# HOLY TRINITY\_\_\_\_\_

LUTHERAN CHURCH

# THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Newsletter

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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## JOIN US ELECTION WEEK

Dear friends.

With days until the election, we have heard from many of you that you're experiencing complex emotions. The Presidential race is close. The rhetoric is abrasive. Democracy feels fragile. The stakes feel high.

We have also heard of the ways you're generously using your time, energy, and resources in the public square. In this community we have people who are writing postcards, door -knocking, raising funds, and inviting neighbors to make voting plans.

As people of faith, our politics are deeply connected to our faith. We find our deepest belonging not in party but in God. That belonging causes us to resist the urge to turn inward and instead opens our hearts to see our neighbors—their worries, their needs, their longings. In seasons like these, we might find that we need a few more gentle reminders of these truths.

To this end, we are inviting you to consider joining us for one or more of the following worship gatherings during election week:

# Monday, November 4—Soup at 12:00 p.m. and Prayer at 12:30 p.m.

Join Pastor Ingrid, Pastor David, Pastor Doug, and Cantor Phil for a Soup for You! lunch in the church basement at noon. At 12:30 p.m., we will move upstairs to the sanctuary for a 20-minute prayer service.

# Monday, November 4—Election Worship with Longfellow Congregations at 7:00 p.m.

Longfellow congregations will gather together for prayer at St. Peder's Lutheran Church on November 4 at 7:00 p.m. We will be using an adapted Healing of the Nations liturgy developed in Holden Village. All are welcome, regardless of religious or political affiliation, as we bring our prayers for the future and wellbeing of the United States and all of creation to God. The address for St. Peder's is 4600 E 42nd St and parking can be found in the parking lot on the east side of the building or on the streets surrounding the church. Holy Trinity is assisting with sweet treats for this gathering; sign up in the Community Room if you can bring one dozen cookies or bars. We need ten bakers!

### Tuesday, November 5—Election Day

Holy Trinity is a polling place, so staff will be busy from the (Continued on next page)



# ALL SAINTS SUNDAY READINGS

Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24; Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

### **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** (meeting ID:858 5687 1594; passcode:31787) for those unable to attend in person.

### November 3 Adult Forum to Honor the Saints

Today we remember those sinner-saints who have died before us. Too rarely are we given the opportunity to talk with one another about the loss of beloved friends and family members. This year, we invite you to bring pictures of the saints in your life and display them in the Community Room during the adult forum hour (10:00 a.m.). During the hour, we'll have an opportunity to share stories about the photos we bring.

# November 3 "There Was an Election" Bob Hulteen, facilitator

...now what do we do? Those gathered will discuss the details around the election(s), how they are feeling in response, and what we are called to do as people of faith. Bring what you know and feel to the discussion.

#### **COMMITMENT CARDS FOR 2025**

We invite members and friends to consider making a financial commitment to the mission and ministry of Holy Trinity for 2025. Your gifts will allow us to support our dedicated staff, offer our space for community use, sustain our commitment to neighborhood recovery, and continue organizing for the wellbeing of all—especially in divisive times. You may pledge online or by filling out one of the pledge cards found in the Community Room.

# $\sim$ 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 Nancy Arnison, recovering from surgery; Kathy Ekwall's aunt, Mickie, and friend, Jim Farnes; Nancy Madich's dad George; Mike Kelly; Christine and Michael Scanlan (Theresa Duty's brother); Amy Johnson; Aric Sorenson and Ty Inglis; James Nysse's cousin, Eric Steckling; Katie Murray's mom Pat; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Juliet Williamson; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, Margie Guelker.

### PARISH INFORMATION

sun's rising to its setting. Soup for You! is closed today, and we will not be gathering for prayer. Instead, our feet will pray on our way to the polls.

# Wednesday, November 6—Soup at 12:00 p.m. and Prayer at 12:30 p.m.

Join Pastor Ingrid, Pastor David, Pastor Doug, and Cantor Phil for a Soup for You! lunch in the church basement at noon. At 12:30 p.m., we will move upstairs to the sanctuary for a 20-minute prayer service.

# Thursday, November 7—Soup at 12:00 p.m. and Prayer at 12:30 p.m.

Join Pastor Ingrid, Pastor David, Pastor Doug, and Cantor Phil for a Soup for You! lunch in the church basement at noon. At 12:30 p.m., we will move upstairs to the sanctuary for a 20-minute prayer service.

# Friday, November 8—Soup at 12:00 p.m. and Prayer at 12:30 p.m.

Join Pastor Ingrid, Pastor David, Pastor Doug, and Cantor Phil for a Soup for You! lunch in the church basement at noon. At 12:30 p.m., we will move upstairs to the sanctuary for a 20-minute prayer service.

As always, the pastors stand ready to receive any of you who are struggling. We can promise a listening ear, a cup of tea, and prayer for the healing of all creation.

In compassion,

Pastor Ingrid, Pastor David, Pastor Doug, and Cantor Phil

### **NOMINATE A SPECIAL APPEAL FOR 2025**

Each year, Holy Trinity identifies and authorizes special financial appeals for 2-3 organizations or efforts. Special appeals are characterized by being open ended (i.e., we give to the organization(s) what we receive), they are normally approved for just one year, and they are supported by a special appeal letter which is sent to all the giving households in the congregation.

The Financial Stewardship Committee and Church Council work together to select the organizations. They evaluate proposed organizations based on the organization's relationship to or history with Holy Trinity; the connection between the organization and the goals of Holy Trinity; and the donation's impact. They seek to achieve a balance between local and global giving.

If you have a 501(c)3 organization that you'd like to nominate, please contact one of the church's standing committees and ask for support of your nomination. By tradition, the World Hunger of the ELCA has been included as one of the causes designated for a special appeal and therefore does not need to be submitted by a standing committee. Nominations will be accepted until November 11, 2024. Nominations, supported by a standing committee, may be emailed to Pastor Ingrid. The congregation will be informed of the 2025 special appeals at our annual meeting in January.

### **WEEKEND REMINDERS**

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2—YOUTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER

All 6-12th grade youth are invited to the Progressive Dinner this Saturday night, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Travel with Pastor David to three houses in the Longfellow neighborhood and celebrate Dia de los Muertos in each home. We'll start at Steve and Katie Murray's house for appetizers, walk to Katy and Scott Benson's for the main meal, and then on to Zoe and Miguel Martinez's for dessert. Bring a picture of a loved one who has passed away, and a picture or sample of a food they liked. Parents can drop off at the Murrays at 6pm, 3314 E. 32nd Street, and pick up at the Martinez's about 9pm, 3321 32nd Ave S. Contact the church office (612-729-8358) for more information or to RSVP.



# SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3—DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Set your clocks back one hour when you go to bed so you're not too early to church Sunday morning!

### HAPPENING THIS WEEK

# TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5-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).

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5-SOUP FOR YOU! CLOSED

Due to Holy Trinity being a poling place and using the gym for voting, Soup For You! will be closed Tuesday, November 5.

**NOVEMBER KNITTING GROUP MOVED TO NOVEMBER 12** Due to Election Day, the knitting group will meet November 12 at 1:30 p.m.

# SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9—BIPOC EDUCATION GRANT FUNDRAISING BRUNCH

The Racial Justice and Indigenous Justice Committees of our congregation extended our collaboration with the Tiwahe Foundation and Mother St. James AME Church to provide educational grants to BIPOC students. Education is one critical key to closing the wealth gap for Native American and African American communities. As part of our congregational commitment to reparative or restorative justice for racial wrongs, these special appeals funds will award grants to BIPOC students to provide the resources needed for those who might otherwise leave academic programs prematurely.

To learn more about this special appeal, plan to attend a special brunch at Holy Trinity with the leaders of St. James AME on Saturday, November 9, from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. There will also be an adult forum on this special appeal effort on Sunday, November 17.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10—NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

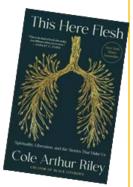
We at Holy Trinity believe that community is integral to faith, which is why we invite interested persons to consider membership in this congregation. A new member orientation will be held on Sunday, November 10, at 10:00 a.m. in between services in the Bartsch Room. Over coffee and snacks, those interested in membership will have the opportunity to learn more about one another and about Holy Trinity's mission and ministry. There are no prerequisites; all are welcome. Please speak with one of the pastors if you intend to come.

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12-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 1:30 p.m. In November it was moved to the second Tuesday due to the elections. All are welcome to join in for needlework and conversation. For more information, contact Liz Blood (liz.bill.blood@gmail.com).

### **BOOK GROUP WITH PASTOR DOUG NOVEMBER 2024**

Join Pastor Doug in reading Cole Arthur Riley's book *This Here Flesh*. In her stunning debut, Riley weaves stories from three generations of her family alongside contemplative reflections to discover the "necessary rituals" that connect us with our belonging, dignity, and liberation. You can sign up in the Community Room, copies of the book are also available there for those interested in joining the discussion. Pastor Doug will



send out a short reflection by email each week. The group is invited to gather for one in-person gathering on Thursday, November 21, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Further details will be sent to participants.

# FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15—SUBMIT COMMITTEE BUDGET REQUESTS FOR 2025

Active committees, it's time to submit your 2025 budget requests! You can email your requests to Pastor Ingrid. We'd love to receive them by Friday, November 15!

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21—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. 34<sup>th</sup> 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!

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WEDNESDAYS IN ADVENT**

We are looking for volunteers to help with Advent Evening Soup Suppers (December 4, 11, and 18). For each meal, 4 households would prepare and serve enough soup for 30 people. One household would prepare 4 boxes of Kraft Mac & Cheese. We are also in need of volunteers for set-up and clean -up each of these evenings. Sign up in the Community Room.

### **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

#### **HOLIDAY SHARING WITH LONGFELLOW SCHOOL 2024**

Each year members of Holy Trinity support Longfellow School by sponsoring moms and their children for Christmas. Zoe Martinez will be in the Community Room after each service during November to sign up sponsors. The holiday sharing celebration will be December 20 at 2:15 p.m. in the Longfellow gym. Be sure to visit with Zoe to learn more and sign up.

# TH!RD ACT—MOVE YOUR MONEY WEBINAR SERIES! MAKE YOUR MONEY WORK FOR CLIMATE CHANGE

Did you know your money could be fueling climate change without you knowing it? Your financial decisions have power—power to align with your values and make a difference. Join us for the Move Your Money Webinar Series on Zoom in mid-November and learn how to transition your finances away from fossil-fuel-backed institutions towards sustainable, impactful investments.

Why This Matters for Us, Especially as Seniors:

- We each have decades of experience, wisdom and resources to make deeply informed and impactful choices.
- Our collective financial influence is undeniable, and we can use it to drive real change.
- Most importantly, we have a profound responsibility to leave a healthy planet for future generations, especially our children and grandchildren.

This series will show you how to:

- *Redirect your finances* to align with your values and vision for the future.
- *Stop funding fossil fuels* and begin supporting clean energy, local businesses, and resilient communities.
- *Invest in a sustainable tomorrow* by supporting renewable energy and responsible, community-centered initiatives.

#### Each Session Offers:

Part 1 (November 13, 7:00-8:30 p.m.) REGISTER NOW!:

- Learn about responsible banking, credit cards, and insurance choices.
- Spot the banks funding fossil fuels and those supporting local ventures.
- Discover practical strategies to make the biggest impact by moving your money.

Part 2 (November 20, 7:00-8:30 p.m.) **REGISTER NOW!**:

- Q&A session for questions from Part 1
- Uncover insights into sustainable funds and alternative investments.
- Connect with environmentally conscious financial advisors who understand your goals.

After you register for each Zoom webinar, you will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom link plus a link to add the webinar to your own calendar.

Money is the driving force behind fossil fuel development. This is our time to use our voice and resources to spark lasting change. Don't miss out—register today so we can use our economic resources to finance a cleaner, more sustainable future.

### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

8:45 AM		11:00 AM		
Doug Mork	Preacher Doug Mork			
David Larson-Martínez	Presiding Minister	David Larson-Martínez		
James Nysse	Cantor	James Nysse		
Mary Engen, Ginny Jordan	Altar Guild	l Vicki Bergman		
Rick Liedholm	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Tom Skold		
	Crucifer	Everett Martinez		
Pam Blomgren	Communion	Sean Gosiewski, Dennis O'Brien, Nicki Hines, Everett Martinez		
Chuck Jordan, Bob Peschiutta	Ushers	Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson		
Jean Swanson, Kevin Proescholdt	Coffee Servers	Roberta Shaw		
	Counters			
	Closer	Bob Hulteen		
	Video Operator	Bob Hulteen		

PARISH	<b>EVENTS</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	3-9,	2024
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8:45 ам	Worship Service of Holy Communion
10:00 ам	Adult Education
10:00 ам	Youth Education
11:00 ам	Worship Service of Holy Communion
2:00 рм	Swahili Service
12:00 рм	Soup and Prayer Service
	Adult Choir Rehearsal
	Election Worship at St. Peder's
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11:00 ам	Worship Readings Discussion
12:00 рм	Soup and Prayer Service
5:00 рм	Choir Family Meal
	Jubilation Youth Bell Ensemble
5:45-6:45 РМ	Children's Choir Rehearsal
6:00-8:00 рм	Supervised Play Time
6:30-8:00 рм	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
	Cantate Rehearsal
12:00 PM	Soup and Prayer Service
	Big Meeting Night
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10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Brunch for BIPOC Grant Fundraising in the gym at Holy Trinity
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### 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>.

