



THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

On 28th Avenue between Lake and 31st 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 and Hans Lee, Pastors

COMMUNITY ORGANIZING TRAINING

Oh, hi. You may not know who I am, but actually many of you do know who I am...because I am you. I am that person who joined the congregation of HTLC because I felt called to do work for social justice and was eager to be engaged with others who want to make the community a better place. I am that person who brought a few personal skills to the table, but was not entirely sure how I could put them to use or if they would even be useful, hoping to find some opportunities and guidance at HTLC as I navigated my faith and action journey.

One day, someone at church—who had more faith in my abilities than I do—approached me and invited me to attend a training on community organizing. I was excited. I was energized. I was terrified. I, a clinical social worker, and momma of 2, learned about the basic pieces of community organizing—how to form strategies, how to measure power in your position and those who oppose it, how to create specific (not idealistic, abstract) tactics, and how to be mindful of culturally sensitive ways to implement the aforementioned pieces. I still have insecurity about carrying these things out and using what I’ve learned, but I’m not alone. And I write this piece to tell you that you won’t be either, should you choose to get involved in organizing with our congregation. The first step may feel difficult and unfamiliar, but I encourage you to challenge yourself and ask yourself why you joined HTLC and how this might be a way to enrich your journey—and impact.

Amy Froiland Parada

In January, three Holy Trinity members, including Amy, attended an “Organizing for Social Change” training offered through the Minneapolis Area Synod. We’ll be reporting back on what we learned and how the tools of community organizing can be used (or in some cases are already being used) to strengthen the ministry of Holy Trinity at an adult forum tentatively scheduled for May 13. We hope you’ll join us!

THANK YOU FROM PASTOR HANS

My time with you has flown by. It seems like I just got the phone call (that came in early July), asking if I’d consider coming to Holy Trinity to complete the pastoral transition begun in February 2017, when Mark Holman joined you. I had to decide quickly because Pastor Ingrid was due to give birth later in the summer. Fortunately, I was able to finish up at Holy Trinity in New Prague at bit earlier than planned, and start here—part-time at first—on August 7.

I’m glad we were able to make that work! Ingrid and I had a couple weeks to connect on some things before she began her parental leave, and she and Paul welcomed Solveig into the world!

My leadership role was primarily to accompany the strong leaders—staff and lay—who were doing the important work of transition, as well as participate in some major planning with the Personnel Committee and Stewardship Working Group.

I have enjoyed preaching and leading worship in this vital community. Walking alongside the many active teams—community and faith formation, organizing and advocating for social justice, and so much more—has been a privilege.

Calvary, where I have been called to serve as pastor, is not far. So, I will be able to watch as you continue to thrive and grow in new and imaginative ways. Thank you for the gift you presented me with on Palm Sunday! Most of all, thank you for welcoming me and allowing me to journey with you for a while!

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ’s presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.



READINGS
Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31

We are pleased to welcome Ann Schrooten as our preacher this Sunday.

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am – in the Library

APRIL 8 “Academy Films”
Doug Wallace

Come and hear Holy Trinity friend Doug Wallace reflect on this year’s Academy Award-nominated films. The three films that Doug will be focusing on are *The Darkest Hour*, *Call Me By Your Name*, and *The Shape of Water*. Attendees need not have seen the movies to find his presentation helpful and provocative!

APRIL 15 “Politics of Water in Minnesota”
Jean Wagenius

What’s the future for care of our state’s watersheds? Minnesota State Representative Jean Wagenius will speak on the politics of water in Minnesota.

FARE FOR ALL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 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. Come and shop between 3:30-5:30 p.m.

A CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION ABOUT WORSHIP SPACE

Holy Trinity’s Worship and Fine Arts Committee welcomes you to a discussion on Sunday, April 8, from 12:15 until 1:30 p.m., in the Bartsch Room. Fruit, granola and water served; children are welcome to attend. Childcare is available upon request to the church office. This is a conversation, not a decision-making gathering, so bring your perspectives and hear what others have to say.

LADIES’ NIGHT OUT SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 6:00 P.M.

Join other women of Holy Trinity at Houlihan’s Restaurant, 6601 Lyndale Ave. S., Richfield, at 6:00 p.m. for an evening of conversation, support, and laughter.

PARISH INFORMATION

ANNUAL BWCA TRIP AUGUST 17-20

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 your 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 you on the lake this year.

HOSTS NEEDED FOR KINSHIP MEALS

The Nurturing Relationships Committee is looking for six hosts for the Kinship meals set for Friday, May 4, or Saturday, May 5. The host would provide a meal, either dinner or brunch, in their home.

BROWN BAG LUNCH DISCUSSION MONDAY, APRIL 9, 12:00 P.M.

We will discuss Chapter 2 ("Things Fall Apart") of the book *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande, focusing on how each of us can change the individual experience of aging for the better. We will share physical, mental, and social activities that help keep our bodies "fine-tuned." Copies of Chapter 2 and a sign-up sheet are in the Community Room.

INTER-FAITH ACTION VIGIL TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 7:30 A.M.

Monthly Inter-faith Action Vigil in front of the Whipple Federal Building, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Tuesday, April 10, at 7:30 a.m. Contact Joy Nelson (joynelson92@yahoo.com) with any questions.

U.S. Postage Paid
Periodical

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH (USPS 777-060)
Published weekly by Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2730 E 31 St.
Mpls MN 55406. Periodicals postage paid at St. Paul, Minnesota
POSTMASTER: Send address changes to The Community Church, c/o Holy
Trinity Lutheran Church, 2730 E. 31 Street, Mpls, MN 55406.

PARISH EVENTS April 8-14, 2018

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
	12:00 pm	Gloria Ringers Rehearse
	12:15 pm	Worship Committee Discussion in Sanctuary
Monday	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	6:00 pm	Ladies' Night Out at Houlihan's/Richfield
	9 am-12:30 pm	AARP Tax Aide
Tuesday	12:00 pm	Lunch Discussion "Things Fall Apart"
	6:30 pm	Youth Committee
	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	12:30 pm	Writers' Circle
	4:00 pm	Worship/Fine Arts Meeting
	6:30 pm	Children/Family Team
	9 am-12:30 pm	AARP Tax Aide
	3:30-5:30 pm	Fare For All
	5:30 pm	Choir Family Supper
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir
	6:30 pm	Trinity Singers
	6:45 pm	Cantate! 7:30 pm Adult Choir

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS APRIL 8, 2018

8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
Julie Cahoy	Assisting Minister	Martha Mueller	
Elena Alpizar, Peter Weiss	Acolytes	Louis Kelley, Will Kelley	
Jeff Weiss	Crucifer	Emily Davison	
Linda Berglin, Sally Kohlstedt	Communion	Gary Johnson, Roberta Shaw	
Tina and Robert Russell	Altar Guild	Carol Lane, Rosemary Foley	
Bob Peschiutta, Ginny and Chuck Jordan	Ushers	Chris Amundson, Judy Davison, Molly Davison, Joshua Combs	
Sandra Thornby, Joel Wiberg	Coffee Servers	Liz Kelley Family	
Bob Peschiutta, Annie Hines	Counters	Lee Kampinen, John Sulzbach	
	Closer	Rod Johnson	

Financial Report	April 1	Year to date
Budget Requirements	15,051.92	195,675.00
Budget Receipts	45,033.13	205,899.19
Opening Doors	28,792.87	49,616.83

Special gift in thanks for Interim Pastor Hans Lee by Lois Eid; in memory of Lyn Goring by Christopher Goring; and to World Hunger by Neil Anderson.