

HTL Connections

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GENTLE LIKE A GIANT

“Gentle like a giant” is an oxymoron as confusing as “soft as a rock.” How can a giant be gentle? It’s as difficult to answer as “When is life going to return to normal?” 2020 has given “normal” a new meaning and it’s one not everyone is comfortable sinking into.

Jesus was by no means a physical giant, but his reputation was. The Bible is saturated with stories of the gentleness of Jesus and how people gathered from miles around to see him, listen to his preaching and, perhaps, receive a healing touch. He was a giant in their eyes. A gentle giant that brought healing to everyone.

Join us this week as we take a bite out of another fruit of the spirit. We’ll explore the giants in your life - stress, illness, anxiety, the list could go on and on. Tune in to worship and learn how gentleness can shrink those giants.

ONLINE WORSHIP

Watch online worship videos [here!](#)

WE, THE FAITHFUL, PRAY

God of the forgiven, comfort and strengthen Jim O., Tim D., Elaine J., Harriet B. - Nick's grandmother, Geo - Morris' grandson, Don M., Mark J., Pam E., and those we name in our hearts. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

[Galatians 5:22-23a](#)

[Philippians 4:4-7](#)

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Join us online at 9 am on Sundays and BevComm Channel 6 at 9:30 am Sundays or 6 pm Wednesdays.

RADIO SPONSOR

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GIVING GOOD NEWS

| Financial Health as of July 31, 2020 | YTD Budget | YTD Actual |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Revenue | \$290,556 | \$275,908 |
| Expenses | \$347,663 | \$306,179 |
| Revenue - Expenses | -\$57,106 | -\$30,271 |

COUNCIL CONNECTIONS

[July 2020 Church Council Minutes](#)

CYF REGISTRATION

At Holy Trinity, we believe it is important to cultivate meaningful faith formation experiences so children & youth of all ages can know the love of God. We are passionate about connecting youth programming with worship, and encouraging continued faith formation at home alongside caring adults.

[Click here](#) to register!

MISSION, VISION & MORE

Join us on Sunday, Sept. 13 and Wednesday, Sept. 16 when our Mission, Vision and Values will be revealed! AND it's the start of our new programming year - don't miss it!

MISSION OUTREACH

Thanks to the generous donations of the Holy Trinity congregation and a grant from the Endowment Fund, the Missions Team prepped for our annual [School Supplies Giveaway](#) by packing bags of school supplies and handing them out on Monday, August 17. This year, volunteers handed out 145 bags of school supplies. **HUGE thanks to our wonderful volunteers:** Mary Busch; Debbie and Frank Deichelbohrer; Maddy Fife; Pastor Diane Goulson; Linnea Hautman; Amber, Charlie and Jack Kahnke; Lex Lammers; Marge Larsen, Tim Miller; Liz Nelson; Julie and Lydia Popple; Sande Schoenecker; and Dennis Tietz. Click [HERE](#) to watch the video!

DRIVE-IN COMMUNION

To help kick off our programming year on **Sunday, September 13th**, we will offer Drive-in Communion!

You are invited to line the perimeter of our parking lot in a semicircle as we celebrate Holy Communion together right from our vehicles!

Due to space constraints, pre-registration is required. [REGISTER HERE](#) or contact [Jamie](#) in the church office at 952-758-3513. Please bring your own bread and grape juice. Any bread/crackers will do, but if you'd like to make your own Communion bread, try this [recipe!](#)

KIDS CONNECTION

We're highlighting our Crew Time Leaders!

Get to know Jessica Gallagher

What has been a bright spot during the COVID -19 social isolation? *Spending time with my family. My husband and I enjoy camping with our three boys: Sam is nearly 10, Finn is 8, and Joe is 6. Social distancing has changed our camping sites to our back yard and Grandma's farm, but we have enjoyed our time together.*

If you could interview any Biblical figure, who would it be and what would you ask?

Mary, mother of Jesus. I would ask her favorite moments of being a mother.

Favorite COVID - lockdown recipe -

Slow cooker chicken: 5 boneless, skinless breasts, 1 packet of Ranch dressing seasoning, 2 cups chicken broth. Season breasts with salt and pepper and garlic powder. Cover breasts with ranch dressing and broth. Cook on low for 8 hours. Shred and serve.

ADULT EDUCATION SERIES

Coming this September, join Dr. Chris Johnson for a 7-part series on **Sustenance for the Weary Soul :**

Courage & Resilience in Challenging Times. Sessions will be offered Wednesday evening or Thursday midday. For more information or to register,

[click here!](#)

