



WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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LONGFELLOW ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL

With the Longfellow Alternative High School Graduation coming up Monday, June 10, we wanted to share more about the school, why this graduation is special, and why and how Holy Trinity partners with the school.

ABOUT

Longfellow High School is a district-wide alternative school program of the Minneapolis Public Schools and Teen Adolescent pregnancy and Parenting {TAPP} Program.

Longfellow is community of students, staff, families, and county and community partners working collaboratively to promote generational self-sufficiency among pregnant and parenting teens.

We believe in a comprehensive approach to providing positive education options, health and pregnancy prevention for teen parents. We strive to support students in improving their attendance and enhance their academic performance.

Longfellow High School uses a personalized school model that is tailored to the needs and interests of each individual student. Through flexibility and choice, we honor and recognize the unique gifts, skills, passions, and attributes of each student, as well as each student's challenges and obstacles to learning. Students choose how they will accomplish their goals -with support of teachers and instructional support staff, through Project-Based Learning (PBL), blended-online courses as well as some small group projects and seminars. Advisors work with each student to create an individualize pathway to graduation - plans for completing required credits and incorporating job skills, internships, classes at MCTC and other activities depending on each student's career goal.

FROM HOLY TRINITY

Holy Trinity has partnered with Longfellow Alternative High School for more than 10 years. We are like a PTO that supports the school. Each fall, someone from the school comes to an adult forum and updates us on their program. They also provide a list of ways we can support their program as well as these young moms and their children.

Holy Trinity also helps by gathering school supplies and warm outdoor clothing in the fall. At the beginning of the school year, we provide breakfast for the staff. We also support the program by volunteering to help students who are learning English. There is a great need in the fall for people who speak Spanish to help support all these new moms from Latin America.

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST READINGS

Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1; Mark 3:20-35

A SUCCESSFUL FIRST WEEK OF SOUP FOR YOU!



~ 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 **Pat Lundquist**; Deb Anderson's **Uncle Rick**; **Bob Norheim**; Katie Murray's mom **Pat Wilson**; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom **Jo**; **Cori Gershon**; **Joyce Hanson**; **Juliet Williamson**; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, **Margie Guelker**.

PARISH INFORMATION

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We have a weekly knitting class where volunteers teach the moms ways to make items for their children and themselves. (And we work on speaking English!)

If you have a skill you could share with the students, you are invited to speak to a class. Some examples might be, "How to start a business styling hair," or "How to plan healthy meals for your family," or "How to become a midwife."

Day care is provided for these moms as part of the program; help is needed to rock babies. We also help provide diapers and clothing for small children. Longfellow has a store where students, based on their attendance, can earn dollars to spend. Donations for the store are welcome. Toys, T-shirts, household goods, and children's books are always needed.

Every year Holy Trinity plans a winter celebration with homemade holiday treats. Holy Trinity families are paired with Longfellow moms and their children; they give them gifts to brighten their holidays.

At graduation, we give each graduate a gift bag filled with household supplies and a Target gift card. Holy Trinity members support these moms and their families by attending the graduation ceremony.

Holy Trinity helped fund the start of their foundation, Close to our Hearts. This foundation gives scholarships each year to graduates to help them continue their post-secondary schooling. It helps them pay for things such as drivers education classes, rent deposits, or healthy snacks during the school day. Please consider giving a donation to their foundation. Go to the website (closetoourhearts.org) to donate.

I encourage you to check out the Longfellow website to read their school newspaper. It includes stories about some of the challenges of being a young mom as well as their journeys of coming to the United States.

These are just some of the ways we have interacted with the Longfellow program. The joy of seeing these moms and their children thrive is such a reward.

~Zoe Martinez, Holy Trinity Member

[Click here](#) to read the schools latest newsletter and learn more about the school, the moms that attend, and the stories of how they got here.

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.



WEEKEND REMINDER

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). The musicians for this date are Practical Cats, a duo, two guitar players with one hundred years of experience between them, Bob Aldrich and Braden Canfield. Nothing fancy, just music they love to play. You'll know some, and discover some new songs, unless you are a musicologist, in which case they hope you find it worthy. It promises to be fabulous. All are welcome!



HAPPENING THIS WEEK

JUNE IS PRIDE MONTH



June is Pride Month! The Pride Flag has been raised atop the building in support of our LGBTQIA+ members and community. [Click here](#) for more information on the 2024 Twin Cities Pride Festival and other events happening during the month of June.

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.



TUESDAY, JUNE 11—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, 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.



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. Books are available in the Community Room.

“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. Teatro del Pueblo, a non-profit Latino theater on the west side of St. Paul, has promoted Latinx culture through the creation and presentation of performing arts, developing and supporting Latinx artists for 15 years. Tickets are pay-what-you-can-afford from \$20 to \$29. Contact Kathy Hollander to claim a ticket.

UPRISING STORY BOOTH AND PHOTO 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 by appointment. Email Amy at amy.levad@stthomas.edu 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.

FEATURED MUSICIAN SPOTLIGHT

ANDREW MARTIN, STEELPAN

I grew up in a musical family and my parents always had music playing or the radio on. I started playing drums and percussion in middle school and knew by the time I was about sixteen that I wanted to make music a vocation. I’m a Caribbean and African music specialist and there is a saying among those who play steelpan that “it chooses you” which was certainly the case for me. I was gifted with sensitive ears at birth and I am attracted to various sounds in my environment, I hear music all around every day.

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.

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.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024

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| 10:00 AM | |
| Preacher | Doug Mork |
| Presiding Minister | Ingrid Rasmussen |
| Altar Guild | Ginny Jordan, Mary Engen |
| Assisting Minister | Carol Masters |
| Crucifer | Wayne Vetter |
| Communion | Libby and Kieth Ostad, Wayne Vetter |
| Ushers | Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson |
| Coffee Servers | Nicki Hines |
| Counters | Deb Helm |
| Closer | John Sulzbach |
| Video Operator | Bob Hulteen, Aedan Herman |

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAYS

We are looking for worship leaders for the summer months. A reminder we start our Summer Schedule this Sunday. One 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 (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.



BIKE TO CHURCH IN JUNE

Ride your bike to church Sunday, Now - June 30. Don't forget our newest bike parking station on the lawn in front of the church!

PARISH EVENTS JUNE 9-15, 2024

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| Sunday, June 9 | 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 2:00 PM | Worship Service of Holy Communion Music in the Garden Swahili Service |
| Tuesday, June 11 | 11:00 AM 6:45 PM | Worship Readings Discussion Big Meeting Night |
| Wednesday, June 12 | 5:30-6:30 PM | Family Fun Night |

LIVESTREAM LINKS FOR WORSHIP SERVICES

A [live-stream](#) of the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service is available online at 9:55 a.m. You can access recordings of previous worship services [here](#).

