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

COME AND SEE

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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"Come and see," Phillip says to Nathanael.

We often hear it as an innocent invitation, but it's more than that. It's a radical call to reimagine. It's a call into a different story—a story not of their own making, a story where leaders emerge from the unlikeliest of places, a story where a limitless God takes on the limits of humanity for the sake of love, a story where privilege is set aside in order to make way for relationship, a story where the violence of the empire is shown to be powerless against the nonviolent vision of the Beloved Community made known in Jesus.

Do you think the disciples understood the journey that lay ahead of them?

A friend of mine says that "the disciples [had been given eyes to see] the world as God sees it—wounded, broken, sinful community born anew [with hope]." And it's in this new shared reality that Phillip and Nathanael plant themselves in the days to come. It's here, right here, that they become Jesus' followers.

It's here that we, too, become Jesus' followers. Victoria Safford, a Unitarian pastor from White Bear Lake, writes:

Our mission is to plant ourselves at the gates of hope — not the prudent gates of Optimism, which are somewhat narrower; nor the stalwart, boring gates of Common Sense; nor the strident gates of self-righteousness...nor the cheerful, flimsy garden gate of 'Everything is gonna be all right,' but a very different, sometimes very lonely place, the place of truth-telling, about your own soul first of all and its condition, the place of resistance and defiance, the piece of ground from which you see the world both as it is and as it could be, as it might be, as it will be; the place from which you glimpse not only struggle, but joy in the struggle — and we stand there, beckoning and calling, telling people what we are seeing, asking people what they see.

—Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastor

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Congregational Meeting will take place on Sunday, January 25, immediately following the 11:00 worship service. Lunch will be provided. Business will include approving the 2015 budget.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Stories of the call to discipleship continue as the time after Epiphany plays out the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of fisherman brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.



ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — In the library

LESSONS

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalm 62:5-12

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

JANUARY 25

"Preview of the Annual Meeting"

The pastors and members of the Church Council will lead the forum.

FEBRUARY 1

Youth Committee

The Adult Forum will take place in the gym, in conjunction with the Pancake Breakfast.

JAZZ CONCERT TO BENEFIT LSS METRO HOMELESS YOUTH

On Sunday, February 15, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., the Longfellow Jazz Sextet with special guest vocalist Judi Donaghy Vinar will perform a concert at Christ Church Lutheran, 3244 34th Ave. S., Minneapolis. This pre-Lenten celebration will feature music from the roots of American jazz and new pieces that reflect the spirit of today. The celebration will continue with a post-concert reception. A freewill offering will be taken for Lutheran Social Service's Metro Homeless Youth program, which provides essential services to youth in our neighborhood.

"GOD GIRL," A NEW PLAY BY KRISTINE HOLMGREN

The war in Vietnam is over, the women's liberation movement is in full swing, and a spirited 1975 Macalester graduate is determined to change the world. See what happens when she joins the first large group of audacious women seeking the Master of Divinity degree from an elite Ivy League seminary. Minnesota playwright Kristine Holmgren is a Presbyterian pastor and former Star Tribune columnist. Her new play explores the hard work, humor, and heartbreak experienced by the first brave women who dared smash the stained glass ceiling of protestantism. Join Pastor Ingrid on **March 1** at 2 p.m. at the MN History Center. The van will leave from HT after the 11:00 service. Sign up by 1/25. Tickets are approximately \$30.

MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY

Holy Trinity will be delivering meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels the week of Feb. 2-6. Volunteers are needed to drive a route for 1-5 days. Sign up in the Community Room.

PARISH INFORMATION

PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND BAKE SALE

Confirmation students will host the Annual Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale fundraiser (for youth mission and learning trips) on Sunday, Feb. 1, from 8:00 to 1:00. Tickets are \$5 and will be on sale at the Annual Meeting on January 25 as well as at the door. Sign up in the Community Room if you'd like to contribute baked goods for the bake sale.

GAME NIGHT SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 6:00 P.M.

Chili-snacks-games galore! Holy Trinity members and friends of all ages are invited to an evening of comfort food, laughter, and some fun competition playing favorite games and new games. Sign up in the Community Room or call the church office.

BOOK STUDY

Join Nicki Hines and Pastor Ingrid for a book study on Elizabeth Johnson's *Quest for the Living God*. With Johnson's book as a guide, we'll discuss the images of God we carry and explore images that might expand our understanding. Tuesdays, February 10, 17, 24 from 7-8:30 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room or call the church office.

FRENCH COOKING CLASS

Sarah Wieben, artist, Julbord mastermind, and chef, will be leading a French cooking class on the evening of Thursday, March 19. Plan to come to the Holy Trinity kitchen, gather around the cutting boards with friends, and enjoy a cozy learning experience. Hosted by the 20s, 30s, 40s group. Adults of all ages welcome. Sign up in the Community Room by March 5. Cost will be approximately \$15; scholarships available.

ENCORE! MOVIE NIGHT

Encore! is inviting all interested in seeing the movie *Selma* to join us Saturday January 24th. The exact location and time will be determined closer to the date, but plan on a time close to 4:00 p.m.. We'll go out for food and conversation after the movie. Please email Nancy Moe so we can contact you with the theater information. If you would like to carpool, please indicate this, too.

RAIN GARDEN MOSAIC WORKSHOP

Join Sharon Englund on Wednesdays between 10 a.m.-3p.m. to work on the mosaic panels. Work is done inside in the Caterpillar Room.

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PARISH EVENTS January 25-31, 2015		
Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:30 am	Confirmation
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	12:15 pm	Annual Meeting of the Congregation
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Tuesday	11:00 am	Text Study
Wednesday	10 am-3pm	Mosaic workshop
	5:30 pm	Choir families supper
	6-7 pm	Youth choirs
	6:30 pm	Trinity Singers
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
Saturday	6-8 pm	Game Night

African Pastors' Fund by Sandra Nelson
 World Hunger in memory of Marion Englund by Carol Johnson, and in memory of Vi Madson by Lyle Steinfeldt
 Worship and Fine Arts in memory of Marion Englund by Jim/Carolyn Bjelland
 Special Gifts in memory of Marion Englund by Maddy Mann, Dennis/Lynda Nordholm, Sally Parks

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS JANUARY 25, 2015			
8:45 AM			11:00 AM
Soren Kung	Acolytes		Ethan & Kristen Townsend
Andrea Hansen	Assisting Minister		Stephanie Cole
Lisa Martens	Crucifer		Cliff Brown
Pam Blomgren, Brian Lenz	Communion		Sara Jensen, Gary Johnson
Bev Peschiutta, Nancy Madich	Altar Guild		Melanie Townsend family, Linda Woytasek
Bob Peschiutta, John Goring, DeWayne Townsend, Marcea Mariani	Ushers		George Madich, Bob Norheim, Helen Norheim, Mark Hiner
Lane/Fortier family	Coffee Servers		no coffee/Annual Meeting
Pam Blomgren, Annie Hines	Counters		Deb Helmel, Gary Johnson
	Closer		Dennis Nordholm

Financial Report	January 18	Year to date
Budget receipts	23,320.58	64,865.20
African Pastors' endowment	15.00	65.00
Boiler donations	27.00	67.00
Exodus Appeal	605.00	615.00
World Hunger	91.00	91.00