



THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

BUILDING DESIGN TEAM UPDATE

Five months ago, the Council tasked a ten-member Design Team to work with Miller Dunwiddie Architects to re-envision the building's east entrance. Through hours (and hours!) of hard work with talented architects, the Design Team translated the congregation's goals of accessibility, hospitality, and safety into schematic drawings that are both modest in scope and lovely. Last week, the Council voted unanimously to accept the architectural direction presented by the Design Team. The Council is excited to share these drawings widely with the whole congregation.

The sketches will be available for viewing in the Community Room beginning this Sunday, August 30. They allow you to see the following proposed changes:

- A partially covered walkway designed to draw people from 31st Street and the parking lot
- East entrance doors that are glass and power-operated
- The relocation of the staff offices and work room to the first floor
- Additional meeting spaces on the first floor
- Improvements to the emergency exit stairs from the Bartsch Room
- A remodeling of the current restrooms to include three all-gender, accessible bathrooms
- Exterior sidewalks that slope in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act
- A leveling of the interior floors in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act
- Additional bicycle parking and benches near to the entrance
- Improved lighting both inside and outside the building
- Signage that both directs and welcomes

A member of the Design Team will be available after both services during the month of September to walk interested persons through the plans, answer questions, and record any suggestions for modification.

In order to move forward with the next phase of our work, the Council has called a congregational meeting on Sunday, September 27. It will be held immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The purpose of this meeting would be to approve the architectural fees—not to exceed \$37,000—associated with the creation of construction documents. Construction documents move us from the sketches you will soon see in the Community Room to design documents that detail the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing elements of the proposed project. These documents are created in cooperation with a contractor, which allows us to identify a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the project. This information will permit the congregation to make a very informed decision when it votes on whether or not to proceed with construction, a vote tentatively scheduled in conjunction with Stewardship Sunday on November 22, 2015.

Thank you for your interest, support, and prayers. We hope to see you on September 27!

—Sara Jensen, Church Council President, Pastor Jay Carlson, and Pastor Ingrid Rasmussen

P.S. The Funding Team is already hard at work, too. They will offer an update on their progress at the meeting on September 27!

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jesus protests against human customs being given the weight of divine law, while the essence of God's law is ignored. True uncleanness comes not from external things, but from the intentions of the human heart. We, having been washed in the word when we were born in the font, return to it every Sunday to ask God to create in us clean hearts.



READINGS

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9
Psalm 15
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — in the Library

AUGUST 30 "Reflections on Augsburg College Youth Theology Institute (ACYTI)"
Meagan Fortier

Come hear about Meagan's experience at ACYTI and get an exclusive inside on her paper that will be published in one of Augsburg's online journals.

SEPTEMBER 6 No Adult Forum

There will be one worship service at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 6 (Labor Day weekend). Please join us!

STUDY/TRAVEL SEMINAR TO GERMANY

Plan now to join fellow Holy Trinity members on a study/travel seminar to Germany in October, 2016 on the eve of the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. Details including exact dates, costs, and itinerary will be available in November.

FUNERAL/MEMORIAL TEAMS

Holy Trinity is committed to surrounding families with love and support at the time of a loved one's death. We are in the process of creating three funeral/memorial teams, which would serve receptions on a rotating basis. Each team needs two co-chairs (people who are good with email communication), one person to gather reception needs a day or two before the funeral (e.g., plates, cups, water pitchers), six servers, three people to bat clean-up, and six bar bakers. There are roles for working people and for people with more flexible schedules. Sandy Hoverson will be in the Community Room on Sunday to answer questions; please stop by and see how your skills might be used!

PARISH INFORMATION

BROADWAY GIFT LIST

Holy Trinity will once again be partnering with Broadway High School, the school for parenting and pregnant teen women, located a few blocks east of the church. The school store and students could use a few items as they get started, including juice boxes, water, granola bars, fruit snacks, fruit roll-ups, pretzels in small packs, popped corn in bags, ramen noodles, and general school supplies. Please drop these items off in the box in the Community room. Thanks for your generous contributions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Would you have time on Sunday mornings—even just occasionally—to help with the faith formation of our younger members? Sunday School is a great opportunity to build meaningful relationships. Sign up in the Community Room or speak with Pastor Jay.

RACIAL JUSTICE DISCUSSIONS

Holy Trinity will offer three discussion groups on addressing racism starting in early October. Groups will be small and will meet six times over the course of three months. A commitment to attend all sessions is expected. The purpose of the groups is to provide an environment for exploring racism and the collaborative role we play in maintaining it. Discussions will also attend to our faith and to how we can take action to promote racial justice. Paul Kivel's book, *Uprooting Racism: How White People can Work for Racial Justice*, will be used as a shared foundation and guide. All groups will be at Holy Trinity and child care provided as needed. Sign-up sheets with dates and times for the groups are in the Community Room. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Ingrid or Libby Olstad.

HOLY TRINITY SERMONS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Holy Trinity's sermons are now available for reading (holytrinitypastors.org) and for listening (htlcmpls.org).

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PARISH EVENTS August 30-September 5, 2015		
Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:45 am	Confirmation
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Tuesday	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Youth Committee Meeting

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS AUGUST 30, 2015		
8:45 AM		11:00 AM
	Crucifer	Cliff Brown
	Acolytes	
Lyle Steinfeldt	Assisting Minister	Scott Cole
Pam Blomgren	Communion	Cori Gershon
Bev Peschiutta, Nancy Madich	Altar Guild	Cori Gershon, Carol Lane
Bob Peschiutta, DeWayne Townsend, Marcea Mariani	Ushers	Bob/Helen Norheim, Joshua Combs, Rod Johnson
	Coffee Servers	John and Kay Buzza
Pam Blomgren	Counters	Gary Johnson
	Closer	Rod Johnson

RALLY DAY — SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Our fall kickoff will be September 13, when we will welcome all ages to begin a new year of learning programs. Sunday School meets at 9:45.

Our celebration on September 13 will also include Music in the Garden featuring the Jack Brass Band 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!

Building fund in memory of E. J. Stich by Gerry/Linda Berglin
African Pastors' Fund by Bud Dixon
World Hunger in memory of Myrtle Nelson by daughter Gloria Warner
Broadway School in honor of Joy and Randy Nelson's 50th wedding anniversary by Zoe/Miguel Martinez

Financial Report	August 23	Year to date
Budget requirement	13,982.69	475,411.54
Budget receipts	15,628.28	454,805.63
Broadway School	30.00	1,689.00
World Hunger	100.00	2,383.50
African Pastors' Endowment	50.00	365.00