

## HOLY TRINITY

LUTHERAN CHURCH

# THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Newsletter

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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# SOUP FOR YOU! BEGINS SERVING AT HOLY TRINITY JUNE 3

We are just over a week away from Soup For You! beginning soup service at Holy Trinity. We would love to offer SFY! a warm welcome when they begin service the week of June 3. Members are welcome and encouraged to come and enjoy a nice bowl of soup, engage in conversation, and get to know the chef(s) and volunteers at Soup For You!, especially the first week. All are welcome, invite your friends and neighbors!

#### WHAT TO EXPECT





When you come to SFY! you can expect:

- To be treated with dignity and respect.
- To enjoy a mix of guests from all walks of life.
- To be nourished both by the healthy, homemade food and by the warm community environment.

In return we expect that you:

- Are not under the influence of a chemical substance.
- Are dressed for a café. As with any restaurant "No shirt, no shoes, no service".
- Treat other guests and our volunteers appropriately.

SFY! is a café where you are our guest. Have a seat at a table and a volunteer will come by, ask you for your soup order, and bring it to you. We serve flavorful soups (2-3 varieties per day) and you may enjoy up to two bowls of soup. Most soups are vegetarian (and many vegan) to suit a wide range of dietary, cultural, and religious needs. We also offer luscious side dishes, bread and yummy desserts (as available). Everything is served with real dishes and stainless ware – no paper or plastic at SFY! There is no cost for the meal, yet donations are gratefully accepted.

While at your table, please enjoy conversation with your tablemates. Many friendships have been started at SFY! Become a regular and our volunteers will greet you by name, too!

Tuesdays are special at SFY! That's when the SFY! house band, *The Grateful Fed*, provide music. There may even be a chance for a singalong!

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# HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY READINGS

Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

#### NO ADULT FORUM

REMINDER: No weekly Adult Forum during the summer schedule. Watch the Community Church for special adult education opportunities throughout the summer.

On Wednesdays we distribute bags of produce and groceries (depending on availability). The food is donated to SFY! by our partners through food rescue programs keeping perfectly good food from being discarded.

You can find more information about Soup For You! and how to volunteer here: <a href="https://soupforyou.info/">https://soupforyou.info/</a>

#### SPECIAL GIFTS-THAT ALL MAY BE FED

The congregation's two special appeals this spring underscore the reality that food scarcity remains a pervasive problem in our neighborhoods and around the world. You can help by supporting the refurbishment of Holy Trinity's basement kitchen in preparation for Soup for You!, which will host free lunches five days a week beginning in early June. Additionally, the ongoing wars in Gaza and North Africa and indeed throughout the world have created displacement and dire food shortages. The ELCA World Hunger Program continues to respond to poverty and hunger across our country and other nations through direct food aid as well as projects intended to address root causes of hunger. Click here to support either or both of these special appeals (https://htlcmpls.org/donate/). Thank you for your generosity.

### ~ 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 Deb Anderson's Uncle Rick; Bob Norheim; Katie Murray's mom, Pat Wilson; Mary Ann Sheets's sister, Lorrie Blain; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Joyce Hanson; Cori Gershon; Juliet Williamson; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, Margie Guelker: the family of Matt Floding, who's funeral was this past Monday; Linda and Phil Jury, whose son's Alex funeral is May 24 in California.

### PARISH INFORMATION

### **REMINDER**

# REMINDER: SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS THIS SUNDAY, 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.!

#### OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 27

The church office is closed on Monday so staff can spend time with their friends and families. We'll talk to you on Tuesday!

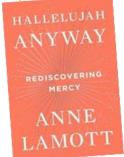
### HAPPENING THIS WEEK

**TUESDAY, MAY 28–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, MAY 29 AND THURSDAY, MAY 30 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.

### **SAVE THE DATE**



## JUNE 2024—BOOK DISCUSSION WITH PASTOR INGRID

In Hallelujah Anyway: Rediscovering Mercy, Lamott ventures to explore where to find meaning in life. We should begin, she suggests, by "facing a great big mess, especially the great big mess of ourselves." It's up to each of us to recognize the presence and importance of mercy everywhere—"within us and outside us, all around us"—and to use it to

forge a deeper understanding of ourselves and more honest connections with each other. While that can be difficult to do, Lamott argues that it's crucial, as "kindness towards others, beginning with myself, buys us a shot at a warm and generous heart, the greatest prize of all." We will meet once, in-person, to discuss the book! Date and time will be determined by participants. Sign up in the Community Room.

# SUNDAY, JUNE 2 THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 30—BIKE TO CHURCH MONTH

Ride your bike to church. Don't forget our newest bike parking station on the lawn in front of the church!

#### MONDAY, JUNE 3-HOLY TRINITY WELCOMES SOUP FOR YOU!

Holy Trinity is excited to welcome Soup for You! to their new home, operating out of our space. Soup For You! is a gathering space for the Community of Minneapolis and beyond. Guests enjoy a homemade soup lunch complete with sides of bread, salad, and desserts. But more than just a hot meal, guests enjoy a sense of community and a place for social connection. All are welcome whether you are experiencing homelessness and poverty, a local neighbor or business person, a student, or someone looking for a luscious meal and a warm welcome space. Soup is served 12:00-1:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. The first day of service at Holy Trinity is June 3.

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 4-KNITTING GROUP



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 (<u>liz.bill.blood@gmail.com</u>).

# WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 AND THURSDAY, JUNE 6 YOGA CLASSES AT HOLY TRINITY, LAST CLASSES FOR THIS SESSION

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### SUNDAY, JUNE 9—MUSIC IN THE GARDEN

Join us for music and wood-fired pizza in the garden at 11:00 a.m. (immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service). It promises to be fabulous. All are welcome.



# MONDAY, JUNE 10—LONGFELLOW ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY

Graduation will be held at Anne Sullivan School, June 10, 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in the celebration as 20 students receive their diplomas. Contact Zoe Martinez for more information.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12—SUMMER FAMILY FUN NIGHT: NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE AND PIZZA

Introducing Summer Family Fun Nights at Holy Trinity! Let's take advantage of the sunny days and come together from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. for a night of food, fun, and friendly connections. Today we will march around the block reminding ourselves and those in our neighborhood



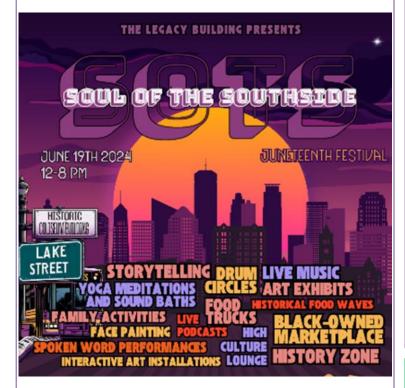
that God is love. Wear all your rainbow gear! We'll provide everything, just bring your family! Hosted by the Children and Family Team.

### PARISH INFORMATION

### **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

### Wednesday, June 19—Soul of the Southside Juneteenth Festival

Join us for the Soul of the Southside Juneteenth festival on Wednesday, June 19, 12:00-8:00 p.m., as we transform 30th and Minnehaha Ave., and Lake Street in South Minneapolis into a vibrant celebration of freedom. This annual event commemorates the June 19, 1865, announcement of the Emancipation Proclamation in Galveston, Texas, marking a significant moment of liberation for enslaved Black Americans. Now in its third year, the festival remains free to attend, is for all ages and has expanded to include the Historic Coliseum Building, enhancing our tribute to Black history, arts, culture, food, music, storytelling and more. Discover how you can support this empowering event through sponsorships, donations, or volunteering by visiting the we site www.SoulOfTheSouthside.com. RSVP is encouraged. Celebrate with us and be part of a community that honors the resilience and creativity of Black Americans, embracing our rich heritage and fostering a brighter, more inclusive future for all.



# SATURDAY, JUNE 22—OUR REDEEMER OROMO CHURCH ONESIMOS NESIB DAY CELEBRATION

Our Redeemer Oromo Church is planning to celebrate Onesimos Nesib day on June 22, 2024, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Onesimos was enslaved and sold many times. But he escaped slavery with help of Swedish missionaries and translated the Bible into Oromo language. We are celebrating the 125th year anniversary of the Oromo Bible and our Lutheran heritage. The Holy Trinity congregation is kindly invited to join the celebration and share in stories and delicious traditional Oromo food with a coffee ceremony. Our Redeemer Oromo Church, 4000 28th Avenue South in Minneapolis.

#### **UPRISING STORY BOOTH AND PHOTOT EXHIBIT**

Want to share your story of Uprising with a friend? Want to ask a friend about their experiences? Sign up with Amy Levad for the Uprising Story Booth, and invite a friend to join you. Amy will provide assistance with preparing and recording your conversation. Times are available on Sunday, May 26 and by appointment. Email Amy at <a href="mailto:amy.levad@stthomas.edu">amy.levad@stthomas.edu</a> to sign up.

Over the last few months, Amy Levad has curated an exhibit from photos shared from participants in the Story Sharing Photo Project. Dr. Levad's exhibit is available to view in the Mary Martha Room.

Here are photos from last Wednesday's event, introducing the photo exhibit and story booth.











#### THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

The past week was an example of all the things that happen in the life of a congregation. The youth event on Friday evening, a wedding on Saturday, the combined service with the Minnesota Swahili Christian Congregation and lunch for Pentecost, the funeral for Matt Floding on Monday. All of these events were supported by members of the congregation volunteering in a number of ways. Ushers, set-up, serving, clean-up, making treats and salads, being supporters in times of joy and grief. A heartfelt thank you to all who volunteered for these and the many other events and activities that happen regularly, including weekly worship services. A congregation is dependent on volunteers and Holy Trinity is blessed with members freely willing to share of their time and talents. You are appreciated.

Worship Participants for Sunday, May 26, 2024		
10:00 AM		
Preacher	David Larson-Martínez	
Presiding Minister	Doug Mork	
Altar Guild	Doris Gbala	
Assisting Minister	Karen Batdorf	
Crucifer		
Communion	Tom and Kari Klevin, Aaron Hanson	
Ushers	Julie and Tom Cahoy, Sally and David Kohlstedt	
Coffee Servers	Tom and Kari Klevin	
Counters	John Sulzbach	
Closer	Roberta Shaw	
Video Operator		

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAYS**

We are looking for worship leaders for the summer months. A reminder we start our Summer Schedule this Sunday. Once service at 10:00 a.m. through Labor Day weekend. Please sign up in the Community Room or the office (kekwall@htlcmpls.org).

We could use more folks on the volunteer list. Please contact the office (<a href="kekwall@htlcmpls.org">kekwall@htlcmpls.org</a>) 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.

PARISH EVENTS MAY 26-JUNE 1, 2024			
Sunday, May 26	10:00 ам	Worship Service of Holy Communion	
Monday, May 27		Office Closed	
Tuesday, May 28	11:00 ам	Worship Readings Discussion	
Wednesday, May 29	12:00 рм	Yoga	
Thursday, May 30	7:30 рм	Yoga	

#### LIVESTREAM LINKS FOR WORSHIP SERVICES

A <u>live-stream</u> of the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service is available online at 9:55 a.m. You can access recordings of previous worship services <u>here</u>.

