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

WHOLEHEARTED COMMUNITY

About a year ago, I officiated at a beautiful outdoor wedding for a wonderful young couple. Along with the scripture readings they selected they also asked a friend to read “The Wholehearted Parenting Manifesto” by Brené Brown. I thought it was an interesting choice for a wedding, especially given that they did not have any children themselves. But they pointed out that a marriage is, in some ways, like a child to be cared for and nurtured. I couldn’t agree more.

Here are a few excerpts from Brown’s Manifesto:

Above all else, I want you to know that you are loved and lovable. You will learn this from my words and actions—the lessons on love are in how I treat you and how I treat myself.

We will practice courage in our family by showing up, letting ourselves be seen, and honoring vulnerability. We will share our stories of struggle and strength. There will always be room in our home for both.

We will teach you compassion by practicing compassion with ourselves first; then with each other. We will set and respect boundaries; we will honor hard work, hope, and perseverance. Rest and play will be family values, as well as family practices.

I want you to know joy, so together we will practice gratitude.

I want you to feel joy, so together we will learn how to be vulnerable.

Together we will cry and face fear and grief. I will want to take away your pain, but instead I will sit with you and teach you how to feel it.

We will laugh and sing and dance and create. We will always have permission to be ourselves with each other. No matter what, you will always belong here.

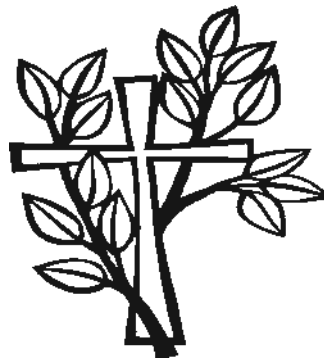
These words could apply to families with kids and kinships of all kinds. In fact, as we are making plans for a new year of Sunday School, Confirmation, choirs, youth group, and other programs, it seems to me that Brown’s Manifesto could help guide us, too. We want everyone who participates in our educational programs to know that they are **loved and lovable**. We want everyone to feel that no matter what, they always **belong**. Together, we will **practice compassion** in caring for neighbors near and far. We will **practice gratitude** by thanking God each time we gather. We will **practice wonder** as we learn and engage the stories of our faith. We will **practice courage** by showing up and by sharing our own stories, prayers, and lives. We will **laugh and sing and dance and create** because God has made us to do so.

Each of us is invited to whole-hearted faith in community with others. Thanks be to God.

— Jay Carlson, Pastor

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jesus’ words in today’s gospel reflect honesty about difficulties and conflict in Christian community as well as a deep concern for restoring broken relationships. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.



LESSONS
Ezekiel 33:7-11
Psalm 119:33-40
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20

RALLY DAY SCHEDULE Sunday, September 7

Our fall kickoff will be September 7 with a celebration of lifelong learning. All students—age 3 through 103—are invited to meet in the sanctuary at 9:45 that day for a fun opening of music and prayer. Then we will all break into our usual meeting places to get to know teachers and other students and talk more about the upcoming year. There will be time in the adult forum for participants to offer suggestions for additional topics to cover this year.

Our celebration on September 7 will also include Music in the Garden featuring the Wild Goose Chase Cloggers and a simple meal outside after the 11:00 service. Please join us to help kick off another year of worshipping, serving, and learning together!

END OF SUMMER GATHERING ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

We will gather in the Rain Garden to celebrate the end of summer at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, September 12. There will be ice cream and special music, including Longfellow’s bluegrass band, Ivory Bridge. That evening, we will also unveil the latest boiler video, which celebrates the completion of the project.

GLORIA RINGERS BACK IN THE SWING OF THINGS

Holy Trinity’s handbell ensemble will meet for its first rehearsal on Saturday, September 6 from 1-4 p.m. for our season kick-off. We are seeking one or two new ringers for the season, so if you have music reading experience as a keyboard player or instrumentalist, we would love to hear from you! The Gloria Ringers play for both worship services 5-6 times each year and rehearse on Sundays after worship, some Thursday evenings, and the Saturday mornings preceding a “ring.” If you are interested in joining us, please contact director Ann Schrooten at annlarayne@aol.com or 612-309-9583.

PARISH INFORMATION

CALLING ALL SINGERS

The first adult choir rehearsals will be Wednesday, September 10. Veteran and new singers are welcome to join in the music-making! All those who plan to sing this year are invited to a meet-and-greet with Cantor David Sims at Pastor Ingrid's house on Tuesday evening, September 9 at 6:30 pm. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. Sign up in the Community Room if you plan to attend.

CONVERSATION ABOUT BUILDING CHANGES

All are encouraged to join the Church Council at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 18, as we discuss future building modifications and how they could enhance the ministry of Holy Trinity.

FILM SERIES AT FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

All are invited to the film *Which Way Home*, showing the personal side of immigration through the eyes and stories of children. Wednesday, September 24 at 7 p.m. at Faith Mennonite Church, 2720 E 22nd Street. The 83-minute film is part of the Minneapolis Peace and Justice monthly film series. Free of charge.

YOUTH GATHERING 2015

With the theme "Rise Up Together," the ELCA Youth Gathering will be held in Detroit next summer, July 15-19. All youth who have completed grades 8-12 are eligible to attend. An informational meeting for youth and parents will be held on Sunday, September 14, at 12:15 in the church library.

HOLY TRINITY CAMPING TRIP

We're making plans for an intergenerational camping weekend, Sept. 19-21 at Nerstrand Big Woods group camp. All are welcome! Talk to Pastor Jay or Theresa Rian for more information.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

As we work to develop a meaningful relationship with Broadway High School (serving pregnant and parenting teens in the old Longfellow Elementary), we would like to collect some basic school supplies to fulfill some of their students' immediate needs. Donations of pencils, pens, folders, notebooks, scissors, tape, and Kleenex can be placed in the baskets under the center table in the Community Room. Many thanks!

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PARISH EVENTS September 7-13, 2014		
Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:45 am	Confirmation begins in the sanctuary
	9:45 am	Sunday School begins in the sanctuary
	9:45 am	Adult Forum begins in the sanctuary
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
Monday	12:00 pm	Lunch/Music in the Garden
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Tuesday	10:00 am	Worship/Fine Arts
	7:00 pm	Stewardship, Nurturing, Chris Ed meetings
Wednesday	11:00 am	Text Study
	6:30 pm	Choir gathering at Pastor Ingrid's
	6:30 pm	Writers' Circle
	7:00 pm	Peace with Justice committee
Friday	5:30 pm	Choir Supper
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
Friday	6:30 pm	End of Summer Celebration

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS September 7, 2014			
8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
Jay Carlson	Preacher	Jay Carlson	
Ingrid Rasmussen	Presiding Minister	Ingrid Rasmussen	
Soren Kung	Acolytes	Will Kelley, Louis Kelley	
Meghan Olsen Biebighauser	Assisting Minister	Stephanie Cole	
Lisa Martens	Crucifer	Troy Davison	
Brian Lenz, Liz Rudrud	Communion	Deb Anderson, Mark Hiner	
Josh Becker, Anne Beschnett	Altar Guild	DeWayne/Melanie Townsend family	
Bob/Bev Peschiutta, Chris Engen	Ushers	Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson, Cory Bryan, Alan Libra	
David/Liz Rudrud	Coffee Servers	Rob/Sharon Englund	
Bob Peschiutta, Vicki Mann	Counters	Scott Cole, M. E. Olson	
	Closer	Vicki Mann	