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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. • SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:55 a.m. • Ingrid Rasmussen and Angela Khabeb, Pastors

AN UPDATE FROM THE RECONCILING IN CHRIST COMMITTEE

Last year a protester showed up at Holy Trinity one Sunday morning because this congregation is one that welcomes the LGBT community. Indeed this community is one that has been part of Reconciling in Christ for nearly 40 years and was one of the first in the nation. In light of this, it might seem strange to reconvene our RIC committee. However, the world has changed immensely in regard to LGBT issues over the last 40 years, so we believe it is appropriate to make sure that we are where we want to be. The larger church is still a place where our siblings face discrimination and hostility. Even within the ELCA, we have a broad spectrum that goes from extravagantly welcomed to homophobic and exclusionary.

We recently held our first meeting and reviewed our RIC statement (which can be found on our website). While we are proud of the work that we have done thus far, we believe we can improve upon our statement of Reconciling and Welcoming. We believe that through our mindful evaluation of our mission we can also find new ways to put that mission into action. One of our immediate decisions was to proudly display the Pride flag during the month of June. This small and simple step reminds not only those attending worship of who we are but also sends the message to the larger community that Christian and Pride are not in opposition. As author Rachel Held Evans stated, "I thought God wanted to use me to show gay people how to be straight. Instead God wanted to use gay people to show me how to be a Christian." Although Holy Trinity has a long tradition of Reconciling, we must be proactive in reaching out to a community who has so often been ostracized by the larger church.

Prayerfully considering the words we use in reaching out as well as displaying a symbol of our love and welcome are only the first steps toward renewing our commitment to being a Reconciling church. We would love for you to join us in considering how we can continue to deepen our extravagant welcome to all. Our next committee meeting is Thursday, June 6, 7:00 p.m., and all are welcome.

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



READINGS
Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 67
Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
John 14:23-29

ADULT FORUM
10:00 am—in the Library

MAY 26 No Adult Forum

JUNE 2 "Parish Organizer"
Parish Organizing 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. This forum will be a structured listening session where you can give your ideas in more detail on how we might proceed going forward. We want to hear from you!

ONE SERVICE ONLY ON SUNDAY, MAY 26, AT 10:00 A.M.
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."

THANK YOU FROM VICKI MANN

It all began in 2001 when the Holy Trinity treasurer, Bea Sandquist, died at the age of 91. Pastor Ron Johnson came up to me in the Community Room and asked if I'd be willing to take on her duties. I thought, yes, I could do that for a while. I asked when he'd like me to begin. Tomorrow, he said. Shortly after I started, he told me that he expects all Holy Trinity treasurers to work until they're 91. (Sorry, Ron). After he retired in 2006 and Pastor Stacy left at the same time, Interim Pastor Bruce Arnevik asked if I'd be interested in working full-time as church administrator. I happily said yes. Since I began as Church Administrator in 2006, I have printed thousands of bulletins, prepared financial reports, W2s, and grant requests, washed altar linens, discussed easements and property lines down at City Hall, staffed the nursery on Sundays when the scheduled person woke up sick, and made sure the website, computers, and copy machines were up and running (most of the time). There were many things that were included in my job description under the heading "Other duties as required." There haven't been two days that were just alike. The best part, though, has been the chance to work with this wonderful congregation. I appreciate the great staff and the help of countless volunteers. I couldn't have done this without all of you. I am grateful. Thank you.

PARISH INFORMATION

PARENTS'/KIDS' NIGHT OUT FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 6:00-8:00 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.

ACOLYTE TRAINING SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 10:00 A.M.

Hosted by the Children & Family Team, for NEW Acolytes to LEARN and for EXPERIENCED Acolytes to TEACH! Please email aschrooten@htlcmpls.org to sign up as a LEARNER or a TEACHER. Your spirit and your smile will be welcome!

OUR WHOLE LIVES SEXUALITY CURRICULUM TRAINING

If you are interested in becoming a trainer for a group of children or youth and can attend the training June 28-30, please speak with a pastor or Ann Schrooten. Cost for the weekend training is \$1-250 (sliding scale to Holy Trinity members). For more information about the *Our Whole Lives* curriculum, visit www.uua.org/re/owl.

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL CAMP JUNE 17-21

Children in grades 1-8 are invited to participate in *Storytelling Man* by Ken Medema. Rehearsals are 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. \$75 fee for the week includes music, snacks, t-shirt, and live musicians in the band. To register, email [Ann Schrooten \(aschrooten@htlcmpls.org\)](mailto:aschrooten@htlcmpls.org).

FIRST FRIDAYS WITH FRIENDS JUNE 7

Join us on June 7 at 6:30 p.m. for First Fridays with Friends. We're excited to have another Life Together Dinner. Nicholas Ellison will host and prepare a main dish. Bring something to share and come get to know one another on a deeper level. Sign up in the Community Room or RSVP on Facebook.

YOUTH CHOIR RECOGNITION CONCERT WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

Come and listen to our children and youth share their faith in word and in song. A 30-minute program begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by a presentation of yearly choir awards. Dessert and fellowship to follow!

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PARISH EVENTS May 26-June 1, 2019

Sunday	9:30 am-11:30 pm	Photo Display in the Bartsch Room
	10:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	11:00 am	Nursery Worker Training
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
Monday		Memorial Day—Office Closed
	5:00 pm	Puerto Rico Meeting
Tuesday	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
	5:30 pm	Racial Justice
	7:00 pm	Parish Organizer Visioning Team
	8:00 pm	Parish Organizer Eval.
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Anti-Semitism Group
	6:00 pm	Youth Choir Concert and Award Ceremony
Friday	6:00 pm	Worship/Fine Arts Committee

Sanctuary Support by Carol/David Berg, Linda/Gerry Berglin, Joyce/Don Besser, Donna Goodlaxson, Bob Brose, Delila Cotton, Judy/Troy Davison, Lois Eid, Jennifer Frenzel, Amy Froiland-Parada, James Hartsoe, Sandra Hisakuni, Mark Hennessy, Sally/David Kohlstedt, Helen/Bob Norheim, Kathy Ohler, June Prange, Deb Sodt, Lyle Steinfeldt, Sandra Thornby, Connie Adams, Liz Blood, Pam Kildahl, and Carol Masters

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS MAY 26, 2019

10:00 AM	
Needed	Assisting Minister
Rosie Russell, Treva Russell	Acolytes
Wayne Vetter	Crucifer
Dennis Orsmeth, Kari Kleven	Communion
Anne Beschnett, Josh Becker	Altar Guild
Ginny and Chuck Jordan Sally and David Kohlstedt	Ushers
Allison Johnson Heist Kris Christians	Coffee Servers
Annie Hines, Pam Blomgren	Counters
Needed	Closer

Financial Report	May 19	Year to date
Budget Requirement	15,253.85	305,076.92
Budget Receipts	20,235.82	342,858.24
Opening Doors	1,162.87	52,623.72
Sanctuary Support	20.00	1,160.00
Refugee Resettlement	10.00	150.00