



THE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

LAY COMMUNION MINISTRY

The last notes of the Postlude reverberate throughout the sanctuary, followed by applause. The person next to me chats for a bit, and then we wish each other well in the coming week. I shake the hand of our guest preacher who gave a very inspiring sermon. Amen! I carry with me three worship bulletins, two in regular print and one in large print. At the trunk of my car, I place the bulletins with my Bible and communion kit. I am bringing lay communion to a homebound couple, friends from Holy Trinity!

The ELCA teaches that Lutherans believe Jesus Christ is truly present in the sacrament of holy communion. This appreciation of The Meal influences how we distribute the bread and the wine. As we say each Sunday at Holy Trinity, "All are welcome." This greeting is for not only those persons who come forward but also those who cannot. So, we bring communion to them. How many times have we seen the bread and the wine brought to persons in the pews, and what a gesture of Christ-like love and unity it is! But there are other members of Holy Trinity who are unable to come to worship. These persons are brought communion by Lay Communion Ministers who visit them once a month.

The Lay Communion Ministry program, sponsored by the Nurturing Relations Committee, provides homebound members who are unable to attend Sunday worship the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion and regular person-to-person contact with Holy Trinity. It also helps keep the pastor informed of any major health or pastoral needs of those visited. Visitors are matched to those in need. The relationships can be rewarding.

Distribution of communion to sick and homebound members is an extension of the Lord's Supper celebrated in worship on Sunday morning. Both distribution of the sacrament and the social aspect of the visit are important. A visit lasts about 30 to 60 minutes, as it allows for some conversation. Lay Communion Ministers listen for stories, worries, or joys. These can be incorporated into the intercessory prayers portion of the Order of Service that is followed. The Order of Service for this ministry is similar to that which is followed during Sunday worship, and portions of the previous Sunday's bulletin may be read. At communion, the bread and the wine are shared by all.

We wish to expand. At this time, 10 Lay Communion Ministers provide ongoing monthly visits to 13 members who are homebound or unable to attend Sunday services. We would also like to offer temporary visits to members who are recovering from illness such as surgery and who are temporarily unable to attend Sunday services. If you would like to become a Lay Communion Minister for either the regular or temporary program, would like one to visit you or know of someone who would like a visitor, please speak with Pastor Ingrid.

— Nancy Madich, Holy Trinity member

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



READINGS
Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15
Psalm 78:23-29
Ephesians 4:1-16
John 6:24-35

ADULT FORUM
10:00 am – in the Library

AUGUST 5 "Village Trust and the Association for Black Economic Power"
—Shiranthi Goonathilaka

Shiranthi Goonathilaka will talk with us about the Village Trust Financial Cooperative that is a Black-led initiative in North Minneapolis opening in 2019. This is a truly unique cooperative model, and Goonathilaka will explain the fascinating way it is coming together and how it equips members with powerful economic tools and resources. This initiative is also consistent with one of Holy Trinity's congregational goals for 2018 as we expand our commitment to racial justice and respond to the leadership in communities of color. The church Council and Financial Stewardship Committee recently voted to pledge a deposit to the credit union upon its opening!

AUGUST 12 "Housing Discrimination"
—Katherine Parent

What roles have Lutherans specifically played in the history of racist and anti-Semitic housing discrimination in Minnesota? Luther Ph.D. candidate Katherine Parent has been digging into this local history in her dissertation and will lead an interactive workshop where we explore our churches' stories together.

LUNCH AND MUSIC IN THE GARDEN SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

Join us for music and food in the garden at noon on Sunday, August 19 (NOT August 12, as printed in an earlier newsletter). \$5 suggested donation for the lunch; however, don't let the money keep you away from the fun. Music will be provided by Lady Date. (Cara Wilson, tired of being musically single, asked an acquaintance on a musical first date. Lauren Asheim came over; they made some sweet music together and Lady Date was born—two gals singing and playing irreverent covers of their favorite songs, from Beyoncé to Dolly Parton, but especially Dolly Parton.) All are welcome!

"HOLY GROUND" CAMP AUGUST 13-17, 5:30-7:30 P.M.

Children aged 5-11 are welcome to build an entire city in the basement of Holy Trinity with cardboard and duct tape and then work together as neighbors toward a common goal. We'll learn what it's like to live our faith values out in the streets, using the tools of strategy, negotiation, compromise, and, of course, protest songs! An evening meal will be provided each night, and parents are welcome to visit the "city" and learn its story on the final day. Register online at htlcmpls.org/holyground.

PARISH INFORMATION

CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 4-6 P.M.

The second annual intergenerational picnic will be held Sunday, August 5, at Hidden Falls Park. Come and meet Pastor Angela and her family! Plates, cups, utensils, and napkins will be provided. Bring your own beverage and a dish to pass. Games for kids of all ages begin at 4:00 p.m., potluck dinner from 5-6 p.m., rain or shine. Water and watermelon will be provided.

FARE FOR ALL WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 3:30-5:30 P.M.

In addition to the usual fresh produce and meat packages available, Fare for All is offering a GRILL BOX for \$30. This "hot buy" will include pub burgers, Italian sausage, chicken kielbasa, pork roast, pork tenderloin, chicken breasts, turkey burgers, firehouse beans and frozen pineapple squares! All are welcome.

LAST POP-UP CHOIR FOR THE SUMMER IS AUGUST 12

Everyone is welcome, from those who can't commit to weekly rehearsals during the school year but have always wanted to sing, to those who have sung in choirs for years. (Family and friends who are visiting are also welcome!) Rehearse at 9:45 a.m. in the sanctuary for the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY AUGUST 20-24

Holy Trinity will deliver meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels the week of August 20-24. Volunteers are needed for 1-5 days. Meals are picked up at 11:15 a.m. at Nokomis Square delivery area, 35th Ave. S. and 50th St. Delivery takes about one hour. Sign up in the Community Room or call Mary Engen. If you have not delivered before, you could also ride along with someone.

REFUGEE FAMILY ARRIVING AUGUST 30

Holy Trinity is working with the Minnesota Council of Churches to welcome a new refugee family to Minnesota in a few weeks. The family is originally from Burma and has been living in Thailand for nearly 20 years. Our first task will be to prepare and furnish their house/apartment before they arrive on August 30. Donations of household items and some furniture will be most welcome! Please watch the Community Room table for sign-up sheets of specific items you can donate or other ways that you can help. For more information, please talk to Martha Mueller or Deb Sodt.

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PARISH EVENTS August 5-11, 2018

Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	12:15 pm	First Sunday Musings
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Monday	4:00-6:00 pm	Congregational Picnic at Hidden Falls
	4:00 pm	Peace with Justice
	6:30 pm	Adult Christian Education
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Combined Youth, Children & Family Teams
	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	3:30-5:30 pm	Fare For All

Special Gift in memory of Stanley Fosse by Bev/Bob Peschiutta, Ginny/Rick Oie
 Special Gift in memory of Ellen Fredell-Shawbold by Kay/John Buzza
 Opening Doors in memory of Virginia Jury by Sandra Nelson
 Opening Doors in memory of Ellen Fredell-Shawbold by Mary/Chris Engen
 World Hunger in memory of Ellen Fredell-Shawbold by Margaret Peterson

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS AUGUST 5, 2018

8:45 AM	11:00 AM
Liz Rudrud Assisting Minister	Stella Townsend
Amelia Waddick, Johnny Waddick Acolytes	Kayden Nordby, Linnea Krig
Lisa Martens Crucifer	needed
Brian Lenz, Rick Liedholm Communion	David Krig, Bryan Kuzel
Nancy Madich, Dianne Mascher Altar Guild	Roberta Shaw, Stella Townsend
Bob Peschiutta, Julie and Tom Cahoy Ushers	Jeff Olsen Biebighauser, Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson, Sam Kleven
Jean Swanson, Kevin Proescholdt Coffee Servers	Judi and Lee Kampinen
Bob Peschiutta, Annie Hines Counters	Deb Helmel, Wayne Vetter
Closer	Cliff Brown

	July 29	Year to date
Financial Report	15,051.92	451,557.69
Budget Requirements	5,802.83	453,165.03
Budget Receipts	973.71	64,689.98
Opening Doors	10.00	3,075.00
World Hunger		