



# 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

## THE “HOW” OF HOUSING AS WE AGE

We often think about housing decisions in terms of where to live—city or suburb, house or apartment, playgrounds and kids or nightlife and adults. Holy Trinity’s *Encore!* group recently began a discussion about how we want to do housing as we get older. Newly empty nests prompted some of us to start thinking about changes that may still be years away; others have already downsized or are looking for options for aging in place. All of us have ideas and questions about living in a way that balances independence and community.

It has become common for people to relocate after they retire. They may want a respite from cold winters, a home closer to grown children, or just a change of scenery. In many cases they choose a home that offers greater physical accessibility and/or less space to maintain. Some seek a community of older adults, while others prefer a multi-generational setting. Typically, though, the new arrangements are traditional single-family houses, apartments, condominiums or continuing care communities. *Encore* members are exploring alternative structures—and ways to add a stronger community component to traditional options.

**Cooperatives.** Some HTLC members are choosing cooperative senior housing arrangements, such as Becketwood in South Minneapolis. In contrast to condominiums, which combine individual ownership of a housing unit with shared ownership of common spaces and grounds, co-ops feature shared ownership of all facilities. Residents own a share in the co-op, which gives them the right to live there, and are welcome (or even expected) to participate actively in the community. In the Twin Cities there are cooperatives for seniors and for college students, but few local options for people who desire inter-generational living.

**Cohousing.** Cohousing is another model that focuses on the community aspects of housing. It is extremely intentional and collaborative, often involving years of planning to ensure that the design and operation of the facilities will meet the needs of the people who choose to live there. Although common in Europe and some East- and West-Coast communities, cohousing hasn’t found much of a following in the Midwest. I recently attended an open house at Monterey Housing in St. Louis Park, the only official cohousing community in the Twin Cities. Could Holy Trinity launch its own cohousing option here in the city? Our group agreed that it would be a huge, long-term undertaking.

**Other ideas.** *Encore!* members are considering a number of other options. My husband and I have begun talking with several friends and former housemates about the possibility of jointly purchasing a small apartment building, with one or two units set aside for community activities, visitors, and perhaps housing for a home health aide at some time in the future. Others are interested in establishing small groups that will share a weekly meal and provide other types of fellowship and mutual support. This could be similar to a cooperative, but with each of us staying in our own home.

A few groups of Holy Trinity members will be exploring different ways to be more connected with each other. If you’re interested in checking this out, stay tuned to future announcements or share your ideas with the Nurturing Relationships Committee.

—Liz Conway, Holy Trinity Member

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Someone is casting out demons in Jesus’ name who isn’t part of Jesus’ own circle, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus’ word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn’t do it, by people we can’t keep tabs on.*



### READINGS

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29  
Psalm 19:7-14  
James 5:13-20  
Mark 9:38-50

### ADULT FORUM

10:00 am – in the Library

#### SEPTEMBER 27 “Broadway School Partnership”

Holy Trinity will again be partnering with Broadway High School, the school for parenting and pregnant teen women, located a few blocks east of the church. Come and learn about the school’s mission and hear about ways this faith community can build relationships with the students, staff, and administration.

#### OCTOBER 4 “My Life Story, My Faith Story” Kathleen Gabrielsen

As part of our occasional series on how members’ life stories and faith stories come together, come and hear Kathleen Gabrielsen reflect on her journey.

#### YOUTH CHOIR CONCERT FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

On Friday, October 2, at 7 p.m., Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will host three youth choirs in a USA-Mexico Friendship Concert. The Cantabile (conducted by Ann Schrooten) and Concert Choirs of Angelica Cantanti Youth Choirs from Bloomington and a youth choir from Morelia, Mexico, will share music with each other. Free and open to the public.

#### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

In order to move forward with the next phase of the building update, the Council has called a congregational meeting on Sunday, September 27, immediately following the 11:00 service. The purpose of this meeting is to consider Council’s recommendation to approve the architectural fees associated with the creation of construction documents.

#### ADVENT DEVOTION BOOK

We will again be creating an Advent devotion booklet featuring daily reflections written by Holy Trinity members and friends. If you would be interested in writing a 300-400-word reflection on the daily lectionary texts, please sign up in the Community Room. Typed or handwritten reflections are due to the office (htoffice@htlcmpls.org) by October 18.

## PARISH INFORMATION

### IALOGUE LUNCH WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer, Associate Professor of Justice and Peace Studies at St. Thomas University, will present and lead a discussion of the Pope's recent Encyclical "On Care for Our Common Home." Register by October 2 by phone (612-729-8358) or online at [htlcmpls.org/dialogue](http://htlcmpls.org/dialogue). A donation of \$5 at the door is suggested.

### FALL RETREAT

Four spaces are still open for the Adult Retreat at Villa Maria in Frontenac, MN, Friday and Saturday, October 16-17. We will explore "Listening to God on the Journey." Cost is \$100, which includes transportation (van will depart at 4 p.m. Friday and return by 6 p.m. Saturday), meals, lodging (single rooms this year!), and all training materials. Scholarships are available; speak with Pastor Ingrid.

### PHOTO DIRECTORY

A photo directory will soon be published. If you'd like a photo taken for the directory, you'll have an opportunity on Sunday, September 27 in the Community Room between worship services. Please call the church office to put your name on the list.

### MINNESOTA MEAL—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 6:00 P.M.

Each fall we gather for a meal of local food and give thanks for the bounty of God's creation. Bring your favorite local food dish to pass and hear an interesting presentation by the keepers of Gandhi Mahal's rooftop garden and in-restaurant aquaponics system. Confirmation students and sponsors are encouraged to attend together. Sign up in the Community Room by September 27.

### SEEKING SUGGESTIONS FOR SPECIAL APPEALS

Each year at the Annual Meeting, the Financial Stewardship Committee recommends special appeals be approved for the coming year. Giving to those selected organizations/causes is promoted through an appeal letter. The Committee is seeking suggestions for the 2016 special appeal. The proposed organization/cause should have a relationship to or history with Holy Trinity and reflect the stated purposes of our congregation. Any individual or standing Church Committee may submit a suggested organization/cause to be considered. Submissions should be sent to Vicki Mann in the Church Office no later than November 8.

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PARISH EVENTS September 27-October 3, 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
Tuesday	12:00 pm	Congregational Meeting
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	7:00 pm	<i>Peace Like a River</i> book study
	5:30 pm	Choir Families Supper
	6:00 pm	Youth Choirs
	6:30 pm	Trinity Singers
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
Friday	7:00 pm	Youth Choir Concert
Saturday	6:00 pm	Minnesota Meal

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS SEPTEMBER 27, 2015			
8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
	Crucifer	Anna Brelje	
Tevy Nou	Acolytes		
Cathy Alpizar	Assisting Minister	Martha Mueller	
	Communion		Cori Gershon
Bev Peschiutta	Altar Guild	Roberta Shaw, Carol Lane	
Bev/Bob Peschiutta, John Goring,	Ushers		Mike Mann, John Kelly, Joshua Combs, Meghan Olsen Biebighauser
Katy Benson	Coffee Servers	Josef and Meagan Fortier	
Chris Engen, Julie Cahoy	Counters	Pamela Kildahl, Vicki Mann	
	Closer	John Kelly	

### JOHNSON SYMPOSIUM NOVEMBER 13-14

Register now for the Johnson Symposium on Faith and Society. Join Dr. John Nunes as he re-imagines the Reformation from the edges. Dr. Nunes will examine voices emerging among Christian communities around the globe, including those arising out of North American communities of color. Tickets are available in the office (612-729-8358) or on the website ([htlcmpls.org/symposium](http://htlcmpls.org/symposium)).