

# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Buffalo, New York

Sunday, January 26, 2020 Third Sunday after Epiphany Celebrating our 141<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Holy Communion – 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Holy Trinity recognizes that each of us is a unique creation made in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has bestowed on us. We proclaim ourselves to be an open and affirming congregation to all of God's people; welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We believe that our openness will allow us to grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

We invite our guests as well as members to fill out the blue sheet, found inside your bulletin, and place in the offering plate.

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### INTRODUCTION

Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be "caught" in the net of God's grace and mercy.

# **VOLUNTARY**

Aureole

Daniel Pinkham (1923 – 2006)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# (10:30)

# **INTROIT**

Eternal Light

Mark Schweizer (1956 – 2019)

Text by St. Alcuin (Prayer for Illumination)

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts.

Eternal Power, be our support.

Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance.

Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us.

That with all our heart and mind and soul and strength

We may seek your face.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

#### **OPENING HYMN**

All My Hope on God Is Founded "Michael"

ELW 757

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters.

#### Amen.

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able (10:30)

God who searches us and knows us,

you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; + your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

#### Amen.

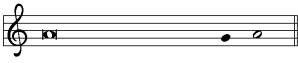
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#### **GREETING**

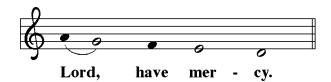
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

# **KYRIE**

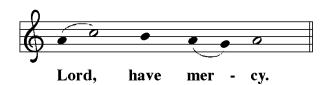


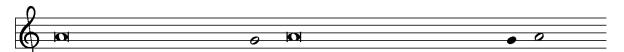
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



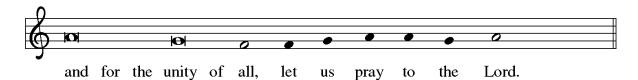


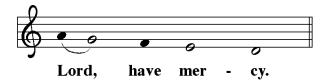
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

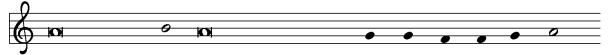




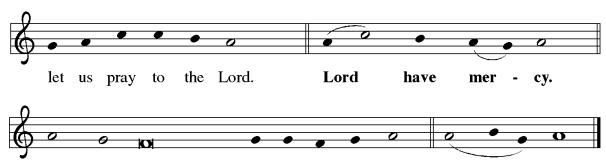
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

# **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

#### FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:1-4

The first reading for the Third Sunday after Epiphany is recorded in Isaiah, the 9<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>1</sup>There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness

have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness—

on them light has shined.

<sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation,

you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you

as with joy at the harvest,

as people exult when dividing plunder.

<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(10:30) MOTET

*Ocean of Light* Opus 1315 (2018)

Carson Cooman

Text: Phineas Fletcher (1582 - 1650)

(b. 1982)

Commissioned by the Buffalo-Niagara Chapter of the American Guild of Organists for the 2019 Buffalo Northeast Regional Convention

Vast Ocean of light, whose rays surround
The Universe, who know'st not ebb, nor shore,
Who lend'st the Sun his sparkling drop, to store
With overflowing beams Heav'n, air, ground,
Whose depths beneath the Center none can sound,
Whose heights 'bove Heav'n, and thoughts so lofty soar,
Whose breadth no feet, no lines, no chains, no eyes survey,
Whose length no thoughts can reach, no worlds can bound,
What cloud can mask thy face? where can thy ray
Find an Eclipse? what night can hide Eternal Day?

# **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

The second reading for today is recorded in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians, the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter.

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ."

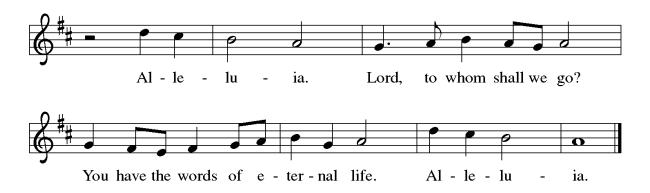
<sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

<sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



# GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12-23

The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew



<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

<sup>15</sup>"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness

have seen a great light,

and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death

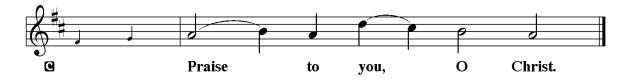
light has dawned."

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

<sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The gospel of the Lord:



Please be seated.

**SERMON** 

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

Please stand, if able.

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore "Pescador De Hombres" ELW 817

#### **CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called together through water and the Word, we boldly pray for the church, the world, and all who long to hear God's voice.

Holy One, your voice calls us to follow. Thank you for raising up missionaries in every generation and for all who create communities of grace today. Open our hearts to serve you near and far. Strengthen all communities of faith, including the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Resurrection, and Holy Trinity. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Maker of all, we rejoice in the beauty and abundance of the earth. Unite us in our shared calling to be stewards of creation, to reduce waste, and to simplify our lives for your sake. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Ruler of all, thank you for those who run for local and national office, and all who serve as elected leaders. Gather wise and courageous voices together, that your mercy and justice would dawn upon all people and nations. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Healer of all, thank you for sanctuary and safety. Uplift all who live where fear governs and evil divides. Give refugees and all who seek safety a path toward hope and new life. Grant healing and wholeness to all who are sick, lonely, or grieving. We pray for all those we now name out loud, and those we remember in our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

God of courage, thank you for faithful teachers and evangelists in this and every place. Inspire our faith formation efforts with all generations as you call us to follow you. Bless our children, especially Samantha and Ava, our youth, and adults who engage in learning. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

Risen Lord, we marvel at the meaning of your resurrection. Give us faith to place all hope in you as we give thanks for the faithful departed. May their witness help us follow your call. Lord, in your mercy,

# hear our prayer.

We place our prayers before you, God, united in your Spirit; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace

Please be seated.

#### THE OFFERING

(8:30)

#### ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING

We Have Seen His Star

Everett Titcomb (1885 – 1968)

We have seen His star, His star in the East, and are come with our offerings to worship the Lord.

(10:30)

Asperges me

Text: Psalm 51

Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Tim Flynn, cantor

Thou wilt sprinkle me, O Lord, with hyssop and I shall be cleansed Thou wilt wash me, and I shall be washed whiter than snow.

Pity me, O God, according to Thy great mercy.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray together.

God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from your good earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen.

#### **OFFERTORY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**ELW 885** 

"Old Hundredth"

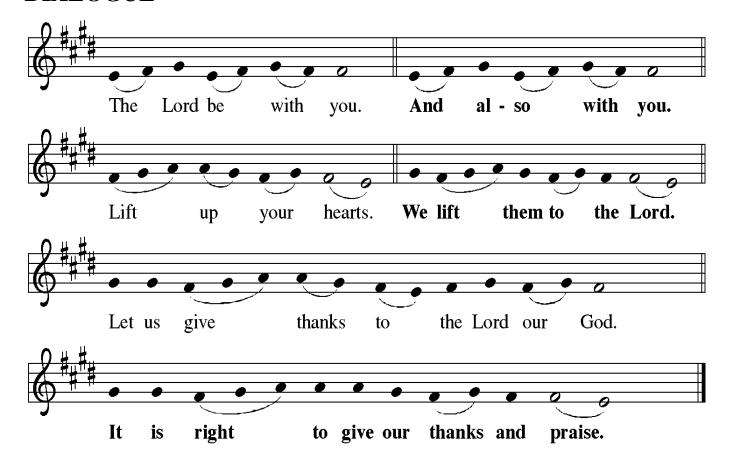
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below;

praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

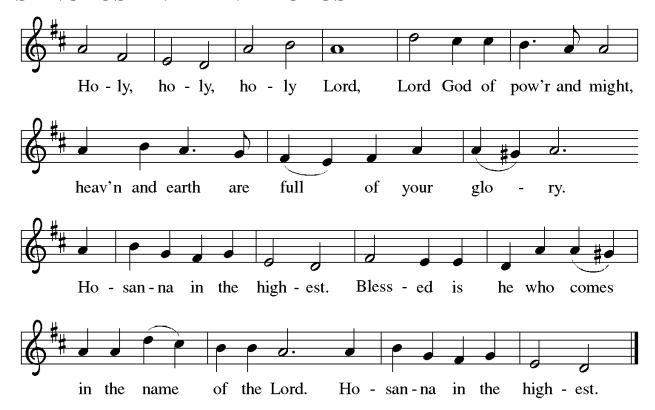
#### **DIALOGUE**



#### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



# THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

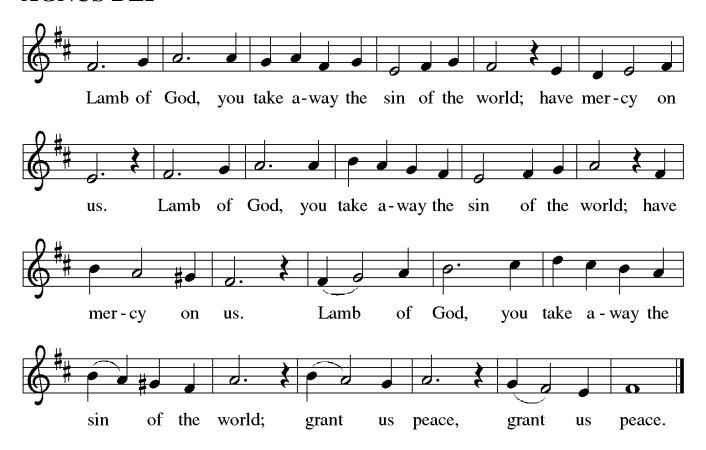
Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **AGNUS DEI**



Please be seated.

### THE COMMUNION

#### Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. Beginning with those seated closest to the altar, you are invited to come forward down the center aisle to the presiding minister. Receiving the wafer in your hand, you are invited to dip or "intinct" the wafer into the chalice. There is wine in the silver chalice and grape juice in the ceramic chalice. For those who prefer, gluten-free wafers are available by simply asking the Pastor as you are served. Adults or children choosing not to receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing. The Pastors will bring the sacrament to persons in the pews that are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so. Come eat and drink; there is a place for you at the table of our Lord.

# (8:30)

#### MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Creator of the Stars of Night

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Creator of the stars of night, Thy people's everlasting light, Jesu, Redeemer, save us all, and hear thy servants when they call.

Thou camest, bridegroom of the bride, as drew the world to evening tide, proceeding from a virgin shine, the Son of Man, yet all divine.

At thy great name, exalted now, all knees must bend, all hearts must bow, and things in heaven and earth shall own that thou art Lord and King alone.

God the Father, God the Son, and Spirit, Three in One, Laud, honor, might, and glory be from age to age eternally. Amen.

(10:30)

#### **COMMUNION MOTET**

His Light in Us

Kim André Arnesen (b. 1980)

God's distant call flares in the night, so long expected, so longed for; and all my life, Christ called my name, and now at last I'll answer Him.

Renewed, his hope, his light in us, incarnate, fragile, our Lord appears, alleluia, alleluia! Eternal, so perfect, his cry of changeless love.

Alive, awake, His call is here: it is the crying of the Child; I know Christ's call, its hidden flame, it makes my spirit flare with hope!

Renewed, his hope, his light in us...

This root, this stem, this flowering love, this mustard seed, it grows to the greatest tree,

the birds of souls have nested there. The light of the night now blazes at dawn!

You've lead me here, O little child, your being singing with God's life. The kingdom sings, it choirs with earth, all creation lives Christ's peace.

Renewed, his hope, his light in us...

Please stand as you are able.

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.** 

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation: As the Magi set out from Bethlehem, going home by another road, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our sisters and brothers who are sick, homebound or imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this communion, that through the body and blood of your Son we may all know the hope of your promised coming in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# **BENEDICTION**

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. The blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

Amen.

# **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult "Galilee"

**ELW 696** 

# **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Let your light shine.

Thanks be to God.

# **POSTLUDE**

Preambulum in F Major

Vincent Lübeck (1684 - 1755)

We invite you to join us downstairs in Redeemer Hall for refreshments and fellowship following the 10:30 Service.

All are welcome.



#### **MUSIC NOTES**

Kim André Arnesen (b. 1980) is one of the most frequently performed living Norwegian classical composers. He grew up in Trondheim, Norway, and was educated at the Trondheim Music Conservatory. Arnesen has written music that has been commissioned and performed by choirs and musicians all over the world. The CD release of his *Magnificat* received high acclaim from both *Gramophone* and *Choir & Organ*. His *Requiem* had its New Premiere at Carnegie Hall in 2017, and his last large-scale work, *The Wound in the Water*, was premiered by Conspirare in 2016.

His Light in Us was commissioned by the St. Olaf Choir and Dr. Anton Armstrong for the 2016 St. Olaf Christmas Festival. "His Light in Us is a thanksgiving, and its key word is 'renewed,'

reflecting the glory of what goes on in our spirits at Christmas. Although written for Christmas, the piece can be performed any time of the year as a thanksgiving of new hope and how light now shines also in dark times."

Kim André Arnesen and Euan Tait

# THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

| SUNDAY, January 2   | <u> 6, 2020 – Third Sunday afte</u>  | <u>er Epiphany</u>  |
|---|--|---|
| 8:30 a.m.   | Service of Holy Communion  | n w/chapel choir (CH)   |
| 9:30 a.m.   | Sunday Forum (FR)  |   |
| 10:30 a.m.  | Service of Holy Communion/LYO Sunday (MC)  |   |
| 10:30 a.m.  | Sunday School/Nursery (SS)   |   |
| 11:45 a.m.  | Coffee Hour (FI)   |   |
| 2:30 p.m.   | Worship to Go at Wedgewood   |   |
| 4:00 p.m.   | BNYC Concert (MC)  |   |
| MONDAY, January 27, 2020  |  |   |
| 9:30 a.m.   | Bible Study (FR)   |   |
| 11:00 a.m.  | Worship Meeting (FR)   |   |
| 7:00 p.m.   | Personnel Meeting at the Yaps  |   |
| TUESDAY, January  | 28, 2020   |   |
| 6:30 p.m.   | Community Music School rehearsal (MC)  |   |
| WEDNESDAY, Jan  | uary 29, 2020  |   |
| 5:00 p.m.   | BNYC Rehearsal (MC)  |   |
| 6:30 p.m.   | Wednesday Evening Worship (CH)   |   |
| THURSDAY, Janua   | ry 30, 2020  | •   |
| 12:00 p.m.  | Racial Justice Book Club (FI)  |   |
| 7:00 p.m.   | Chancel Choir (MC)   |   |
| 7:00 p.m.   | AA/AL-ANON (RH)  |   |
| SATURDAY, Februa  |  |   |
|   | Fellowship & Hospitality M   | fleeting (RH)   |
|   | 2, 2020 – Fourth Sunday af   |   |
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| 12:00 p.m.  | Faith in Action Meeting (FR)   |   |
| 12:00 p.m.  | Stewardship Meeting (FI)   |   |
| CH = Mansperger Chapel FR = Fellowship Room MR = Music Room SC = Sacristy | CI = Crib Room FI = Fireside Room/Library PS = Pastor's Study SS = Sunday School | CR = Conference Room<br>MC = Main Church<br>RH = Redeemer Hall<br>YR = Youth Room |

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

SUNDAY FORUM: Today we welcome Pastor Brenda who will present the Kick Off to the 2021 Youth Gathering in Minneapolis. Next week Pat Hutton from Sew REDI Buffalo (Refugee Economic Development Initiative) will be joining us. Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

ORGAN UPDATE: You may have noticed the scaffolding in the Gallery. We are very excited that the Gallery Reeds (16' Dulzian and 8' Trompete) have been removed by Parsons Pipe Organ Builders. These pipes were dirty and damaged and have been silent for over three years. The pipes are scheduled to return for Easter this year!!

ALTAR FLOWERS: Each Sunday, the beautiful vases of flowers gracing the chancel are often dedicated by members of our congregation in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Looking ahead, the following dates are available - February 2 - two vases, March 22 - one vase. Please contact Linda Schmidt with your request for these or any other specific date during the year. She can be reached at msmarylschmidt@gmail.com or 716-835-3325. Vases are currently \$40.00 each.

STEWARDSHP MEETING: All are invited to join us for a discussion on Sunday, February 2 at noon in the Fireside Room. Please bring your questions, comments or ideas about the stewardship of our faith family.

FELLOWSHIP & HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE will meet on **Saturday, February 1 at 10:00am** in Redeemer Hall. All are welcome to join us.

JOIN THE HOLY TRINITY NEEDLERS Prayer Shawl Ministry to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the group on Tuesday, February, 4 beginning at 5:30pm. Please bring a dish to share, beverages will be provided. Regular meetings will resume on March 3.

COMMUNITY MEAL FOR HAITI - Our partners in Haiti continue to be impacted by political unrest, demonstrations and increasing food costs. Food and fuel costs have increased considerably making it harder and harder for people to afford and have access to even the most basic of foods. On our mission trips Holy Trinity has always provided a community meal and we have been able to feed upwards of 300 people. While we do not have another mission trip planned at this time, we would like to send funds to Carribean Children's Foundation so that a community meal can be provided on a Sunday after church services. We are hoping to collect coins toward this mission project. Outside of the chapel and the main church you will see jars labeled "Coins for Haiti Community Meal". If you have spare change (or would like to slip dollars or a check into the jar toward this mission) we will hopefully be able to once again provide food for individuals on the Island of Ile a'Vache. Susan Bundt will have small cans available during Sunday Faith Formation for any of the children who attend would like to take a can home to collect coins from friends or family members. The jars will remain outside the Chapel and Main Church for as many weeks as it takes to generate the funds to send to Haiti. The estimated cost of providing a meal is \$1500.00. Let's see how quickly we can reach this goal!

We will be holding an informational meeting for anyone who would like to learn more about our partnerships in Haiti and the potential of traveling as part of a mission team on **February 23<sup>rd</sup> directly after the 10:30 service in the Fellowship Room.** If you have any questions or would like more information please feel free to give Kathy Crissey a call (807-9494) or email at <a href="mailto:kc1008@aol.com">kc1008@aol.com</a>. Thank you for your continued support of our Haiti partnership!

THANK YOU: Pastor Buerk would like to thank everyone for their cards, well wishes and prayers.

THE RACIAL JUSTICE TEAM invites you to join us for our next book club reading: "Dear Church: A Love Letter from a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the US." From Amazon: Lenny Duncan is the unlikeliest of pastors. Formerly incarcerated, he is now a black preacher in the whitest denomination in the United States: the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Shifting demographics and shrinking congregations make all the headlines, but Duncan sees something else at work-drawing a direct line between the church's lack of diversity and the church's lack of vitality. The problems the ELCA faces are theological, not sociological. But so are the answers. The book club will meet Thursday 1/30 and 2/20. You are welcome to bring a lunch and join in fellowship at 12:00; the discussion starts at 1:00pm.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Holy Trinity has an electronic option for making regular offerings or a one-time donation. If you would like to sign up, please fill out the forms located on the tables in the narthex and return to the office. Please call the church office with questions.



# Day "Buy" Day Thanksgivings

Now you can honor special events and special people in your life!

Send us a Day Buy Day Form with a check made payable to

Holy Trinity for \$25 for each event you wish to honor.

Proceeds will go toward the Education Committee and help sponsor the

Confirmation Camp for youth here at Holy Trinity.

At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Ethan MacDonald. Altar guilds are Heidemarie Kunz and Gail Camilleri. Lay reader is Heidemarie Kunz. Communion assistant is Susan Bundt. Ushers are Dave and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Barb Wozniak. Lay reader is Sofia Atlas. Altar guilds are Doreen Griebel and Kathy Szakmary. Greeters are Jeanette Kuck, Mike Day and members of the LYO. Ushers are Paul Biesinger (captain), Doug Alderdice, Paul and Karen Bauchle, Tony Glieco, Dan Griebel, Karen Kolb, Dave Pellnat, John Schleifer, Jr. and members of the LYO. Communion Assistants are Paul Bauchle, Peter Bergenstock, Robert Mann and Sean Mann. Worship Assistants are Alex Rojek, Delayne Pace, Robert Mann, Sean Mann, Justin Rojek, Sofia Atlas, Tim Yap, Saniyah Gilchrist and Morgan Leiser. Collection counters are Paul Bauchle, Paul Biesinger and Herb Hough. The Cantor is Jennifer Carden.

The flowers on the altar are given In Loving Memory of Jayne's sister Jody Siddall by Doug and Jayne Lloyd; and In Honor of Michael and Joseph Pagano by Margaret Pagano.

Council Vice-President Uli MacDonald will be at the Entrance Way to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Samantha Biesinger and Ava Berg.

The flag flying on the flagpole has been dedicated In Memory of Ken James by Gail and John Camilleri.



Stewardship Thought of the Day

If everyone took only what was sufficient for their needs, leaving the rest to those in want, there would be no rich and no poor.

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