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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 am • CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am • Jay Carlson and Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastors

OUR GOSPEL TREASURE

In a sermon at Central Lutheran Church a couple of weeks ago, Walter Brueggeman described concisely his understanding of the gospel, the treasure of the church, the reason for our celebration in Easter and throughout the year. That treasure that we hold in clay jars, he said, is **-forgiveness** in order to start again in a society that never forgives and keeps score forever;

-generosity that overwhelms our lack in a society based in scarcity and getting more for ourselves;

-hospitality that welcomes us in a society that is inhospitable to all but our own kind;

-justice that protects the vulnerable in a social system that is deathly in its injustice.

It is the old, old story of God's self-giving graciousness to us and to all creatures. That is the treasure!

Our unity as the church becomes more realized, I think, the closer we get to this central gospel message, this treasure of the church. Other things about the church may be important, but they are not what unites us and therefore should not be cause for division. Difference and division are not the same thing. Differences among us are a good thing and should be in fact celebrated. Next week in our worship and the adult forum we'll talk more about how important it is to understand the differences that exist between us. But each one of us, no matter who we are, has a longing for God's gift of abundant life. As Brueggemann put it, "this is the truth about the treasure: there is not any single person—not old or young, not rich or poor, not gay or straight, not conservative or liberal—not anyone who does not eagerly hope for the news of God's reconciling, liberating love. Not one!"

— Jay Carlson, Pastor

BOILER UPDATE

After several years of gathering funds we are happy to announce that work is now underway to replace our old, high-pressure boiler system with a new, high efficiency, dual-boiler hot water system. After careful consideration of the proposals by church staff and the Properties Committee, three contracts were approved by the church Council for this work.

The first one was for the removal of the asbestos in and around the old boilers. Because of the hazards associated with asbestos, this work has to be done carefully to comply with health and safety laws, including how the asbestos is disposed of after it is removed. This work is now largely done.

The second contract is for the demolition of the old boilers. Because of the size and location in the building, the old boiler equipment has to be broken apart and taken out in pieces. This work is underway.

The final and largest contract is for the installation of the new system. That work cannot start until the old boiler equipment is removed. Besides replacing the old boiler system, there are plans to replace several manual thermostats with programmable ones, and add new zones to allow for more precise heating of just the rooms that are needed. This will provide greater efficiency in heating the building. All work is expected to be completed by August 15th ... cont'd

DAY OF PENTECOST

Today's festival derives its name from the Jewish festival of Pentecost, observed fifty days after Passover. On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. In the reading from Acts, images of wind and fire describe the Spirit poured out on disciples of all nations. In John's gospel the risen Christ breathes the Spirit on his followers on Easter evening. In the one Spirit we are baptized into one body, and at the Lord's table the Spirit unites us for witness in the world.



LESSONS

- Acts 2:1-21
- Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
- I Corinthians 12:3b-13
- John 20:19-23

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — In the library

JUNE 8

A PEOPLE FOR GOD'S NAME:
BELIEVING AND BELONGING IN LUKE-ACTS
ERIC BARRETO, LUTHER SEMINARY

Survey after survey demonstrates that ethnic diversity is only increasing in recent days and yet many of our churches remain culturally homogeneous. What might a church that invites diversity look like? We will turn to the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles to wonder together how God's gift of diversity might take root in our lives together.

JUNE 15

HOLY TRINITY'S ORGANIZING
WORK WITH PAYDAY LENDING

Holy Trinity members worked hard to inspire and support a bill in the state legislature this year that would have reformed short-term lending practices. The bill passed both houses, but did not ultimately become law. Come hear what we learned and share your own thoughts about our work. There will also be an update on Exodus Lending, an alternative lending institution that is being launched soon.

CONCERNING PEOPLE

Please pray for **Randy Nelson**, recovering from surgery; **Cory Bryan**, undergoing diagnostic testing; **Karen Batdorf** and family upon the death of her niece; the family of **Mary Kreft**, who died this week; and **Paul Rasmussen** and family upon the death of his grandmother.

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The Financial Stewardship Committee would like to thank everyone who donated towards this effort, especially the generous matching gift from John and Carol Kelly. Because of your faithful giving, this project was largely paid for before the work started. We have not quite reached our goal, however, so donations to the Boiler Fund are still welcome.

— Gary Johnson, Financial Stewardship Chair

PARISH INFORMATION

MUSIC IN THE GARDEN

Summer is almost upon us, which means Music in the Garden has returned to Holy Trinity. Join us in the Rain Garden from noon to 1 p.m. on June 8 to hear Swedish folk fiddlers, JoAnn Norheim and Mari Carlson. The schottisch and waltz will also be taught by folk dance instructor Judy Kjenstad. Wear your dancing shoes for a lot of great music and dance fun! Feel free to invite a friend.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Holy Trinity will be delivering meals for Meals on Wheels the week of June 16-20. Volunteers are needed to deliver meals - signing up for 1-5 days that week. There is a sign-up sheet in the Community Room or you may call Mary Engen with questions. Meals are picked up at Nokomis Square delivery area at 50th St. and 35th Ave. S. at 11:10 a.m. Delivery takes about 1 hour.

MIDTOWN MARKET

Holy Trinity will be featured at Midtown Farmers' Market on Saturday, June 7, 8 am-1 pm. Come one and all to the best farmers' market and be seen wearing your Holy Trinity t-shirt, which can be obtained from the Holy Trinity office.

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE TWINS – SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for Lutheran Night at the Twins on Tuesday, July 22 at 7:10 pm. A group from Holy Trinity will meet at the church and travel by light rail to the stadium. Tickets are \$25. Sign up in the Community Room to reserve your seat. Talk to Pam Kildahl or Pastor Ingrid for more information.

READING AND MATH CORPS

Tutors are needed to help children and youth succeed in school by giving them the extra support they need to read and do math. As a tutor, you will implement research-based strategies to help children believe in themselves and succeed in reading by the end of third grade, or in math by the end of eighth grade. You will receive training, a living allowance (about \$484 biweekly for full-time), an education award of up to \$5,645 to further your education, and the reward of making a real impact in your community. Apply today www.MinnesotaReadingCorps.org or www.MinnesotaMathCorps.org. Strong preference is given to tutors who can start serving August 10, 2014. Send questions to recruitment@servemnation.org.

PARISH EVENTS June 8-15, 2014

Sunday	8:45, 11 am	Worship Services with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	12:00 pm	Music in the Garden
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Monday	10:00 am	Worship and Fine Arts Committee
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Writer's Circle

Special gifts to Worship and Fine Arts/Children's choir in honor of Ann & Dawn's Wedding by Jeff Weiss/Gretchen Lund, John/Carol Kelly, Mike/Vicki Mann, Sharon/Rob Englund, Bob/Jane Aldrich, John/Stephanie Sulzbach, Philip Brunelle, Timothy Westerhaus, Betty Saudison, Timothy Strand.
Boiler Fund by Bud Dixen.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS June 8, 2014

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Jay Carlson	Preacher	Jay Carlson
David Broberg	Presiding Minister	John Buzza
Grayson Wieczorek	Acolytes	Oskar Jensen, Emily Davison
Stella Townsend	Assisting Minister	Linda Jury
Lisa Martens	Crucifer	Meghan Olsen- Biebighauser
Brian Lenz, Liz Rudrud	Communion	Deb Anderson, Mark Hiner
Lisa/Bruce Martens	Altar Guild	Stella Townsend, Rosemary Foley
Bob/Bev Peschiutta, Chris Engen	Ushers	Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson, Alan Libra, Ron Peterson
	Nursery	Pat Libra
Gerry/Karen Vierstraete Werth	Coffee Servers	Carol/John Kelly
Annie Hines, Pam Blomgren	Counters	Bruce Johnson, Deb Helmel
	Closer	Deb Sodt

Financial Report	June 1	Year to Date
Budget Requirements	13,591.35	299,009.62
Budget Receipts	10,480.63	298,634.18
World Hunger	-	10,579.57
Boiler Donations	-	22,033.50
ELCA Malaria Campaign	-	1,000.00
African Pastor's endowment	-	765.00
Exodus Appeal	-	6,817.00
Food Shelf	-	160.00

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