

The In Touch

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Our Mission: To Seek, Know, Love and Serve Christ in all Persons and in all Creation

From the Rev.....

The nights are already getting longer. The standard question for kids right now is, "What did you do this summer?" instead of the, "What are you going to do this summer?" that we heard just a couple, oh so short months ago. In Minnesota, we squeeze a lot into a summer. All the roadwork, all the construction, all the yardwork and building. As the nights and the shadows get longer, the evenings cool off, and the leaves even start to hint at the end of summer, I find myself looking back at the things I didn't do - the cluttered house that was supposed to become less cluttered, but did not; the garage that was supposed to get cleaned out. but did not (although, to be fair all the contents did move higher in preparation for flooding); the scrubbing, the painting, the staining, all the stuff that I was supposed to make happen, but did not. It is tempting to blame all that on the flood, but the flood also reminds me of another thing. The days and nights when we couldn't do, because the water was too high, because the gas was off, because the sewer was off, because we were not in our own home with our own stuff and our own distractions: Those were the nights that we played games, read books, laughed together, watched for Northern lights, knitted, listened to loons. Those were beautiful times, sabbath times. I remembered Bishop Loya's message from last June:

"In our culture that values achievement and production above all else, rest can often feel like an indulgence, like something we have to apologize for. In the biblical tradition, however, rest isn't a suggestion, it's a commandment. Practicing sabbath carries the same imperative as not murdering.

God doesn't simply command sabbath as a nod to wellness or self-care. It's an act of social and economic resistance to the lie that human beings are only valuable because of what they produce. The ten commandments

are given to the people of Israel to help shape a different social economy than what they experienced as slaves under Pharaoh. The social economy of Pharaoh says work, because people are there to be exploited to produce. The social economy of God says rest, because human beings have inherent worth and are made for love.

Keeping sabbath takes commitment and intention, and just about everything in our world and in ourselves will resist it. It's not only critical for our well-being, it's a witness to God's value system that upends the world, it's a pledge to work to form spaces to protect and insist on rest for the poor and outcast, and it's a reminder that God is God and we are not"

God is God, and we are not. Sabbath can mean church, rest, prayer, play, connection – but most of all it means letting control go, letting life be, letting God be God.

Breathe in the spirit, and let God be God.

Blessings, Sam



Watch Holy Trinity Services Livestream

Service bulletin is on our website: www.ifhtec.org
On Facebook: Sundays @ 10:00 am



- 9/1 9/30 ~ Parker Wright
 - ~ David McKee
 - ~ Karen Tveit
 - ~ Carol Stillar
 - ~ Brittany Klatt
 - ~ Erin Franklin
 - ~ Lynn Naeckel
 - ~ Carole Johnson
 - ~ Andrew Strand
 - ~ Dixie Juel
 - ~ Bob Stone



- 9/4 ~ Jon Rueter
- 9/18 ~ Linda Krieger
- 9/26 ~ Andrew Noland
- 9/30 ~ Grace O'Kane



- 9/3 ~ Lee & Carol Grim
- 9/4 ~ Byrne & Carole Johnson
- 9/16 ~ Alan & Kate Wright
- 9/21 ~ Doug & Celia Tanem



Schools back in... Watch for Kids!

Dear God,
Help me spend today
with a Smill on my face,
Love in my heart,
Joy in His grace,
and my thinking cap on all day.
Amen

Sept '22 Sunday Service Lay Responsibilities

Dates	Celebrants Acolytes		Lectors & Lessons	Greeters
Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 13th Sunday after Pentecost	Rev. Dr. Samantha Crossley Deacons: Lee Grim or Melanie Mattsen	Lee Grim Or Melanie Mattsen	Jeanne Corrin	
Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 14 th Sunday after Pentecost	Rev. Dr. Samantha Crossley Deacons: Lee Grim or Melanie Mattsen	Lee Grim Or Melanie Mattsen	Molly Pavleck	
Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 15 th Sunday after Pentecost	Rev. Dr. Samantha Crossley Deacon: Lee Grim or Melanie Mattsen	Lee Grim Or Melanie Mattsen	Georgeann & Andy Wright	
25 Bishop Loya Here Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 16 th Sunday after Pentecost	Rev. Dr. Samantha Crossley Deacon: Lee Grim or Melanie Mattsen	Lee Grim Or Melanie Mattsen	Erik Strand	



September 2022



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 Altar Guild
					Donna & Karen
5	6	7	8	9	10 Altar Guild
LABOR DAY					Donna & Karen
12	13	14	15	16	17 Altar Guild
Ruby's Pantry 5:00 - 6:30	Vestry meeting 6:00 pm				Georgeann
19	20	21	22	23	24 Altar Guild
Newsletter Deadline <mark>(Georgeann)</mark>					Georgeann
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