



THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 am • CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:55 am • Mark Holman and Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastors

2017 JOHNSON SYMPOSIUM

We are delighted to welcome Dr. Don E. Saliers and Emily Saliers, father and daughter, as our 2017 Johnson Symposium presenters. Don is currently the Theologian-in-Residence after retiring in 2007 as the William R. Cannon Distinguished Professor of Theology and Worship at Candler School of Theology at Emory University. Emily Saliers is best known as part of the Grammy Award-winning Indigo Girls, celebrated for their tireless work for social justice.

Don and Emily recently spoke to *Rolling Stone* about why it's important for the church to evolve in its teachings, why music activism is essential, and the reason it's imperative that we don't get used to the hateful words being spoken in the public square.

Can you tell me why you think music is important in this context, as a form of activism?

Don: It seems to me that any significant social movement in the history of humankind, it relies on music, it relies on song. The civil-rights movement: "Keep Your Eyes on the Prize," "We Shall Overcome." South Africa and the anti-apartheid movement. Any deep social movement has music at its heart because music is a unifier and a motivator.

Emily: I think music stirred our spirits and makes us feel good. For Indigo Girls concerts, I know there's a lot of singing going on. And I know when people get together in a public forum and sing, it's cathartic. It's mysterious, really, but there's no doubt about it. In the history, when there are human trials, the presence of music has to be there to galvanize people.

Don: One subset of that point is that people have to sing about their suffering. If you think about slave songs and how it influenced the civil-rights movement, wherever it happened, hearing and being honest about the suffering—and that's what we're talking about here, a form of social suffering. I'm interested in recovering that inside the church.

Rather than rejecting the church, you're trying to fix something from the inside. Why are you choosing this approach?

Don: I am a reformist and not an anarchist or a revolutionary in that sense. I think we need human institutions, and I'm much more inclined to work from the inside.

I take this from my mentor, Martin Luther King, Jr. He called America back to its intrinsic best traditions. We want to call the church back.

There are others who will say, "A plague on both your houses. Just forget it." But what happens then, you have a whole bunch of people who haven't understood themselves to have been complicit. It lets them off the hook. And I don't want them off the hook.

Emily: I have complete understanding for anybody who has experienced oppression within the church. You hear the things like "You're going to burn in hell," and it discounts your humanity. I understand that, so I think it's an individual choice. There are those of us who have experienced some of the profound work that can be done within the church. A lot of my friends who are working on issues like the death penalty, for instance, are all part of faith communities, and how they approach the values of human dignity come from their faith.

The way media portrays religion, it's sound bites; it's not an accurate or a whole faction of people in faith communities—Christian or not Christian. They're in the world, doing very good work and deepening people's lives and helping people's suffering. They're not missionaries; they are just doing social justice work out in the world.

Friday Evening

5:45 — Doors open
6:15-7:00 — Opening Music by The Poetic Diaspora
7:00-9:00 — Evening Performance with Don Saliers and Emily Saliers

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.



READINGS

Jeremiah 28:5-9
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — in the Library

JULY 2 NO ADULT FORUM

JULY 9 "What Does Economic Sexism Look Like, and How Can We Seek Equity for All?"
Jan Mehlhoff

This will be a conversation about the economic effects of sexism and gender and sex discrimination in the lives of individuals, families, and communities. Here we will see how we can follow Jesus and creatively live out our baptism and vocations in ways that work for justice for our neighbors in our economic lives together.

FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

- One service only on Sunday, July 2, at 10:00 a.m.
- The office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, July 3-4.
- The Community Church Newsletter will be available on our website, but will not be mailed next week.

YOUTH HANDBELL CAMP "CHRISTMAS IN JULY" JULY 10-14

Grades 5-9; \$50 fee for the week includes music, gloves, snacks, and t-shirt. Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. with a performance at 12:00 p.m. open to the public.

Beginning ringers and previous camp participants are welcome to come and learn (more) about the joys and challenges of ringing handbells. Talk to Ann Schrooten or call the church office to register.

Saturday Morning

8:00 — Doors open
8:30-10:15 — "Faith, Activism, and Justice: Reflections on Music as the Heart of Social Movements," Part One, with Don Saliers and Emily Saliers
10:15-10:45 — Break
10:45-12:00 — "Faith, Activism, and Justice: Reflections on Music as the Heart of Social Movements," Part Two, with Don Saliers and Emily Saliers

Tickets are \$50. Scholarships are available; talk to Pastor Ingrid. We expect tickets to sell quickly for this event. Holy Trinity members will be able to purchase tickets in the church office and online **beginning July 5**. Tickets will go on sale to the general public on July 12. Please note: Because of high demand, we will not be able to offer refunds for unused tickets this year.

PARISH INFORMATION

LOAVES AND FISHES VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR NEEDED

Stephanie Cole is stepping down from coordinating the Loaves and Fishes meals after the July 12 meal. Nurturing Relations Committee is looking for someone to assume the responsibility of coordinating the meals three times per year, previously the second Wednesday of March, July, and November. Coordinator determines what to make and how much to order; orders and picks up food; recruits volunteers to cook, serve, and clean up after the meal; cooks with volunteer team beginning at 2 p.m.; remain on site until cleaning is finished, usually 7-7:30 p.m.

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR TRANSITION BETWEEN LEAD PASTORS?

Many members have been asking the same questions about the transition period that Holy Trinity is going through following the resignation of Pastor Jay Carlson and before our next Call Committee forms. The Transition Team has put together a 2-page "Frequently Asked Questions" handout. This has been emailed to members. Copies are available in the Community Room and the church office.

MEALS ON WHEELS JULY 24-28

Holy Trinity will deliver meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels July 24-28. Volunteers are needed for 5 routes. Pick up meals at 11:15 a.m. at Nokomis Square, 50th St. and 35th Ave. S. Meal delivery takes about 1 hour. Sign up in the Community Room or call Mary Engen.

FARE FOR ALL WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 3:30-5:30 P.M.

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. The more people who shop, the better. Fare For All accepts cash, credit, debit, and EBT cards. Come and shop between 3:30-5:30 p.m.

SHOE BUS AT HOLY TRINITY WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 3:30-5:30 P.M.

Every purchase helps to provide food for the feeding programs of Good in the 'Hood. New and gently used shoes can be purchased for a suggested donation of \$2 for sizes 0-6 1/2, \$5 for sizes 7-up. All are welcome

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE TWINS TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 7:10 P.M.

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. For more information or to request a scholarship, contact Pam Kildahl.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT AND FIRST FRIDAYS WITH FRIENDS

Parents' Night Out and First Fridays with Friends will be taking July off due to the Fourth of July holiday.

FIRST SUNDAY MUSINGS JULY 2, 11:30 A.M.

Head to Himalayan at 11:30 a.m. with other members for lunch and conversation. No sign-up necessary. Meet in the Community Room.

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PARISH EVENTS July 2-8, 2017

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	11:30 am	First Sunday Musings at Himalayan
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Monday		Office Closed for Fourth of July Holiday
Tuesday		Office Closed for Fourth of July Holiday
Wednesday		Symposium Tickets on Sale to members

Special gift in memory of Janice Lehman by Vi/Vern Michaelson, and in honor of John and Kay Buzza's 50th anniversary by Sandra Nelson CTUL by Vi/Vern Michaelson, Joyce/Herb Hanson, Sharon/Rob Englund World Hunger by Ray Sanders, and in memory of Janice Lehman by Judy Davison

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS JULY 2, 2017

10:00 AM	
Nicole Hines	Assisting Minister
Claudia Jensen, Molly Davison	Acolytes
Jeff Weiss	Crucifer
Brian Lenz, Rick Liedholm	Communion
Anne Beschnett, Josh Becker	Altar Guild
Bev/Bob Peschiutta, George Madich	Ushers
Liz Kelley and Family	Coffee Servers
Scott Cole, Pam Kildahl	Counters
Rod Johnson	Closer

Financial Report	June 25	Year to date
Budget Requirement	14,725.00	382,850.00
Budget Receipts	14,573.64	378,851.02
Opening Doors	820.84	84,093.79
CTUL	135.00	620.00
World Hunger	140.00	2,123.00