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TRANSFORMING INSTITUTIONAL RACISM

Holy Trinity has a long tradition of social activism based on faith, including putting our beliefs into action. While we may not always “walk the talk” of addressing inequalities, we know it is deeply rooted in our Christian calling.

In the past few years we’ve worked hard at sharpening this calling to understand the breadth and width of racism and privilege. We’ve intentionally tried to educate ourselves around individual and interpersonal racism in our lives. We’ve tried to support community agencies led by people of color. We’ve gone to the public square in our community to speak out against inequities and exclusions.

These actions are well and good, but we also need to understand the institutional racism that exists within our church walls; the organizational practices based on race that privileges one set of people over another. This could be through policies, programs, the environment, formal or informal communications, program development, or other practices.

To understand and take action on these organizational dynamics, Holy Trinity received a grant from the Synod through the Racial Justice Group. The grant allows us to contract with a consultant skilled in helping organizations map or audit for gaps in racial justice and initiate actions to amend them. We chose Alicia Sojourner is our consultant and we began working with her earlier this month. Her contract runs through June of next year. Alicia will work with our staff, Council, committees, key leaders, and community stakeholders. Every member will have the opportunity to participate in an “equity audit” in order to share ideas that help identify gaps in equity and inclusion, and make plans for actions to improve.

Watch for information on this exciting journey in the coming weeks, and join Alicia at the adult forum on June 9.

“If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly...then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever.” Jeremiah 7:5-7

—Libby Olstad, Member of the Racial Justice Team

CONFIRMATION PICNIC SUNDAY, JUNE 2

The annual confirmation picnic will be held at Wabun Park, Shelter A, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Come celebrate another year of growing in our faith and friendships with others and have some good old-fashioned outdoor fun!

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ADULT FALL RETREAT

You are invited to join us in Collegeville, Minnesota, from Friday, October 25-Saturday, October 26, for an overnight retreat for adults of all ages. We have individual rooms for 25 participants.

KNITTING GROUP MEETS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2:00 P.M.

Knitters (and crocheters!) are invited to bring their knitting or crochet projects to Holy Trinity on the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us for needlework and conversation.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



READINGS

Acts 16:16-34

Psalm 97

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17:20-26

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am—in the Library

JUNE 2 “Parish Organizer”

Parish Organizer Visioning Team

As you may know, the staff position of Parish Organizer is currently vacant. Please join the Parish Organizing Visioning Team to help identify current congregational needs for supporting our work for social justice. We want to hear from you, and this forum will be a structured listening session where you can give your ideas in more detail on how we might proceed going forward.

JUNE 9 “Equity and Inclusion”

Alicia Sojourner

Come and hear from the consultant Holy Trinity has retained to help us examine and take action on organizational equity and inclusion. Alicia is currently the Racial Equity Manager for the City of St. Louis Park and has extensive experience in consulting. She will share her vision for working with us in the coming year and welcomes our questions and perspectives. A Ministry Imagination Grant through the Synod makes our time with Alicia possible.

CHILDREN’S MUSICAL CAMP JUNE 17-21

Children in grades 1-8 are invited to participate in *Storytelling Man* by Ken Medema. Camp happens from 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (Monday-Thursday) and 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Friday) with a performance at 12:00 p.m. The \$75 fee for the week includes the music, snacks, t-shirt, and live musicians in the band. To register, email Ann Schrooten (aschrooten@htlcmpls.org).

FIRST SUNDAY MUSINGS SUNDAY, JUNE 2

Head to a local restaurant at 12:15 p.m. with several other members for lunch and conversation. No sign up necessary. The group meets by the brightly colored sign in the Community Room.

SUMMER FAMILY FUN NIGHTS JUNE 11 AND JULY 17

Introducing Summer Family Fun Nights at Holy Trinity! Let’s take advantage of the lingering sunny days of summer and come together for a night of food, fun, and friendly connections. We’ll provide everything just bring your family!

- June 11, 5:30 p.m.—*Backyard games and grilling*
- July 17, 5:30 p.m.—*Water play and pizza*

PARISH INFORMATION

PARENTS' & KIDS' NIGHT OUT FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 6-8 P.M.

Adults and youth work together caring for HTLC children while their parents go "out" (or stay "in") from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Sign up in the Community Room to help with childcare or to save a spot for your kids in the nursery. Volunteers must complete a background check through Holy Trinity.

TRANSITIONING TO NEW OFFICE STAFF

In order to honor Vicki Mann's retirement, we ask that you funnel all questions regarding scheduling, administration, or finances through Pam Wetterlund (pwetterlund@htlcmpls.org), Sue Roberts (htoffice@htlcmpls.org), or a pastor.

FARE FOR ALL WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 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. Fare For All accepts cash, credit, debit, and EBT cards. Come and shop between 3:30-5:30 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAYS WITH FRIENDS JUNE 7

For the First Fridays with Friends event in June, we're excited to be having another *Life Together* dinner where we'll come together to share life stories and grow to know each other at a deeper level. Let's create a space together where we can share what's going on in our lives and offer each other support and encouragement through life's highs and lows. Those of you that came in March know this was a great chance to enjoy a delicious meal and really get to know each other better.

On June 7, we will gather at 6:30 p.m. at Nicholas Ellison's home. He'll provide the main dish—please bring something to share. We'll send the address closer to the day. Please sign up on the sheet in the Community Room or RSVP on Facebook by Wednesday, June 5.

CONCERNING PEOPLE

We celebrate with **Vicki Mann** upon her retirement. Thank you to everyone who helped with the celebration and made it a success.

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PARISH EVENTS June 2-8, 2019	
Sunday	8:45 am Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:00 am Adult Forum
	10:00 am Acolyte Training
	11:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion
	12:00 pm Confirmation Picnic
	12:15 pm First Sunday Musings
Monday	2:00 pm Swahili Service
	6:30 pm Adult Ed. Committee
Tuesday	11:00 am Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	2:00 pm Knitting Group
	7:30 pm Public Voice
Thursday	7:00 pm Reconciling in Christ Group
Friday	6:00 pm Parents'/Kids' Night Out
	6:30 pm First Fridays with Friends

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS JUNE 2, 2019			
8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
	Liz Rudrud	Assisting Minister	Stephanie Cole
Bea Martin, M.A.	Martin	Acolytes	Lydia Belusa-Niesen Elena Alpizar
	Jeff Weiss	Crucifer	Paul Chindvall
Lisa Martens Andrew Johnson		Communion	Kathy Ohler, Scott Cole
Lisa and Bruce Martens		Altar Guild	Rosemary Foley
Bob Peschiutta Julie and Tom Cahoy		Ushers	Deb Sodt, Soren Kung
Linda and Phil Jury		Coffee Servers	Roberta Shaw, Bob Hulteen
Joyce Peterson, Donna Heyer		Counters	Wayne Vetter, Deb Helmel
	Needed	Closer	Bob Hulteen

World Hunger by Tina/Robert Russell, Karen Batdorf, Linda/Gerry Berglin, Lois Eid, James Hartsoe, Carol/David Berg, Delila Cotton, Pat/Alan Libra, Joyce/Don Besser, Donna Goodlaxson, Bob Brose, Judy/Troy Davison, Jennifer Frenzel, Sandra Hisakuni, Mark Hennessy, Sally/David Kohlstedt, Noelle/Shawn Morrell, Helen/Bob Norheim, Kathy Ohler, June Prange, Vi Michaelson, Sandra Thornby, Connie Adams, Liz Blood, and Carol Masters