



WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE GATHER ON THE DAKOTA HOMELAND

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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.

ORGAN CARE SPECIAL APPEAL

Dear Holy Trinity members,

The Casavant pipe organ at Holy Trinity is a powerful tool for our shared worship. With Cantor Phil's dedicated leadership, the organ supports the congregation's song. In an age of division, voices joined in harmony is an antidote to despair!

Our organ was acquired in the mid-1970s, which means it is celebrating its 50th birthday with us this year. The pipe organ is a very complex machine with thousands of moving parts; our instrument needs a little tender loving care to keep it singing.



The Obermeyer Organ Company recently consulted with us about necessary maintenance. They provided a list of projects that we can complete this year, including releveling of the box that holds all of the pipes (it is sagging after years of weight); relocation of the organ blower motor from the basement to the organ chamber (the blower is currently collocated with Soup for You's refrigerators and freezers); and re-leathering the stops on the largest pipes (leather is durable but doesn't last forever).

We estimate all this work can be done for approximately \$25,000 dollars. We hope that congregants might consider an extra gift this holy season to share in the cost. Your contributions, whether large or small, will make a big difference for our worship life.

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

READINGS

Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

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.

TODAY "Reducing Food Waste"
Jenny Kedward, Hennepin County Food Waste Prevention Specialist

An average family of four spends more than \$2,500 a year on food they don't eat. This is not only a waste of money, but also a waste of all the resources that went into creating our food. Hennepin County throws away 95,200 tons of edible food every year. Reducing food waste is one of the easiest ways that we can directly affect climate care. Jenny Kedward is a Hennepin County Food Waste Prevention Specialist with nearly 20 years of experience in recycling and waste reduction education. Today she will discuss the extent of the food waste problem in Hennepin County and some ways we can help cut our own food waste in half.

May 4 "Life in Palestine Today"
Tracie Ortman, Executive Director of Bright Stars of Bethlehem

Join Tracie Ortman, Executive Director of Bright Stars of Bethlehem, for a presentation offering insight into the daily realities of Palestinian life under occupation. This session is ideal for those with limited background knowledge who want to better understand the current context in which Palestinians live—or for those who would like an update on Dar al-Kalima University, its staff, students, and the work of Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb. Through powerful, personal stories from students and their families, you'll gain a deeper connection to the people behind the headlines—and discover meaningful ways to support justice, dignity, and the next generation of creative leaders in Palestine.

PARISH INFORMATION

[Click here to support this project.](#) Please select "other" for the designated fund and specify which appeal you are giving to (e.g., Organ Care Special Appeal). You may also give a general gift to support the ongoing ministry of Holy Trinity.

Thank you for your generosity!

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Pastor Doug Mork

WEEKEND REMINDERS

FRIDAY, APRIL 25—YOUTH GEOCACHING AND MOVIE NIGHT CANCELED

We have decided to cancel Geocaching and Movie Night for Confirmation and High School Youth. There are several families unable to attend. But, we will bring geocaching back!

A couple of other notes for confirmation youth: Please note the final confirmation class this coming Sunday morning. Both Deb and Jeff will be there to end this year. Also, we have a fun event planned on May 17th - meeting at church and biking to Minnehaha Falls for lunch. See more information in the "Save the Date" section of this newsletter.

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 [here](#).



COME ENJOY GOOD FOOD AND COMPANY

You're invited to the CTUL Pancake Brunch

Fundraiser Saturday April 26th
10:00am-1pm at Holy Trinity
Lutheran Church



~ 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 **Rick Lathrop; Joyce Besser; Bruce Axelrod; Mike Miller;** Breon Hutchins-Spratt's mother, **Allison; Rev. Sekou; 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.**

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, APRIL 29—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, APRIL 30 —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.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30—NO YOUTH REHEARSALS

There are no Wednesday evening Youth Choir, Cantate, or Jubilation rehearsals. Instead, families are encouraged to volunteer to at Feed My Starving Children-Eagan. Contact Jenni Vaillancourt for more information.

MAY 2025: BOOK GROUP WITH PASTOR DOUG: *THE FALSE WHITE GOSPEL* BY JIM WALLIS

I have always had strong ecumenical instincts. I appreciate all the work that has been done over the last century to bring Christian communities into new relationships and deeper respect for one another. At its best, ecumenism has never been about glossing over differences. However, the rise of White Christian Nationalism as one of the most powerful forces in contemporary American Christianity demands that we speak more clearly than ever about what we believe. Join me in reading Jim Wallis' new book and thinking together about what we believe and say about this God who loves us and calls us.

SATURDAY, MAY 3—ICOM FUND RAISER DINNER

The Interfaith Coalition for Immigration is inviting a table of 10 from Holy Trinity to join their fundraising dinner, Saturday, May 3, 5:00-8:00 p.m. 5011 S. 31st Ave. There will be an Ecuadorian dinner, dance presentation, speakers from the Center for Victims of Torture, and the pastor of St Paul's Lutheran Church. Tickets are \$44 each, contact Joy Nelson ([612-860-2952](tel:612-860-2952)) to order.

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, MAY 4—THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER AND GRADUATE BLESSING

The disciples make a big splash and eat breakfast with the risen Jesus. Wading in the water (remembering baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others. The Adult Choir will help lead music. Join us for worship at 10:00 a.m.! In this spirit, we will bless our high school graduates during a time of exciting transition in their lives—as well as their families—we would be honored by your presence and grateful for your prayers.

TUESDAY, MAY 6—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. All are welcome to join in for needlework and conversation. For more information, contact Liz Blood (liz.bill.blood@gmail.com).

THURSDAY, MAY 8—MONTHLY INDOOR WORK DAY—MOVED TO SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

Volunteer for the monthly indoor workday on the second 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.



OUTDOOR PROPERTY

WORK DAY RESCHEDULED TO THURSDAY, MAY 8

Our property needs a little extra TLC as the weather changes. Come and help us with digging and bagging, weeding and trimming, Thursday, May 8, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room

SUNDAY, MAY 11—FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER RECOGNITION, AND HEALING STATION

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those “who have come out of the great ordeal” in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Teachers for all grade levels and confirmation leaders will also be recognized for their important contributions to our children and youth. Teacher and volunteers, please come and let us express our gratitude to you in worship! Today you are invited to receive a blessing for healing during the communion distribution time. Come if you wish to seek prayer for yourself, on behalf of someone else, or for a place in the world. The Adult Choir will help lead music today.

FRIDAY, MAY 16—CONFIRMATION AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH END OF YEAR CELEBRATION!

End of year celebration! All 6-12th grade youth are invited for a day of biking, nature, and delicious food! We'll meet at 11:00 a.m. and pedal from the church to the beautiful Minnehaha Falls, where we'll enjoy lunch together at Sea Salt Eatery. Bring your bike and a lock, your appetite, and your sense of adventure—it's going to be a blast! Parent pick-up will be back at the church at 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 18—LAST DAY OF ADULT FORUM FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR

Join us at 9:00 a.m. in the Library or on Zoom for the adult forum. Topic to be announced.

SUNDAY, MAY 18—LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR THE YEAR

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) has completed classes for the year.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21—GLORIA RINGERS & YOUTH ENSEMBLES END OF YEAR CONCERT

Gloria Ringers, Jubilation, Cantate, and Children's Choir will celebrate the end of their season by presenting a concert at Johanna Shores Senior Living in Arden Hills at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend the free concert.

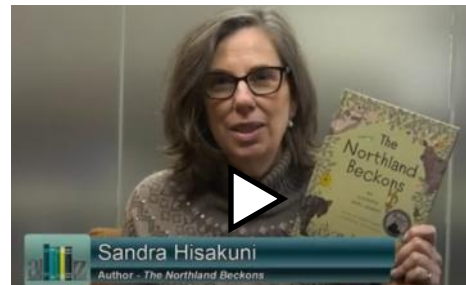
SAVE THE DATE FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, MONDAY, JUNE 16-FRIDAY, JUNE 20

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). As a sponsoring congregation, HTLC encourages all families to participate. If the cost is a barrier, please contact Pr. David. Find more information and registration portals for kids, adult volunteers, and

EXTRA NOTES

A CELEBRITY AMONG US!

Check out Holy Trinity member, Sandra Hisakuni on QCTV as part of the Anoka County Library local author showcase in March. Click on the photo to watch the video.



You can also watch her adult forum presentation from February 16, 2025 by clicking [here](#).

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025, 10:00 AM

Preacher	Doug Mork (he/him)
Presiding Minister	Doug Mork (he/him)
Cantor	Phil Radtke (he/him)
Altar Guild	Vicki Bergman (she/her), Roberta Shaw (she/her)
Crucifer	Tre Tellor (he/they)
Assisting Minister	Karen Batdorf (she/her)
Communion	Keith Olstad (he/him), Libby Olstad (she/her), Carol Masters (she/her)
Ushers	Rod Johnson (he/him), Kathy Hollander (she/her), Chris Amundson (he/him)
Coffee Servers	Deb Anderson (she/her)
Counters	Deb Helmel (she/her)
Closer	Bob Hulteen (he/him)
Video Operator	Bob Hulteen (he/him)

PARISH EVENTS APRIL 27-MAY 4, 2025

Sunday, April 27	9:00 AM	Youth Education
	9:00 AM	Adult Forum
	10:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	12:00 PM	Swahili Service
Monday, April 28	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, April 29	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday, April 30	6:30-8:00 PM	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
Thursday, May 1	6:30 PM	Big Meeting 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](#).

