



WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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*The Planet You Inherit:
Letters to my Grandchildren
When Uncertainty's a Sure Thing*

Introduction.

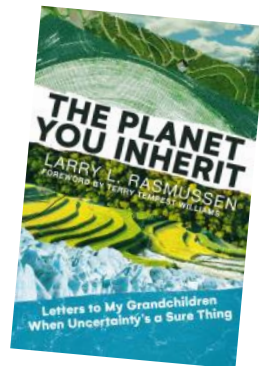
The human imprint is everywhere. It is so deep that not only is the course of evolution shaped by human choice and action but a geological shift is taking place as well. We're moving from the late Holocene (the Wholly Recent Age) into the early Anthropocene (the Age of the Human).

The upshot is that our actual or prospective grandchildren will live on a profoundly different Earth from the one their grandparents knew. What legacy do the grandparents wish to leave? What wisdom for life on a changed Earth do they wish to impart? How does their love show itself when uncertainty's a sure thing for their grandchildren? What kind of planet do our progeny have a right to expect from us?

This book of twenty-two love letters explores that terrain. Readers should imagine themselves writing such letters, receiving them, or both. Empathizing with both the grandparents and the grandchildren is the best way to experience letters that are intimate, highly personal and caring, on the one hand, and radically honest and realistic about tumultuous and dangerous changes, on the other.

From the book cover.

Our children's and grandchildren's generation will face a different world, one affected by climate instability, mass uncertainty, and breathtaking extinction. In fact, the next generation will face the reality that human activity is changing the planet from one geological epoch to another.



From this vantage point—two generations across two geological epochs facing a fundamentally changing planet—Larry Rasmussen writes to his grandchildren. As a grandfather invested in a green earth and climate justice as well as a scholar of faith-based earth ethics, Rasmussen bridges this gap between generations to write to the future about climate change, global citizenship, democracy, and legacy. In topics ranging from “A Viable Way of Life” and “Democracy”

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF
EASTER
READINGS**

Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133,
1 John 1:1—2:2; John 20:19-31

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.

April 7 DISCUSSION ON WILLIAM WILLIMON'S TALK
The Forum will provide an occasion to review the thinking of William Willimon as he reflects on “Being Christian in an election year like this one.” The conversation will be led by Randy Nelson following Willimon’s Zoom presentation on Wednesday, April 3, and a brief excerpt from his book [Resident Alien](#) is available in the Community Room.

April 14 DISCUSSION ON WILLIAM H. LAMAR IV'S TALK
Join us for a discussion of the lecture delivered by Pastor Lamar on Wednesday, April 10. You can read an article available ahead of time to support the discussion. You can read an article by William H. Lamar IV, *Sentiment isn't enough to combat oppression* at this link <https://tinyurl.com/LamarIV>

OLIVE OIL FROM THE MOUNT OF OLIVES

Bottles of fresh olive oil are available in two sizes: 250mL bottles for \$15 and 750 mL bottles for \$35. Purchases support the work of the Lutheran World Federation vocational training program and reduce student fees. Brought to you by the Palestine-Israel Working group. Contact the [office](#) to purchase.



~ Concerning People ~

We pray today for all those in need of God's tender care, especially those who face illness, sorrow, or hard times. We pray especially for **Vicki Mann**, whose sister died this past week; **Bob Norheim**, receiving treatment for lymphoma; **Stella Townsend**; **Matt Floding**; Katie Murray's mom, **Pat Wilson**; Mary Ann Sheets's sister, **Lorrie Blain**; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom **Jo**; **Joyce Hanson**; **Dorothy Kelly**; **Cori Gershon**; **Juliet Williamson**; **Joanne Chadwick**; Jan Mehlhoff's friend **Margie Guelker**.

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to “Where We’ve Come From” and “Who We Are Now,” Rasmussen explores the large questions of justice, meaning, and faith, encouraging us to speak to and look to the future generation and their future world.

Join us Monday, April 8, for an in person discussion with Larry Rasmussen.

DIALOGUE BREAKFAST MONDAY, APRIL 8

You are invited to a Dialogue Breakfast on Monday, April 8, featuring Larry Rasmussen, a Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics, Union Theological Seminary, New York City.

Here at Holy Trinity, Larry Rasmussen will speak about the themes in *The Planet You Inherit: Letters to my Grandchildren When Uncertainty’s a Sure Thing*, his newest book.

WHAT: Dialogue Breakfast with Larry Rasmussen

WHEN: Monday April 8, 8:30 a.m.

WHERE: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2730 East 31st St, Minneapolis, MN

WHERE TO REGISTER (for food planning):
<https://forms.gle/WSVqzsz652jCUCpG9>

This breakfast is open to all, invite a friend.
Books will be available for purchase.

STUDENT FROM LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY IS OUR GUEST PREACHER THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday we welcome Danny Reinschmidt from Lutheran Campus Ministry-Twin Cities, an organization that bears witness to the love and mercy of Christ in the midst of 55,000 young adults at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. We often talk about young adults as the “future” of the church and fail to understand the ways they are shaping it now, in the present.

As we move into a new, post-pandemic life together, we continue to learn so much from the young adults in our midst. Whether bearing the weight of mental illness, entrenched polarization, or the deepening climate crisis, young adults are learning what it means to be resilient and faithful amidst a world that will likely be uncertain for a very long time.

And still, or maybe because of this uncertainty, students are actively engaged with their faith. They are hungry, and they show up to pray, to serve, to learn, and to worship together. More than anything, they show up to connect, and to center down in the love of God. At LCM, we see first-hand the incredible work of the Holy Spirit, who animates these young adults and our ministry among them.

To learn more, visit <https://umnlutheran.org/support-us/>

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

APRIL BOOK GROUP WITH PASTOR DAVID

In *The Land Is Not Empty*, author Sarah Augustine unpacks the harm of the Doctrine of Discovery. What was done in the name of Christ must be undone in the name of Christ, the author claims. Sign up and pick up a copy of the book (only a few copies left) in the Community Room.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9—WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS STUDY

Join Pastor Doug and congregants on Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the youth library or on Zoom to study the assigned worship readings for the upcoming Sunday. Participants need not attend every session, and no prior bible experience is necessary (to join on [Zoom](#): Meeting ID: 872 7504 3389, Passcode: 336030).

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10 AND THURSDAY, APRIL 11—YOGA CLASSES RESUME AT HOLY TRINITY



Join us on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. or Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning April 10 and 11 with James Orione .

If you have your own mats, blocks, blankets, straps, or bolsters, please bring them. Extras are available for those who need them. Donations are accepted, but not expected. Classes are open to everyone—members and non-members. Invite a neighbor. Classes will be in the Bartsch Room.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10 —KNITTING LESSONS FOR LONGFELLOW MOMS

Once a week teach knitting to Longfellow High School students who are pregnant or parenting. Help students learn the basics of knitting and help with beginning knitting projects while getting to know students and the volunteer knitting teachers. Meets every Wednesday at 2:00 pm at Longfellow High School during the school year. For more information, contact Liz Blood (liz.bill.blood@gmail.com).



LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES

APRIL 10: LECTURE ON BEING CHRISTIAN IN AN ELECTION YEAR LIKE THIS ONE

Join us on April 10 at 7:00 p.m. for a hybrid event with William H. Lamar IV, Pastor of Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church of Washington, D.C. William will be zooming in to present and talk with us, followed by treats in the Community Room.



Click [here](#) to read an article by William H. Lamar IV, *Sentiment isn't enough to combat oppression*.

This lecture is open to all, invite a friend.

SAVE THE DATE

YOUTH RECITAL RESCHEDULED TO APRIL 21, 10:00 A.M.

Join us at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary or on Zoom as we celebrate the gifts of several of Holy Trinity's young people during the annual youth recital. For more information, or to sign up to perform, contact Phil Radtke (pradtke@htlcmpls.org).



CARE OF CREATION ECO-FAIR, SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Come enjoy the colorful Eco-Fair again this year in the Community Room on Sunday April 21 between services and after the 11 am service. We'll have members giving out info on their use of electric induction stoves, Ridwell, Imperfect Foods, new creation care book summaries, Third Act, pollinator gardens and lawns, and more! Have something you do that you'd like to share? Contact Kathy Hollander (kath77holl77@gmail.com) or Ginny Jordan (byecracky@gmail.com).

PROPERTY WORK DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Our property needs a little extra TLC as the weather changes. Come and help us with digging and bagging, weeding and trimming, Thursday, April 25, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. (If it rains, we'll meet on Thursday, May 2, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.) Sign up in the Community Room by April 21.

SING JOYFULLY - TWIN CITIES CHILDREN'S CHOIR FESTIVAL 2024, SATURDAY, APRIL 27

An ecumenical children's choir festival on April 27, featuring rehearsals, education for musicians, and a hymn festival.

This Twin Cities Children's Choir Festival is open to children in second through sixth grades from any congregation or community choir, or any child who simply loves to sing. They will learn with world-renowned choir director Phillip Shoultz—the associate artistic director of VocalEssence and cantor for worship, music, and the arts at Westwood Lutheran Church. While the choir is rehearsing, church musicians are invited to participate in two continuing education sessions and attend an open rehearsal with the choir. Katie Houts, sacred music choral editor for Choristers Guild, and Mari Espel and, children's choir director at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, will be the clinicians for the continuing education sessions.

The registration fee includes lunch for everyone and music, folders, and t-shirts for the child participants. Directors will receive a complimentary one-year membership in Choristers Guild. If the registration fee is beyond your budget, scholarships are available upon request. Please email Sally Messner, Hennepin's director of worship & music, at sally.messner@haumc.org for information about scholarships.

This event is sponsored by the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, Choristers Guild, and Thrivent Financial.

Sign up by contacting Phil Radtke (pradtke@htlcmpls.org). We hope to have a good showing from Holy Trinity!

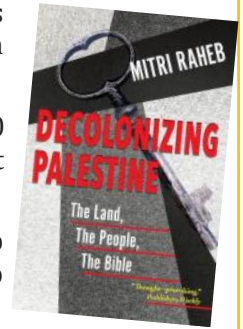
Click [here](#) for more information.

PALESTINE/ISRAEL MAY BOOK DISCUSSION

"Decolonizing Palestine" by Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb puts this hot topic into historic and scriptural perspective. Ever felt overwhelmed by the complexity of Palestine/Israel? This short, easy-to-read book and discussion are for you!

Wednesdays, May 8, 15 & 22 from 5:30-6:30 p.m., in the library. You are invited to come at 5:00 p.m. for dinner with Youth and Families

Order a complimentary book by signing up in the community room or email Bob Brose (bob_b@qbjet.com).



FAMILY-FRIENDLY BOUNDARY WATERS TRIP AUGUST 9-13



Attention campers, (and aspiring campers). It's now time to start the planning for HTLC's annual BWCA canoe trip. This year, our Boundary Waters camping adventure is scheduled for August 9-13. We are planning to go in at Lake One, a large lake with many route and camping options. 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. The total cost is approximately \$175 per person. Scholarships are available. As always, this is a family-friendly trip. Please consider joining us this year. Call or email with any questions or for more details (Julie 612-618-3814 or Tom 612-616-0507 / jtcahoy@gmail.com).

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BARS AND COOKIES FOR UPCOMING FUNERALS

We have four funerals in April for which we need bars and cookies. We would like to get 10-12 volunteers to provide 2 dozen cookies or bars each. Please sign up in the community room or contact the office (kekwall@htlcmpls.org) if you are able to help.

Arnold (Arnie) Edwin Johanson, Funeral Service: April 13 at 2:00 p.m.

Anne Curtin, Funeral Service: April 20 at 1:30 p.m.

Mary Jean Paavola, Funeral Service: April 22 at 1:00 p.m.

Allene M. Qualheim, Funeral Service: April 22 at 5:30 p.m.

We could also use a couple more volunteers to help usher and serve.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAYS

We are looking for worship leaders for April. Please sign up in the Community Room.

We could use more folks on the volunteer list. Please contact the office (kekwall@htlcmpls.org) if you'd like more information on the roles available and how to get started. There are many opportunities; Altar Guild, Cantor, Usher, Crucifer, Assisting Minister, Communion Assistant, Coffee Server, Video Operator, Prayer Writer, Communion Bread Baker.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Danny Reinschmidt	Preacher	Danny Reinschmidt
Doug Mork	Presiding Minister	Doug Mork
Phil Radtke	Cantor	Phil Radtke
David and Carol Berg	Altar Guild	Vicki Bergman, Doris Gbala
Karen Batdorf	Assisting Minister	Kris Christians
	Crucifer	
Margaret Kolden, Sally and David Kohlstedt	Communion	Libby and Keith Olstad
Chris Engen	Ushers	Bob Hulteen
Kevin Proescholdt, Jean Swanson	Coffee Servers	
Abs Trewin	Counters	Wayne Vetter, Deb Helmel
	Closer	Roberta Shaw
	Video Operator	Jan Mehlhoff

PARISH EVENTS APRIL 7-APRIL 13, 2024

Sunday, April 7	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum
	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service
Monday, April 8	8:30 AM	Dialogue Breakfast with Larry Rasmussen
	6:30 PM-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, April 9	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
	6:45 PM	Big Meeting Night
Wednesday, April 10	12:00 PM	Yoga
	5:00 PM	Choir Family Meal
	5:45-6:45 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	6:00-8:00 PM	Supervised Play Time
	7:00 PM	Lecture by William H. Lamar IV
Thursday, April 11	7:30 PM	Yoga
Saturday, April 13	2:00 PM	Funeral for Arnie Johanson

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](#).

