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

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY

Each Sunday provides us the gift of gathering in community. We receive God's presence in word and sacrament. We offer prayers of thanksgiving, lament, and praise. We support one another in the challenges of life and faith. We discern with one another our call to serve in the world.

This Sunday will provide a special opportunity for community gathering with our annual Stewardship Breakfast of pastries and fruit at 10:00. All members (and worshipers of both the 8:45 and 11:00 services) are encouraged to gather together in the gym. We have a lot to celebrate this year, as Holy Trinity members have generously supported both the *Opening Doors* renovation project and the day-to-day ministry of this congregation. Thank you! Our ministry continues, and now we can make our commitments of giving of time, talent, and treasure for 2017.

Please take some time this week to consider what your plan for giving will be so that you can complete your pledge. Pledge cards will be available both at the breakfast and in each of the worship services. These pledges not only help us for our congregational budgeting, but they also help us as givers to follow through on our commitments. Whether you decide to give through the offering baskets on Sunday or through automatic bank withdrawal, having a plan will allow you to keep your support of God's work through Holy Trinity a priority.

Deciding on what to pledge depends on various factors, as we all have various financial commitments to balance and our individual circumstances will shape what we are able to give. There is no perfect pledge, but as one of our members encouraged us last Sunday during worship, "do your best." Perhaps this is the year for you to consider an increase over last year's pledge of one or two percent of your income. If you want some help thinking through your pledge, feel free to give us a call. Regardless of the amount you decide to give, you can be certain it will make a difference in the work of this congregation.

Thank you for all that you give in response to God's grace through the ministry of this congregation. We look forward to seeing you next Sunday at our stewardship breakfast.

In gratitude,

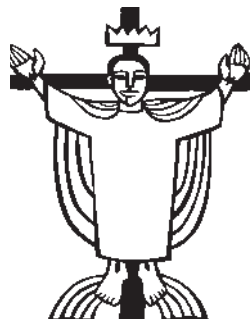
—Pastor Jay, Pastor Ingrid, and the Financial Stewardship Committee

LOOKING AHEAD: HOLIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

- **Wednesday, November 23, Thanksgiving Eve, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, December 24, Christmas Eve, 4:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, December 24, Christmas Eve, 10:00 p.m.**
- **Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day, 10:00 a.m.**
- **Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.**

REIGN OF CHRIST

Jeremiah's promise of the execution of "justice and righteousness in the land" finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears to be utterly contradictory that the king should be crucified with the criminal. This victory appears for all the world as ignominious defeat. Yet through the gate of death our Lord opens the door to paradise.



READINGS
Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalm 46
Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 23:33-43

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am—in the Library

NOVEMBER 20 "Stewardship Breakfast"
Join us for pastries and fruit in the gym to celebrate God's work through the ministry of Holy Trinity. You will be invited to pledge financial support for our ministry in 2017. We'll also highlight opportunities for involvement.

NOVEMBER 27 "Healing Creation: The Human Vocation and Christian Witness"
Dennis Ormseth
Scripture is concerned with our relation to natural habitat from beginning to end. Indeed our relationship to creation is of equal importance as our relationship to God. What does this mean for a Lutheran congregation and its witness in our time and place?

THANK YOU FROM LONGFELLOW ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL
Thank you for the money donated to provide Fare for All food packages to students at Longfellow Alternative High School. Holy Trinity members and friends have donated money to fund 50 grocery packages since December 2015.

2017 OFFERING ENVELOPES
The 2017 offering envelopes can be picked up in the Community Room. If you have already picked yours up, please check to make sure you have the correct box.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE AND PIE FEST WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23
Children's, Youth, and Adult Choirs will lead a Service of Evening Prayer on Wednesday, November 23, at 7:00 p.m. (Thanksgiving Eve). The service will be followed by a "pie fest" in the Community Room. Please bring a pumpkin pie to share.

PARISH INFORMATION

MEALS ON WHEELS

Holy Trinity will be delivering meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels the week of December 5-9. Volunteers are needed to deliver meals for 1-5 days. Meals are picked up at Nokomis Square delivery area (50th St. and 35th Ave. S.) at 11:15 a.m. Delivery takes 1½ hours. Sign up in the Community Room or call Mary Engen.

ADVENT SOUP SUPPERS AND EVENING SERVICES

All are invited to partake in the Advent soup suppers on Wednesdays, November 30 and December 7, 14, and 21, from 6:00-6:45 p.m. in the Community Room. Soup and bread are provided; free-will donations are accepted. The community moves downstairs at 7:00 p.m. for the Service of Evening Prayer in the Bartsch Room. This year's Advent theme is "For the Healing of Creation."

THE BIG RING AT THE MALL OF AMERICA SATURDAY, NOV. 19

Handbell Musicians of America is partnering with The Salvation Army and the Mall of America to break the Guinness World Record for the largest performing handbell ensemble. Members of Holy Trinity's Gloria Ringers will be part of this 700-member group ringing on Saturday, November 19, at 11:00 a.m. at the Rotunda in the Mall of America.

THE ENNEAGRAM: CONTINUING THE CONVERSATION

This series of three classes held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on January 24, 31, and February 7, will deepen your knowledge of the Enneagram, an ancient and powerful map that sheds light on the motivation behind your behavior: Back by popular demand, Kate Ostrem of 9 Open doors will guide us as we explore how the enneagram can be applied to our daily lives and increase the compassion we have for ourselves and those we love. If it's not possible for you to attend the first class, come to the others anyway. The church office has a handout that can help you start to identify your type and we can catch you up at the next class. Cost for the series is \$20; scholarships are available. Sign up in the Community Room by December 18. ****Please note: we need 20 participants to go ahead with this class.**

FIRST FRIDAYS WITH FRIENDS DECEMBER 2

The 20s, 30s, 40s group invites you to an evening of eating and coloring, beginning at 6:30 p.m. (location to be determined). Don't color? Come, eat, and watch others color. This event is being coordinated with Parents' Night Out so caregivers can drop off their child(ren) at the church for the evening. Sign up in the Community Room by November 27.

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PARISH EVENTS November 20-26, 2016

Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Stewardship Breakfast in the Gym
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	12:00 pm	Gloria Ringers
Monday	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	6:00 pm	Executive Committee
	7:00 pm	Council
Tuesday	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Youth Choir Supper
	6:00 pm	Youth Choirs
	7:00 pm	Thanksgiving Eve Service & Pie Fest
	7:45 pm	Adult Choir
Thursday		Thanksgiving Day
Friday		Office Closed

Special Gift in memory of Gerry Werth by Carol/John Kelly
Refugee Resettlement Fund in memory of Gerry Werth by Nancy Madich

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS NOVEMBER 20, 2016

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Amelia Waddick, John Waddick	Acolytes	Emily Davison, Molly Davison
Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	Camilo Rudolph
Carol Berg	Assisting Minister	Liz Conway
DeWayne Townsend, Lyle Steinfeldt	Communion	Roberta Shaw, Mark Hiner
Tina/Robert Russell	Altar Guild	Pat Lundquist, Rosemary Foley
Bob Peschiutta, Julie Cahoy, Samantha Waddick	Ushers	Lee Kampinen, George Madich, Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson
Stewardship Breakfast	Coffee Servers	Sue/Mark Hiner
Gerry Berglin, Dennis Nordholm	Counters	Wayne Vetter, Deb Helmel
	Closer	Dennis Nordholm

Financial Report	November 13	Year to date
Budget requirement	14,432.69	663,903.85
Budget Receipts	7,971.13	608,347.56
Opening Doors	25,382.87	323,527.97
Refugee Resettlement	125.00	1,531.00
World Hunger	205.00	5,889.68