# HTLConnections

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## 2020...A NEW BEGINNING

A quick search of any social media platform reveals hundreds of jokes, memes, blogs, or discussions about our current year. Regardless of your position on politics, social justice or face coverings, one thing is for sure - it is one for the history books. Perhaps when it's all said and done and calendar says 2040, could we actually look back and think of 2020 as a new beginning?

Our vision process began shortly after the 2019 programming kick-off. Four church-wide huddles later, our visioning was coming to an end in early March 2020. And then COVID hit home. It felt like the world stopped turning. Most people started doing everything from their homes - school, work, and even worship. We longed for things to return to normal.

It's been over six months since we stopped worshipping in the sanctuary. But worship never stopped. It's been over six months since the Vision 2020 small groups met. But the visioning never stopped. A new Youth Director and Video Production intern were hired and construction of the new administrative wing began in the midst of a global pandemic. For Holy Trinity, the vision for our future continues.

Join us this week as we wrap up our summer sermon series and gear up for the rest of 2020, our new beginning.

#### **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., Jim, and those we name in our hearts. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

#### SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Galatians 5:22-23a Romans 6:9-14

#### **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

This Sunday's radio broadcast is sponsored by Mark Jackson. Thank you, Mark!



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### SUMMER SERMON SERIES



Join us for the last "Fruit of the Spirit" this week as we focus on **Self-Control**. If you took the summer off, you can binge watch the entire sermon series **HERE!** 

## **KICK-OFF 2020!**

We're gearing up for our 2020 Kick-Off Week! To amp up the excitement, HTLC volunteers will be hand delivering a surprise to your doorstep next Friday. Yep! To your doorstep. We're gearing up for new programming and our new Mission, Vision & Values. Get Ready!

## PASTORAL TIME CHANGE

COVID-19 has made an impact on all of our lives and influenced each of us in different ways. After conversation with the Church Council, Pastor Alicia has made a transition to 1/3 Time (15 hours a week) to be able to care for family during this time. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Alicia.

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Nine new families joined Holy Trinity since we have been worshipping online. If you missed them in April & August, meet them HERE!

## MISSION OUTREACH



Thank you to all of our Holy Trinity Pantry
Angels who keep our Non-Food and Food
Pantries stocked!

Please limit donations to items that can fit inside of the pantry. Any items left outside will be considered "free for the taking" (totes, large bins, etc). Please do not leave clothing.

## FALL PROGRAMMING

The calendar has turned to September and the final countdown to our fall programming is on! To learn more or to register, click on the links below:

Children, Youth and Family

#### **Adult Education**

You can also connect with <u>Jamie</u> or call the church office at 952-758-3513 to register.

Don't forget about the <u>Drive-In Communion</u> on September 13! So many good things happening!

#### KIDS CONNECTION

We're highlighting our Crew Time Leaders!

#### Get to know Alyce Price

Favorite COVID-19 Recipe - There has been a lot of baking in the Price house during COVID, and I'm not going to lie, we're probably going to need to make sure our floors have adequate structural support with the weight we have gained. For me, I have enjoyed making granola as it's easy and delicious. Here is my recipe:

7 cups oats

2 – 4 cups of nuts (almonds and pecans)

1 – 2 cups of shredded coconut

2 – 4 tbsp seeds (chia seeds and flax seeds)

½ cup vegetable oil

3/4 cup brown sugar

3/4 cup maple syrup

2 cups dried fruit (whatever you like)

Mix everything except the dried fruit together in a big bowl. Then spread it out over 2 sheet pans and bake in a 250° oven for 1 hour and 15 minutes. IMPORTANT: Every 15 minutes, pull the pans out of the oven and stir it up so that the granola on the bottom doesn't burn and everything bakes evenly. Once the baking is done, you can add in your dried fruit. Personally, I don't use any dried fruit. Instead, I add fresh or thawed frozen blueberries to my bowl right before eating. Enjoy!

## **ADULT EDUCATION SERIES**

Don't have computer to participate in our online adult education series? No worries! You can participate over the phone! Contact Jamie at 952-758-3513 for directions.