



# THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

## CONFIRMATION SUNDAY OCTOBER 29

Three Holy Trinity young people will be affirming their baptisms on Sunday, October 29. Each year Confirmation Sunday is unique because of the individuals involved, but this year is particularly special because the students being confirmed have deep roots in both the Minnesota Swahili Christian Congregation and Holy Trinity. We anticipate that many of their friends and families from both congregations will be present at the 11:00 service to share in this milestone along their journey of faith.

To help you get to know them a bit better, they have written the following introductions:

### Anita Byela-Pennina Balira

I'm an 11th grader at Cooper High School where I play soccer and do improv. I was basically raised at the Swahili Congregation and Holy Trinity. Right now I'm teaching Sunday School at the Swahili Congregation and that is actually inspiring me to become a preschool teacher. Also when I grow up, I want to pursue my dream of acting.

### Josiah Mutabuzi Kibira III

I'm a sophomore at Wayzata High School, where I play soccer. I've been going to Holy Trinity my whole life. My hobbies include hanging out with friends, playing sports, and the outdoors. After high school I will go to college - I just don't know where.

### Natalie Nanzia Singo

I'm 15 and I go to Hudson High School. I want to do music or makeup when I'm done with school. I love dancing and playing volleyball. I've been going to Holy Trinity since I was 7, after I moved from Tanzania. I love sleeping, singing, and dancing.

Anita, Josiah, and Natalie have participated in confirmation instruction for more than three years now, including Sunday morning classes, retreats, trips, and special events. They have been supported and encouraged by family members, sponsors and a wonderful team of confirmation teachers, including Pastor Andrea and Emma Kasiga. During the first weekend in October they took part in an Urban Immersion service retreat through the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches. This program seeks to create a deeper understanding of the complexities of poverty through team-building activities and critical reflection. The students found the weekend to be a meaningful experience, filled with simulations, learning, service, and fellowship.

Final preparation during this last week will include a dinner and discussion with Pastors Hans and Andrea on the eve of confirmation. Younger confirmation students will be hosting the coffee hour in their honor, following the Rite of Confirmation at the 11:00 service. Please keep these outstanding young people in your prayers this month and those to follow!

—Linda Jury, Holy Trinity Member

## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5—CALL FOR PHOTOS

The observance of All Saints reminds us that the baptized people of God, living and dead, are the body of Christ. The Community Room will serve as a gathering place between services to remember those saints who have gone before us. There will be several tables on which photographs of loved ones may be placed to be remembered by the community. Small cards will be available on which you may write your loved one's name and a brief attribute by which they may be remembered. Photographs may be delivered to the Community Room at church Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. beginning October 31, and on Sunday morning, November 5.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 5

Remember to set your clocks back one hour when you go to bed on Saturday, November 4.

## RE-FORMATION SUNDAY

*On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be on at the Lord's table.*

*Not too long ago, Reformation Sunday for many Lutherans was the most important festival between Easter and Christmas. Gradually, the observance has come to reflect a tone of continued re-formation and re-conciliation. On this 500th anniversary of the Reformation, may our celebrations hold a balance between gratitude for the gospel and gratitude for our unique heritage, while being mindful of our place within the body of Christ.*

### READINGS

Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Psalm 46  
Romans 3:19-28  
John 8:31-36



ADULT FORUM  
10:00 am

OCTOBER 29 "My Life Story, My Faith Story" in the Library  
Mike Miller

As part of our ongoing commitment to sharing our narratives of faith, today we hear from one of our newer members, Mike Miller. Come and hear Mike tell his life story, his faith story!

NOVEMBER 5 "Honoring the Saints" in the Community Room

Today we remember those sinner-saints who have died before us. Too rarely are we given the opportunity to talk with one another about the loss of beloved friends and family members. This year, we invite you to bring pictures of the saints in your life and display them in the Community Room during the adult forum hour. During the hour, we'll be able to share stories about the photos we bring.

## PROPERTY WORK DAY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 8:30-NOON

Our property needs a little extra TLC as the weather changes. Come any time between 8:30 a.m.-noon and help us with raking and bagging, weeding and trimming. Please sign up in the Community Room. In case of inclement weather, the work day will be Saturday, November 4.

## MONDAY EVENING DISCUSSION SERIES OCTOBER 30, 6:30-8:00 PM

All are welcome to the next in an occasional Monday evening discussion series on subjects of importance to Christian faith and life. Hosted by the Adult Education Committee and convened by Randy Nelson, this month's topic is the Doctrine of Discovery, which was influential in the development of this country's history and continues to have implications for current Lutheran understanding and practice. Monday, October 30, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Background articles and a sign-up sheet are available in the Community Room.

## OUR WHOLE LIVES CURRICULUM INTRODUCTION NOVEMBER 5, 10:00 AM

*Our Whole Lives* curriculum helps participants clarify their values, build interpersonal skills, and understand the spiritual, emotional and social aspects of sexuality. This session will introduce the curriculum to all interested parents of toddlers, children, and youth of all grade levels. Parents will have an opportunity to hear more about how this curriculum could be implemented at home or here at Holy Trinity in groups with other parents. Age-appropriate materials will be on hand for purchase. Please sign up in the Community Room if you plan to attend. (This presentation coincides with the Intergenerational Trinity Village class indicated on the Family Calendar mailed in August to all households with children, however Trinity Villagers will be in class with their teachers on this day.)

# PARISH INFORMATION

## CONFIRMATION AND REFORMATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

Three Holy Trinity young people—Anita Balira, Josiah Kibira, and Natalie Singo—will affirm their baptisms during the 11:00 a.m. service. Adult and youth choirs will help lead the celebration. We are delighted that Holy Trinity member, retired Presbyterian pastor, and confirmation teacher John Buzza will preach. Pastor Andrea Mwalilino of the Minnesota Swahili Christian Congregation will also participate in the Rite of Confirmation.

## MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY

Holy Trinity will be delivering meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels the week of November 13-17. Volunteers are needed to deliver meals from Nokomis Square, 50th St. and 35th Ave. S. Meals are picked up at 11:15 a.m. and delivery takes about an hour to an hour and a half. You may sign up for 1-5 days. If you have questions, contact Mary Engen. If you would like to ride along with someone, that can also be arranged.

## ANNUAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY NOVEMBER 6, 7:00 PM

Chairs and members of Outreach Committee teams are encouraged to attend this once-a-year gathering. Please be prepared to share a report of your group's activities and plans for next year. All members of the Holy Trinity family are invited to join us, to listen to our stories, and to add your ideas and energy. Sweet treats from Juliann's kitchen will be served.

## 20s, 30s, 40s HOUSE PARTY AT HORACIO AND ABERDEEN'S NOV. 17

The 20s, 30s, 40s group invites you to Aberdeen and Horacio Rodriguez's home for a pre-Thanksgiving meal at 6:30 p.m. This event is being coordinated with Parents' Night Out, so caregivers can drop off their children at the church for the evening. Sign up in the Community Room by November 12.

## PARENTS' NIGHT OUT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Adults and youth work together caring for HTLC children while their parents go "out" from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room to help with childcare or to save a spot for your kids in the nursery. Volunteers must complete a background check through Holy Trinity.

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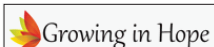
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### PARISH EVENTS October 29-November 4, 2017

Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:55 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Monday	6:30 pm	Adult Ed Discussion on Doctrine of Discovery
Tuesday	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	10:00 am	Racial Justice Small Group
	5:30 pm	Choir Family Meal
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir
	6:45 pm	Cantate!
Friday & Saturday	7:30 pm	Adult Choir
		Adult Retreat at St. John's Abbey

### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS OCTOBER 29, 2017

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Carol Berg	Assisting Minister	Kris Christians
Will Hansen, Ben Hanson	Acolytes	Alyssa Krig, Linnea Krig
Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	David Krig
Kevin Proescholdt, Liz Rudrud	Communion	Kathy Ohler, Dennis Ormseth
Julie and Tom Cahoy	Altar Guild	Pat Lundquist, Roberta Shaw
Bob Peschiutta, Chris Engen, John Goring	Ushers	George Christians, Mike Mann, Lee Kampinen, Emily Davison
Carol and Ken Masters	Coffee Servers	Confirmation Students
Chris Engen, Donna Heyer	Counters	Lee Kampinen, Deb Helmel
	Closer	Vicki Mann



Please consider increasing your 2018 financial commitment by 1% of your household income.

1% is NOT easy.

1% IS a commitment to grow in my giving.

1% WILL BE a blessing in 2018!

Financial Report	October 22	Year to date
Budget Requirement	14,725.00	633,175.00
Budget Receipts	16,824.28	595,921.42
Opening Doors	1,492.37	135,099.10
Opening Doors mortgage balance		526,949.85
World Hunger		3,519.00
Disaster Relief		7,056.00
CTUL		770.00