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# THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Newsletter

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# YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAMMING IS BACK IN SESSION

We are very excited to be re-starting our educational programming this upcoming Sunday in between services. As a reminder, education hour runs roughly from 10:00 a.m.-10:50 a.m., and all are encouraged to attend worship before or after. It is a joy to be community together! Thank you for a wonderful turnout at last week's Renewal Sunday party where we were able to enjoy fun activities, reconnect after busy summers away, and get back into the rhythm of two Sunday services with community-building in between.

We are still in need of regular substitute teachers for Sunday School. As a community, we rely on your volunteerism, and the youngest among us deserve the best. We cannot provide good programming without your help. Please let Pastor David (or any one of the staff) know if you are able to gift at least one Sunday per month to assist in a Sunday School classroom. With gratitude to our Summer Spark positions, all of the Sunday lessons from September 2024 through June 2025 are already set up in an easy-to-jump-into way for any adult willing to help. We are committed to providing one Godly Play classroom, three Trinity Village classrooms, and one Confirmation classroom every Sunday (roughly following the Minneapolis Public School's calendar for holidays) so we need your help!

The Godly Play classroom is meant for pre-K through kindergarten aged children. In this classroom they engage foundational biblical stories through fun storytelling, lots of age-appropriate activities, and accessible language for their young minds. Have you ever popped your head into the Godly Play classroom? When you do, you will hear robust singing, joyful laughter, and sincere praying. Please reach out to Kay Buzza if you are interested in helping with this age group.

The Trinity Village classrooms are meant for children in grades 1-5, roughly. By this point in their lives, children are beginning to read (or are already great readers), so the group of kids is divided up into three classrooms. In their classes, they are invited into lessons that are age-appropriate and based on the Revised Common Lectionary so that it can tie back to our community's worship life. When you visit these classrooms you will hear earnest questions, joyful laughter in engaging the content, and budding faith stories. Please reach out to Noëlle Morrell, Marcia Floding, and/or Jenni Vaillancourt if you are interested in helping with this age group.

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# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST READINGS

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 116:1-9; James 3:1-12, Mark 8:27-38

#### **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.

# September 15 "Report back from Rabbis for Ceasefire delegation to Palestine"

Sharon Jaffe is a local Kohenet - Jewish ritual leader in the earth-based and feminist traditions. She joined a multi-faith delegation to Palestine-Israel organized by Rabbis for Ceasefire and Christians for Ceasefire. Buddhists, Muslims, Hindi, and Sheik people were also participants. The delegation planned to learn about and visit Palestinian practitioners of popular resistance based in Gandhi's satyagraha. Sabeel, a Christian Palestinian organization, organized meetings and peaceful presence inside the 1948 boundaries and also in the West Bank. This report back will share what Sharon witnessed, current information on the settlers' violent incursions on Palestinian villages and responses to that, and thoughts about solidarity from an American Jewish perspective. The delegation is traveling from August 25th to September 7th. Don't miss this eyewitness report on the ongoing situation in Palestine.

# September 22 "Conversation with Rev. Hierald Osorto, today's preacher"

Today's preacher is Rev. Hierald Osorto, pastor of San Pablo / St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the Phillips neighborhood. San Pablo is an ELCA, Reconciling in Christ congregation founded in 1887 (18 years before Holy Trinity!) to meet the spiritual needs of the Swedish Lutherans in that neighborhood. Now, St. Paul's is a multicultural, multilingual congregation worshiping in Spanish and English. We are delighted to participate in a "pulpit swap" today. Pastor Hierald will be at Holy Trinity for both services, and Pastor Ingrid will be with the congregation at San Pablo / St. Paul's this morning!

#### $\sim$ Concerning People $\sim$

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 **Aric Sorenson** and **Ty Inglis**; **Mary Petersen**, recovering from a fall; James Nysse's cousin, **Eric Steckling**; **Wayne Vetter**; **Shawn Barry**; Katie Murray's mom **Pat Wilson**; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom **Jo**; **Cori Gershon**; **Juliet Williamson**; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, **Margie Guelker** 

#### PARISH INFORMATION

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The Confirmation program at Holy Trinity is meant for youth entering their 6th grade year and concludes in October of their 9th grade year. I am very biased, but I think this is a fun group of folks to engage! When you visit the Sky Room on the fourth floor you will find us asking difficult questions, playing ping-pong or billiards, or thinking about the kind of adults we want to be in this world. We use the Confirm not Conform curriculum created by our Episcopalian siblings, and invite our youth to think deeply about whether or not the Christian faith connects with them. Please reach out to Pastor David, Andrea Hansen and/or Nicki Hines if you are interested in helping with this age group.

Again, we are so very much looking forward to re-launching our programming this upcoming weekend. Our building will be humming with activity in between services, including education hour. The youngest among us will be learning about our faith and making it their own. We need all of your help to make this an impactful year. Please consider helping! See you Sunday.

~ Pastor David

#### HAPPENING THIS WEEK

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15—SUNDAY SCHOOL AND **CONFIRMATION KICK OFF**

Regular Sunday School and Confirmation classes begin today! Godly play (pre-K ages), Trinity Village 1 (grades K-1), Trinity Village 2 (grades 2-3), and Trinity Village 3 (grades 4-5) meet in the Education Suite on the second floor. Confirmation students (grades 6-9) meet in the fourth floor Sky Room.

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17-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, SEPTEMBER 18-CHILDREN'S CHOIR, JUBILATION YOUTH HANDBELL ENSEMBLE. AND GLORIA RINGERS REHEARSALS

5:00-6:00 p.m. Choir family meal

5:45-6:45 p.m. Children's Choir rehearsal

5:45-6:30 p.m. Jubilation Youth Handbell Ensemble rehearsal

6:30-8:00 p.m. Gloria Ringers rehearsal

Contact Cantor Phil Radtke (pradtke@htlcmpls.org) or Handbell Director Logan Olson (lolson@htlcmpls.org) if you have any questions.

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19—ENCORE! AT TURTLE BREAD

Encore! (the group for members 50 years of age and older) meets monthly at 8:00 a.m. at Turtle Bread (4205 E. 34th St). There is no agenda. Breakfast goers simply get to know one another. No sign up necessary. Talk to Pastor David if a scholarship would allow you to participate!

#### INSTALLATION OF BISHOP JEN NAGEL. MINNEAPOLIS AREA SYNOD SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 10:30 A.M.

ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton will install Bishop Jen Nagel as the fourth Bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod. When you arrive at Central Lutheran (333 S. 12th Street), make sure to enter the lot through the open-air entrance on the south side of the ramp, so that you don't have to pay for parking. A light reception will follow the installation service. The service begins at 10:30 a.m.!

#### PASTURES A PLENTY SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

The next Pastures A Plenty delivery will be Saturday, September 21. Please have September 19. Email your



order to shop@pasturesaplenty.com, or go to the website (pasturesaplenty.com) and order from there. Delivery at Holy Trinity is scheduled from 2:15 to 2:45 p.m.

#### SOUP FOR YOU! CLOTHES CLOSET DONATIONS NEEDED

Soup for You! will be operating a small clothes closet starting October 1st on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the gym. They are looking for donations of gently used winter items; coats, hats, gloves, socks, etc. This is something they did when they were

located at Bethany and we wanted that to be able to continue here. You can drop off donations to the office anytime between now and October 1. Once the clothes closet in operating, we ask that you drop off donations on Tuesdays and Thursdays only. Feel free to contact the office (612-729-8358) if you have questions.



#### **DISCOVERY OF GIFTS**



As we prepare to ramp up with fall activities, move back to our two service worship schedule, and get closer to using our new information system, we'd like to remind you to fill out the Discover of Gift survey. This is not only to help with matching volunteer opportunities with your gifts and interests, but it will help

us set up the new system (REALM) with up-to-date and accurate information. You can complete the survey two ways:

- 1. Easy online format: <a href="https://htlcmpls.org/discovery-of-gifts/">https://htlcmpls.org/discovery-of-gifts/</a>
- 2. In person: Fill it out during Sunday's service and drop it in the offering plate or basket in the Community Room. If needed, we can mail you a hard copy, contact the office by email (kekwall@htlcmpls.org) or phone (612-729-8358).

#### PARISH INFORMATION

#### SAVE THE DATE

#### POP-UP CHOIR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 8:00 A.M.

You are invited to join a pop-up choir at 8:00 a.m. which will sing for the 8:45 a.m. worship service.

## WE MAKE OUR FUTURE: BUILDING A MULTIRACIAL DEMOCRACY—SEPTEMBER 22

Join Pastor Doug Mork for a powerful conversation and training organized by ISAIAH. Sunday, September 22, 2:00-5:00 p.m., Minnesota Islamic Center, 12119 16th Ave S, Burnsville, MN 55337. In the face of rising Islamophobia and White Christian Nationalism, how will I lead to create a future that advances a multi-racial democracy? What does it look like to show public love to my neighbors? Join us as we get equipped to understand the political moment we are facing and what it will take to move our agenda for a multi-racial democracy and caring economy. We will include narrative training on concrete skills to foster hope and agency among members of your congregation / network and strategically combat fear and hate in our public messaging.

# MONDAY-FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23-27—HOLY TRINITY DELIVERS MEALS ON WHEELS

Holy Trinity volunteers will deliver meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels on Monday-Friday, September 23-27. 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) to sign up.

# THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26—20S AND 30S HAPPY HOUR AT ARBEITER BREWING

Hey, members in your 20s and 30s! Let's meet up at Arbeiter. If it's nice, we'll be on the patio. If it's cold, we'll be inside. We plan to be there from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Hopefully there will be a food truck there, too! James Nysse, one of our hippest Council members, is hosting!

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27—YOUTH FUN AND PIZZA NIGHT

From 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. all youth, including current confirmation students and confirmed folks still in high school, are invited to get together at the church building for an evening of hanging out, pizza -eating, and games at the church.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27—REMINDER FROM CARING FOR CREATION COMMITTEE

The Caring for Creation Committee wants to remind everyone to clean out their storm drain this week. For more information, or to adopt a storm drain, go to https://mn.adopt-a-drain.org.

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 AND TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29— TWO-PART SERIES ON CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM AND CHRISTIAN ZIONISM

In October the Adult Ed committee will host a two-part series on Christian Nationalism and Christian Zionism. In preparation for this series, you are invited to read Pamela Cooper-White's book *The Psychology of Christian Nationalism:* Why People Are Drawn In and How to Talk Across the Divide. You can pick up a copy of the book in the Community Room. Watch the Community Church for more details about the series in the coming weeks.



# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12—OVERCOMING WHITE SUPREMACY AND PRIVILEGE

The Racial Justice committee will sponsor a workshop on October 12 on "Overcoming White Supremacy and Privilege", 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has often struggled to reckon with what it means to be a 98% white church in a country full of white body supremacy. In the wake of Dylan Roof (a white supremacist ELCA church member who killed 9 people at Mother Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, SC), the stakes are high for us to figure out how to develop new cultural patterns of Gospel Inclusion. Through this engaging workshop, JUST move will provide interactive learning experiences designed to unpack how we respond to unearned white body privilege. Participants will:

- Develop a deeper understanding of white body privilege and its effects on us.
- Deepen their awareness of white supremacy cultural patterns and how to transform them into more liberative patterns.
- Increase our own awareness of our bodies and discover how to move from shared racialized trauma into healing and justice.
- Sharpen tools of breach-repairing in a white body. We will combine theoretical frameworks and practical tools along with creative pedagogical tools such as music,
- Poetry, storytelling, and conversation.

**David Scherer** is a performer, teacher, author, trainer, and facilitator who helps people build bridges across the "differences that make a difference". David's reconciliation work has taken him across the world to Bosnia, El Salvador, Haiti, and other countries. He teaches Graduate School Intercultural Competence courses, is a Qualified Administrator in the Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI), and is also a trained facilitator with the Kaleidoscope Institute.

**Joe Davis** is a nationally-touring artist, educator, trainer, and speaker based in Minneapolis, MN. He employs poetry, music, theater, and dance to shape culture. He has keynoted, facilitated conversation, and served as teaching artist at hundreds of high schools and universities including programs in New York, Boston, and most recently as the Artist-in-Residence at Luther Seminary where he earned a Masters in Theology of the Arts.

The workshop offers a safe and supportive place to explore these important issues. Please sign up in the Community Room.

#### SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS MEALS ON WHEELS BOARD

Our partner in mission, South Minneapolis Meals On Wheels, is seeking new board and committee members. Board and committee positions offer a new way to serve your community and help your neighbors stay in their homes for as long as possible. Perhaps you've wanted to help, but can't take time out over the noon hour? Or you're looking for a meaningful way to contribute to your neighborhood, while building your professional resume? Questions? Ask your Meals On Wheels coordinator, Mary Engen ([612)716-6338 or engenmary@yahoo.com)

#### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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8:45 AM		11:00 AM		
David Larson-Martínez	Preacher	David Larson-Martínez		
Doug Mork	Presiding Minister	Doug Mork		
Ann Schrooten	Cantor	Ann Schrooten		
Amy Hanson	Altar Guild	Vicki Bergman		
Karen Batdorf	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Margaret Kelly		
	Crucifer			
Aaron Hanson	Communion	Dennis O'Brien, Nicki Hines		
Sally and David Kohlstedt	Ushers			
Sally and David Kohlstedt	Coffee Servers			
Julie Cahoy	Counters	Deb Helmel		
	Closer	Bob Hulteen		
	Video Operator	Bob Hulteen		

#### PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

We will have a professional photographer on site 8:45-11:45 a.m. this Sunday. She will be taking various photos during services, the Renewal Sunday celebration, and adult and youth education hours. She will also be taking new directory photos. This is a great opportunity to have your photo updated.

#### PARISH EVENTS SEPTEMBER 15-21, 2024

Sunday, September 15		Worship Service of Holy Communion Adult Forum
		Youth Education
		Worship Service of Holy Communion
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service
Monday, September 16	6:30-8:00 рм	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, September 17	11:00 ам	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday, September 18	5:00-6:00 рм	Family Meal
	5:45-6:30 рм	Jubilation Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal
	5:45-6:45 рм	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	6:00-8:00 рм	Open Gym
	6:30-8:00 рм	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
Thursday, September 19	8:00 am	Encore! At Turtle Bread
Saturday, September 21	10:30 ам	Installation of Bishop Jen Nagel at Central Lutheran Church

#### 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>.

