We acknowledge that we gather on the Dakota homeland

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ADULT EDUCATION AT HOLY TRINITY

Education as an activity of the church is an acknowledgement that "faith seeks understanding." Even though "we walk by faith and not by sight" as the hymn declares, education provides insight and understanding into what and why we believe.

Holy Trinity is committed to education both for our young people and for the adults among us. The primary vehicle through which that is done for adults is through the Adult Forum which takes place in the Library between our two worship services every Sunday morning.

Each Sunday we gather to explore what it means to live out our faith in various dimensions of our lives. Themes are varied and touch on such matters as increasing our Biblical literacy, family lives, economic questions, political issues, interpersonal relationships, social injustice, sexual and gender identity, and theological questions. Presenters are also varied, taking advantage of the experiences and expertise of members and non-members alike.

Adult Education is also provided through sponsored study trips such as the recent one to important sites in the civil rights movement, through special events such as the recent dialog breakfast with ethicist Larry Rasmussen, through events committed to mitigate consequences of climate change, through book studies, and through opportunities for Holy Trinity members to give expression to their faith by sharing "My Life Story, My Faith Story." As congregational and community life evolve, we continue to look for new ways to engage the interests and meet the schedules of members of this community.

All such events, activities, and presentations are intended to increase understanding of what it means to live as faithful followers of the God who created and redeemed us and sets us free to do the work of God in the world.

~ 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 **Libby and Keith Olstad**, who are displaced following a fire at their home; **Bob Norheim**; **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; and the family and friends of Mark Hiner, who died this past week.



Fourth Sunday of Easter

READINGS

Newsletter

Acts 4:5-12; Psalm 23, 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

ADULT FORUM

Holy Trinity Adult Forums feature in-person presentations beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. The presentations are also available via <u>Zoom</u> for those unable to attend in person.

April 21 YOUTH RECITAL AND ECO FAIR

Join us for the youth recital at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary or on Zoom as we celebrate the gifts of several of Holy Trinity's young people. The ECO Fair, sponsored by the Caring for Creation Committee, will be taking place in the Community Room all morning.

April 28 ST. JOHN'S BIBLE

Watch for more information in next week's newsletter.

CARE OF CREATION ECO-FAIR, SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Come enjoy the colorful ECO Fair in the Community Room on Sunday, April 21, between services and after the 11:00 a.m. 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!

FORMER HOLY TRINITY INTERN TO BE ORDAINED

Mollie Hamre (nee Varpness) is being ordained on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church. Mollie interned at Holy Trinity in 2020 and 2021.

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

An ecumenical children's choir festival will be held April 27, featuring rehearsals, education for musicians, and a hymn festival at 2:00 p.m. at Hennepin United Methodist Church. **The hymn festival is free and open to the public.**

Sign up by contacting Phil Radtke (<u>pradtke@htlcmpls.org</u>). We hope to have a good showing from Holy Trinity! Click <u>here</u> for more information.

SAVE THE DATE

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!

Discussions will be 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 by emailing Bob Brose (bob_b@qbjnet.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 familyfriendly 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 / itcahoy@gmail.com).

PENTECOST WORSHIP WITH THE MINNESOTA SWAHILI CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION MAY 19, 11:00 A.M.

On Sunday, May 19 (Pentecost) we will have a joint service

with the MN Swahili Christian Congregation. Bishop Ann Svennungsen will be preaching. This is a tradition we are bringing back after a hiatus due to COVID. Following the service, our two communities will come together to share a meal.

The MN Swahili Congregation will be bringing chicken and rice, which is a traditional dish they often share in community. We invite our members to bring salads and desserts to contribute. Feel free to define "salads" expansively. Education hour for youth and adults will be at 10:00 a.m.

We will have one service only on May 19 at 11:00 a.m.

GLORIA RINGERS AND CHILDREN'S CHOIR CONCERT Wednesday, May 8, 6:00 p.m.

Gloria Ringers and members of the Children's choir will celebrate the end of their season by presenting a concert at Johanna Shores Senior Living in Arden Hills at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend the concert.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS MAY 26

Between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend, the 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services will join together for one service at 10:00 a.m. The summer season affords us the opportunity to see and to connect with members and friends from "the other service." come join us at 10:00 a.m.!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, APRIL 23-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 24 AND THURSDAY, APRIL 25 YOGA CLASSES AT HOLY TRINITY



Join us on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. or Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. with Yoga Instructor, James Orione.

If you have 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 are in the

Bartsch Room.

KNITTING LESSONS AT LONGFELLOW H.S., WED. 2:00 P.M. Teach knitting to Longfellow High School students who are pregnant or parenting. Help them learn the basics of knitting and help with beginning knitting projects while getting to know students. Meets Wednesdays at 2:00 pm at Longfellow High School during the school year. For more information, contact Liz Blood (<u>liz.bill.blood@gmail.com</u>).

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HARTSOE FUNERAL APRIL 27

We need 4-5 volunteers to provide cookies treats, and 5-6 volunteers to help usher, set up, serve, and clean up. Please sign up in the Community Room or contact the office (sroberts@htlcmpls.org) if you are able to help. Visitation at 10:00 a.m., service at 11:00 a.m. followed by coffee, treats, and light lunch.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAYS

We are looking for worship leaders for April and May. 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.

UPDATE ON VOLUNTEER SOFTWARE

We have decided to launch the new volunteer software (REALM) in the fall when we move back to two worship services after the summer schedule. This will allow us plenty of time to migrate data, set up training sessions, and ensure a successful launch. During the summer, the Volunteer Engagement Spark will help to discern the gifts and talents of congregants and match them with the gifts and needs of the congregation.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024			
8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
David Larson-Martínez	Preacher	David Larson-Martínez	
Ingrid Rasmussen	Presiding Minister	Ingrid Rasmussen	
Julie and Tom Cahoy	Altar Guild		
Rick Liedholm	Assisting Minister	Melanie Townsend	
	Crucifer		
Amy Froiland-Parada, Aaron Hanson	Communion	Wayne Vetter, Zoe Martinez, Everett Martinez	
	Ushers	Amber Barry, Adam Lewis	
Mary and Chris Engen	Coffee Servers	Joy Nelson, Zoe Martinez	
	Counters	John Sulzbach	
	Closer	Roberta Shaw	
	Video Operator	Jeff Weiss	

PARISH EVENTS APRIL 21-APRIL 27, 2024		
Sunday, April 21	10:00 ам 11:00 ам	Worship Service of Holy Communion ECO Fair Youth Recital in the Sanctuary Worship Service of Holy Communion Swahili Service
Monday, April 22	5:30 рм	Mary Paavola Memorial Service Allene Qualheim Funeral Service Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, April 23	11:00 ам	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday, April 24	5:45-6:45 рм 6:00-8:00 рм	Yoga Choir Family Meal Children's Choir Rehearsal Supervised Play Time Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
Thursday, April 25	4:00-7:00 рм 7:30 рм	Outdoor Property Work Day Yoga
Saturday, April 27	11:00 ам	Funeral Service for Jim Hartsoe

LIVESTREAM LINKS FOR WORSHIP SERVICES

A <u>live-stream</u> of the 11:00 a.m. Sunday service is available online at 10:55 a.m. You can access recordings of previous worship services <u>here</u>.

