



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.

## RENEWAL SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7

I am very excited for this coming Sunday! On September 7 we will be celebrating Renewal Sunday as we kick off our education programming year. We invite you all to prioritize joining us for what promises us to be a wonderfully connecting day.

**From 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.:** Meander your way downstairs to the gym lunchroom area. You will be met with a friendly crew that will have hot coffee, breakfast items for all ages, and an open gym for anyone needing to get wiggles out (that includes all ages, too!). A note for adult guardians: please do not drop off children but rather stick around with everyone until 9:00 a.m. There will not be any staff adult supervision of the gym area.

**From 9:00 to 9:50 a.m.:** Adults interested in getting a glimpse of what the next few weeks, months, and years may look like for our faith community are encouraged to make their way to the library for an Adult Forum led by Pastor Ingrid. At this same time, Godly Play-aged children (ages 4 through Kindergarten) are to meet Ms. Kay Buzza in the Godly Play room on the Second Floor Education Suite. Don't worry, we will have signage! All Sunday School and Confirmation students (grades 1-9) will remain in the gym area for an opening time together led by Pastor David. They will then break off into three classroom groups each led by at least two adults: Trinity Village 1 (grades 1-3a), Trinity Village 2 (grades 3b-5), and Confirmation (grades 6-9). Adult Education and Youth Education last until 9:50 a.m.

**From 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.** (unless Pastor Doug's sermon goes way over time): Everyone is highly encouraged to join us for worship. I am especially excited for a blessing we will share with all children, youth, and teachers who are kicking off the church programming year. I won't ruin the surprise, but everyone will get a cute gift alongside the blessing!

**From 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.:** All are invited to join us on the front lawn for a festive time and coffee hour. There will be a bounce house and a face painter! We will have veggie and meat tacos, sheet cake, and coffee! There will be opportunities to sign up for our upcoming programming and reconnecting with one another as we launch into the new calendar year. Confirmation students and post-confirmation youth will be helping our adult volunteers make sure that this event flows smoothly. I invite you all to connect with them and share your thanks.

I am very excited for what Sunday promises to be: a time for us to lean into the joy of being a community of faith.

~David Larson-Martínez

## RENEWAL SUNDAY THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### READINGS

*Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1;  
Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33*

### 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.

#### September 7 "The Way It Looks from Here" Pastor Ingrid Rasmussen

As we begin a new program year, Pastor Ingrid will offer reflections on congregational and community life. She'll reflect on our shared calling to cultivate a community where everyone is known, needed, and loved. In a world marked by disconnection, the church can be a powerful place of belonging—if we choose to build it that way. Come hear what's emerging in and through our congregation, ask questions, and join the conversation. Whether you've been at Holy Trinity for decades or are just getting to know us, you are warmly invited to be part of this time of reflection and visioning.

#### September 7 "Bible Refresher" John Buzza

Feeling the need for a Bible refresher or a spiritual anchor in chaotic times? Join John Buzza for an engaging overview of the Bible, with a special focus on the thread of love woven throughout scripture. Whether you're new to the Bible or simply looking to reconnect with its central message, this session offers a grounding introduction.

### ~ 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 Tre Tellor's mom **Jill**; **Mary Heltsley**; **Michael Miller**; **Chris Amundson**; **Tina and Neela**; Tracey Baubie's mom ShaRon; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom **Jo**; **Rick Lathrop**; **Mary Petersen**; Karen Batdorf's sister **Marie**; **Mike Kelly**; Katie Murray's mom **Pat**; **Josie Tober**; **Kaia Ellis** and her family on the death of her cousin.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS



**SUN DAY**  
TWIN CITIES SUN DAY FESTIVAL

**DATE:** Sunday, September 21  
**TIME:** 1:00-4:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** The River Hub at Graco Park, 810 Sibley ST. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413

**FREE EVENT**

**REGISTER!**

Celebrate solar, wind, and the movement to leave fossil fuels behind at the Twin Cities Sun Day Festival! Enjoy family-friendly live music, theater, hands-on art activities, exhibits and food trucks.

Come to have fun, learn, and take action for a cleaner future!

**THIRD ACT**

**COPAL**

**SIERRA CLUB**  
NORTH STAR CHAPTER

**Minnesota INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT**

To make this festival a rousing success, we need volunteers now as well as the day of the event. There is lots to do. [Volunteer Link](#)

Please [register here for the Festival](#). For more information, contact Dennis O'Brien (revdmo@gmail.com).

### BRIGHT STARS OF BETHLEHEM VIRTUAL GALA SEPT. 13

You are invited to join others in the Twin Cities for the Bright Stars of Bethlehem 6<sup>th</sup> annual virtual Gala! Enjoy the evening on Saturday, September 13, with new friends who strive to raise awareness and support for Dar al-Kalima University in Bethlehem, the first and only university of arts and culture in Palestine. All are welcome to the Watch Party at Edina Community Lutheran Church, 4113 W. 54<sup>th</sup> Street, Edina, hosted by the Bright Stars of Bethlehem-Minnesota team. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with Palestinian appetizers, a short film by a DAK student, and conversation. The virtual Gala begins at 7:00 p.m., and the evening concludes by 8:30 p.m. Free parking is available. RSVP to Kathy Showalter Fiscus ([kshowalter@planscapepartners.com](mailto:kshowalter@planscapepartners.com) / 612-599-4593) by Wednesday, September 10. Individuals can also participate in the virtual Gala from home by registering with Bright Stars online at <https://www.brightstarsbethlehem.org/gala>



## THIS WEEK

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9—WORSHIP 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).

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 7:00 P.M.

#### CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT: CHANTING THE PSALMS IN HOPE

Join Ann Schrooten on Thursdays 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."

### BIKE RIDE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 5:25 P.M.

All are invited to join Sheryl Undem, Mary Beth Bierwagen, Pat Libra, and Julie Cahoy for an evening bike ride. Meet at HT Rain Garden at 5:25 p.m. for a 15-mile "Bridge Ride" that will end at E Lake DQ! Sign up in the Community Room or just show up. Bring lights. (If it rains, we'll meet on Friday, September 12.)

### WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS

If you would like to help provide a Wednesday evening meal for children and youth (and parents) attending choir, bell rehearsals, or supervised play time, please sign up in the Community Room. For more information, talk to Pastor David.

## SAVE THE DATE

### ADULT FALL RETREAT OCTOBER 3-5, 2025

The Adult Retreat will be held at the Benedictine Center of St. Paul's Monastery in Maplewood from October 3-5. Our theme 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.

### BOOK STUDY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

*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. 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 grew up in North Dakota. 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 to 8:00 p.m.

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025, 10:00 AM

<b>Preacher</b>	Doug Mork (he/him)
<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Ingrid Rasmussen (she/her)
<b>Cantor</b>	Paul Rasmussen (he/him)
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Ginny Jordan (she/her), Mary Engen (she/her)
<b>Crucifer</b>	
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	
<b>Communion</b>	Andrea Hansen (she/her), Kris Christians (she/her), Nicki Hines (she/her)
<b>Ushers</b>	Alan Libra (he/him), Chris Engen (he/him), Chuck Jordan (he/him)
<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Tacos on the front lawn
<b>Counters</b>	Annie Hines (she/her)
<b>Closer</b>	Roberta Shaw (she/her)
<b>Video Operator</b>	Jeff Weiss (he/him)

### SHARE THE BOUNTY!

Are your gardens overproducing? Can't keep up with your CSA? Or have you overbought at the Farmers Market? The Creation Care Committee would like to give you an opportunity to avoid food waste and share your abundance. We will have a table in the Community Room on Sundays, Bring your extra produce on Sunday morning to share. We will share with congregation members in both HT and Swahili congregations. What is left will be shared with Soup for You! and their guests. Share instead of wasting or composting.

## PARISH EVENTS AUGUST SEPTEMBER 7-13, 2025

Sunday, September 7	8:30 AM	Breakfast and Play
	9:00 AM	Youth Education
	9:00 AM	Adult Forum
	10:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	11:00 AM	Celebration on the Front Lawn
	12:00 PM	Swahili Service
Monday, September 8	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir
Tuesday, September 9	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
	6:45 PM	Big Meeting Night
Wednesday, September 10	5:00-6:00 PM	Choir Family Meal
	5:45-6:30 PM	Jubilation Youth Handbell Ensemble
	5:45-6:45 PM	Children's Choir
	6:30-8:00 PM	Gloria Ringers
	6:30-8:00 PM	Open Gym
	6:45-7:30 PM	Cantate!
Thursday, September 4	7:00 PM	Christ Be Our Light: Chanting the Psalms in Honor

### 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](#).

