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

INNOVATION HUB COACH

Holy Trinity is one of twelve congregations that was recently selected to participate in a program through Augsburg University's Riverside Innovation Hub. The program provides learning opportunities for our congregants, a halftime coach trained by the Riverside Innovation Hub, and up to 30,000 dollars to deepen our ministry with young adults. This is an exciting opportunity!

And here is a brief introduction from the coach, who will spend 20 hours a week with us this year:

My name is Asefa Melka Wakjira. I was born and raised in rural Ethiopia. My father finished grade four. He is retired Lutheran Church evangelist. My mother is strong and wise but she has never been to school. I have 10 siblings and I'm the 9th.

I like to say I'm a child of a farmer from rural Africa who got opportunity to be educated because of committed missionaries from Norway, Sweden, Germany, and other countries. I finished college in Ethiopia and got my bachelor in Sociology. Besides that, I led campus ministry.

After working as a graduate assistant for two years, I got scholarship to study Sociology of Children in Norway for two years. Living in Norway opened my eyes to new culture.

During my study in Norway, I got clear vision that I will serve in congregations. Then I prayed and God opened opportunity to study here in the USA. I finished my Masters of Divinity last May from San Francisco Theological Seminary in California.

I hope to bring diverse educational backgrounds like sociology of children and theology. In addition to that, I will bring new culture of food, worship and ministry from Ethiopia. I also like to step out of my comfort zone and try new things. But it was not easy for me to be outgoing person before I went to Norway. I remember the difficulty I faced to adjust to new food and weather in Norway. It was very confusing to see sun at 10 p.m. for me and I could not sleep on time for the first two weeks. I also could not try new food for almost a month except the Ethiopian food that I brought with me from home. I believe adjusting to new environments takes time. I like to continue to learn new culture and listen to stories of people. That is one of the important lessons I look forward to learning more during the next 10 months of ministry.



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



READINGS

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18
Psalm 34:15-22
Ephesians 6:10-20
John 6:56-69

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am – in the Library

AUGUST 26 "Liturgical Furnishings"
–Liturgical Furnishings Team of The Worship and Fine Arts Committee

As you may know, our team is addressing the need for a new Advent wreath, baptismal font, kneeler, and an additional processional cross. The team has been discerning what they would like these furnishings to look like in our sanctuary, what materials will be used, the placement of these furnishings, and finding artists to create them. We have a set of questions that has helped us set criteria for how we intend to proceed with our project. We will be using these questions for our adult forum. Come join us. We need and want you to share your thoughts, ask questions, and have a voice in these important decisions.

SEPTEMBER 2 No Adult Forum

ONE SERVICE ONLY ON SEPTEMBER 2

8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services will join together for ONE SERVICE at 10:00 a.m. This is your opportunity to see and to connect with members and friends from "the other service." We are pleased to welcome Meagan McLaughlin, who served as pastoral assistant this summer, as our preacher.

LONGFELLOW HIGH SCHOOL DONATIONS

Donations of school supplies and backpacks for Longfellow are still being accepted. Place your donation in the box under the sign-up table in the Community Room.

MICROAGGRESSIONS DISCUSSION SEPT. 29, 10-NOON

Come join us as we explore and discuss MicroAggressions! MicroAggressions are the words, expressions, body language or even environmental factors that, despite our intentions, exacerbate people's feelings of otherness and not-belonging. We'll talk more about this, what some of the most common ones are, why are they a problem, and what to do when we commit or receive one. Sign up in the Community Room.

ALL CHOIRS BEGIN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Children's Choir at 6:00 p.m., Trinity Singers at 5:30 p.m., Cantate! Youth Choir at 6:45 p.m., and Adult Choir at 7:30 p.m.

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 email Nancy Moe (bnanc@aol.com) or sign up in the Community Room.

LAY COMMUNION MINISTRY LUNCHEON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

A luncheon for lay communion ministers and those persons interested in becoming one will be held Sunday, September 16, following the 11:00 service. This luncheon will be informational, a time to "touch base" with each other, and to re-energize ourselves for the year ahead. If you are interested in attending, please sign up in the Community Room by September 9.

FREE DENTAL CARE SEPTEMBER 7-8

Minnesota Mission of Mercy (MnMOM) is a community service project that will provide free dental care for the many people in Minnesota facing barriers to dental care. Doors open at 5:30 a.m., first come, first served. Located at the Minneapolis Convention Center, 1301 2nd Ave. S. For more information, visit mnmom.org.

UPDATE ON REFUGEE FAMILY

Many thanks to all of you who have so generously donated furniture and household items. We now have almost everything we need to give this family of nine a comfortable place to start their life in Minnesota. Their plane is expected to arrive in Minneapolis at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 30. Holy Trinity members are welcome to come to the airport to help greet them. We anticipate that they will be living in St. Paul, although we don't yet know where. Because an apartment may not be available until September 1, we need to remain flexible about when to schedule times for people to help prepare the living space (cleaning, moving furnishings in, etc.). However, if you might have even a few hours to spare to help move furniture or arrange the apartment during the last few days of August or first few days of September, we could really use your help! We especially need a few strong (young??) people who can help move furniture. Please contact Deb Sodt or Martha Mueller or the church office. We would like to have a list of people to call on once we know when and where. Once we get a date, we will need to hit the ground running!

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PARISH EVENTS August 26-September 1, 2018

Sunday	8:45 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	11:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	6-7:30 pm	Youth Voice Checks by appointment
Thursday		Refugee Family Arrives

CONCERNING PEOPLE

We welcome the LVC volunteers at the Wellstone House: **Isaiah Freisen, Lydia Nelson, Maya Lehmann, Mari Arneson, Natalie Jacobson, and Haley O'Neill.**

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS AUGUST 26, 2018

8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
Andrea Hansen	Assisting Minister	Sharon Englund	
Bea Martin, M. A. Martin	Acolytes	Louis Kelley, Will Kelley	
Lisa Martens	Crucifer	Cliff Brown	
Tina Russell, De Townsend	Communion	Dennis Ormseth, Sue Roberts	
Lisa and Bruce Martens	Altar Guild	Melanie Townsend, Linda Woytasek	
Bob Peschiutta, Sally and David Kohlstedt	Ushers	Troy Davison, Molly Davison, George Madich, Donna Scott	
De Townsend, Marcea Mariani	Coffee Servers	Stephanie Oyen, Stephen Kung	
Gerry Berglin, Donna Heyer	Counters	Scott Cole, Deb Helmelt	
	Closer	John Sulzbach	

Financial Report	August 19	Year to date
Budget Requirements	15,051.92	496,713.46
Budget Receipts	10,931.00	493,490.98
Opening Doors	742.37	67,222.59
Refugee Resettlement	110.00	345.00
World Hunger	100.00	3,272.00