

On 28th Avenue between Lake and 31<sup>st</sup> Streets Minneapolis, MN 55406 • 612-729-8358 • office@htlcmpls.org • www.htlcmpls.org WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 am • CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:55 am • Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastor

### CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

It's been my joy to watch the call committee in action these past several months. Lisa Martens (chair), Connie Adams, Libby Olstad, Michael Douglas, Steve Murray, and Sara Jensen are a dynamic team. They have grown in relationship; trust has emerged among them. I have seen them agree and disagree, comfort and challenge one another, work to honor difference and work to build consensus. Through it all, they have laughed (a lot)!

This group has devoted many hours to the associate pastor call process. After studying the Ministry Site Profile and reviewing the notes from the Transition Team, they created a list from congregational priorities that would inform their process and, ultimately, their decisions. These congregational priorities included a passion for preaching, the ability to connect with the congregation's youngest members and their families, and a deep commitment to the church's call to social justice.

These priorities then shaped their first-round interview questions. The synod told us to expect five to eight first-round candidates. We received twelve! The call committee met with each, either in person (local candidates) or via video phone call (candidates who do not live locally).

After those interviews, the call committee discerned a want to learn more about five of the twelve candidates. It was important to them that they meet with all in person, so the Church Council authorized up to \$5,000 for travel expenses to be taken from the James Dunn estate. (Little did James Dunn know when he named Holy Trinity in his will that he would play a major part in facilitating a leadership transition!) In the past ten days, the call committee met with all five candidates for the second round of interviews. They also listened to each of the candidates preach. The committee has been worshiping a lot!

The call committee plans to discern a path forward in the next couple of weeks. Please keep them in your prayers as they prayerfully consider who will serve this congregation well in the years to come. We trust that the Spirit accompanies us in this journey!

> Peace and Easter blessings, Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastor

PROPERTY WORK DAY NEW DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 5

Our property needs a little extra TLC as the weather changes. Come and help us with digging and bagging, weeding and trimming. Because of the late snow, the date has been moved to Saturday, May 5. We'll work from 9:00 a.m.-noon. If it rains, we'll meet on Saturday, May 12. Sign up in the Community Room by April 29.

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The image of the Good Shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sister or brother in need.



READINGS Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:1-18

ADULT FORUM 10:00 am

### APRIL 22 "Welcome New Members" In the Community Room

The congregation is invited to come and boldly welcome new members at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room. We'll hear from two current members who will offer reflections on what it means to be a part of this community of faith. We'll also be introduced to the many people joining this congregation.

#### APRIL 29 "Meet the Committees & Working Groups of Holy Trinity" In the Community Room

We'll gather in the Community Room for a briefing on the working styles and tasks of our congregation's various leadership teams, and then spend most of our time visiting the tables of each group to learn more about their roles, current efforts, and opportunities to support their work.

**ENCORE! HOSTS SPRING BIRD-WATCHING EVENTS** 

Have you heard them? They're coming back! Many migratory birds are returning to our area or passing through to nesting territories farther north. Join Keith Olstad to see spring birds on either Monday, April 23, 7:30 a.m. at Wood Lake Nature Center, Richfield, or Thursday, May 10, 7:30 a.m. at the Bass Ponds parking lot, 1/2 mile east of Cedar Avenue at 2325 E. 86th Street, Bloomington.

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL *THE TALE OF THREE TREES*, JUNE 18-22 Register now for the Summer Youth Musical, June 18-22, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. for children currently in grades 1-8. To register, email Ann Schrooten (aschrooten@htlcmpls.org). Fee is \$75, due by June 3.

## PARISH INFORMATION

### CALL FOR 2018 GRADUATES

ANNUAL BWCA TRIP AUGUST 17-20 (NEW DATES!) It's time to start planning our annual Holy Trinity BWCA trip. We are planning this year's trip from August 17-20. We welcome campers of all ages and experience (you will need to carry your gear and help with the group gear). If you are new to the Boundary Waters experience and have always wanted to try it, this is a wonderful opportunity to learn the ropes with seasoned campers. We may choose to camp all three nights on the entry lake or be more ambitious with a three-day loop. If there is interest, we can arrange a paddle with a loaded canoe on a local lake before you decide. Sign up in the Community Room. Cost is \$150.00 (1/2 due on sign up). Scholarships are available; talk to Pastor Ingrid. This covers canoe, food, transportation, and permits. Any questions please contact Tom or Julie Cahoy, or John Sulzbach, via email or phone. Feel free to share this message to your Holy Trinity friends and family. We look forward to seeing vou on the lake this year.

Julie or Tom Cahoy: Cahoy@q.com John Sulzbach: jsulzbach@juno.com If you have a family member who is graduating this spring from high school, college, post-grad or apprenticeship/trade program —or if YOU are a graduate yourself—we'd like to recognize you/ them in our celebration display case near the church's main entrance. Please contact Linda Jury at linda@sprcenter.com with the name of the graduate and an email address or cell phone number for that person so Linda can contact them directly for details. We'll assemble the display case in mid-May. Thanks!

#### DOWNTOWN LUNCH GROUP TUESDAY, APRIL 24

Periodically, those who live or work downtown meet for lunch. This time, you'll find them at Thrivent's Cafe at 12:00 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room by Sunday, April 22, so organizers know how many seats to save.

LUNCH DISCUSSION MONDAYS, APRIL 23 & MAY 7, NOON On Mondays, April 23 and May 7, from 12:00-1:30 p.m., we will discuss portions of the book *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande. Pick up a copy of the readings and sign up in the Community Room for one or both sessions.

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PARISH EVENTS April 22-28, 2018				
Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion		
	9:30 am	Confirmation		
	9:30 am	Youth Committee		
	9:55 am	Sunday School		
	10:00 am	Adult ForumNew Member Welcome		
		in the Community Room		
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion		
		Gloria Ringers Rehearse		
	12:00-3:00 pm	New Member Orientation		
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service		
Monday		Lunch Discussion (Being Mortal)		
Tuesday	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion		
	12:00 pm	Downtown Lunch Group		
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Choir Family Supper		
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir		
	6:45 pm	Cantate!		
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir		
Saturday	10:00 am	Gloria Ringers Rehearse		

Special Gift in memory of Juanita Mittelsteadt by Karen and Meagan McLaughlin LWR in memory of Kenny & Evelyn Johnson by Clairann Hanson

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WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS APRIL 22, 2018				
8:45 AM		11:00 AM		
Andrew R. K. Johnson	Assisting Minister	Lynda Nordholm		
Emma Murray, Wilson Murray	Acolytes	Lowenna Rian-Fairley, Kayden Nordby		
Samantha Waddick	Crucifer	David Krig		
Liz Rudrud, Nicki Hines	Communion	Keith Olstad, Judy Davison		
Lisa and Bruce Martens	Altar Guild	Stella Townsend, Rosemary Foley		
Bob Peschiutta, DeWayne Townsend, Marcea Mariani	Ushers	DeWayne Townsend, Ethan Townsend, George Madich, Jeff Olsen Biebighauser		
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