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

FAITH, SEXISM, AND JUSTICE: A NEW ADULT FORUM SERIES

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America—the denominational body to which Holy Trinity belongs—has three primary teaching and policy documents, including **social statements** (large documents that take years to develop and require a two-thirds vote by the Churchwide Assembly), **social messages** (specific, brief messages adopted by the Church Council), and **social policy resolutions** (resolutions that address the need for specific action related to a social concern). To read some of the ELCA's statements, messages, and resolutions on topics like abortion, caring for creation, criminal justice, the death penalty, genetics, health care, human sexuality, and race, go to the ELCA website (www.elca.org/Faith/Faith-and-Society/Social-Statements).

In 2009, the Churchwide Assembly of the ELCA authorized the development of a new social statement “on the topic of justice for women in church and society.” A task force, which included Minneapolis Area Synod Bishop Ann Svenningsen, began its work. Their work was slowed by the wider church's response to the 2009 vote related to human sexuality and the attention those faithful policy changes required. Nevertheless, they persisted.

We now have available to us a study document entitled “Faith, Sexism, and Justice: Conversations toward a Social Statement.” The study invites congregations into dialogue and action. While the task force investigated and discussed a broad range of topics related to faith, sexism, and justice, not every topic could be explored in the study document (e.g., sex trafficking, women and health care, women and the law). The study focuses on seven questions:

1. Why do we need to talk together?
2. What problems do women face and what does justice require?
3. How is sexism personal, and how are we the body of Christ together?
4. What does economic sexism look like, and how can we seek equity for all?
5. How can we address violence against women and girls?
6. Why do images and words for God matter?
7. How do we challenge the misuse of Scripture against women and girls?

These questions will shape our adult forum conversations over the summer. Led by Holy Trinity members like ZoeAna Martinez, Amy Froiland-Parada, Roberta Shaw, Jan Mehlhoff, and Meghan Olsen Biebigbauer, and community partners like CTUL, we will take seriously the many ways that sexism shapes and harms our personal and communal lives—both outside and inside of the church.

I hope that all of you will consider participating in the summer forums as you're able. Someone asked me recently if this series was only for those who identify as women. The short answer is “no.” While we intend to be clear about sexism's impact on women, we are also aware that oppressive systems affect all of us. The Adult Education Committee hopes to see the fullness of the congregation represented in the library each Sunday morning! We hope this series will provide spaces for vulnerable conversations and open our hearts to where the Holy Spirit might be leading us and changing us.

With gratitude,
Ingrid C. A. Rasmussen, pastor

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Though the word “trinity” is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.



READINGS

Genesis 1:1-2:4a
Psalm 8
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Matthew 28:16-20

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — in the Library

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. All members are welcome to attend Sunday's forum in which Pastor Ingrid will introduce this summer's series of adult forums.

JUNE 18 “Visit Lake Street”
ZoeAna Martinez

Learn how you can personally support the surrounding small business community, especially immigrant businesses during this difficult time that our nation is facing. Lake Street Council engages, serves, and advocates for the Lake Street business community in Minneapolis to ensure the vitality and prosperity of the commercial corridor.

SUMMER YOUTH MUSICAL OPPORTUNITY

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. Call the church office, 612-729-8358, to register.

SUMMER YOUTH MUSICAL PERFORMANCE FRIDAY, JUNE 23

All are invited to a performance of *In the Image*, a musical by Mark Burrows, at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 23, directed by Ann Schrooten.

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.

FARE FOR ALL WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 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. Fare For All accepts cash, credit, debit, and EBT cards. Come and shop between 3:30-5:30 p.m.

PARISH INFORMATION

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.

SUMMER CHOIR JUNE 25, 9:45 A.M.

Everyone is welcome to sing as a choir in worship on Sunday, June 25, at the 11:00 a.m. service. Rehearsal begins at 9:45 a.m. in the sanctuary. No advance preparation or sign up is required; simply show up at 9:45 a.m.

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? 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.

ENCORE! AT TURTLE BREAD, THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 8:00 A.M.

Encore! meets monthly at 8:00 a.m. at Turtle Bread (4205 E. 34th St.). There is no agenda. Breakfast goers simply get to know one another.

FARE FOR ALL SEEKS NEW COORDINATOR

Fare For All has been distributing fresh produce and frozen meat boxes at Holy Trinity since 2010. The ministry was begun by Lynda Nordholm. Most recently Cliff Brown has been at the helm with the invaluable assistance of Dennis Nordholm. We owe these leaders a huge debt of gratitude for a job well done. Thank you. Thank you!

Cliff and Dennis are seeking to pass this opportunity for ministry along to another Holy Trinity disciple. Fare For All is held from 3:30-5:30 p.m. one Wednesday each month. The coordinator position includes: being a contact for Fare For All; advertising each Fare For All event in the neighborhood; setting up tables on Fare For All day; recruiting volunteers; supervising the unloading of food and bringing it into the HT lobby; overseeing the food distribution process and helping clients with their orders; taking down tables and chairs, tidying up after the close of food distribution; reporting each month's participation results to the Outreach Committee Chair and to Church Council.

Cliff and Dennis are still willing to help out when available but eagerly look forward to training the new coordinator. There are also faithful volunteers who will continue to help. Now we need a new team captain. Please consider stepping into this ministry leadership role. Speak with Cliff Brown, Juliann Breting Rohn, or Meghan Olsen Biebighauser to get started. Thank you in advance.

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PARISH EVENTS June 11-17, 2017

Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:45 am	Youth Committee Meeting in MM Rm.
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	10:00 am	Fellowship Table in Bartsch Rm.
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
Monday	12:00 pm	Fellowship Table in Bartsch Rm.
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	8:30 am	Property Committee Meeting
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Racial Justice
	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	1:00 pm	Writers' Circle
	3:30-5:30 pm	Fare For All
Thursday	7:00 pm	Fellowship Table at Sulzbach's
	8:00 am	Encore! at Turtle Bread

CTUL by Ginny/Chuck Jordan, Sally/David Kohlstedt,
Helen/Bob Norheim, Bud Diken

World Hunger by Neil Anderson and in memory of Ted Dooley,
Shelley Grimes, and Sue Salm by Margaret Peterson

Exodus Lending in memory of Aunt Agnes by Lyle Steinfeldt

Special gift in memory of Sue Salm by Joy/Randy Nelson

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS JUNE 11, 2017

8:45 AM	Assisting Minister	11:00 AM
Karen Batdorf		Sandy Hoverson
Johnny Waddick, Amelia Waddick	Acolytes	Sara Christians, Kayden Nordby
Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	Troy Davison
Andrea Hansen, David Broberg	Communion	Wayne Vetter, Juliann Rohn
Tina/Robert Russell	Altar Guild	Melanie Townsend Family
Bob Peschiutta, Ginny/Chuck Jordan	Ushers	DeWayne Townsend, Ethan Townsend, Deb Anderson, Tracey Baubie
David Broberg	Coffee Servers	Arlene Helvig, Margaret Peterson
Pam Blomgren, Julie Cahoy	Counters	Scott Cole, John Kelly
	Closer	Vicki Mann

Financial Report

	June 4	Year to date
Budget Requirement	14,725.00	338,675.00
Budget Receipts	12,788.78	345,225.15
Opening Doors	492.37	70,394.84
CTUL	170.00	300.00