



TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 17, 2025

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
MINNEAPOLIS

WELCOME TO ALL

*We honor that we gather and worship on the **Dakota Homeland**.*

*The people of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church wish to extend a **special welcome** to all visitors!
Please leave your name and phone number on the visitor card found in the pew.*

*We are committed to the inclusion of all people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice **open communion**, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.*

***Children are full participants** in this congregation's worship, educational, and community life! The Mary Martha Room is a quiet space for infants needing to nurse or to nap. For active toddlers, the Community Room has a Children's Corner with books and a table at which to play. Our ushers are ready to assist you in finding the place that best fits your family's needs.*

***Accessible and all-gender restrooms** are located in the basement.
Single-use, all-gender restrooms are located on the 1st floor.*

*For over forty years, this congregation has advocated for the **full welcome, inclusion, and equity** of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the church and the community. We invite all people into lives of authenticity, integrity, and wholeness.*

***Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins** are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.*

*Our **services are livestreamed** on Vimeo and Facebook every week. The live shot includes the main floor of the sanctuary. Our members who watch from home love to see their friends at church! If for privacy reasons you prefer not to be on camera, the balcony is outside of the camera's range.*

*If you are seeking **pastoral care**, please speak to a pastor today.*

+invites the congregation to stand

GATHER

PRELUDE

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table

setting, Chris Kovarik

+GATHERING HYMN

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table

Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the sanctuary.



1 Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries
2 Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -
3 Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou - sand
4 Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to



that they bring. Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing;
ers ap - pear, saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled
dif - f'rent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon:
be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,



some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why they're in -
with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of his de -
they all end in thanks and praise for the host who has in -
who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es bread and



vit - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done. Christ in - sists they
ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight; Paul re - lates his
vit - ed north and south and east and west to con - verge a -
breaks it— truth and man - na from a - bove!— and then pass - es



all are wel - come. There is room for ev - 'ry - one.
fruit - less ef - ferts to ob - lit - er - ate the light.
round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest.
wine that wa - kens in your heart the taste of love.

+GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

+CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Creator, and of the ✠ Redeemer, and of the Comforter.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.
Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✠ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of restless fire, and urgent river's flow: unsettle the false peace which hides our divisions; unfold our hearts to sense your presence; unloose your kingdom and make us one in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WELCOME

WORD

FIRST READING

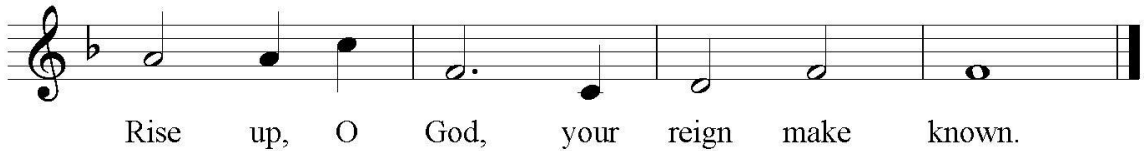
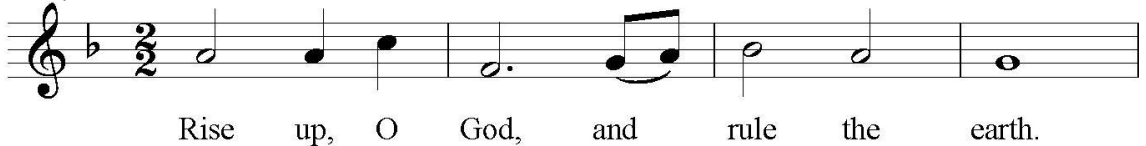
Jeremiah 23:23-29

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 82

Hal H. Hopson

Refrain (first time: Cantor, then **All**):



There where the judges gather, a greater takes the seat;
How long," God asks the judges, "Will you pronounce deceit? How long show special favor
To those of ill repute? How long neglect the orphaned, the poor and destitute?" **Refrain**

"Deal justly with the needy, Protect the fatherless, deliver the afflicted
From those who would oppress. But you are wholly blinded, You do not understand;
Therefore foundations totter, injustice rocks the land." **Refrain**

God speaks: "I named you rulers, to serve the Most High God;
But you shall die as mortals And perish by my rod." Arise, O God, in judgement,
Your sovereignty make known; for yours are all the nations, the peoples are your own.
Refrain

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:29—12:2

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le-lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le-lu - ya.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le-lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris'n in - deed.

+GOSPEL READING

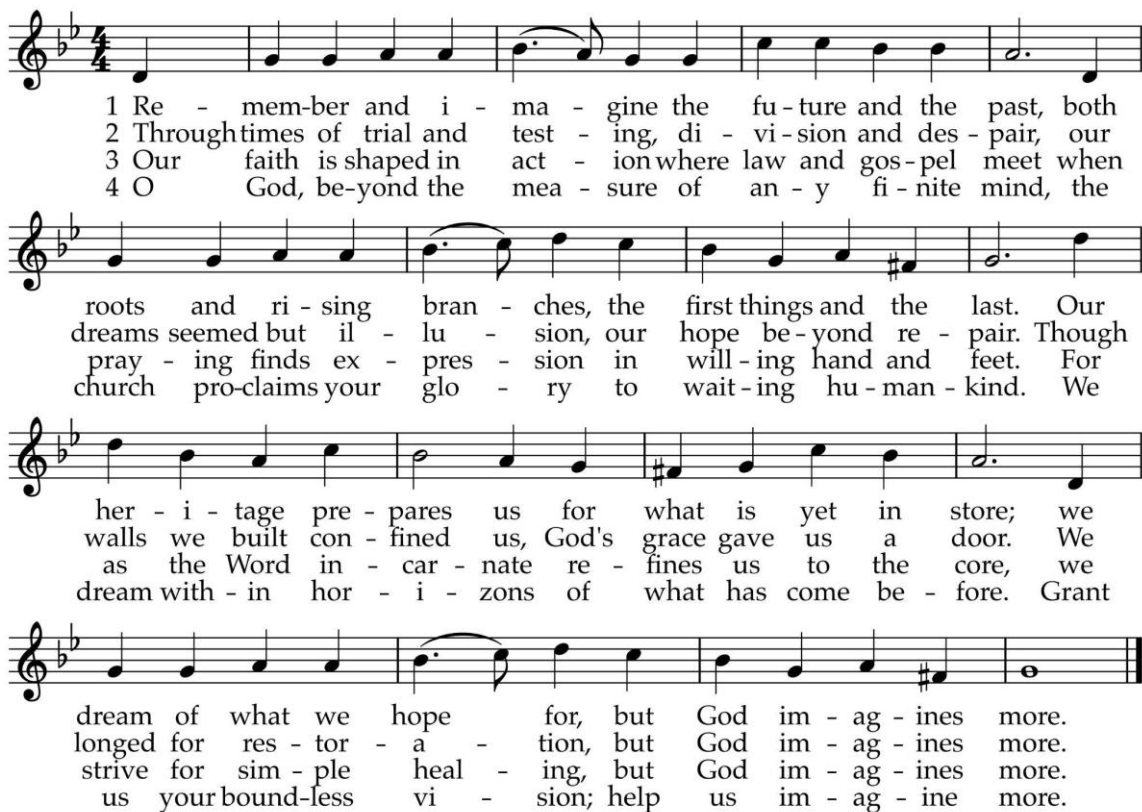
Luke 12:49-56

Word of God; word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

+HYMN OF THE DAY

Remember and Imagine



1 Re - mem-ber and i - ma - gine the fu-ture and the past, both
 2 Through times of trial and test - ing, di - vi - sion and des - pair, our
 3 Our faith is shaped in act - ion where law and gos-pel meet when
 4 O God, be-yond the mea - sure of an - y fi - nite mind, the

roots and ri - sing bran - ches, the first things and the last. Our
 dreams seemed but il - lu - sion, our hope be-yond re - pair. Though
 pray - ing finds ex - pres - sion in will - ing hand and feet. For
 church pro-claims your glo - ry to wait - ing hu - man - kind. We

her - i - tage pre - pares us for what is yet in store; we
 walls we built con - fined us, God's grace gave us a door. We
 as the Word in - car - nate re - fines us to the core, we
 dream with - in hor - i - zons of what has come be - fore. Grant

dream of what we hope for, but God im - ag - ines more.
 longed for res - tor - a - tion, but God im - ag - ines more.
 strive for sim - ple heal - ing, but God im - ag - ines more.
 us your bound-less vi - sion; help us im - ag - ine more.

+SABBATICAL BLESSING FOR KATHY EKWALL (adapted from Rev. Meta Herrick Carlson)

It is only human to become what we do,
to believe we are necessary for good order and momentum.

So in the beginning God set humankind apart on a planet
that moves without our control,
that revolves despite our wild desire to be at the very center of things.

God promised provision on the seventh day, so that we could practice resistance
to our zealous rhythms with rest, so that we could stop for a season and trust:

I am so small. And also, I matter so much.

It is in the absence of doing that we all remember
the terrible and wonderful news—that God is still here, making things new,
even and often without our help.

**Kathy, may this Sabbath time return your identity from production to relationship in
which you hear the call to some things, not all the things, and relish your place as a
creature of God.**

The congregation may applaud.

+INTERCESSIONS

Abs Trewin

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

(silence)

Faithful God, see us out as we wrestle with inner conflict. In our daily lives we are fraught with questions, confusion, and doubt. As we gather in this physical and spiritual space, equip us with understanding of your Word so that we may speak your Word faithfully. Reveal yourself in our work, our families, and our activities, and most importantly, in ourselves, as we are warmed and transformed by the fire of your Word. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Righteous God, we often struggle to see what is right and just. We give into the temptation of our own comfort and complacency. Help us to interpret the urgency of the present times, and help us connect with one another in righteousness and justice, even when others close to us sever those connections. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Merciful God, we call on you to dwell among the weak, the poor, and the needy in our community. Guide us at Holy Trinity in our ministries to our neighbors and our congregation. We give thanks for Holy Trinity's ministry to the most vulnerable of us, and we give thanks for our building partners Metro Work Center, Soup for You!, and the Minnesota Swahili Congregation who share in our cloud of witness. Continue to work through us as we follow the example of Jesus. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Mighty God, we look to you and your son Jesus as a pioneer of our faith in the midst of troubling times. We see our neighbors suffering at the hands of injustice, especially the homeless, undocumented, and incarcerated members of our society. We lift up our hearts for Palestine, Iran, Sudan, Congo, and Ukraine. Empower us to stand together in faith to conquer realms, administer justice, obtain promises, and shut the mouths of lions—not in order to receive salvation, but so that we collectively experience the joy of your sacrificial love. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Restful God, we approach you with heavy minds and hearts for the people in our lives who are ill and grieving. Send to them caring hands, so that they may experience your comfort in the most challenging parts of their journey. We pray today especially for Michael Miller; Chris Amundson, recovering from a fall; Tina and Neela; Tracey Baubie's mom ShaRon; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Rick Lathrop; Breon Hutchins-Spratt's mother Allison; Jenni Vaillancourt's stepdad; Mary Petersen; Karen Batdorf's sister Marie; Mike Kelly; Katie Murray's mom Pat; Josie Tober; the loved ones of Julie Cahoy's brother, Mike McDonald, upon his death; and those we hold in our hearts or speak with our voices now (*the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care*). Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

You are invited to offer spoken petitions.

*At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "Lord, in your mercy,"
to which the congregation will respond, "**Hear our prayer.**"*

Receive our prayers and hopes, God of mercy and justice, as we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

MEAL

+PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

OFFERING

O God, My Faithful God

setting, Kristina Rizzotto

Baskets will be passed in the sanctuary. If you prefer to donate to the mission and ministry using Venmo or card, the QR codes can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

+OFFERTORY HYMN

Be Still, My Soul

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.
2 Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take
3 Be still, my soul: the hour is has - t'ning on



Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;
to guide the fu - ture, as in a - ges past.
when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord,



leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;
Your hope, your con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;
when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,



in ev - 'ry change God faith - ful will re - main.
all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.
sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.



Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'n - ly friend
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

+OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

+GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places, offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who, on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

+SANCTUS



San-to, san - to, san - to Dios de glo - ria y po - der,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly God of pow - er and might,



cie - los y tie - rra pro - cla - man tu glo - ria.
heav - en and earth . . . are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ben - di - to a - quel que vie - ne en el nom - bre de Dios.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na en los cie - los.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together:

**Our Creator, Our Mother, Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

+LAMB OF GOD



Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe - ca - do del mun - do: ten pie -
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the sin of the world; . . . have . .

dad de no - so - tros. Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe - ca - do del
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the sin of the

mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros. Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que
world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb . . of God, you . .

qui - tas el pe - ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros, ten pie -
take a - way the sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us, have . .

dad de no - so - tros. Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.
mer - cy up - on us. Grant us your peace. A - men.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION INVITATION

All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger.

For those worshipping at home, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.

An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle, where an usher will receive your communion cup.

If you wish to receive communion from your pew, please let an usher know.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Come, Let Us Eat

Leader or All



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



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Leader or All



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er.
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.
 in the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Eat This Bread

Refrain

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

The image shows two systems of musical notation for a hymn. Each system consists of a treble and a bass staff. The first system is labeled 'Refrain' and contains two lines of lyrics. The second system contains another two lines of lyrics. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across measures.

+BLESSING

The body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
Amen.

+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
Amen.

SENDING

+SENDING HYMN

God, When Human Bonds Are Broken

*Children and youth are invited to join the worship leaders as they recess
and gather at the rear of the sanctuary to share the dismissal.*



1 God, when hu - man bonds are bro - ken and we lack the
2 Through that still - ness, with your Spir - it come in - to our
3 You in us are bruised and bro - ken: hear us as we
4 Send us, God of new be - gin - nings, hum - bly hope - ful
5 Give us faith to be more faith - ful, give us hope to



love or skill to re - store the hope of heal - ing,
world of stress, for the sake of Christ for - giv - ing
seek re - lease from the pain of ear - lier liv - ing;
in - to life. Use us as a means of bless - ing:
be more true, give us love to go on learn - ing:



give us grace and make us still.
all the fail - ures we con - fess.
set us free and grant us peace.
make us stron - ger, give us faith.
God, en - cour - age and re - new!

+BENEDICTION

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbors.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Jesus, the Light of the World

setting, Edwin T. Childs

You are invited to the Rain Garden for lunch and Music in the Garden.

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LITURGY: ACS SETTING ELEVEN

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Bulletin Art	Heaven Palmer (she/her), Holy Trinity neighbor
Crucifer	
Cantor	Andrea Hansen (she/her)
Assisting Minister	Liz Conway (she/her)
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Communion	Pam Blomgren (she/her), Lori Lathrop (she/her)
Coffee Servers	Join us for Music in the Garden
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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

MUSIC IN THE GARDEN TODAY AT 11:00 A.M.

Join us for music and wood-fired pizza in the garden following the 10:00 a.m. service. The music for this Sunday will feature guitarist and true lyricist, John Swardson. It promises to be fabulous. All are welcome!

CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT: CHANTING THE PSALMS IN HOPE, WEDNESDAYS, 7:00 P.M.

Join Ann Schrooten on Wednesday evenings to lean into the ancient practice of chanting the psalms. Ann says, “In the coming days and weeks, our intention will be to sing through all 150 Psalms in order, beginning to end.” Note: Beginning September 4, this group will meet on Thursdays at the same time.

OUTDOOR YOGA WITH JAMES – WEDNESDAYS, AUGUST 20 and 27

James Orione believes that creating a space for everybody is very important. Society places many expectations and roles as to how, what, when, where, and why you are doing something instead of simply being. Through conscious movement connected to breath, you have an opportunity to learn how to be in this moment. Yoga is an opportunity to create, rediscover, and connect to the experience of being human and overcome the obstacles that stand in your path. Join us! Each 90-minute class begins at 7:00 p.m.

FINAL SUMMER POP-UP CHOIR AUGUST 24

Our final Pop-up Choir of the summer! Everyone is welcome, from those who can’t commit to weekly rehearsals during the school year 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! This will be an intergenerational pop-up choir offering music accessible to both young and old.

ALL CONGREGATION PICNIC AT WABUN PARK SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

As summer wanes, Holy Trinity families will gather for fun, food, and frolic at Wabun Picnic Area, 4655 46th Ave S, Minnehaha Falls Park. Plan to join us after worship (approximately 11:15 a.m.) and bring a dish to share for potluck. Details to follow in the Community Church.

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE HOSTS DISCUSSION THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

Turbulent times in our country challenge most of us and we look for signs of hope and potential for meaningful actions. While we know there are no quick fixes we watch for actions to make our nation more humane. What can I do, how will I find courage to act and when do I need to stay silent for my own safety?

Join us for a conversation about these questions on August 28 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Becketwood Undercroft with pizza and drinks provided. If you have time, read the [short article](#) by Cameron Trimble before the meeting. Copies are available in the Community Room.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR LONGFELLOW STUDENTS

As school supplies go on sale, please think of Longfellow teen moms. Our goal is to fill 50 backpacks and donate them to the students at Longfellow high school. A good backpack is necessary since it also serves as a diaper bag. the filled backpacks can be dropped off at the church office or on Zoe Martinez's porch by Friday, August 29.

Each backpack should be filled with 3 spiral notebooks, 3 folders, pens, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpener, highlighters, markers, colored pencils, scissors, hair ties, comb and hairbrush, hand sanitizer, lip balm, wipes, and a water bottle. For more information, contact Zoe Martinez.

BOOK STUDY WITH BOB HULTEEN AND ALEX BRANDT TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Agrarian Spirit: Cultivating Faith, Community, and the Land by Norman Wirzba Norman Wirzba, a Wendell Berry devotee and professor at the Duke Divinity School, has crafted a deep dive into the intersection of and interaction between our relationships to land, community, and spirituality. Wirzba steers clear of nostalgic romanticism about an agrarian lifestyle that is almost extinct. Instead, he brings agrarian principles to sharpen our resistance to body/mind dualism. His Manitoban realism emphasizes the "on earth" part of "as in heaven" for people tempted to think the other way around. Wirzba gives pragmatic suggestions that renew a deeper connection to dirt.

Alex grew up on a farm in Northwest Iowa and now works for the Minnesota Department of Agriculture. Bob was born on a farm near Bemidji and was radicalized by agrarian movements in North Dakota, where he grew up. Copies of the book are available in the Community Room, and all are welcome to join our discussion group on Tuesday, September 16, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

ADULT RETREAT FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 3 - SUNDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 5

The Adult Retreat will be held at the Benedictine Center of St. Paul's Monastery in Maplewood from October 3 to 5. Our theme this year is "Building community starts with belonging. What are we called to do in response?" The rooms have two beds; shared rooms are preferred (two people to a room with a shared bath). \$110 total for the weekend for room and meals. Single rooms are an option (\$50 per night) after double rooms are filled. Scholarships are available. See Pastor David. Sign up in the Community Room by September 14.

BULLETIN ART FOR UPCOMING BULLETINS

If you would like to have your art on the cover of a Sunday bulletin, please sign up in the Community Room. Your art may include paintings, drawings, photographs, etc. Artwork can be submitted to the office anytime before the bulletins are printed (Thursday prior to Sunday worship). All are welcome to sign up!

C H U R C H S C H E D U L E

Tuesday, August 19	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday, August 20	7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Chanting the Psalms with Ann Schrooten Outdoor Yoga with James
Thursday, August 21	8:00 AM	Encore! At Turtle Bread
Sunday, August 24	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:15 AM 12:00 PM	Pop-Up Choir Rehearsal Worship Service of Holy Communion All-Congregation Picnic at Wabun Park Swahili Service

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