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Newsletter

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JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY FOR WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 A.M., YOUTH AND ADULT EDUCATION AT 9:00 A.M.

### Summer 2025 South Minneapolis Day Camp!

Holy Trinity will join other South Minneapolis congregations in an ecumenical, joint Vacation Bible School/day camp. Building Beloved Community Day Camp will be June 16-20, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., at Diamond Lake Lutheran Church. Camp is for entering K-middle school, with high schoolers able to serve as leaders (and they will earn a stipend). Registration is open and filling up! As a sponsoring congregation, HTLC encourages all families to participate. If the cost is a barrier, please contact Pr. David. Below is additional information about the camp, how to register, how be apply to be a high school leader, and how to volunteer.

Join us for this year's *Building Beloved Community* South Minneapolis Day Camp! As we sing, pray, and listen to stories from Scripture together, our kids will be grounded in the Spirit's work in building community. Camp is for children entering kindergarten through high school, with a separate middle school track and opportunities for high school leadership with the younger kids.

We ask families to pack a lunch from home for each day of camp; snacks will be provided at camp.

This is a progressive ecumenical day camp experience offering faith formation in a fun, safe, Christ centered and relational setting. Worship, crafts, music, and games make for a fun and meaningful week of beloved community! The camp will be Monday, June 10, through Friday, June 20. There will be a special family and community celebration on Thursday evening.

We are committed to making camp *accessible to everyone* who wants to come and are grateful for the abundant generosity of this community that supports one another! Our registration fee is based on a sliding scale and any donations given by others is used to defray the cost so everyone can attend.

Click **HERE** to register.

#### HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS

Youth throughout the Twin Cities metro area are invited to apply to be part of the youth leadership team for Building Beloved Community; South Minneapolis Day Camp 2025—a progressive, ecumenical day camp experience offering faith formation in a fun, safe, Christ-centered and relational setting. Our theme this year is "Building Beloved Community."

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### FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

READINGS

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

#### **ADULT FORUM**

Holy Trinity Adult Forums feature in-person presentations beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday. The presentations are also available via **Zoom** (meeting ID:858 5687 1594; passcode:317879) for those unable to attend in person.

# MARCH 9 "Police Accountability" Stacey Gurian-Sherman, Attorney

Join us at the Adult Forum on March 9th with Stacey Gurian-Sherman. Stacey is an attorney and advocate who lives in the Corcoran neighborhood and is a steering committee member with Minneapolis for a Better Police Contract, and the Ward 9 Commissioner for the Minneapolis Community Commission on Police Oversight (CCPO).

Stacey will talk about:

- 1. What has happened with police reform since the murder of George Floyd.
- 2. Address how the current state settlement agreement and pending federal decree mandate fits in with measures for police reform.
- 3. How community voices are being heard in steps to improve police accountability.

#### March 16 "Welcome New Members"

The congregation is invited to come and boldly welcome new members at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room. Grace Basler, Sandra Hisakuni, and Sheryl Undem will offer reflections on what it means to be a part of this community of faith. We'll also be introduced to the people joining this congregation.



### PARISH INFORMATION

As in past years, we hope to have a strong youth leadership team of at least 12 youth to help make the camp meaningful, successful, and fun!

#### What is youth leadership staff?

Youth leaders will be a vital part of day camp. They will:

- Provide leadership for a specific group of campers throughout the week
- Build community among campers
- Lead activities as we discover what your gifts and skills are
- Show respect towards all campers
- Be a positive role model for the campers

#### **Eligibility**

- Youth who are entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2025, in high school, or graduating high school this spring are eligible to apply.
- Youth must be available for all of day camp: June 16-20, from 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Slight exceptions may be allowed.
- Youth must be available for a training before camp begins.
  The training will be Sunday, June 15, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at
  Diamond Lake Lutheran Church. If you have a conflict,
  we may be able to accommodate.

Click **HERE** to apply.

#### ADULT VOLUNTEERS

Day Camp is looking for adult volunteers! If you have a heart for kids and time to serve June 16-20, we would love to have you join us. <u>South Minneapolis Day Camp is for EVERYONE</u> so if you haven't participated before, this year is a great chance to get involved and be part of this amazing tradition!

We need adult volunteers all week (Monday June 16 - Friday June 10) from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. and a special crew for take down and clean up on Friday. *There will be a volunteer training, for all who can come, on Sunday, June, 15 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Diamond Lake Lutheran* to prepare everyone for the week.

We need adults to supervise day campers upon arrival until our official gathering begins from 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. This would entail being present for our earliest arrivals to offer supervision while day camp staff are getting ready for the day.

We need adults to shepherd during the morning and afternoon rotations, to travel with a group of kids each day on their day camp adventures from 8:00 am - 12:00 p.m. and from 1:00 to 4 p.m. While we appreciate consistency and it is very helpful when adults can commit to being with us all four days either in the morning, in the afternoon, or even all day, there is also room for those who can fit in an hour or a few here or there.

We need adults to help supervise our lunchtime and quiet time. If you are available from 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on any, or all, of our day camp days, we would love to have you help with this important time.

If you are not necessarily available during the day, this year we are looking to fill *a new crew of volunteers specifically just for Friday late afternoon and early evening to help with take down and clean up.* This crew will work from 3:30 - 7:00 p.m., with hopes that we may even finish by 6 pm. If you can join us for any of this time, we would appreciate it very much!

Whether you can come every day or you can only commit to a couple hours, we appreciate the time you are able to give.

Click **HERE** to volunteer.

Find more information and registration portals for kids, adult volunteers, and youth leaders, at this website: <a href="mailto:smplsdavcamp.org/">smplsdavcamp.org/</a>

### ~ 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 especially Casey Reynolds and her family; Dorothy Kelly; Betty Anderson; Carol Kelly; Jenni Vaillancourt's stepdad; Mary Petersen; Karen Batdorf's sister, Marie; Mike Kelly; Aric Sorenson and Ty Inglis; James Nysse's cousin, Eric Steckling; Katie Murray's mom Pat; Jan Mehlhoff's friend, Margie Guelker.

### **WEEKEND REMINDERS**

# SATURDAY, MARCH 8—BELLFEST! AT NORTH HEIGHTS LUTHERAN CHURCH IN ARDEN HILLS

BellFest! is an annual ringing festival for handbell ensembles, and a terrific way to perk up a long Minnesota winter. As many as thirty-five handbell ensembles (including Holy Trinity's Gloria Ringers) and all of their ringing equipment gather on a chosen Saturday to ring under the direction of a guest conductor. The repertoire, learned ahead of time, is rehearsed in this massed setting, and a concert for the public is performed in the afternoon. All are welcome to hear the concert at 3:00 p.m.

# SUNDAY, MARCH 9-SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION MEET TODAY

Godly Play (children ages 4-5) meets in the second-floor education suite from 9:00-9:50 a.m.

Trinity Village (grades K-5) meets in the second-floor education suite from 9:00-9:50 a.m.

Confirmation (grades 6-9) meets from 9:00-9:50 a.m. in the Sky Room!

# SUNDAY, MARCH 9— CONFIRMATION AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH BOWLING OUTING

All 6th-12th grade youth will join Pastor David and adult chaperones at Memory Lanes immediately following worship. We will depart from church at 11:00 a.m., bowl and eat lunch. Kids will be back at church for parent pick-up at 1:00 p.m.

### PARISH INFORMATION

### **THIS WEEK**

#### WEEK OF MARCH 10, SFY! CLOSED

Soup For You! Will be closed Monday, March 10, through Friday, March 14, to give staff and volunteers a respite. They will do a grocery give away Monday, March 10, at Noon to 1:00 p.m.

# TUESDAY, MARCH 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, MARCH 12—KNITTING LESSONS FOR LONGFELLOW MOMS

Once a week you're invited to teach knitting to Longfellow High School students who are pregnant or parenting. Help students learn the basics of knitting and help with beginning knitting projects while getting to know students and the volunteer knitting teachers. Meets every Wednesday at 1:20 p.m. at Longfellow High School during the school year. For more information, contact Liz Blood (liz.bill.blood@gmail.com). All volunteers need to complete a brief background check.

# SOUP SUPPER HELP NEEDED DURING LENT WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 12, 19, 26, AND APRIL 2, 9

For each Wednesday during Lent, four households are needed to prepare and serve enough soup for 30 people, one household is needed to prepare 4 boxes of Kraft macaroni and cheese, one person is needed to pick up bread by 2:00 p.m. at Laune Bread on Lake Street (preordered and prepaid), and volunteers are needed to set up and clean up each of these Wednesdays. Please sign up in the Community Room if you can help.

# WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 12, 19, 26, APRIL 2, 9—LENT SOUP SUPPERS AND EVENING PRAYER SERVICES

Lent is a time of renewal, regeneration, and growth. Please join us on Wednesday evenings during Lent for the following opportunities:

- All are invited to partake in the Lenten suppers on Wednesdays from 6:00-6:50 p.m. in the Community Room. Free-will donations are accepted. Our Lenten Suppers are an opportunity for us to build beloved community.
- The community then gathers at 7:00 p.m. for the Service of Evening Prayer, where we sing and hear God's story read aloud. As a part of our Evening Prayer service, each week we will hear a church member or community member share a story from their own life on the theme of "Deepest Belonging." People of all ages are invited to worship, though we honor that some of our youngest members may need to head home after soup.
- Children's Choir will rehearse 5:45 to 6:30 p.m. while Jubilation Ringers will rehearse from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. and Gloria Ringers will rehearse from 6:00 to 6:55 p.m.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 15—OVERCOMING WHITE SUPREMACY AND PRIVILEGE

Join us from 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. for a morning with David Scherer and Joe Davis from the organization JustMove. *This workshop is designed for both those who identify as white AND those who identify as persons of color.* In the workshop we will:

1. Develop a deeper understanding of white body privilege and its effects on us.

2. Deepen our awareness of white supremacy cultural patterns and how to transform them into more liberating patterns.

3. Increase our awareness of our bodies and discover how to move from shared racialized trauma into healing and justice.

4. Build trust in multi-racial conversation.

David and Joe combine theoretical frameworks and practical tools along with creative pedagogical tools such as music, poetry, storytelling, and conversation.

Sign-up sheet is in the Community Room

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Sponsored by Holy Trinity's Racial Justice Committee.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 15-CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIR FESTIVAL

Singers in 1st through 12th grade are invited to be part of the Twin Cities Children and Youth Choir Festival held at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church. The elementary choir (grades 1-5) will work with Mari Espeland while 6th-12th graders will spend time with Dr. Jennaya Robison. Morning rehearsals will end with a 2:00 p.m. hymn festival that is free and open to the public. If your singer wishes to participate in the festival please contact cantor Phil for registration.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 20-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.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 20-MONTHLY WORK DAY

Volunteer for the monthly workday on the third Thursday of each month to help with tasks like dusting, ironing, washing windows, painting, and more. Come for whatever amount of time you'd like and at any time that fits your schedule between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 23—POP-UP CHOIR

Here's your chance to sing in a choir. Everyone is welcome, from those who can't commit to weekly rehearsals 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!

### PARISH INFORMATION

### **EXTRA NOTES**

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 21 AND SATURDAY, MARCH 22

Two of our confirmation students, Alice Welle and Francis Olson Biebighauser are involved in the production of Shrek The Musical Jr. and invite you to attend one of the performances.



## SATURDAY, MAY 3, COME JOIN YOUR PASTORS AT SYNOD ASSEMBLY!

Want to spend a day with hundreds of Lutherans? Want to see what your peers in the other congregations of the Minneapolis Area Synod are up to? Want to help decide the direction of this synod? I thought so! Then volunteer to be a delegate to this year's Minneapolis Area Synod Assembly on Saturday, May 3, at Lord of Life Lutheran in Ramsey. Holy Trinity may send 3 lay delegates in addition to your pastors. It's an important opportunity to support all the good work of the synod and a great chance to connect with others in the larger church. Please email Pastor Doug (dmork@htlcmpls.org) for more information or to volunteer. There is also a worship service the night before at Bethlehem Lutheran Twin Cities that all are welcome to attend.



"Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many... If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it." (1 Corinthians 12:26)

### SATURDAY, MARCH 22—RECEPTION WITH SUMUD DIRECTOR, MADDI FROILAND

You are all invited to join a reception with Sumud Director, Maddi Froiland, and Palestinian food from Mim's Cafe on Saturday, March 22, at 6:00 p.m. in Holy Trinity's Bartsch. Sumud is the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's response to the occupation and injustice in Palestine and Israel. The organization's name is derived by the Arabic word sumud ( راكسود), which means "steadfastness."

As we face intersectional horrors from Trump's new administration, we will gather to practice sumud by sharing food, stories, and joyful community. We'll also share about our ongoing, collective efforts across Sumud, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church's Palestine and Israel Committee, and MN Christians for a Free Palestine. Finally we'll highlight upcoming events—including Maddi Froiland's adult education workshop, that Holy Trinity is hosting on Sunday, March 22 at 9:00 a.m., and MN Christian's for a Free Palestine Liberation Pilgrimage on Saturday April 12.

Palestinian olive oil will be available for sale and donations will be gladly accepted to off-set food costs and support Sumud's work. No matter your ability to give, please gather with us!

#### 2024 THRIVENT CHOICE® DOLLARS EXPIRE MARCH 31

Since 2010, over \$370 million has been distributed to churches, schools, and other nonprofits through Thrivent Choice®. Through this program, eligible members can recommend where Thrivent donates millions of charitable outreach dollars each year. Please consider recommending Holy Trinity for your Thrivent Choice Dollars.

### Join CTUL on April 26th 10am-1pm Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Tickets are sliding scale with all funds going directly to our work, tickets are available at the door or get them in advance <u>here</u>.



WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025, 10:00 AM		
Preacher	Ingrid Rasmussen (she/her)	
Presiding Minister	Doug Mork (he/him)	
Crucifer		
Cantor	Ann Schrooten (she/her)	
Altar Guild	Roberta Shaw (she/her), Vicki Bergman (she/her)	
Assisting Minister	Deb Anderson (she/her)	
Communion	Carol Masters (she/her), Nicki Hines (she/her), Pam Blomgren (she/her)	
Ushers	Bob Peschiutta (he/him), Alan Libra (he/him), David Rediger (he/him), Chris Engen (he/him)	
Coffee Servers	Arlene Helvig (she/her)	
Counters	Pam Blomgren (she/her)	
Closer	Bob Hulteen (he/him)	
Video Operator	Bob Hulteen (he/him)	

PARISH EVENTS MARCH 9-MARCH 15, 2025		
Sunday, March 9	9:00 ам	Adult Forum
Daylight Saving Time	9:00 ам	Youth Education
		Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 ам	Confirmation & H.S. Youth Bowling
	12:00 рм	Swahili Service
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Monday, March 10	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, March 11	11:00 ам	Worship Readings Discussion
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Wednesday, March 12	5:45-6:30 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	6:00-6:50 PM	Lenten Soup Supper
	6:00-6:55 PM	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Lenten Evening Prayer
Saturday, March 15	10:00 AM-12:30 PM	Overcoming White Supremacy & Privilege

### 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>.

