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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. • EDUCATION: 10:00 a.m. • Ingrid Rasmussen and Angela Khabeb, Pastors

STANDING FOR ECONOMIC JUSTICE

In filling our 2018 congregational goal to “continue to grow in competency and commitment to racial justice, moving from awareness to action within our local community,” Holy Trinity Lutheran Church chose to partner with three community organizations led by communities of color. One of our three partnerships is with Village Financial Cooperative. I would love to update our church on the exciting events happening over at Village Financial, and also how you can support their extremely important work of providing economic freedom and financial justice in the Twin Cities.

Village Financial Cooperative is Minneapolis’ only Black-led credit union, and they held their grand-opening in June of this year. The project began in 2016 when the community voted to start a Black-led financial institution in order to divest money from traditional financial systems that benefit from the oppression of Black bodies, while at the same time investing money back into the community. A credit union was the perfect fit, because all credit-union members have equal standing in the institution and money is circulated and re-invested into the community, and thus Village Financial Cooperative (VFC) was born.

VFC will operate out of a brick and mortar location in North Minneapolis, and the city of Minneapolis recently voted to invest \$500,000 into Village Financial. Last year they piloted their New Day Loan program as an alternative to predatory pay-day lending services. Village Financial’s New Day loans have interest rates of 0-8% compared to the 400% annual interest of a two-week payday loan.

So far, Village Financial has received over 1,600 pledges from individuals to move their banking to the credit union. I highly recommend that you evaluate your own finances and consider signing the non-binding commitment on The Village Financial Trust’s website (villagefinancial.org/) to pledge to move your own money to the credit union once it opens. We also have pledge cards available in the Community Room. The only requirement is you need to live, work, worship, or go to school in Hennepin or Ramsey County (so as a Holy Trinity worshiper you are eligible!). In addition to pledging, other ways you can help is by donating at their website, volunteering to gather pledges, and spreading the word about the credit union to families and friends.

Thank you so much for joining us as we participate in just economic systems like Village Financial Trust, where all members of our communities can thrive and prosper.

In Gratitude,

Emily Kossila, Member of HT’s Racial Justice Team

CHURCHWIDE INTERGENERATIONAL PICNIC SUNDAY, AUGUST 4
All are welcome at Hidden Falls Pavilion from 4-6 p.m. (meal at 5:00 p.m.). The picnic is a great opportunity to see folks from “the other service” and to spend time with your confirmation sponsor or other friends from church. Bring a dish to share, as well as your own beverage. Games will be provided.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



READINGS

Deuteronomy 30:9-14
Psalm 25:1-10
Colossians 1:1-14
Luke 10:25-37

ADULT FORUM

10:00 am—in the Library

JULY 14 “Perspectives on Jesus” Joel Wiberg

The person of Jesus is central to the Christian faith, but he was first of all an itinerant Jewish preacher walking across Galilee. The book entitled *Zealot* by Reza Azlan will provide a lens through which we can explore who this Jesus was and is.

JULY 21 “Perspectives on Jesus” Joyce Besser

Our three-part series on the person of Jesus continues today. The writings of Richard Rohr will provide a lens through which we can explore who this Jesus was and is. Drawing on scripture, history, and spiritual practice, Rohr articulates a transformative view of Jesus Christ as a portrait of God’s constant, unfolding work in the world. “God loves things by becoming them,” he writes, and Jesus’ life was meant to declare that humanity has never been separate from God—except by its own negative choice. When we recover this fundamental truth, faith becomes less about proving Jesus was God, and more about learning to recognize the Creator’s presence all around us, and in everyone we meet.

NOTES FROM THE LIBRARY

Holy Trinity’s library has a history of refreshing its collection with new books to feed the soul and to help us grapple with current social concerns. This practice continues. Through July, 80+ books published from 2016-2019 will be featured on a rotating basis on the book cart in the Community Room and on top of the lower shelves (by the windows) in the library. Topics vary—adult and children’s fiction and non-fiction—and many of the books relate to Holy Trinity’s ministry priorities. To borrow a book, fill out the card in the back cover and leave the card in the small white container on the bistro table in the Community Room or on the counter in the library. Happy reading!

FARE FOR ALL + THE SHOE BUS WED., JULY 17 (NOTE NEW DATE)

Fare For All is an organization that supports hunger relief in our community by buying fresh fruits, vegetables, and frozen meat in bulk to save buyers up to 40% off grocery store prices. Like Fare For All, the Shoe Bus is open to EVERYONE & accepts credit cards, debit cards, or cash. New or gently used adults shoes are \$5; new or gently used children’s shoes are \$2. Wednesday, July 17, 3:30-5:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity.

PARISH INFORMATION

LUNCH AND MUSIC IN THE GARDEN SUNDAY, JULY 14, NOON

Join us for music and food in the garden at noon. The OK Factor will be performing. New-classical crossover duo, The OK Factor is cellist Olivia Diercks and violinist Karla Colahan. Based in Minneapolis, Olivia and Karla are passionate about composing, performing, and teaching, creating unique and unexpected musical experiences for their audiences all across the Midwest. \$5 suggested donation for the wood-fired pizza lunch; however, don't let the money keep you away from the fun. All are welcome!

MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY JULY 29-AUGUST 2

Volunteers are needed to deliver meals July 29-August 2. Sign up in the Community Room or call Mary Engen.

SUMMER FAMILY FUN NIGHT WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 5:30 P.M.

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!

SECOND SUNDAY SUPPERS JULY 14, 6:00 P.M.

Join other women of Holy Trinity at Houlihan's Restaurant, 6601 Lyndale Ave. S., Richfield, at 6:00 p.m. for an evening of conversation, support, and laughter. No sign up necessary.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OPEN STREETS MPLS, JULY 21

HTLC will again be handing out sweet corn for this year's Open Streets Festival on July 21. We're seeking volunteers to help with the booth. We also need people to help with children's bike decorating. Please call Tom Cahoy to help, or sign up in the Community Room.

LYNX BASKETBALL GAME WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 12:00 P.M.

Let's go see these amazing women play some basketball at a noon game in the Target Center. Tickets cost \$27 per person for a great block of seats near the court. We'll meet at (or near) Holy Trinity to ride the light rail downtown. All ages are welcome, but be sure to get your name on the sign-up sheet in the Community Room.

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE TWINS MONDAY, AUGUST 5

Join us as the Twins play Atlanta. Cost is \$28. Sign up in the Community Room or call the church office by July 22. If you are interested in joining the choir to sing the National Anthem, please indicate that when you sign up. Those interested in traveling to the game together on the light rail will meet at church. For more information or to request a scholarship, please contact Pam Kildahl (pkildahl@gmail.com).

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PARISH EVENTS July 14-20, 2019

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	Caring for Creation
	12:15 pm	Music in the Garden
Monday	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	6:00 pm	Second Sunday Suppers at Houlihan's
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Executive Committee
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Wednesday	11:00 am	Worship Readings Discussion
	1:00 pm	"Living Well" Group
	3:30 pm	Fare For All and the Shoe Bus
	5:30 pm	Family Fun Night

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS JULY 14, 2019

8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
Needed	Assisting Minister	Needed	Sandra Hoverson
Matthew Arifin, Isaac Parada	Acolytes	Needed	
Tom Cahoy	Crucifer	Jeff Olsen	Biebighauser
Ben Martinez, Rick Liedholm	Communion	Sara and Kirk Jensen	
Erin Arifin, Ginny Jordan	Altar Guild	Libby and Keith Olstad	
Chris Engen, Sally and David Kohlstedt	Ushers	Judy and Troy Davison, Rod Johnson, Soren Kung	
Gary Johnson, Liz Kelley	Coffee Servers	Nicholas Ellison, Juliann Rohn	
Chuck Jordan, Julie Cahoy	Counters	Lee Kampinen, Scott Cole	
	Closer	Rod Johnson	

World Hunger and Sanctuary Support in memory of Sheldon Torgerson by Pam Kildahl