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

## REFUGEE FAMILY ARRIVING SOON

On a recent Sunday, guest preacher Rev. Eleanor Hunsberger urged us to “reach out in compassion and love to all whom Jesus sends our way.” Well, a family of nine “new Americans” is coming our way in a few short weeks and we will be welcoming them with compassion and love. And stuff. And help registering their children for school, learning how to take the bus, getting medical care, signing up for English classes, opening a bank account, and many other things they will be doing as they adjust to their new lives here. In this case, “love” is definitely a verb.

A little bit about the family: The parents fled persecution in Burma in 1997 and have lived in the Mae Lo Oon refugee camp (Google that to see a video tour of the camp!) on the Thailand/Burma border for the last 21 years. They have 3 daughters (ages 2, 4 and 20) and four sons (ages 8, 12, 14 and 17.) Another baby is due in December. As far as we know, the wife’s father and a sister have recently settled in St. Paul. The family is Christian.

How can you help with this important work? Holy Trinity co-sponsors the family, along with the Minnesota Council of Churches’ (MCC) refugee resettlement program. Our commitment is for four months. Past experience has taught us that the first month or so is the busiest. A core team of a dozen Holy Trinity members has formed to organize our work. If you are not on that team but would like to help out, there are ways you can help with one-time, short-term tasks! Our first task is to prepare and furnish an apartment before the family arrives on August 30. Donations of selected furniture and household goods are welcome—watch for the sign-up sheet on the Community Room table or contact Deb Sodt or the church office. Our next most urgent task will be to prepare a living space for the family. MCC will find an apartment. It will probably be on the East Side of St. Paul. If you can spare a few hours toward the end of August, we can use your help with cleaning and moving in. We need some younger people with strong muscles and a couple of folks with trucks or vans for transporting things. Contact Martha Mueller or the church office if you can help with this.

Thanks to the prior leadership of Dave Moe and the hard work of our previous refugee resettlement teams, Holy Trinity has earned the respect of MCC over the years by working well with large families or those who face particular challenges. We are grateful for the generosity and energy in our congregation that makes that possible!

— Martha Mueller and Deb Sodt (team co-chairs)

## JOHNSON SYMPOSIUM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 5:30-9:00 P.M.

The theme for this year’s Symposium is “Repentance and Resistance.” The evening will commence with a confession that throughout history the Christian community’s silence has too often amplified our neighbor’s suffering. We will then privilege the voices of Imam Asad Zaman and Rabbi Michael Latz, who will offer reflections on the current situation in the public square through the lenses of their respective faith traditions. Registration information will be coming soon.

## TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



### READINGS

1 Kings 19:4-8  
Psalm 34:1-8  
Ephesians 4:25-5:2  
John 6:35, 41-51

### ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — in the Library

### 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.

### AUGUST 19 “Conflict Resolution” —Mike Gregory

As Christians we are called upon to be peacemakers, but how can we do this in our society today where conflicts abound? This session focuses on helping you and others to first de-escalate, and then build upon communication, conversations, discussions, listening, and negotiation to resolve conflict. At times we may need some help through mediation. As a qualified mediator with the Minnesota Supreme Court, Mike offers some insights on how mediation can help.

### 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 and Lauren Asheim will play 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](http://htlcmpls.org/holyground).

### IT WAS FUN...

About 60 people attended the Holy Trinity Intergenerational Picnic at Hidden Falls on Sunday. Children and adults played games and enjoyed wonderful food. We look forward to the 2019 Third Annual Picnic (date to be determined).

## PARISH INFORMATION

### KINSHIP MEAL HOSTS

Would you be willing to host a small gathering (whatever size fits at your table) for dinner or brunch on Friday, October 26, or Saturday, October 27? Please contact Nancy Moe or sign up in the Community Room.

### YOUTH CHOIRS BEGIN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Children's Choir (grades 1-4) and Cantate! (grades 5-8) rehearse each Wednesday evening September through May. Email director Ann Schrooten (aschrooten@htlcmpls.org) if your young singer would like to join us!

### IMMIGRATION VIGIL TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 7:30 A.M.

Join the monthly vigil in front of the Federal Whipple Building, Ft. Snelling. This month, we gather at the south end of the restricted parking lot gate, near the light rail station, for some symbolic messages, then proceed to the plaza under the flag. Pray, sing, hear messages and opportunities for action.

### CONCERNING PEOPLE

We welcome **Pastor Angela Khabeb** and her family to Holy Trinity. Pastor Angela will be installed at both services on September 16.

### 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.

### 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.

### FALL RETREAT AT ST. JOHN'S ABBEY OCTOBER 19-20

Sign up to join us in Collegeville, Minnesota, for an overnight retreat for adults of all ages. We have individual rooms for 25. Cost is \$125. Scholarships are available. Talk with Liz Blood or Joyce Peterson for more information. Sign up in the Community Room and submit payment to the church office by October 7.

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### PARISH EVENTS August 12-18, 2018

Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	6:00 pm	Second Sunday Suppers
Monday	5:30 pm	Vacation Church Camp
	7:00 pm	Financial Stewardship Committee
Tuesday	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
	5:30 pm	Vacation Church Camp
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Vacation Church Camp
Thursday	5:30 pm	Vacation Church Camp
Friday		Group travels to BWCA
Saturday	5:30 pm	Vacation Church Camp
		BWCA

African Pastors' Fund in memory of Stanley Fosse and Vern Michaelson by Sally and David Kohlstedt

### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS AUGUST 12, 2018

8:45 AM	11:00 AM
Sally Kohlstedt	Assisting Minister Wayne Vetter
Rosie Russell, Treva Russell	Acolytes Asha Olson, Lydia Belusa-Niesen
Jeff Olsen Biebighauser	Crucifer Bob Hulteen
Theresa Rian, Andrew Johnson	Communion Andrea Martin, Zoe Martinez
Erin Arifin, Anne Beschnett	Altar Guild Rosemary Foley, Carol Lane
Bob Peschiutta, Ginny and Chuck Jordan	Ushers Alan Libra, Helen and Bob Norheim
Martha and Harry Mueller	Coffee Servers Liz and Pat Kelley
Julie Cahoy, Chris Engen	Counters Deb Helmelt, John Sulzbach
	Closer John Sulzbach

Financial Report	August 5	Year to date
Budget Requirements	15,051.92	466,609.62
Budget Receipts	14,269.58	467,425.61
Opening Doors	1,497.37	66,187.35
World Hunger	15.00	3,090.00