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THE INVISIBLE MADE VISIBLE

It's the second Sunday of the month.

Eight women trickle in, gathering around the table in the office conference room. They are all present for a united commitment which is portrayed in many venues. The members of the Nurturing Committee have assembled for their bi-monthly meeting.

You probably know each member individually—you've seen us in the Library, Narthex, Community Room, and the Sanctuary. As a member of Holy Trinity, you may have heard our names murmured in the crowd or from the person sitting next to you. If you have heard of us, perhaps you wondered what a committee named "nurturing" could possibly do at a church?

Nurturing means to . . . feed and protect, to support and encourage, and to bring up and educate. I became a member of this committee because I also hold these precepts in high regard and value. As a committee member, I found a place to put my beliefs in action in conjunction with a group of some pretty cool people.

As a part of the Holy Trinity membership, a friend, or a family member, you most likely have attended a program or event or benefited from one or more of the services provided by the Nurturing Committee. I've listed some of them here:

Feeding the Spirit, Grief Ministry, First Sunday Musings, Twins Game, Encore, Loaves and Fishes, fall retreat, Nurturing Ministries, New Members, Kinship Meal, Game Night, 20s, 30s, and 40s group, and Lay Communion Ministry.

Organizing, consolidating, and then welcoming the many participants to the above programs and events bring all members of the Nurturing Committee loads of happiness, excitement, pleasure, and a sense of accomplishment—not necessarily in, or limited to, this order.

I think it's time I told you the names of the eight people I've been speaking about. The members of the Nurturing Committee are Joyce Peterson, Pam Kildahl, Arlene Helvig, Cori Gershon, Liz Blood, Pastor Ingrid Rasmussen, Kathy Ohler, and Nancy Moe (current chairperson). Laura Bolstad, Stephanie Cole, Nancy Madich, and Helen Norheim join us on occasion, too. I believe we all feel almost a sense of adventure as we sit around the table brainstorming, suggesting, debating, and finally deciding and bringing to fruition the many programs and events we facilitate for the membership of Holy Trinity and beyond.

If this article stirs the spirit inside of you into wanting to explore the potential of becoming a member of the Nurturing Committee, please check with Pastor Ingrid. Remember the words of Jesus: "Do to others as you would have them do to you." [Luke 6:31]

—Cori Gershon

HOLY COMMUNION CLASS SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 10:00 A.M.

Families with children who are ready to begin receiving communion or families and children wanting to expand their understanding of communion are invited to a family-friendly presentation by Pastor Ingrid and Pastor Mark at 10:00 a.m. in the Godly Play classroom on the 2nd floor. All ages are welcome. Sign up in the Community Room or talk with Ann Schrooten so we know how many and what ages to expect.

TRINITY SUNDAY AND GRADUATION BLESSING JUNE 11

During the 11:00 a.m. service, we will bless our high school graduates—Soren Peterson, Kaia Porter, Liza Roberts, Lauren Van Doren, and Danya Werth—during a time of exciting transition in their lives. Please come and uphold the promises we made to these beloveds in baptism.

DAY OF PENTECOST

Today's festival derives its name from the Jewish festival of Pentecost, observed 50 days after Passover. On the 50th day of Easter we celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. In the reading from Acts, images of wind and fire describe the Spirit poured out on disciples of all nations. In John's gospel the risen Christ breathes the Spirit on his followers on Easter evening. In the one Spirit we are baptized into one body, and at the Lord's table the Spirit unites us for witness in the world.



READINGS

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

John 20:19-23

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — in the Library

JUNE 4

"Compassion and Choices"
Harlan Limpert

The Minnesota Chapter of Compassion and Choices, along with the Rev. Harlan Limpert, a Unitarian Universalist minister, is offering this forum—Expanding End of Life Options in Minnesota—to provide an overview of the proposed legislation as well as the religious and ethical aspects of medical aid in dying.

JUNE 11

"Faith, Sexism, and Justice"
Ingrid Rasmussen

In 2009, the Churchwide Assembly of the ELCA authorized a social statement process "on the topic of justice for women in church and society." Over the course of this summer, we'll engage this conversation as a congregation. It is clear that countless people are suffering under the weight of injustice. Many individuals and families—both inside and outside of the church—are struggling because of the effects of sexism and patriarchy. These forces are personal, religious, social, and economic. All members are welcome to attend Sunday's forum in which Pastor Ingrid will introduce this summer's series of adult forums.

SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

June 19-23, Children Grades 1-8

Children's Musical "In the Image" by Mark Burrows

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., followed by a performance. \$50 fee for the week includes music, snacks, and t-shirt.

July 10-14, Youth Grades 5-9

Youth Handbell Camp, "Christmas in July"

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., followed by a performance. \$50 fee for the week includes music, gloves, snacks, and t-shirt.

August 14-17, Children Grades K-5

Holy Ground: Building a Just and Healthy Neighborhood

Monday-Thursday, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free.

BWCA CANOE TRIP, AUGUST 11-14

Campers, it's time to start thinking about our annual BWCA canoe trip, scheduled for August 11-14. Sign up in the Community Room. If you have any questions, contact Tom Cahoy, Julie Cahoy, or John Sulzbach.

PARISH INFORMATION

PLANNING MEETING FOR BABY SHOWER SUNDAY, JUNE 11

On hearing the wonderful news that Pastor Ingrid and Paul are expecting the birth of their first child, a daughter, at the end of August, we jumped at the chance to host a congregation-wide baby shower for them. ***The shower will be Sunday afternoon, August 6.*** There's a lot to do between now and then and many ways to participate in planning this fun event. Lynda Nordholm and Linda Jury invite you to bring your ideas to a meeting on Sunday, June 11, 12-1:30 p.m.

FIRST SUNDAY MUSINGS JUNE 4, 12:15 P.M.

Head to Himalayan at 12:15 p.m. with several other members for lunch and conversation. No sign up necessary. Meet by the brightly-colored sign in the Community Room.

SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE IN A FELLOWSHIP TABLE

Through the month of June, members of the Transition Team will be facilitating many Fellowship Tables to engage HTLC members in discussion specific to our calling a new Lead Pastor: *Looking out 2-3 years, what are your hopes and concerns for our church? And, what specific skills, passions and experiences do we value in a new pastor?* Now is the time to sign up in the Community Room (or call the church office) to participate in one of these important conversations.

BREWS FOR JUSTICE, LVC FUNDRAISER, JUNE 6, 7-9 P.M.

Join the Lutheran Volunteer Corps (LVC) in the Twin Cities on Tuesday, June 6, from 7-9 p.m. at Sisyphus Brewing for a fun evening connecting with the LVC Twin Cities community. See old friends and make new ones, meet current volunteers and hear about their experiences, and support the mission of LVC. For tickets, visit action.lutheranvolunteercorps.org/campaigns.

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE TWINS TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

Join us as the Twins play the Milwaukee Brewers. Tickets are \$27. Sign up in the Community Room or call the church office by July 11. If you are interested in joining the choir to sing the National Anthem, indicate that when you sign up. Those interested in traveling to the game together on the light rail will meet at church. For more information or to request a scholarship, contact Pam Kildahl.

FARE FOR ALL WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 3:30-5:30

Each month, Holy Trinity hosts Fare For All, an organization that buys fresh fruits, vegetables, and frozen meat in bulk to save buyers up to 40% off grocery store prices. Fare For All is community supported and open to everyone. Fare For All accepts cash, credit, debit, and EBT cards. Come and shop between 3:30-5:30 p.m.

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PARISH EVENTS June 4-10, 2017

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| Sunday | 8:45 am | Worship Service with Holy Communion |
| | 10:00 am | Adult Forum |
| | 10:00 am | Holy Communion Class |
| | 11:00 am | Worship Service with Holy Communion |
| | 12:15 pm | Confirmation Picnic at Wabun Park |
| Monday | 12:15 pm | 1st Sunday Musings |
| | 2:00 pm | Swahili Service |
| | 4:00 pm | Peace with Justice |
| Tuesday | 6:30 pm | Adult Education |
| | 11:00 am | Worship Readings Discussion |

Special gifts in memory of Sue Salm, in honor of Danya Werth, and in honor of Lee Kampinen's 70th birthday by Lynda/Dennis Nordholm

CONCERNING PEOPLE

Please pray for **Ingrid Rasmussen** and others in the Minneapolis Area Synod returning from Leipzig and Wittenberg.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS JUNE 4, 2017

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| 8:45 AM | | 11:00 AM |
| Cathy Alpizar | Assisting Minister | Bob Aldrich |
| Tevy Nou, Lowenna Rian-Fairley | Acolytes | Louis Kelley, Will Kelley |
| Jeff Weiss | Crucifer | Anna Brelje |
| Linda Berglin, Liz Rudrud | Communion | Susan Wootten |
| Bev Peschiutta, Dianne Mascher | Altar Guild | Pat Lundquist, Stella Townsend |
| Bob Peschiutta, Sally/David Kohlstedt | Ushers | Alan Libra, Mike Mann, Meghan Olsen Biebighauser |
| | Coffee Servers | Stephanie/Scott Cole |
| Joyce Peterson, Donna Heyer | Counters | Pam Kildahl, John Sulzbach |
| | Closer | Bob Hulteen |