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Trinity's Annual

Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner

Thursday, November 6

Seatings at:

11:30 a.m.

12:45, 4:15, 5:30 & 6:45 p.m.

NEW this year!

**Order tickets via email at:
TrinityLCdinner@aol.com**

All the trimmings – lefse, potatoes, dilled carrots, coleslaw, cranberries, rye bread, homemade pie!

Take out meals also available at noon & 5 p.m.

Home delivery around noon & 5 p.m. is also available.

Ticket prices:

Adult: \$16

Children (Gr. 1-6): \$5

Preschool: Free

(Cash or check only)

Purchase your tickets starting Sat., Oct. 18 at the desk at the 4th St. entrance.

**Monday-Friday
9-11 a.m. & 2-4 p.m.**

**Before and after
Saturday evening
and Sunday morning**

Only 200 served at each seating.

Get your tickets early!

Guests will be served at the hour indicated on ticket.

Pastor Dan Poffenberger



It's Just a Number, but...

I will turn 50 next year. For those of you who have already passed that mark, forgive me, but I am not happy about this coming birthday. I have always seen myself as a young man, a young man eager to make my mark on the world, a young man with new ideas and innovations. Somehow, the advent of 50 seems to color this more than just a little.

I have two health issues that are on my mind. First, I finally have to admit to a need for glasses. I am the last member of my siblings to need them, and I have always been kind of cocky about it. For now, I just need reading glasses, but I can tell that by using them my eyesight has become noticeably worse – it is only a matter of time before I need glasses full time. Until I finally admit that, you may notice me reading the text for the day in a slightly “creative” way – I usually forget my reading glasses when I come to worship, so sometimes the words are a little fuzzy (and yes, I was taking liberties with the word “forget” – read it “I am too vain to use my glasses in public”). The other health concern is clogged arteries – it is hereditary, and something I have to watch.

Neither of these health concerns are all that alarming, or unusual – many people deal with these concerns, and they are both manageable. But, looked at another way, they are interesting metaphors.

Two of the concerns Jesus had with the religious people of his day were a lack of vision and a hardening of the heart. As metaphors, they are appropriate yet today.

Jesus often times saw people differently than did those around him. Jesus saw need, want, searching, brokenness where others had failed to see. Or worse, closed their eyes. In many ways Jesus offers us a different way of seeing – Jesus asks us to take our vision off of ourselves – for we have no needs – and place our vision on our neighbor and their need. Most of all, Jesus asks us to keep our eyes open to the world around us as it really is, and to be willing to take what we see and act on it. I don't know about you, but I often suffer from near-sightedness (wanting to only see my own need), and need to have a vision-correction to cast my gaze further out – and to see my neighbor.

Jesus also warned us about a calcification of our heart. I believe that he was angered most by those religious elites who had grown their hearts two sizes too small. They had fallen in love with a diet of law and purity, which had clogged their hearts, and constricted the flow of love. With hearts seized up they had become hard and uncaring to the world around them. As Jesus followers, we must have hearts that can beat with the heart of God, and which can pour out a constant flow of love for the other, the stranger and even our enemies.

Eyesight and Arteries – let's be open to correction as we go through this life – so we can see like Jesus and have hearts like Jesus.

And by the way, I am casting a new vision for myself – to be the youngest, most creative, innovative 50-year old I can be. If I can just find some new, stylish glasses....

care ministries

With Pastor Kris Linner

Hold up or hold off?

Last week I was engaged in a conversation about how we take care of others in crisis. The most insightful reflection came from a young woman. She said, "Sometimes we need to hold others up and sometimes we need to hold off." I have been mulling over that statement for several days and have found that it can serve as a good rule of thumb when we are caring for others in crisis.

For example, if a friend expresses anxiety about retirement funds in light of the current financial crisis, holding him up would mean providing a listening presence, because being listened to can help lessen anxiety. On the other hand, holding off might mean not giving unsolicited financial advice.

One might hold up a woman going through a divorce by offering to help her winterize her home, while holding off would mean withholding judgment about the divorce.

Another example of holding up a person who is providing care for an aging parent might include offering to provide an afternoon of respite care; holding off might mean not imposing your thoughts about nursing home placement.

One might hold up a grieving person by listening with a compassionate heart, while holding off would mean not providing easy answers to the unanswerable questions that grief brings.

Next time you encounter someone in crisis think about how you can hold them up while holding off.



Let us know...

If you or a loved one is in the hospital please contact the Church Office. We would also like to know if you are no longer able to get to church, because we have home communion friends who would be glad to bring you communion in your home. Or, if you have recently welcomed a new child into your family, the New Child Ministry Team would love to celebrate with you by dropping by for a quick visit to deliver a meal and a gift for the child. Let us know of your important life transitions by calling the Church Office at 439-7400.

**pray
where
you are**



Gracious God,

We are mindful of our military personnel and veterans who rise up to protect our nation and our ideals. We pray for their protection under the shadow of your wings. Watch over all people who live in the harsh reality of war. Grant courage to all who are sent to war. Bring them home in honor and bring healing to their bodies and souls. Enfold the families who wait for their return in your love. Lead us, loving God, into the ways of peace, to a time when war and killing will be no more; when we can concentrate on the well-being of everyone living on this earth.



On Purpose: Aligning Our Lives with Spiritual Practices

By Jody Thone

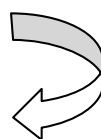
It's an inside-out process, permeated by God, our Creator.



The **Inside** questions we ask are: How has God created me and how is God still at work within me? How am I woven together with love & intention? What is my unique design? What are my strengths, interests and passions? How can I be my best?

The **Outside** questions we ask are: What are the needs of my neighbors? What are the needs of this community, of this world? How can I make a difference in this world? How can I be my best for the world?

What permeates this whole process is God. God's presence within and outside of us. God's presence in everything. Are we awake to that presence? Are we aligned or centered in God inside ourselves and in our actions out in the world? How do I live On Purpose? How do I align my life? Spiritual practices connect us with our true selves, our neighbors, our world, and with our Creator. Spiritual practices are the tools of alignment. Read through the following alphabet of spiritual practices adapted from the book, *Spiritual Literacy* by Frederic and Mary Ann Brussat. Does one practice "call" you? It might be something you used to do and need to practice again, or it might be something that you never thought could be a spiritual practice.



Living Your Strengths

Oct. 28; 6-9 p.m.
Office Conf. Room
Cost \$25. Includes
the book, *Living*

Your Strengths and the Clifton StrengthsFinder™ * Note: You must take the Clifton StrengthsFinder prior to attending this session.

Based on the work of the Gallup organization and over two million interviews, *Living Your Strengths* is a process that helps you identify, affirm and serve from your strengths. It includes the Clifton StrengthsFinder™ assessment and Trinity's own workshop designed to bring us together to explore our strengths and learn about the incredible power of our community when we serve God from our strengths. Led by Amy Karlstad and Walt Ogburn

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Led by Dick Dunnigan & Tim Gillis

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| Attention | meditation, mindfulness, walking meditation, descriptive writing, contemplative art, self-observation or self-witnessing |
| Beauty | living simply, nature walks, creative/artistic practices |
| Being Present | living in the present moment, intuitive writing, gardening |
| Compassion | loving kindness meditation, empathy, visiting the sick, service to the poor & suffering |
| Connectedness | honoring ancestors and the communion of saints, baptism and dedications to all beings and future generations |
| Devotion | prayer, prayer circles, chanting, and prayer dancing |
| Enthusiasm | spiritual mentors, singing hymns, praise and gospel music |
| Faith | talking to God, surrender, trust exercises, creeds, participation in a religious community, sacraments, sharing sacred stories |
| Forgiveness | letting go, confession of sins, repentance, reconciliation, Passing the Peace |
| Grace | acceptance of God's love, watching for strengths, reading spiritual memoirs and biographies, awareness of synchronicities, gift of tears, lighting candles |
| Gratitude | gratitude journals, blessings, greeting the dawn, mealtime graces, offerings |
| Hope | affirmations, patience, optimism, sacred activism |
| Hospitality | inter-religious dialogue, welcoming & affirming sacred spaces, embrace of strangers, table fellowship, greeting gestures |
| Imagination | creativity, storytelling, dream work, music, imagery exercises, writing, divination to connect with inner wisdom |
| Joy | celebrations, dancing, drumming, singing, laughter, smiling, rejoicing in another's good fortune |
| Justice | marches, vigils, petitions, community service, political action, money stewardship, socially responsible investing, activism |
| Kindness | generosity, charity, good manners, civility, doing no harm, encouraging others, avoiding ego attachments |
| Listening | discernment of God's messages, Lectio Divina, spiritual direction, deep listening, intuition, conscience, clearness committee |

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| Love | heart-opening exercises, love letters, reading love poetry, intimate relationships, family, parenthood, friendship |
| Meaning | keeping journals, Bible study, lifelong learning, personal prayer |
| Nurturing | keeping the Sabbath, retreats, healing and body work, emotional intelligence, self-care, pilates, yoga and Tai Chi |
| Openness | respecting differences, cross-cultural experiences, travel |
| Peace | bearing witness, nonviolence, conflict resolution, serenity |
| Play | humor, storytelling, cooperative games |
| Questing | pilgrimage, labyrinth walk, living the questions |
| Reverence | radical respect, awe, bowing, recycling |
| Shadow | wholeness work, giving up addictions, embracing obstacles and failures |
| Silence | contemplation, solitude, silent retreats, quieting the mind, centering prayer |
| Teachers | studying with a teacher, sitting with elders, reading the Bible, interpreting signs from the natural world |
| Transformation | healing self, renewing relationships, fasting, self inquiry, rituals for change |
| Unity | affirming commonalities, building community, humanitarian outreach |
| Vision | vision quest, right livelihood, leadership, mission statements, ethical decision making |
| Wonder | awareness of senses, curiosity, seeing with the eyes of a child, reading nature poetry, the aha! moment |
| X- The Mystery | not knowing, attending the dying, mysticism |
| You | humility, self-esteem, therapy, finding your own wisdom and purpose |
| Zeal | intention, wholeheartedness, vows, zest for life |

living your faith

A Day with JESUS Delivers

My husband, Mark and I had an opportunity this summer to take our two oldest children and my mother, Martha, to downtown St. Paul to help serve meals with JESUS Delivers. JESUS Delivers is an organization that partners with Trinity and three other churches in the Twin Cities to provide lunch to the homeless three to four days a week. I have to admit, I was a little nervous about taking my 15-year-old daughters downtown St. Paul to the Dorothy Day Center. It turned out to be an education not only for my daughters but for me as well. Our morning started out heading to a warehouse in St. Paul to get the food and then prep it. Peter Bolstorff, our JESUS Delivers leader, was excited that we would be able to serve a more “complex meal” because there were five of us that day. The complex meal we served consisted of ham or turkey sandwiches, cheese, strawberries, pasta salad, chips, black beans, and cake. I looked at my family and we all agreed that would be a quick lunch for us at home.

In Samantha’s words... at first it was kind of scary because I didn’t know what I was going to do. Once we got the food prepped and loaded on the truck we drove to the Dorothy Day Center, where we were going to serve the food. When we drove up in the truck, people started waving at us and started moving in our direction. It was cool to see them excited to see us. We had to do a quick set up and then we opened the doors. The people started coming and getting their food. I was in charge of handing out the pasta salad. It was really busy and time went fast. It felt good to see people getting food that was healthy and good for them. I feel like I may have made a difference in someone’s life that day.

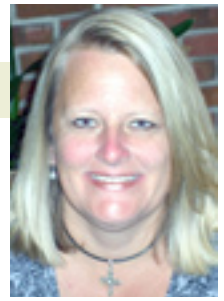
In Cassandra’s words... I thought it was fun. It was educational for me to learn about how people live. Even though they don’t have a home, the people we met were friendly and polite. I felt like they appreciated the food. It was so busy that day we didn’t

get to give out any clothes. I felt bad we couldn’t do more. I liked working with my grandma

preparing the sandwiches. My grandma would share stories with me about how my mom talks to everyone she meets no matter where she goes. It was true that day too! It is a good memory being with my grandma and family that day serving people that needed help.

In Grandma Martha’s words... It was an awesome experience. It was a very special experience to serve meals with my daughter and her family. It was rewarding to know we served so many people that day. I was surprised to see such a need like that not far from where I live in White Bear Lake.

Mark and Rebecca... We had conversation on the way home and even several days after our experience downtown St. Paul with JESUS Delivers. We watched and heard how Cassi and Samantha were excited to share their experience with others. They excited other people to want to serve too. We were amazed with how Samantha sat in the doorway of the truck handing out the lemonade and bags of food and was not afraid to talk to any of them. It feels good to know that you made a difference in someone’s life that day. I was surprised with the number of young children and women that stood in our line looking for food. I was surprised to learn that 25 percent of the people that we fed that day have jobs but just don’t make enough money to pay the rent. The many men and women we served that day were gracious and appreciative of all that they received. The homeless really do look out for one another. We were all blessed many times that day over and over by people that came looking for a meal. It was a day that we still talk about and plan to do again. Next time, we plan on bringing our youngest, Katelyn, along for the experience.





Trinity Groups & Teams have many faces

By Julie Jolivet
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My gratitude list is long! There is a common theme in everything on my list – community! I need other people! Other people enrich my life! Allow me to tell you about a group and a team that enrich my life. Groups and teams create communities that enrich my life and help me experience God!

Every-other first Friday of the month I look forward to meeting with a group called Stillwater Professional Women (pictured at right). Our purpose is to take an intentional break for a relaxing lunch to socialize, reflect, and build new relationships with other busy professional Christian women. Dana Miller is our group leader and we take up anywhere from six to twelve seats in various restaurants. Our last meeting was filled with lots of laughter, but we are equally comfortable with tears as we share the stories of our lives. I always leave knowing I could call any one of these women and they would be there for me – and sometimes I have and they were.



As you probably know, Trinity supports eight Circles. Each of these is lead by a single or co-leader and meets monthly. What you might not know is that the circle leaders themselves (pictured above) are a team that meets three to four times a year for the purpose of ensuring connections between Circles and Trinity's mission,

as well as to learn from and support one another. I have the privilege of leading this team of women and what a blessing it is to be around leaders who deeply love the members of their Circles, some of whom have shared life's transitions while studying and serving together for 30 years!

At our last meeting, this team began pondering how they might help support Trinity's winter Green Theme AND reach out to connect women in their Circles as well as those who are not. (If you are passionate about God's creation and our stewardship of that creation and would like to help organize a Go Green Women's Tea, please contact me.)

GRATEFUL HEARTS GENEROUS LIVES

God Pause

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise.

—Psalm 138 (NRSV)

Emily was 105 when I served as chaplain at the long-term care facility she called home. Emily practiced thankfulness every day. Having attained such a great age, she had few living relatives and they lived too far away to visit very often. But Emily was thankful for lollipops, for the chance to get her hair done, and for every recreational activity that was offered - even if she couldn't participate. Emily was the embodiment of graciousness. Maybe her attitude of gratitude was a key to her longevity. I remember one Sunday when the volunteers came around to transport residents to worship after breakfast. Emily declared in a clear strong voice, to no one and everyone: "This is a great place. The food is good and they give us spiritual nourishment, too."

Help me, Lord, to practice thankfulness, so that I might live into the abundant life you want me to know and to enjoy. Amen.

Kristie Hennig

Family of Christ Lutheran Church, Chanhassen, Minn.

Master of Divinity, 2003

To subscribe to God Pause, a daily email devotion written by Luther Seminary alumni, go to <http://www.luthersem.edu> and search God Pause.

Practice Gratitude

My oldest daughter is a very creative kid. She saw an idea online to make toys, then "plant" them around town with a little note that says, "take me home—I'm yours!" She made little stuffed strawberries out of vintage red wool, then embroidered smiley faces on them, put them in clear baggies with the note, and stapled them at stroller/small person level on

telephone poles around town. I thought it was such a wonderful, creative way to spread some cheer. She was laughing out loud as she was doing it!

—Zanny Johnson



The Gift of Laughter

Show and Tell

A kindergarten teacher gave her class a "show and tell" assignment. Each student was instructed to bring in an object to share with the class that represented their religion.

The first student got up in front of the class and said,

"My name is Benjamin and I am Jewish and this is a Star of David."

The second student got up in front of the class and said,

"My name is Mary and I'm a Catholic and this is a rosary."

The third student got in up front of the class and said,

"My name is Tommy and I am Lutheran and this is a hotdish."

The Joy of Giving

The third in a series of personal stories about the joy of giving told by Gratitude Team members and you.

We are grateful for the home we found at Trinity. A financial challenge presented to us as a young couple with three small children encouraged us to stretch in our giving.

We had great appreciation and gratefulness for the work our church was doing both in the Stillwater and greater world community. We saw the impact of mission work overseas and right in our Sunday School classrooms and children's choirs. So, when we were asked to generously support the construction of a new (our current) sanctuary and building, we met that financial challenge.

We worked with many other Trinity friends, building new relationships and cementing old friendships as we physically completed the building project and our gratefulness increased.

When our capital campaign pledge was met, we continued to give at a more generous level than before the challenge. We took joy from knowing we were supporting programs and missions and not just bricks and mortar. We took joy in seeing the results of Christian action at Trinity and elsewhere.

Giving generously has been a wonderful journey. It is our prayer we will always be able to put generosity into action in personal and financial contribution.

Norma & Dan Wilson

Do you have a message of gratitude to share?

We appreciate receiving your messages of gratitude. We lift them in prayer and we share them with the appropriate people.

Contact the Gratitude Team directly by email

gratitudeministry@trinitylc.org

or by leaving a message in the

offering plate or in the Church Office.

Gratefully,

The Gratitude Team

This I Believe, Part II

Sun., Nov. 9, 16, 23, 10:30 a.m.

Garden Room

Revelation. Incarnation. Virgin Birth. Do you know what you believe about these three important Christmas-related Christian ideas? Are you curious to know what other people think? A short introduction will be provided for each topic. Most of the class time will be spent in small group discussion; each person will have time to share their thoughts and questions about these topics. Some reflection and a paragraph of writing are required between class sessions. Participation in This I Believe in the spring of 2008 would be helpful but is not required for Part II.

Pastor Siri Erickson

Business and professional women's groups

Are you looking for a place to connect with other business and professional women from Trinity? Come for lunch and share the joys and challenges of living your faith in your everyday life.

- *Stillwater group*, contact Dana Miller at miller44@frontiernet.net
- *St. Paul group*, contact Lou Johnson at LouJ@bancmidwest.com
- *Minneapolis group*, contact Katie Beaudet at beaudetk@gmail.com

The Letter of Paul to the Philippians

Wednesdays through Dec. 17; 9-10 a.m.

Garden Room

Explore the themes of Paul's letter to the church of Philippi. Paul wrote a letter of friendship about joy, gratitude and encouragement to stand fast in the faith. Come when you can as we read and discuss this uplifting letter together. Led by Pastor Kris Linner, ext. 107 or klinner@trinitylc.org

Healing Touch

Sun., Oct. 26, Nov. 9 & 23, 9 a.m.

Library Conference Room

You are invited to come learn historical perspectives on healing touch, overviews on some of the varieties practiced today, as well as share in some personal experiences. Come to one session or all as you are able. Contact Julie Edstrom with questions at 439-6747 or julieedstrom@hotmail.com.

Hope and Healing in Grief

Sun., Nov. 2, 10:30 a.m. – Room 108B

Grief is a long and difficult road, especially during the holidays. If you are grieving or concerned about someone who is, come to learn about normal grief and how to cope with grief during the holidays. Led by Pastor Kris Linner, 439-7400, ext. 107

How to Help Yourself Through Divorce

Nov. 5; 6:45-7:45 p.m.

Stillwater Library, Rivers Room A John Bragstad, a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, will provide coping strategies in dealing with the many emotions that come with divorce. Led by John Bragstad and Kris Linner

Raising Boys: Parenting Boys Beyond Stereotypes

Thu., Oct. 23, Dec. 18, Feb. 19, April 16, June 18

7-9 p.m. – Living Room

Come join other parents of young boys to learn more about the development of boys, share stories and wisdom, and grow in your ability to parent your boys. Each session will be a group discussion based on a different book about raising boys. Books include *Raising Cain*, *Speaking of Boys*, *The Wonder of Boys*, *Boys Adrift*, and *Real Boys*.



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Live, Love, Laugh, Lefse!

Please join us in the Trinity kitchen to help make our famous homemade lefse for the Lutefisk dinner. Whether you're a lefse making expert or just want to learn how, this is a fun way to get that Scandinavian spirit. Please call Kari Bartingale at 430-3902 with questions or to sign up.

Lefse-making dates:

Tue., Oct. 21, 9:30 a.m.-noon

Thu., Oct. 23, 6-9 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 27, 6-9 p.m.

Tue., Oct. 28, 6-9 p.m.

Cultivating Spiritual Leadership II

Jan. 24-25

Mount Olivet Retreat Center,
Farmington, MN

This retreat is for people who participated in Cultivating Spiritual Leadership I retreats in 2007 or 2008 and who want to continue to explore their call to be a spiritual leader in this world. Led by Jody Thone, Julie Jolivet and Pastor Dan Poffenberger

Winter adventure at Camp Menogyn

Thu., Feb. 5-Sun., Feb. 8

Cost: \$250

Experience God's creation at beautiful Camp Menogyn on the edge of the BWCA in northern Minnesota.

Activities include snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, hiking, dog-sledding, and even a sauna with a dip in a frozen lake. Bring a book to read by the fire.

The food is good—we don't have to cook or do dishes. Contacts:

Gretchen Poffenberger,
ggpoffenberger@msn.com; or
Kat Carlson, Kathy@primestaff.com

Church-wide potluck dinner

Sat., Nov. 15, 6:15 p.m. – Garden Room

Bring a dish to pass and come hear Professor Joseph Mbele from St. Olaf College. Professor Mbele is a native Tanzanian and author of the book *Africans and Americans*.

Enjoy an inexpensive vacation next summer

Is your family looking for an inexpensive, relaxing vacation that gives mom a break from cooking, dad an afternoon nap and the kids a safe place to have fun?

A week at family church camp at Outlaw Ranch in the beauty of South Dakota's Black Hills is a vacation made for you. Outlaw Ranch offers something for everyone of any age. The schedule is flexible. The activities, including horseback riding, canoeing, arts and crafts, and hiking, are endless. The setting is breathtaking. The price is right (excellent food, lodging and activities for a week will cost a family of four about \$1,200.)

Please join Pastor Kris and other Trinity families for a wonderfully relaxing and renewing vacation next summer during the week of July 12-17. The catch is that registrations need to be in the first week of November to secure a spot. The camp always fills up fast. For more information you can talk with Pastor Kris at 439-7400, ex. 107 or check out the web site, www.lutheransoutdoors.org

Upcoming Concerts at Trinity

Reformation Festival

Defining Moments of Reformation
Choir, jazz quartet and soloist

October 25 & 26

Are we on the verge of the next
Reformation of the church?

An All Saints Festival - For Us the Living

November 1 & 2

Choir and orchestra with video images.
Stories of the saints among us - by the
saints among us.

*The mission of
the Trinity Concert*

*Series is to share God's
great gifts of music and the
arts with the congregation
and community for
inspiration, education, and
the renewal of the spirit.*

living your faith (with lutefisk & meatballs)

When I was asked to write an article about my faith journey explaining why I choose to serve in the ways that I do, I had to reflect on my life and search my memory for the answer. It is one thing to talk to people one-on-one about experiences, many of which are painful, and quite another thing to write it for the entire world to read. I struggled with the focus. Should I write about the three years it took for my divorce, the five times in court appearing before almost as many judges, the times What about how I attended family counseling or family week at two chemical dependency centers? I questioned Al-Anon Step #1 and took forever to acknowledge that one was powerless over alcohol and that my life had become unmanageable. Do I talk about the traumatic death of the man I had been seriously dating after my divorce? Do I talk about any of the other soul-searching events in my life? Do I mention the times I hollered and argued with God about the unfairness of it all? Or questioned God's existence? And, if God existed, where was God when I needed God the most?

No, the more I searched the depths of my memories, my focus changed from what I went through, to those who were there when I needed help. These were the people God put in my path at just the right moment, albeit not on my time schedule, but those who willingly stretched out a hand, put words into actions, comforted me and told me I was a survivor. They, I discovered, were God's messengers in a form I could understand and needed. Many, if not most, were Trinity people. They were our ministry team, such as our former Pastor Betsy Dolmar Dartt, who graciously took my son, Aaron, into her home so I could attend a family week at a southern Minnesota chemical dependency center and frequently kept him at other times.

The Warm World Child Development Center leaders and staff, Mary Oswald and Lynn Shafer, in particular, went out of their way to make sure Aaron

felt supported, even when he was most challenging! Lynn took Aaron to her parent's home in Duluth on Christmas Eve day

because I had to work, Warm World was closed, and I had no babysitters available. I picked up Aaron around 9 p.m. and headed to my hometown of Virginia, MN for a special late Christmas Eve service and a wonderful Christmas Day with my family.

Although he was a preschooler at the time, Aaron still remembers the historic house in Duluth and loves older homes to this day. I marvel at the generosity of such people, who let almost strangers into their homes, on such family-oriented holidays. The story of Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus having no place to stay on Christmas Eve hit home hard for me that year. My favorite phrase, now a bit overdone and bordering on trite became, "it takes a village to raise a child." The village for me was Trinity and Stillwater and they helped this single parent at every turn.

Then Chuck came into my life and about 8-10 years after my divorce, I remarried. Aaron was in his teens, and Judd Orff was his Trinity Breakfast Club leader, and an important mentor for Aaron's reactions to having a stepfather and to growing up. I know God put Judd there when all three of us needed him. I am so proud of my son, whose outcome has much to do with the support he received from others.

As my life became much easier, I kept feeling a nudge to give back to my community. My motto became, "because I was helped, I help." Chuck just naturally helps everyone and it was not difficult for me to stretch out into his interest areas of construction and repairs. As a professional I was a Registered Dietitian. I was concerned with issues of hunger and nutrition, health and disease. After leaving my job, I stayed away from volunteering in kitchens or at food-related events as much as possible, as I also like variety and wanted to volunteer in areas where I might learn something new such as Helping Hands, Habitat for



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Humanity, and the Withrow House. My professional interest, however, never disappeared and kept nagging gently at me, especially when I volunteered at *Feed My Starving Children*. I am appalled that as a nation we have hungry people. I am saddened by an economy that has thrust more people into poverty and hunger. I am depressed when I look at world statistics regarding hunger. It can all be overwhelming. However, I do know the impact a dedicated group can make and I believe strongly in Trinity's missions to help others.

Lynn Schurrer and I are co-chairs of the Lutefisk and Meatball dinner, a wonderful institution that this year benefits Trinity's hunger missions. What does this mean? It means that as you, my friends, consume lutefisk and meatballs at Trinity's dinner, you are helping others who are hungry. Valley Outreach, JESUS Delivers, Last Sunday Supper, Loaves and Fishes, Thanksgiving Baskets, and several other programs will benefit. You will benefit as well, by volunteering to help us put on this meal or by contributing money to defray the increased expense of the ingredients. Youth will learn a valuable waitressing skill as they participate, one that may help pay their way through college! Most of all we will work together with joy, friends and community, to help others as we have been helped.

Answer the call, or better yet, call us to volunteer: Joan Newman at 436-8609 or Lynn Schurrer at 430-1632.



Last Sunday Supper

Sun., Oct. 26

Trinity has partnered with Ascension Episcopal and First Presbyterian churches to provide meals for 50-60 people. The meal is served at Ascension the last Sunday of every month.

To help serve contact:

Tom Thiets, 439-7400

tthiets@trinitylc.org,

Jeff Anderson, 439-9133

jeffatlc@yahoo.com,

Russ Savstrom, 430-0455

rsavstrom@yahoo.com

Loaves & Fishes

Thu., Nov. 13; 4:30-7:30 pm

Faith Lutheran Church, St. Paul

Trinity's Loaves & Fishes Ministry is a mission outreach partnership with Twin Cities-based Loaves & Fishes, a non-profit organization that coordinates multiple meal serving sites for individuals and families in need. We welcome new volunteers to join us in this vital local outreach ministry.

Contact Jeff Anderson, 439-9133

or jeffatlc@yahoo.com or Russ

Savstrom, 430-0455 or

rsavstrom@yahoo.com with

questions.

Valley Outreach Update

Valley Outreach, located at 1911 Curve Crest Blvd in Stillwater, is an important resource supplying food, clothing and household items to struggling families in the St. Croix Valley. This organization relies on the help of volunteers and contributions to operate effectively.

The Food Shelf exists partially because of generous donations, but because usage is up 60 percent, the shelves tend to empty quickly. The following items are especially needed:

baked beans
side dishes
spaghetti
spaghetti sauce
juice/kids juice
canned fruit
mac & cheese
peas
cream soups
tomato soup
jelly

tooth brushes
toothpaste
flour
gravy
stew
dry pasta
misc. canned pasta
boxed meals
baby wipes
diapers & pull-ups
peanut butter

Tuna/Hamburger Helper
paper products
baby food/formula
kids snacks
boxed potatoes
mushrooms
hash
sloppy joe sauce
meal soups
hot cereal
personal care items

Donations may be dropped off at Valley Outreach during business hours or deposited in the bins at Trinity. If you are able to volunteer or have questions contact Melissa Moon at 439-7986 or melissa.a.moon@gmail.com.

Dawn's Closet, the clothing and housewares arm of Valley Outreach, is in need of volunteers to serve on a regular basis sorting and stocking shelves as well as welcoming and assisting clients as they shop. At this time, new or gently used adult and children's underwear, socks, and sleepwear are desperately needed along with boys' clothes sizes 7-12. Any donation of new or gently used children's and adult's fall/winter clothing will be greatly appreciated. The following household items are needed and being accepted: dishes, silverware, cookware, bed linens, blankets, bath/kitchen towels, coffee makers and other small appliances. No furniture or microwaves please. Donations may be dropped off at Valley Outreach during business hours. For more information about volunteering or questions, contact Glenda Bjorum at 439-8521 or bjorumsing@aol.com.

Check out these wonderful service opportunities and let the love of Jesus shine through you as you work helping restore hope and dignity to those in need.

Food shelf thank you

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to work at the food shelf during the month of October. We exceeded our goal of six volunteers per shift. Keep watching the bulletin for an upcoming food drive in November. If you have any questions about the Valley Outreach Food Shelf, please contact Melissa Moon at melissa.a.moon@gmail.com or 439-7986.

Get ready, get set, GO LUTEFISK!

Thu., Nov. 6

11:30 a.m., 12:45, 4:15, 5:30, 6:45 p.m.

Tickets on sale Sat., Oct. 18

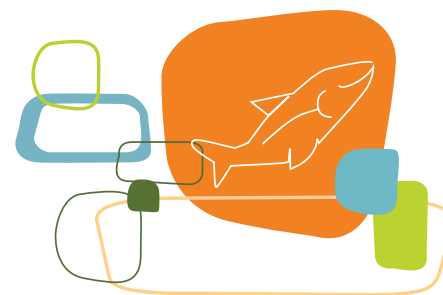
Adults \$16, 12 & under \$5, under 5 free

It's time for the Lutefisk dinner again.

This dinner takes more than 300

volunteers to make it a success. Whatever

your strength or passion, put it to use at this all-congregational event. If you can serve in any way, please contact Joan Newman at 436-8609 or Lynn Schurrer at 430-1632. Helen Orff, at 439-6272, will take your offer of a home-made pie – apple, pumpkin or mincemeat.



youth ministries



Mexico Mission 2009

Informational meeting: Sun., Nov. 2, noon-1:30 p.m. – Garden Room

Ever wanted to make another person's life better and grow in your own faith? Mexico Mission is the perfect opportunity to do both! March 12-19 (Stillwater's Spring Break) we are headed to the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico, as missionaries of Jesus, to bring the gift of hope and a new roof to Mexican families. We work together to put a concrete roof onto a four-walled structure and help it to become a home. We also have amazing times of worship, small group time and personal faith development. You will get a chance to see what life is like for the Mexican people of the Yucatan as well as make a difference for Jesus. Applications – youth and adult – will be available at the end of October. Completed applications will be accepted at the informational meeting on Nov. 2. Contact Cory at 439-7400, ext. 144 or cljones@trinitylc.org for more info.

Jr. high Thanksgiving extravaganza!

Nov. 21, 7-11 p.m., Cost \$5

Hey jr. high students! We are having a sweet, late nighter party! We'll play awesome games, feast on tasty food, win fun prizes and giveaways and enjoy rocking music! Bring all of your friends! Contact Cory Jones at cljones@trinitylc.org or 439-7400, ext. 144 for more information.

Youth Worship Retreat

Oct. 25, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!

If you play an instrument or sing – we want you! We are looking for students that would like to be in a band at Trinity. This retreat day will be packed with playing music and learning about the role music plays in worship. If you are interested in coming or just want more information about playing in the band, contact Tori Parnell, Youth Worship Director at 439-7400, ext. 105.



The River is a place where sr. high students – like you – can come and be a part of what God is doing at Trinity. The River is an opportunity for you to get and stay connected with friends and God! Come and worship through awesome music, learn and experience more about who Jesus is and have fun with friends. The River meets at 7 p.m., Wednesdays in the Garden Room. See you there! For more information contact Cory Jones at 439-7400, ext. 144 or cljones@trinitylc.org. Remember to look for and join the River group on Facebook.com

TRL – Trinity Rec. League!

If you are looking for a time and place to hang out with friends and play basketball, volleyball or any other sports TRL / Open Gym is almost here! We are kicking off TRL with a Dodgeball Tourney in November! Start thinking about your Dodgeball team and keep an eye out for the TRL postcards. Every Sunday from 2-4 p.m., December thru February, will be Open Gym. Grab your friends and come play a pick-up game of basketball, indoor soccer, or whatever you want! Contact Cory @ 439-7400 ext. 144 or cljones@trinitylc.org for more info

Junior High Food Fight

Confirmation students in grades seven & eight are collecting food for Valley Outreach Food Shelf during the month of October. Please bring in food to place in a shopping cart in the Narthex to support your favorite Confirmand. Girls and boys in both grades are competing to see who can collect the most food!

Jr. high ski trip

Jan. 16-18

Save the date to travel to Spirit Mountain in Duluth, MN to hit the slopes and shred the terrain park! The trip is going to be awesome this year so bring your friends! In addition to skiing and boarding, we'll enjoy fun games and worship! Contact Cory at 439-7400, ext. 144 or cljones@trinitylc.org for more info.



children's ministries

Operation Christmas Child supplies

*Last day to drop off is Oct. 29.
in the Lower Level classrooms*

Children, ages three through grade six, will be joining together through October to create Operation Christmas Child gift boxes. School supplies, along with personal items and toys, will be included in these boxes. Everyone is invited to participate in the Operation Christmas Child project. Items to give include: pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons, markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads, paper, solar calculators, coloring books and more! Please bring all boxes and supplies to the Children's Ministry window in Luther Hall by Wed., Oct. 29. Contact Rebecca Christiansen, rchristiansen@trinitylc.org or Karen Gieseke, kgieseke@trinitylc.org with questions.

In the Beginning...

Our children's programming is well under way! Ages two to eight are gathering to hear how God created the universe! We've been singing songs about the beginning of time, and artistically depicting the first seven days of creation. With scissors, glue, and paint in hand, the children have created another mural on the walls in the downstairs. Come take a peek.

The kids are learning how unique and truly special they are and that God created each one of them and loves all of them exactly as they are! Pretty amazing news! God also created every living thing on this planet, and wants us to take care of it all.

It's so wonderful to see all the Trinity families coming and going with happy faces! There is a sense of trust and friendship down in the basement halls.

Thanks to everyone involved for creating that aura of Jesus' love; in the classrooms, spilling out in the halls, and carried along in family cars and homes! It is amazing.

God, bless us, while we spend time again teaching and learning about your awesome love!

...all for the glory of God.

Family Fall Festival

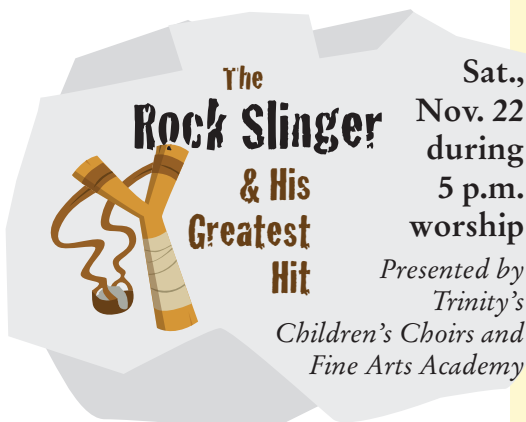
*Fri., Oct. 24, 5-8 p.m. – Lower Level
“FALL” into an evening of fun for
the entire family!*

Want FUN? Enjoy an evening of:

- carnival games for all ages
- a picnic supper
- gooey crafts
- lots of candy
- face painting

- “family photo” booth
- friendly costumes
- cookies-to-go and much more!

Bring your friends! Get ready to have a whole lot of fun! \$10 donation per family. Please RSVP to Laura at lfredericks@trinitylc.org



The Rock Slinger & His Greatest Hit

Sat., Nov. 22
during 5 p.m. worship

*Presented by
Trinity's
Children's Choirs and
Fine Arts Academy*

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

Saturday Drama Camp

*Presented by Trinity Music Department and Fine Arts Academy
Oct. 25, Nov. 1, 8; 10 a.m.-noon – Cost: \$20*

Everyone in grades 3-6 is invited! Campers will help make props, work on costume and set design, and learn about voice projection and acting skills. If you've always wanted to work “behind the scenes” and be a part of the Crew, this is the place for you! Everything that is created during Drama Camp will be used for “The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit” to be presented on November 22.

To register, contact Gretchen Perkins at mgjjperkins@comcast.net or 430-9194. Registration deadline: October 19.

worship opportunities

- Wednesdays, 7 p.m.: The River (Grades 9-12 youth worship)
- Saturdays, 5 p.m.: Evening Worship, Communion
- Sundays, 9 a.m.: Traditional Worship, Communion
- Sundays, 10:30 a.m.: The Walk, Communion
- Sundays, 7 p.m.: the.source Alternative Worship

Baptisms

- **Ryder Russell Magnuson**, son of Nicholas and Gina Magnuson
- **Nora Ann Lindstrom**, daughter of Jonathan and Kara Lindstrom
- **Sophia Jones Mapstone**, daughter of Scott & Denisa Mapstone
- **Tyler Aaron Johnson**, son of Aaron Johnson & Lindsay Cragoe

Altar Flowers

- October 4 & 5 – In memory of **Carolyn** and what would have been our 49th wedding anniversary on Oct. 3, given by Dave Goulette family
- Oct. 18 & 19 – In remembrance of **Wendy Worner's** baptismal day, Oct. 19
- Oct. 25 & 26 – In loving memory of **Lisa Jo Richert** given by the Dale Richert family
- Nov. 1 & 2: In honor of **Jane & Gary Baggott's** 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 25, given by Joyce Schmoeckel
- Nov. 8 & 9 – In loving memory of **Don Madsen**, who died Nov. 8, 2007, given by Miriam & family
- Nov. 8 & 9 – In loving memory of **Wayne Smith**, husband of Carol Smith & father of Karen Gieseke

Sympathy to...

- The family & friends of **Dan Handevitd** who passed away on Aug. 19
- **Denise Heuer**, whose grandmother passed away
- The family & friends of **Dave Foley**, who passed away on Sept. 5
- The family & friends of **Carolyn Goulette**, who passed away on Sept. 12
- **Gregg & Robin Ellingson** & family on the death of Gregg's father
- **Kirk (Kathy) Schultz**, whose mother, Shirley Schultz, passed away
- **Laure Lundequum**, whose father passed away
- **Harold Segelstrom**, whose sister passed away

trinity transportation

Sunday van schedule

Trinity's van is available during the Sunday 9 a.m. worship service. A van ride is available for members or non-members lacking other means of transportation. Please call the Church Office (439-7400) between 9 a.m. Wed. and 4 p.m. Thu. to reserve your seat each week. Estimated pick-up times at senior residences for Sept. 7-May 17 are:

8:15 a.m. – Boutwells Landing
 8:25 a.m. – Raymie Johnson
 8:35 a.m. – Croixdale
 8:40 a.m. – Oakridge
 8:45 a.m. – Rivertown Commons



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Sat., Oct. 18

- 8 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Library
- 3 p.m. Wedding-Prom/Dorey: Worship Ctr
- 5 p.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION

Sun., Oct. 19

- No Sunday Learning
- 9 a.m. The Great Awakening: Rm 108A
- 9 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM., NURSERY
- 10:30 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM., NURSERY
- 10:30 a.m. Luth. Insight: Garden Rm
- 7 p.m. the.source: Youth Center

Mon., Oct. 20

- 7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
- 5 p.m. Council Mtg: Office Conf. Rm
- 6:30 p.m. Leader Night: Worship Ctr
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Bible Study: Living Lib.

Tue., Oct. 21

- 7 a.m. Gratitude Min. Mtg: Office Conf. Rm
- 7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
- 8:30 a.m. Bible Study: Living Rm
- 9 a.m. Little Tots: Rm 104, 106, Luther Hall, Nursery
- 9:30 a.m. Lefse Making: Kitchen
- 1:15 p.m. Prayer Group: Office Conf. Rm
- 7 p.m. NOOMA: Living Rm
- 7 p.m. Luth. Insight: Garden Rm
- 7 p.m. WALK rehearsal: Worship Ctr

Wed., Oct. 22

- 7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
- 9 a.m. Bible Study: Garden Rm
- 9 a.m. Pilates: Narthex
- 4:15 p.m. Elem. Bell Choir: Choir Rm
- 5 p.m. Alleluia Choir: Worship Ctr
- 5 p.m. Joyful Noise Choir: Choir Rm
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza Hour: Gym
- 6 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 7-8): Narthex
- 6 p.m. Wed. Learn. (3 yrs-Gr 2): Lower Lvl
- 6 p.m. Bible Expl. (Gr 3-4): Gym
- 6 p.m. Club 56: Luther Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 9): Rms 108A-B
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 7-8)
- 7 p.m. the River (Gr 9-12): Garden Rm
- 7 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 9)
- 7 p.m. Temple Rehearsal: Choir Rm

Thu., Oct. 23

- 7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
- 9 a.m. Little Tots: Rm 104, 106, Luther Hall, Nursery
- 7 p.m. Raising Boys: Living Rm

Fri., Oct. 24

- 7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
- 5 p.m. Fall Family Festival: Lower Level
- 6 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal-Davis/Majchrzak: Worship Ctr

Sat., Oct. 25

- 8 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
- 9 a.m. AA Small Group: Living Lib.
- 10 a.m. Children's Drama Workshop: Choir Rm, Worship Ctr
- 11 a.m. Youth Worship Retreat
- 3 p.m. Wedding-Davis/Majchrzak: Worship Ctr
- 5 p.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION
- 5 p.m. Singles Connection Worship/Restaurant

worship attendance

| Sept. 13 & 14 | Sept. 20 & 21 | Sept. 27 & 28 | Oct. 4 & 5 | Oct. 11 & 12 |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 5 p.m. 87 | 5 p.m. 72 | 5 p.m. 93 | 5 p.m. 92 | 5 p.m. 122 |
| 9 a.m. 229 | 9 a.m. 346 | 9 a.m. 318 | 9 a.m. 206 | 9 a.m. 421 |
| 10:30 a.m. . 282 | 10:30 a.m. . 223 | 10:30 a.m. . 290 | 10:30 a.m. ..NA | 10:30 a.m. . 214 |

october 18 – november 14 calendar

Sun., Oct. 26

Reformation Sunday
9 a.m. Healing Touch:
Lib. Conf. Rm
9 a.m. The Great Awakening:
Rm 108A
9 a.m. Club 56: Luther Hall
9 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM.,
NURSERY
9 a.m. Bible Explrs: Garden Rm
9 a.m. Two-by-Two: Rm 110
9 a.m. Sun. Learn'g (3 yrs-Gr 2)
10:30 a.m. Luth. Insight: Garden Rm
10:30 a.m. Sun. Learn'g (3 yrs-Gr 2)
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM.,
NURSERY
10:30 a.m. Bible Explr.: Luther Hall
7 p.m. the.source: Youth Center

Mon., Oct. 27

7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
6 p.m. Lefse Making: Kitchen
6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
7 p.m. Bible Study: Living Lib.

Tue., Oct. 28

7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
8:30 a.m. Bible Study: Living Rm
9 a.m. Little Tots: Rm 104, 106,
Luther Hall, Nursery
1:15 p.m. Prayer Group:
Office Conf. Rm
6 p.m. Living Your Strengths:
Office Conf. Rm
6 p.m. Lefse Making: Kitchen
7 p.m. the WALK Rehearsal:
Worship Ctr
7 p.m. Lutheran Insights:
Garden Rm
7 p.m. NOOMA: Living Rm

Wed., Oct. 29

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
9 a.m. Bible Study: Garden Rm
9 a.m. Pilates: Narthex
9:15 a.m. Hearts of the Home Moms:
Lower Lvl
4:15 p.m. Elem. Bell Choir (Gr 3-6):
Choir Rm
5 p.m. Allelulia Chr: Worship Ctr
5 p.m. Joyful Noise Choir:
Choir Rm
5:30 p.m. Family Pizza Hour: Gym
6 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 7-8):
Narthex
6 p.m. Club 56: Luther Hall
6 p.m. Bible Expl. (Gr 3-4): Gym
6 p.m. Wed. Learn. (3 yrs-Gr 2):
Lower Lvl
6:30 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 9):
Rms 108A-B
6:30 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 7-8)
6:45 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Chapel
7 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 9)
7 p.m. Temple Rehearsal: Choir Rm
7 p.m. the River (Gr 9-12):
Garden Rm

Thu., Oct. 30

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
9 a.m. Little Tots: Rm 104, 106,
Luther Hall, Nursery

Fri., Oct. 31

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
10 a.m. Knitting: Living Rm

Sat., Nov. 1

8 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
9 a.m. Men's Leadership: Commons
9 a.m. AA Small Group:
Living Lib.
10 a.m. Children's Drama
Workshop: Worship Ctr
4 p.m. Israel Trip Information:
Office Conf. Rm
5 p.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION

Sun., Nov. 2

All Saints Sunday
9 a.m. Club 56: Luther Hall
9 a.m. Marriage Group:
Lib. Conf. Rm
9 a.m. Sun. Learn'g (3 yrs-Gr 2)
9 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM.,
NURSERY
9 a.m. Two-by-Two: Rm 110
9 a.m. Bible Explrs: Garden Rm
9 a.m. Marriage Group:
Living Rm
9 a.m. The Great Awakening:
Rm 108A
10:30 a.m. Marriage Group:
Rm 108A-B, Lib. Conf. Rm
10:30 a.m. Hope & Healing: Rm 108B
10:30 a.m. Bible Expl.: Luther Hall
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM.,
NURSERY
10:30 a.m. Sun. Learn'g (3 yrs-Gr 2)
10:30 a.m. LYS 2: Living Rm
12 p.m. Mexico Mission '09
Info. Mtg: Garden Rm
7 p.m. the.source: Youth Center

Mon., Nov. 3

7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
7 p.m. Bible Study: Living Lib.

Tue., Nov. 4

7 a.m. Gratitude Min. Mtg:
Office Conf. Rm
7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
8:30 a.m. Bible Study: Living Rm
1:15 p.m. Prayer Group:
Office Conf. Rm
2 p.m. Martha Circle: Living Lib.
7 p.m. the WALK Rehearsal

Wed., Nov. 5

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
9 a.m. Pilates: Narthex
9 a.m. Bible Study: Garden Rm
9:15 a.m. Hearts of the Home
Moms: Lower Lvl
4:15 p.m. Elem. Bell Choir (Gr 3-6):
Choir Rm
5 p.m. Allelulia Choir:
Worship Ctr
5 p.m. Joyful Noise Choir:
Choir Room
5:30 p.m. Family Pizza Hour: Gym
6 p.m. Wed. Learn. (3 yrs-Gr 2):
Lower Lvl
6 p.m. Club 56: Luther Hall
6 p.m. Bible Expl. (Gr 3-4): Gym
6 p.m. Marriage Group:
Office Conf. Rm
6 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 7-8):
Narthex
6:30 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 9):
Rms 108A-B
6:30 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 7-8)
6:45 p.m. Help Yourself thru
Divorce
7 p.m. the River (Gr 9-12):
Garden Rm
7 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 9)
7 p.m. Temple Rehearsal: Choir Rm

Thu., Nov. 6

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner
Seatings at: 11:30 a.m.
12:45, 4:15, 5:30 6:45 p.m.
2 p.m. Caregiver Support Group:
Joseph's Restaurant

Fri., Nov. 7

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.

Sat., Nov. 8

8 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
10 a.m. Children's Drama
Workshop: Worship Ctr
5 p.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION

Sun., Nov. 9

9 a.m. Healing Touch:
Lib. Conf. Rm
9 a.m. Club 56: Luther Hall
9 a.m. Bible Explrs: Garden Rm
9 a.m. Two-by-Two: Rm 110
9 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM.,
NURSERY
9 a.m. Sun. Learn'g (3 yrs-Gr 2)
10:30 a.m. Sun. Learn'g (3 yrs-Gr 2)
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP, COMM.,
NURSERY
10:30 a.m. This I Believe II:
Garden Rm
10:30 a.m. LYS 2: Living Rm
10:30 a.m. Bible Expl.: Luther Hall
3 p.m. Veterans' Worship Service
4 p.m. Singles Connection
Potluck: Gym
7 p.m. the.source: Youth Center

Mon., Nov. 10

7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
7 p.m. Bible Study: Living Lib.

Tue., Nov. 11

7:30 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
8:30 a.m. Bible Study: Living Rm
9 a.m. Retired Men's Group:
Garden Rm
9 a.m. Little Tots: Rm 104, 106,
Luther Hall, Nursery
1:15 p.m. Prayer Group:
Office Conf. Rm
6 p.m. R.O.C.K. Bastketball
(Gr 3-4): Gym
7 p.m. the WALK Rehearsal:
Worship Center
7 p.m. This I Believe II:
Living Rm

Wed., Nov. 12

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
9 a.m. Pilates: Narthex
9 a.m. Bible Study: Garden Rm
1 p.m. CareGivers' Planning:
Living Rm
4:15 p.m. Elem. Bell Choir (Gr 3-6):
Choir Rm
5 p.m. Allelulia Choir:
Worship Ctr
5:30 p.m. Family Pizza Hour: Gym
6 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 7-8):
Narthex
6 p.m. Wed. Learn. (3 yrs-Gr 2):
Lower Lvl
6 p.m. Bible Expl. (Gr 3-4): Gym
6 p.m. Club 56: Luther Hall
6:15 p.m. Marriage Group-Wed
Office Conf. Rm
6:30 p.m. Conf. Leaders (Gr 9):
Rms 108A-B
6:30 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 7-8)
6:45 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Chapel
7 p.m. Temple Rehearsal:
Choir Rm
7 p.m. the River (Gr 9-12):
Garden Rm
7 p.m. Confirmation (Gr 9)

Thu., Nov. 13

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
9 a.m. Little Tots: Rm 104, 106,
Luther Hall, Nursery
1 p.m. Miriam Circle: Living Rm
4:30 p.m. Loaves & Fishes
6 p.m. R.O.C.K. Bastketball
(Gr 3-4): Gym
7 p.m. SCPA Orchestra Concert:
Worship Ctr

Fri., Nov. 14

7 a.m. AA Mtg: Living Lib.
12 p.m. Mpls. Professional
Women's Lunch
7:30 p.m. Borromeo String Quartet
concert: Worship Ctr

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