and integrity!
- Recommendations from the Stepping Out Home working group that will guide the council and congregation on updates to the building that will serve mission and ministry.
- An extraordinary video from the Stepping Out in Faith Community working group: <https://vimeo.com/795392792>
- Approval of the 2023 budget and authorization of 2023 special appeals for ELCA World Hunger, the Lutheran Diaconal Association and MIGIZI.
- Approval of a new land acknowledgement for use by Holy Trinity-watch for more from the Council on how this will be lifted up in the life of the congregation.

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY READINGS

*Isaiah 58:1-12; 1 Psalm 112;
Corinthians 2:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20*

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.

February 5 "Children and Youth Talent Showcase"

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.

February 12 "National Center for Youth Development" Bruce Martens

Holy Trinity member Bruce Martens will tell us about his work with National Center for Youth Development. NCYD helps youth build community, identity, and purpose through bicycling-specific activities.

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The meeting concluded with a unanimous vote of confidence for Holy Trinity leaders and a heartfelt word of thanks for all who contributed to the meeting and ministry and most of all to the Spirit who keeps us moving toward the world that God envisions.

TIE BLANKET MAKING FEBRUARY 3, 6:00PM - 8:00PM

You are all invited to a night of making tie blankets that will be donated to Children's hospitals in Minneapolis and St. Paul. Pizza, fruit, and chips will be provided. Join us from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the basement. We're hoping we'll have some amazing adults (in addition to young folks) who can come and help coach our younger kiddos. This should be a fun inter-generational activity.

P A R I S H I N F O R M A T I O N

SHARE GRATITUDE FOR PASTOR ANGELA

To honor Pastor Angela's leadership in this congregation over the past four years, the Church Council is collecting well wishes, memories, reflections, and other words and symbols of gratitude from member households. We plan to put them together into a book over the next few weeks. If you would like to include a few words (or a few hundred words), a drawing, a picture, or another offering, please send it to kekwall@htlcmpls.org by February 10. We'll also have table available on Sunday morning in the Community Room for this purpose. Thank you for contributing to this gift!

SACRED SPACE FOR CONVERSATION AT 10:00 AND NOON ON SUNDAY

Elected leaders and/or staff will be available after worship at 10 and 12 in the Bartsch Room for any members who might want to talk more about the resignation of Pastor Angela.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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 takes about one hour. Contact Mary Engen or sign up in the Community Room for part or all of the week.

WORSHIP ASSISTANT MINISTRY CALENDARS NOW OPEN

The Worship Assistant Ministry calendars for March and April are now *live*. This schedule includes extra services for Holy Week. Volunteers can log into the Rotunda app for the next few weeks and block off any worship dates/times that you cannot serve or that you want to serve. Thanks for serving!

SOUP MAKERS NEEDED FOR WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Looking for several households to help with soup suppers prior to Wednesday Evening Worship in Lent (March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29). Each Wednesday four households would bring soup enough for 30 people and help to serve it. Sign up in the Community Room. Thank you!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

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

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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.

KNITTING GROUP TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Knitters (and crocheters!) are invited to bring their knitting or crochet projects to Holy Trinity on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome to join in for needlework and conversation. For more information, contact Liz Blood (liz.bill.blood@gmail.com).

CANTOR, PHIL RADTKE PRESENTS A HYMN FESTIVAL SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 6:00 PM

Cantor, Phil Radtke will present a hymn festival at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 11 at Bethel Lutheran Church (4120 17th Ave. S) as part of their Second Saturday Concert Series. (\$10 recommended donation). The name of the program is "For the Love of Singing" which will celebrate the joys we have when we sing together and include familiar hymnody interwoven with reflections that tickle the mind and expand on "love" including - how love gathers us, how we can love the earth, how love can be hidden, and for the love of singing.

REMINDER: WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Winter Parking Restrictions begin this week, parking will be banned on the EVEN numbered side (Holy Trinity side) of non-Snow-Emergency routes until April 1, unless conditions allow the City to lift the ban earlier. Parking is allowed on Snow Emergency routes, parkways, and the ODD numbered side of non-Snow Emergency routes, unless otherwise posted. Drivers parking in Minneapolis must follow these Winter Parking Restrictions, or they could be ticketed and towed.

P A R I S H I N F O R M A T I O N

AARP TAX AIDE AT HOLY TRINITY BEGINS FEBRUARY 6

AARP Tax Aide will again be available at Holy Trinity to provide assistance with 2022 tax preparation for seniors and low-income taxpayers. Tax assistance will run from February 6 until April 19. You need an appointment to have your tax documents scanned. Returns are completed off-site.

- **Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays**
call 612-839-9307
- **Tuesdays call 612-468-3431**

When you call, please have your 2021 tax return available.

SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS MEALS ON WHEELS IS 50!

Fifty years ago this month (January 15, 1973) marks the first delivery of meals by South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels (SMMOW)! Then-Nokomis-Heights-Lutheran, and Holy Name Catholic Church members answered the request of the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches to address the need for delivered meals to elderly and disabled residents. Their efforts, along with MANY volunteer hours, donations, and Board service by Holy Trinity and other area churches over the past 50 years has led to an organization that is still going strong today. Fun Fact-The original meals were delivered on REAL dinner plates with plastic domes to keep the food hot and were transported in heavy, wooden boxes with room for six meals. The plates/domes were picked up the next day and were not necessarily clean! We've lightened that load considerably, but are still a great option for those in need!

There are several ways to get involved with SMMOW:

- Consider driving (Contact Mary Engen at 612-716-6338)
- We have two Board positions that are open. One is a Treasurer position. If interested, contact Julie Cahoy (612-618-3814)
- Make a donation to celebrate this important milestone by clicking the "Donate" button at <https://www.southmplsmealsonwheels.com/give>

TWO UPCOMING BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Monday, February 27—Discussion of Richard Rohr's *Falling Upward* with Sandra Hisakuni

Wednesdays in Lent (Beginning March 1)—Discussion of Pastor Melissa Florer-Bixler's *Fire By Night*. Copies are (or will soon be) available in the Community Room

SAVE THE DATE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 INDOOR PROPERTY WORK DAY

Our building is used a lot! Come and help us with some tidying, sorting, purging, dusting, and other indoor work. There will be something for everyone. Let's make it shine! We'll work from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided at noon! Sign up in the Community Room by Sunday, February 26.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12—BLUES FOR AN ALABAMA SKY AT THE GUTHRIE THEATER

We have four tickets available for this play. Please email Kathy Ekwall kekwall@htlcmpls.org if interested.

2022 THRIVENT CHOICE® DOLLARS EXPIRE MARCH 31

Since 2010, over \$370 million has been distributed to thousands of churches, schools, and other nonprofits through Thrivent Choice®. Through this program, eligible members can recommend where Thrivent donates millions of charitable outreach dollars each year. Please consider recommending Holy Trinity for your Thrivent Choice Dollars. If you need help with Thrivent's website, click [here](#) for a step-by-step tutorial that Pam Blomgren

FAMILY-FRIENDLY AUGUST BOUNDARY WATERS TRIP

Attention campers, (and aspiring campers). It may be cold and snowy outside, but it's now time to start the planning for HTLC's annual BWCA canoe trip. This year, our camping adventure is scheduled for August 11-15. If you've always wanted to camp in the BWCA but didn't know where to begin, this trip is your opportunity to learn the ropes with experienced campers. To reserve your spot, sign up in the Community Room before May 15. The total cost is \$175. Scholarships are available. As always, this is a family-friendly trip. Call or email us with any questions or for more details. Please consider joining us this year. Contact Julie @ 612-618-3814 or Tom at 612-616-0507, or jtcahoy@gmail.com.

~ 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 Lee Kampinen; Deacon David's mother, Margarita; 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, FEBRUARY 5, 2023

| 8:45 AM | | 11:00 AM |
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| Doug Mork | Preacher | Doug Mork |
| David Rojas Martinez | Presiding Minister | David Rojas Martinez |
| | Crucifer | Jeff Olsen Biebighauser |
| Andrea Hansen | Cantor | Andrea Hansen |
| Bob Aldrich | Assisting Minister | Tom Skold |
| Kevin Proescholdt, Amy Froiland-Parada, Mike Nevergall | Communion | Bryan Kuzel, David Krig, Keith Olstad |
| David Kohlstedt, Sally Kohlstedt, Cori Gershon | Ushers | Chris Amundson, Joy Nelson, Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson |
| Anne Beschnett, Josh Becker | Altar Guild | Libby Olstad, Keith Olstad |
| Jean Swanson, Kevin Proescholdt | Coffee Servers | Liz Kelley, Josef Fortier |
| Jennifer Frenzel, Charles Jordon | Counters | Debora Helmel, John Sulzbach |
| | Closer | Roberta Shaw |

PARISH EVENTS FEBRUARY 5-11, 2023

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| Sunday, February 5 | 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, February 6 | 6:30 AM | Adult Choir Rehearsal |
| Tuesday, February 7 | 11:00 AM | Worship Readings <u>Discussion</u> |
| Wednesday, February 8 | 5:00 PM 5:30-6:30 PM 6:00-8:00 PM 6:00-7:30 PM | Choir Family Meal Children's Choir Rehearsal Supervised Play Time Gloria Ringers Rehearsal |

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](#).

