

# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Buffalo, New York

Sunday, June 27, 2021
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Celebrating Pride Sunday
Celebrating our 143<sup>rd</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 creatures welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We commit ourselves to the work of anti-racism and creating an anti-racist space through the protection against oppression internally, in institutions, interpersonally and structurally.

We believe that through our openness we all grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

For the love of one another, we kindly ask

- 1. that you keep your mask on during the duration of this service.
  - 2. that our members and guests fill out the blue sheet and leave at your seat in the pew.

We look forward to continuing to update our practices as we move forward.

We invite you to share your story and your worship experience!
Check-in and share on any of our social media platforms using #poweroftrinity.
You can find us on Facebook @holytrinitybuffalo,
on Instagram @holytrinitybuffalo or on twitter @holytrinitybuff

#### INTRODUCTION

A woman finds healing by touching Jesus' cloak, and a girl is restored to life when he takes her by the hand. In both cases a boundary is crossed: in Jesus' time the hemorrhaging woman was considered ritually unclean, polluting others by her touch, and anyone who touched a corpse also became unclean. In Mark's gospel Jesus breaks down barriers, from his first meal at a tax collector's house to his last breath on the cross as the temple curtain is torn in two. We dare to touch Jesus in our "uncleanness" and to live as a community that defines no one as an outsider.

# **VOLUNTARY**

Maestoso, molto expressivo from Trois Pièces galantes

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All Are Welcome "Two Oaks"

ELW 641

(vs. 1 & 5)



Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen
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# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Holy Parent,
And of the + Child,
And of the Holy Spirit, whom we invite into this space. **Amen.** 

As a church, we believe and celebrate God's creation, proclaiming "All are welcome!" Yet in our attempts to welcome "all" we have forgotten the ways Jesus invites us to see, name, and care for one another by name. We fall short in justice-making for our LGBTQIA+siblings, Black, Indigenous, People of Color, women-identified people, immigrants, elderly, and those who do not have access to basic human needs. Let us break this cycle of brokenness, heal our hearts, restore our trust, and work to be community for all people. We turn to the power of the Holy Spirit, confessing our sins against our siblings, and in receiving forgiveness, seek to grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ – our Savior and Liberator.

### Amen.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able.

## Divine,

Have mercy on us. We confess we have turned away from you and your endless diversity. We are truly sorry, and humbly repent. We have chosen to not see the difference between "not-racist" and being "anti-racist." We are truly sorry and humbly repent. Help turn us to your fullness of the Kin-dom of God, so we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Friend. Amen.

While we were consumed by the fire of our sin, Christ who is rich in mercy and love, made us alive through their death on the cross. By grace you have been saved. In the name of the risen and dreaming Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.** 

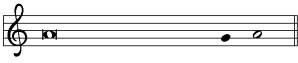
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## **GREETING**

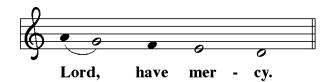
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

# **KYRIE**

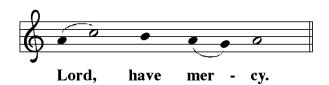


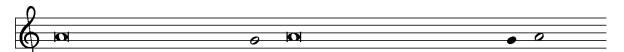
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



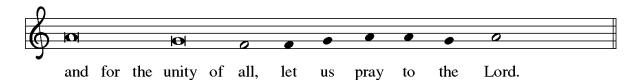


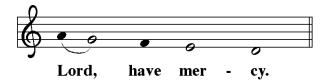
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

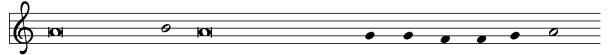




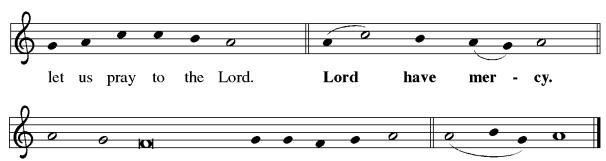
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







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.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Creator God, guide us to live with open hearts, open minds, and open souls to receive your Beloveds. In your Kin-dom, where the limits of creativity and diversity are endless, teach us to see, name, and care for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, as well as those who have been excluded and experienced harm because of race, ability, age, or economic status. We commit ourselves to the work ahead, looking to your example through Christ. Filled with the love of Jesus, we praise your name.

Amen.

Please be seated.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

## THE READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

The first reading for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost is recorded in Corinthians, the 8<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>7</sup>Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

<sup>8</sup>I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup>And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—<sup>11</sup>now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means.

<sup>12</sup>For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup>I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup>your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup>As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### THE SOLO

Faith from Vedic Hymns Op. 24, No. 9

Gustav Holst (1874 - 1934)

Dr. Aurora Deeds, soprano

By Thee the fire doth shine

Upon the sacred altar:

To Thee we raise our song of joy and homage,

Most Holy Faith!

By Thee the gen'rous heart

Is blessed with wealth and wisdom:

To Thee he giveth all in humble gladness,

Most Holy Faith!

By Thee the prayers are heard

That rise in silent worship:

To Thee mankind and God are drawing nearer,

Most Holy Faith!

By Thee inspired, our song

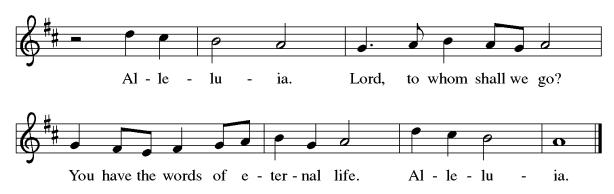
Ascendeth ever higher

To Thee at early morn, at noon, at even,

Most Holy Faith!

Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



**GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43** 

The holy gospel according to Saint Mark



<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." <sup>24</sup>So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." <sup>29</sup>Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?"

<sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?' " <sup>32</sup>He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James.

<sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

**SERMON** 

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

### **SERMON MEDITATION**

Expressivo, con moto from Trois Pièces galantes

Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

Please stand as you are able.

#### **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

As people proclaimed Beloved; whole; beautifully and wonderfully made; let us be guided by the Divine toward the fullness of this day and life, and let us lift our hearts and voices in prayer in celebration of PRIDE.

Graced with abundance through Christ, we give thanks for the uniqueness and strength of the LGBTQIA+ community. Our siblings have been gifted with fruits of the Spirit and embody the fullness of God's endless diversity. We look to our queer siblings as they show us what it means to live in a relationship with You and one another. God of Grace,

hear our prayer.

God who invites us to work for justice, we give thanks for our allies. When we work together, we are stronger together! Help our LGBTQIA+ and BIPOC sibling's allies continue to lend their time, talents, and abilities in this world. Fill up their cups, and provide them with the endurance to move others towards a place of compassion and love for all of your people. We pray for our ecumenical and interfaith siblings in VOICE Buffalo, the Network of Religious Communities, and the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Community of Good Neighbors, and Holy Trinity. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Divine breath of life, you have invited us into relationship, not to condemn and judge, but to love and care. Help us extend your grace to all people and to welcome those the world has labeled as "other." May all people experience the unity your love brings and live into our call to love others as you first loved us. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

God of the People, you made us in your image, and you call us good. Thank you for your people who are able to live out their authentic witness to be the people you lovingly created them to be, and the bravery instilled in their hearts which allows them to move in the world in their own amazing way. We pray today for those who are not yet able to live into their fullness, and we wrap them in love. Remind us each day the ways we are called to welcome, include, celebrate, and advocate for your whole kin-dom. We pray for those impacted by injustice, those on the front line of the pandemic, and all those we name out loud, or in the silence of our hearts and our minds... God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the faithful ancestors in every age whose lives have pointed us towards you. Envelop them in your love, that we may be reunited with one another in the last days. God of grace, hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.** 

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with one another.

We ask that you remain at your seat.

You may share the sign of peace
with a head nod or peace sign.

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

Please be seated.

#### THE OFFERING

Offerings and tithes may be left in the offering plate located at the exit.

### SOLO AT THE OFFERING

Lord, Thou Art My Refuge and My Shield from Biblical Songs Op. 99, No. 2

Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904)

Dr. Aurora Deeds, soprano

Lord, Thou art my refuge and my shield, and in Thy word put I my trust. Out of my sight, ye that do evil, for my heart is fixed, I will hold to God's

commandments.

Strengthen me, that I may keep Thy law, and that Thy statutes may be my delight.

Strengthen me, that I may keep Thy law, and that Thy statutes may be my delight. I am afraid of Thee and of Thy greatness, trembling do I come before Thy judgement seat.

#### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

#### **OFFERTORY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**ELW 885** 

"Old Hundredth"

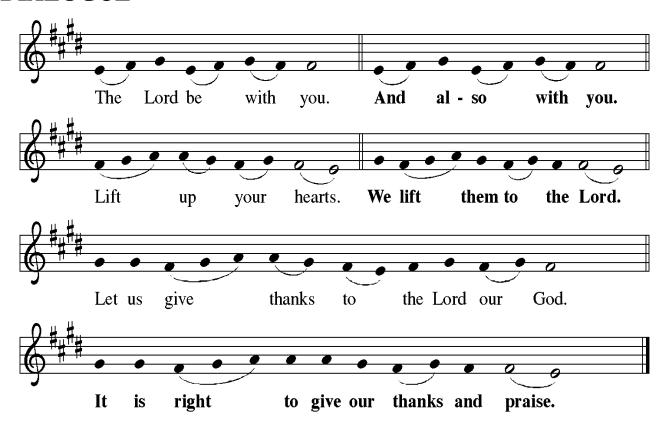
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below;

praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

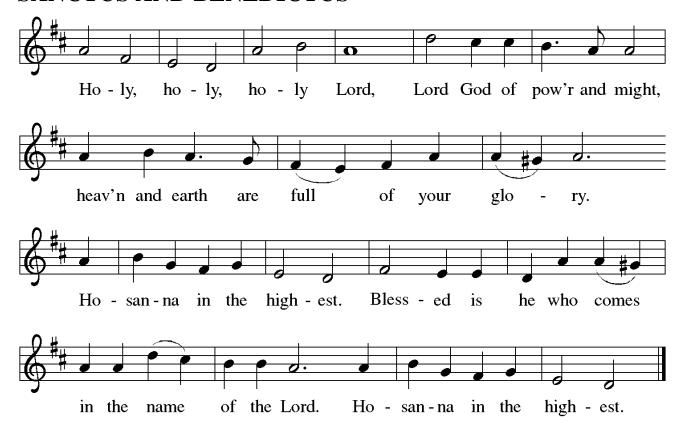
#### **DIALOGUE**



#### **PREFACE**

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

#### SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, 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.

Please be seated.

## THE COMMUNION

Please follow Pastor's instructions on the distribution of communion

All are welcome to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. At this time we will be serving communion in a contact-less manner. In your pews you will find pre-packaged grape juice and wafers (gluten free are available, please see an usher at the entrance). The wafer can be found at the top of the cup (lift up the top, clear layer) and you will be invited to eat the wafer at the word, "The body of Christ given to you." You may then open the grape juice and drink at the word, "The blood of Christ given to you." Please leave the used and unused communion cups in the pews.

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.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

#### **BENEDICTION**

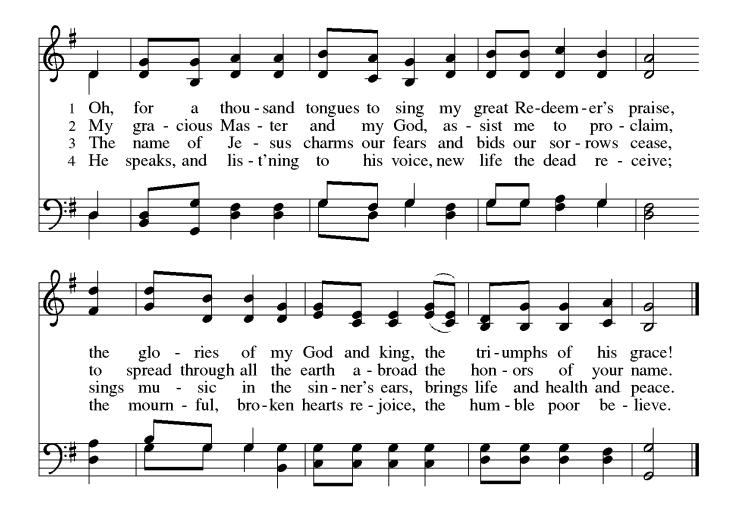
The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

#### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing "Azmon"

**ELW 886** (vs. 1, 4, 6)



- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own, O fallen human race! Look and be saved through faith alone, be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

There is no coffee hour at this time. Updates will be coming.



#### THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

#### SUNDAY, June 27, 2021 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

## **MONDAY, June 28, 2021**

9:30 a.m. Bible Study (RH/Zoom)

11:15 a.m. Worship Committee Meeting (RH/Zoom)

6:30 p.m. Gambler's Anonymous (RH)

# THURSDAY, July 1, 2021

10:00 a.m. Watercolor Class (RH) 7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

### SUNDAY, July 4, 2021 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC) 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

#### **Music Notes**

Denis Bédard, who was born in Quebec City in 1950, first studied at the Conservatoire de musique de Québec, graduating with first class honors in organ, harpsichord, chamber music, counterpoint, and fugue. He continued his studies in Paris and Montreal, as well as in Amsterdam with Gustav Leonhardt, and was laureate of the "Prix d'Europe" in 1975 and of the CBC Radio Talent Competition in 1978. A professor at the Conservatoire de musique de Québec from 1981-1989 and organ professor at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver from 2001 until 2004, Denis Bédard was organist at St-Coeur-deMarie church in Quebec City for 19 years and then became organist at St-Roch church, also in Quebec City, in September 1997. Since September 2001 Denis Bédard has been the organist and music director at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver. Denis Bédard 's compositions include more than twenty chamber works as well as orchestral and vocal music and many organ works. He has received commissions from Radio-Canada, the CBC, the Québec Symphony Orchestra and various professional musicians in Canada, England, France, Switzerland, and the U.S. His music, essentially tonal and melodic, is characterized by a concern for formal clarity and immediate communication with as vast a public as possible.



At 8:30 a.m. the usher is Gail Camilleri. Worship assistant is Oscar Guzzino.

At 10:30 the ushers are Mike Day, Ron Leiser and Elizabeth Vihnanek. Worship Assistant is Adrianna Wareham.

The flowers on the altar are given In Celebration of our Wedding Anniversary by Jeff and Jen Yap; and In Loving Memory of Kathy's dad, Ernest C. Kosan by Gary and Kathy Szakmary.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

GOLF OUTING: All are welcome to join us for the Annual Holy Trinity Golf Outing on Monday, August 2 at Pendleton Creek Golf Club. Cost for the day is \$60 and includes a continental breakfast at 8:00am, nine-hole scramble at 9:00am and a BBQ lunch at 12:00pm. The cost for lunch only is \$15. Checks should be made payable to "Holy Trinity Lutheran Church" and mailed/given to the church office. Prize donations gratefully accepted. Pendleton Creek is located at 4391 Tonawanda Creek Road North, North Tonawanda 14120. Please see Guy Huber, Craig Johnson or call the church office to make your reservation.

WATERCOLOR CLASSES, with our own Paul Biesinger, begin on Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup> in Redeemer Hall. We will meet each week from 10am to Noon through the summer. Classes are free but you will need to bring your own supplies. A list of suggested supplies is available from Heather Miller(convmiller@yahoo.com). All are welcome!

VBS: This year's VBS "River of Life" will be a hybrid VBS during the week of July 26-30. This means that participants have the opportunity to attend in person, following CDC and state guidelines, or online. Registration for VBS will be out early next week so be sure to check the website and Facebook for links to the registration form; it will also be shared in the weekly email, the bulletins, and the newsletter. In-person VBS will be capped at 30 children and will be determined on a first come first serve basis. Guidelines will be detailed on the registration form. VBS is intended for children who have completed grades Pre-K through 6th grade. In-person VBS will run from 8:30-12:30, with more details coming on the registration form and in future announcements. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Brenda.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Tomorrow we will meet both in-person in Redeemer Hall and via Zoom at 9:30 https://zoom.us/j/427428740?pwd=YlBZdUdLL3l4YU5QWnJUUTdk Rlk4Zz09#success. Join via Zoom ID 427 428 740. Password 849195. Tomorrow will be the final class for the season. We will start up again in September.

YOUTH GATHERING: There will be an informational meeting on June 29 at 7pm via Zoom for those youth and parents that are interested in attending the 2022 Youth Gathering in Minneapolis. This session will go over key dates, costs, expectations and allow parents and youth to ask questions. There will be a second information session in August as well for those who are not able to make this session. Students enrolled in 8th-12th grades for the 2021-22 year are eligible Please register in advance for this attend. meeting: to https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMoc-

mtqzwrGdLIsd6cSO2HFFhcmWZD5ZZy, or see Pastor Brenda.

CRISIS SERVICES: For anyone feeling down, lonely or depressed, Crisis Services is working around the clock to respond to and combat the impact COVID-19 has on our community. Their hotline number is 834-3131 and are available 24-hours a day. If you are looking for counseling services, we share a partnership with Pat Greene, LMHC, and he may be reached at 716-361-4615.



Office Staff may be reached by phone daily Monday – Friday. Please call the church office should you need anything. As always, the Pastors are available by appointment. We will continue to share information regarding life and worship at Holy Trinity. You can always check out the website for up-to-date information.

## HOLY TRINITY LEADERSHIP

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