



FOURTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 16, 2024

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
MINNEAPOLIS

## WELCOME TO ALL

*The people of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church wish to extend a special welcome to all visitors!*

*Please leave your name and phone number on the visitor card found in the pew.*

*We are committed to the inclusion of all people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice **open communion**, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.*

*Children are full participants in this congregation's worship, educational, and community life! The Mary Martha Room is a quiet space for infants needing to nurse or to nap. For active toddlers, the Community Room has a Children's Corner with books and a table at which to play. Our ushers are ready to assist you in finding the place that best fits your family's needs.*

***Accessible and all-gender restrooms** are located in the basement.*

***Single-use, all-gender restrooms** are located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor.*

*For over forty years, this congregation has advocated for the **full welcome, inclusion, and equity** of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the church and the community. We invite all people into lives of authenticity, integrity, and wholeness.*

***Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins** are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.*

*Our **services are livestreamed** on Vimeo and Facebook every week. The live shot includes the main floor of the sanctuary. Our members who watch from home love to see their friends at church! If for privacy reasons you prefer not to be on camera, the balcony is outside of the camera's range.*

*If you are seeking **pastoral care**, please speak to a pastor today.*

*Today's bulletin cover art, entitled "Hidden Hope," is provided by Robyn Sand Anderson.*

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# GATHER

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*+invites the congregation to stand*

PRELUDE

*Partita on 'AR HYD Y NOS'*

P. Radtke

+GATHERING HYMN

*God, Whose Farm Is All Creation*

*Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the sanctuary.*



1 God, whose farm is all cre - a - tion, take the grat - i -  
2 Take our plow - ing, seed - ing, reap - ing, hopes and fears of  
3 All our la - bor, all our watch - ing, all our cal - en -



tude we give; take the fin - est of our har - vest,  
sun and rain, all our think - ing, plan - ning, wait - ing,  
dar of care in these crops of your cre - a - tion,



crops we grow that we may live.  
rip - ened in this fruit and grain.  
take, O God: they are our prayer.

+GREETING

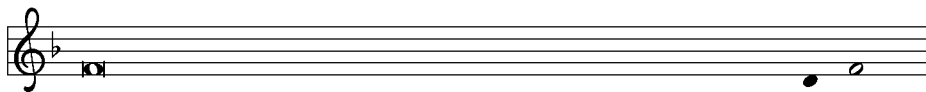
The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

+KYRIE



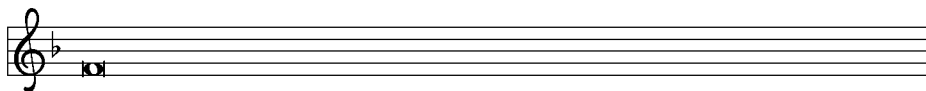
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



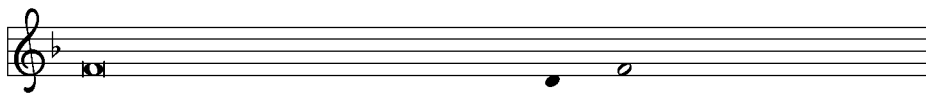
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



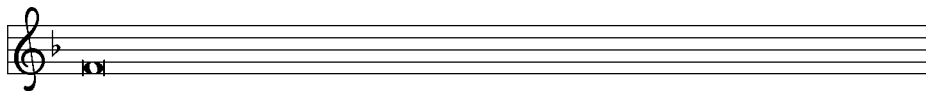
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



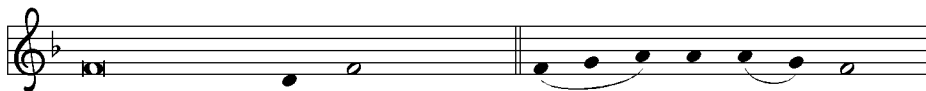
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



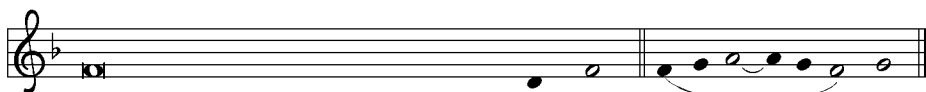
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE

*Hear the Spirit of Creation*



- 1 Hear the Spir - it of cre - a - tion surg - ing through each root and vein,
- 2 With the Spir - it of cre - a - tion, we may fash - ion all things new,
- 3 Then with joy and ad - o - ra - tion gath - er chis - el, brush, and pen,



Source of soul-sprung in - spi - ra - tion, Word a - wak - ing heart and brain,  
nour - ish hope and con - so - la - tion, look be - yond each nar - row view,  
tools from ev - 'ry life's vo - ca - tion made to build, de - light, and mend.



rous - ing us to bold in - ven - tion, acts of beau - ty, love, and praise:  
claim a clear, trans - form - ing vi - sion, tem - pered by hu - mil - i - ty,  
Praise the Spir - it of cre - a - tion who sus - tains the work we tend;



faith re - vealed with - out pre - ten - sion, found in ges - ture, line, and phrase.  
while we craft with love's pre - ci - sion all that grace has let us see.  
join the soar - ing, glad o - va - tion; sound the hope - ful, loud A - men.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

WELCOME

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# WORD

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FIRST READING

*Ezekiel 17:22-24*

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 92:1-4, 12-15

Aaron David Miller

**Refrain** (First time: cantor, then all)

The right - teous shall spread a -  
broad like a ce - dar of Leb - a - non.

<sup>1</sup>It is a good thing to give thanks <sup>1</sup> to the LORD,  
to sing praise to your name, <sup>1</sup> O Most High;

**<sup>2</sup>to herald your love <sup>1</sup> in the morning  
and your faithful- <sup>1</sup> ness at night;**

<sup>3</sup>on the psaltery, and <sup>1</sup> on the lyre,  
and to the melody <sup>1</sup> of the harp.

**<sup>4</sup>For you have made me glad by your <sup>1</sup> acts, O LORD;  
and I shout for joy because of the works <sup>1</sup> of your hands. Refrain**

<sup>12</sup>The righteous shall flourish <sup>1</sup> like a palm tree,  
and shall spread abroad like a ce- <sup>1</sup> dar of Lebanon.

**<sup>13</sup>Those who are planted in the house <sup>1</sup> of the LORD  
shall flourish in the courts <sup>1</sup> of our God;**

<sup>14</sup>they shall still bear fruit <sup>1</sup> in old age;  
they shall be <sup>1</sup> green and succulent;

**<sup>15</sup>that they may show how up- <sup>1</sup> right the LORD is,  
my rock, in whom there is <sup>1</sup> no injustice. Refrain**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

+GOSPEL READING

Mark 4:26-34

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

+HYMN OF THE DAY

*Arise, O Righteous Oaks, Arise*

Arise, O Righteous Oaks, Arise (Text by Susan Briehl, Tune by Marty Haugen © 2004.  
Commissioned by Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for 100th Anniversary.)



1. A - rise, O Righ - teous Oaks, a - rise, our God has  
2. As earth send forth its ten - der shoots, and gar - dens  
3. In word and deed good news pro - claim: Now those who  
4. A - rise, O God's a - noint - ed ones, your songs from



plant - ed you for good, A liv - ing sign of  
cause the seed to grow, So God will feed and  
mourn are com - for - ted; The bound are freed from  
ev - 'ry na - tion raise. A - dorned with grace and



Christ a - live and ac - tive in this neigh - bor - hood.  
tend your roots, 'til jus - tice blooms and bless - ings flow.  
fear and shame, and all are wel - comed, hon - ored, fed.  
gar - lands, come, re - joice and join cre - a - tion's praise:



To God's new day a - wak - ened, by ten - der mer - cy crowned, the



cit - y, Not For - sak - en, is ho - ly, ho - ly ground.



**+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*A New Creed, Church of Canada*

We are not alone;  
We live in God's world.

**We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
Who has come in Jesus,  
The Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the church:  
To celebrate God's presence,  
To live with respect in creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
Our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*(silence)*

Nourish your faithful people through gifts of word and worship. Guide the church in listening to and interpreting your message of grace for this time and place in history. In your wisdom, lead us in expanding the reach of your love. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

Nature sings your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night. Sustain the holy rhythms of creation: days and seasons, hibernation and activity, phases of the moon and tides of the sea. Let these patterns assure us of your constancy. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

You raise the lowly and humble those in high regard. Raise up all who are victims of marginalization, discrimination, and hate. As we anticipate Juneteenth, banish white supremacy and bigotry from the hearts of your people and remove the inclination toward anger and violence. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

Tend to all who journey by faith and who wait with patience for the fulfillment of your healing promises, especially Lois Eid's niece, Kathleen Siebrands; Pat Lundquist; Rick Lathrop; Katie Murray's mom Pat Wilson; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Cori Gershon; Joyce Hanson; Juliet Williamson; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, Margie Guelker; as well as those we hold in our hearts or speak with our voices now (*the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care*). Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

As you have loved us, so let us love one another. Empower all fathering figures, including: fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers, adoptive fathers, and chosen fathers to embody this gift of love for their children. Where these relationships are strained or broken, bring your comfort and peace. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

*You are invited to offer spoken petitions.*

*At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "Merciful God,"  
to which the congregation will respond, "Receive our prayer."*

Receive our prayers and hopes, God of mercy and justice, as we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

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## MEAL

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### +PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*You are invited to exchange words and signs of fellowship and love with those around you.*

### OFFERING

*Minuet from French Suite No. 4*  
Colton Baldus, Bass

J. S. Bach

+OFFERTORY HYMN

When at Last the Rain Falls

*Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.*



1 When at last the rain falls, our world turns liv - ing  
2 All the pret - ty song - birds re - joice and sing your  
green. Lit - tle flow - ers blos - som, the air is warm and  
praise, war - ble hymns ex - qui - site, through sun - ny spring - time  
clean. See the gor - geous lil - y its ra - diant blooms dis -  
days. Night - in - gales and tree - frogs sing praise when it grows  
play; may I just as bold - ly praise God in my own way.  
dark, on - ly cease at day - break, and then we hear the lark.

*Refrain*

All the lit - tle flow - ers and ten - der curl - ing ferns show theirmak - er's  
To - da flor sil - ves - tre, la ma - ya, el cun - dea - mor: ¡c6 - mo ma - ni -  
glo - ry, eachpraise to God re - turns. Sing, all of cre - a - tion, yourmak - er prais - es ac -  
fies - tan la glo - ria del Se - ñor! ¡C6 - mo se te a la - ba en to - da la cre - a -  
cord! I al - so will of - fer my songs to you, O Lord.  
ción! Yo qui - sie - ra ha - cer - lo en for - ma j - gual, Se - ñor.

+OFFERING PRAYER

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## +GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

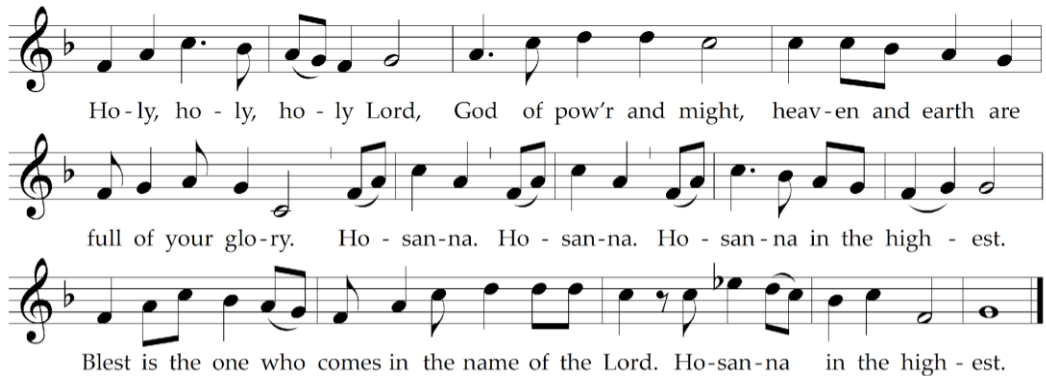
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O Tree of Life, you laid the foundations of the earth, and breathed life into every creature, creating us in our variety to cherish your world and seek your face. We praise you and give you thanks for your abundant love toward this earth. You entered our struggle, that you might deliver all creation from its bondage to oppression and decay.

Therefore, with those whose voice is silenced, with those who call for freedom, those whose harvest celebration sings through hardship and labor and love; and crying with them for that new creation when the morning stars shall sing together and all the children of God shout for joy, we praise you, singing:

## +SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are  
full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho - san-na. Ho - san-na in the high - est.  
Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## +WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### +LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together,

**Our Creator, Our Mother, Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**+LAMB OF GOD**



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Please be seated.*

**COMMUNION INVITATION**

All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger.

For those worshipping at home, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

*All are welcome at the table.*

*Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.*

*An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle, where an usher will receive your communion cup.*

*If you wish to receive communion from your pew, please let an usher know.*

**DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM**

*Minuet from French Suite No. 2*  
Colton Baldus, bass

J.S. Bach

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

*For the Fruit of All Creation*



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

**+BLESSING**

The body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

**+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

We give you thanks, O God, that you make your home with us, bringing heaven to earth in this holy meal. Fill us with your Spirit as we go from here, that we may wipe away tears, tend to those in mourning and pain, seek the healing of the nations, and bring to earth the presence of Christ, our Savior and guide.

**Amen.**

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## SENDING

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+SENDING HYMN

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

*Children and youth are invited to join the worship leaders as they recess  
and gather at the rear of the sanctuary to share the dismissal.*

Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con-fess-ing, the peo-ple of  
With praise and thanks-giv-ing to God ev-er-liv-ing, the tasks of our  
God from this dwell-ing take leave. The sup-per is end-ed. Oh,  
ev-ry-day life we will face—our faith ev-er shar-ing, in  
now be ex-tend-ed the fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.  
love ev-er car-ing, em-brac-ing God's chil-dren, the whole hu-man race.  
The seed of Christ's teach-ing, re-cep-tive souls reach-ing, shall blos-som in  
With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us; u-nite us as  
ac-tion for God and for all. Your grace shall in-cite us, your  
one in this life that we share. Then may all the liv-ing with  
love shall u-nite us to work for your king-dom and an-swer your call.  
praise and thanks-giv-ing give hon-or to Christ and his name that we bear.



**+BENEDICTION**

May the God of Love strengthen us in our love for others.  
May Jesus the Christ who shared his life grant us grace that we too might share our lives.  
And may the Holy Spirit dwelling in us empower us to be faithful in our service.  
**Amen.**

**+DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbors!  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Prelude from 'Six Little Preludes'*  
Colton Baldus, bass

J.S. Bach

*You are invited to the Community Room  
(located at the rear of the worship area) for a time of conversation and refreshments.*

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# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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LITURGY SETTING TODAY: *ELW SETTING THREE*

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

10:00 AM

<b>Preacher</b>	David Larson-Martínez
<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Doug Mork
<b>Crucifer</b>	
<b>Cantor</b>	Cathy Alpizar
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Tom Skold
<b>Communion</b>	Roberta Shaw, Kathy Skold
<b>Ushers</b>	Chris Engen
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Vicki Bergman
<b>Counters</b>	Annie Hines, Deb Helmelt
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Kevin Proescholdt, Jean Swanson
<b>Closer</b>	

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# COMMUNITY INFORMATION

## COTTAGE MEETINGS FOR ALL MEMBERS HAVE BEGUN

June through August, we will host 12 cottage meetings for all members of this congregation. The pastors and Council leadership invite you to participate in one of the gatherings, which will allow us to build connections between seasoned members and newer members of the community. Look for a personal invite to attend one of the events soon.

## BIKE RIDE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26 (RAIN DATE FRIDAY, JUNE 28)

Join Pat Libra and Sheryl Udem for an evening bike ride. Meet at the church at 5:30 p.m., roll 10-ish miles, and finish at Sea Salt for a bite to eat, a cold beverage, or ice cream! Sign up in the Community Room by June 23.

## “WHERE OLIVE TREES WEEP” – DOCUMENTARY JUNE 26

Please join MN Christians for a Free Palestine and the Palestine/Israel Committee for a screening of the newly released documentary, *“Where Olive Trees Weep.”* (2024) This film offers a searing window into the struggles and resilience of the Palestinian people. It explores themes of loss, trauma, and the quest for justice. The event will be hosted at Holy Trinity in the Bartsch room, Wednesday, June 26. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., the program starts at 6:00 p.m., wrapping up by 8:30 p.m. Discussion and refreshments are included. There is a suggested donation of \$10 to support humanitarian efforts\*. If you've been wondering about the issue from the inside or have friends and family who want more information, this is an opportunity. We would love to see you there!

\*Your contribution supports planting olive trees in Palestine with **Treedom for Palestine**, humanitarian aid in Gaza with **Middle East Children Alliance** and trauma healing in Palestinian communities with **Catharsis Holistic Healing**. It will also help us bring the movie to larger audiences and broaden the understanding of the situation in Palestine, along with the cycles of trauma that perpetuate it.

## “LOVE IN A TIME OF HATE” – THEATRE NIGHT JUNE 29

The Racial Justice Committee invites you to a theatrical production of “Love in a Time of Hate” on Saturday, June 29, at 7:00 p.m. This futuristic reimagining of Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet addresses pressing social issues of our time with adult language and themes. Tickets are pay-what-you-can-afford from \$20 to \$29. Sign up in the Community Room.

## SUMMER POP-UP CHOIR SUNDAY, JUNE 30

There will be three opportunities to sing as a choir in worship this summer. Everyone is welcome, from those who can’t commit to weekly rehearsals during the school year but have always wanted to sing to those who have sung in the choirs for years. (Family and friends who are visiting are also welcome!) Rehearse at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary for the 10:00 a.m. worship service. No preparation needed! This will be an intergenerational pop-up choir offering music accessible to both young and old.

## HOLY TRINITY DELIVERS MEALS ON WHEELS JULY 1-3, 5

Holy Trinity volunteers will deliver meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels on Monday-Wednesday, and Friday, July 1-3, 5 (no delivery on July 4). Volunteers pick up meals at 11:15 a.m. at Nokomis Square (50<sup>th</sup> St. and 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. S.). Meal delivery takes about one hour. Contact Mary Engen ([engenmary@yahoo.com](mailto:engenmary@yahoo.com)) to sign up for part or all of the week.

## P A R I S H   S C H E D U L E

Tuesday, June 18	11:00 AM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Readings Discussion Executive Committee Church Council
Wednesday, June 19	Juneteenth	Office is closed
Thursday, June 20	8:00 AM	Encore! at Turtle Bread
Sunday, June 23	10:00 AM 2:00 PM	Worship Service of Holy Communion Swahili Service

### *FEATURED MUSICIAN SPOTLIGHT*

## *COLTON BALDUS, BASS*

I recently moved up to the twin cities after graduating from Luther College in 2023. I work as a community organizer which means that I help communities build collective democratic power to bring about change in their neighborhoods. When it comes to dog or cat person it's actually both, I have a nifty ability of getting along with most animals, I've been told it's because I give off "golden retriever" energy by my friends. Rent is crazy right now, so I currently live in my grandpa's basement in Cottage Grove. Other than that, what you should know about me is that I love a good Carne Asada Burrito, so if you know any places, please let me know!

So how did I get into the double bass? I used to play cello back in elementary school because I wanted to learn music and be a part of an orchestra. By the time middle school came around, I really wanted to learn bass, but my orchestra teacher told me no. So, I quit! I would only rejoin if I got to learn how to play the bass. My teacher at the time did not like that. Fortunately, my mom stepped in and advocated on my behalf, and I got reinstated in the orchestra as a string bassist. The rest is history!

*Each week of the summer we will hear a featured musician who is part of the Holy Trinity community that will share their musical talent in worship. Get to know them here! Interested in sharing your talent? Contact Cantor Phil Radtke.*