

# HTLConnections

The weekly e-newsletter of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, New Prague, MN

March 5, 2021

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Isaiah 55:6-11

## HUMBLY WE PRAY

God of our moments, give hope and healing to: Isabel P., Deb O., Christine, Mark J., and those those dealing with harsh weather. Equip us to serve those in need. Be with teachers, staff, and students as schools open to in-person classes. Encourage medical care workers as the pandemic lingers. Deepen our trust in you and thank you for answered prayers.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Online - Facebook & YouTube

Sunday @ 9 am

Wednesday @ 7 pm

Cable TV - Bevcomm Channel 6

Sunday @ 9:30 am

Wednesday @ 6 pm

Radio - KCHK 95.5 FM & 1350 AM

Sunday @ 9 am

## RADIO SPONSOR

Our Sunday radio broadcast ministry is sponsored by Daryl and Addie Thietje. Thank you for your support in this important ministry!

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## DIVING INTO A THINK TANK

By Rose Fife, HTLC Communications Specialist

This winter, Holy Trinity was one of 12 Christian churches chosen to participate in a three-year learning process led by Luther Seminary. The program, titled "Congregations in a Secular Age," is funded by a grant from the Lilly Endowment and seeks to "discover how congregations can accompany people in narrating, interpreting, and integrating their direct encounters with the living Christ."

"We want to teach people how to see God in their everyday lives," says Dr. Michael Binder, Associate Director of the program, on a Zoom call with the HTLC team. The program is based on the book "The Congregation in a Secular Age," by Dr. Andrew Root, Director. Root writes in the book he feels there are fewer sacred elements in our modern churches due to the constant push for innovation. He challenges congregations to redefine change and how they can continue to enrich lives.

Each congregation is represented by a group of three to five people. The team representing Holy Trinity includes leader Luke Friendshuh, Pastor Ben Hilding, Children Youth and Family Director Casey Fremstad, and Communications Specialist Rose Fife.

*Continue the story at HTLChronicles.*

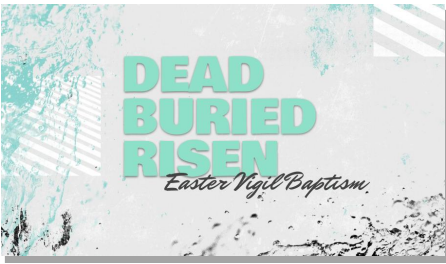


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# EASTER VIGIL BAPTISM



Are you or a loved one interested in baptism? We're holding a special Easter Vigil Baptism on Saturday, April 3 at 7:00 pm. This will be a meaningful, outdoor service. **Contact Pastor**

**Ben** or call the church office at 952-758-3513

# WORSHIP THIS WEEK

This week, we continue our five-week Lenten Sermon Series, "Why Lutheran?" Each week, we'll dive deeper into what makes us Lutheran.



# CYF MINISTRY UPDATE



Introducing the new Children, Youth & Family Ministry Social Media pages! They are created with youth in mind, but parents may also join (especially if your children do not have social media accounts).

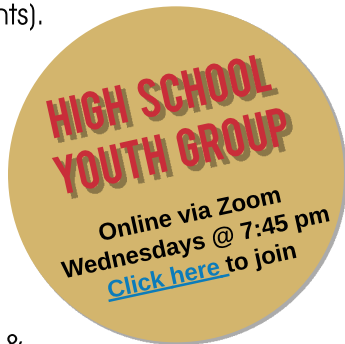
Join the

**Facebook Group** (private) and follow the **Instagram Page** today!

# RADIO SPONSORS



Each Sunday at 9:00 am, our worship services are heard on KCHK 95.5 FM & 1350 AM. Sponsors are needed! Cost is \$63.75 per Sunday. **Contact Jamie** or call 952-758-3513 if you are interested.



# MARCH MISSION DRIVE

To help our ministry partner, **Christo Obrero**, to have a fun Easter season, we are collecting: Peanut-free candy and small trinkets that fit inside an Easter egg (stickers, small toys, hair ties/barrettes, temporary tattoos, coins, etc.) **See more ideas on the HTLC Website!** Please place items inside the bin located at Door 2 from Feb. 26 - March 19. Thank you!

# PRAYER TIME WITH PASTOR DIANE

Pop in to Pray is returning to the **HTLC Community Facebook Group** on Monday's. Pastor Diane will record a message that can be viewed at any time. Send prayer requests to [diane@holyltrinityonline.org](mailto:diane@holyltrinityonline.org).

# FREE FOOD GIVEAWAY

FREE Food Giveaway for Le Sueur County Residents.

**March 10, 2 - 3:30 pm**  
**First Lutheran Church**  
**Le Sueur, MN**

Click the photo for details.



# BISHOP'S MESSAGE

As vaccines continue to become available, ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton encourages us to remain vigilant, be safe and to trust the science of the vaccines. **Watch her message here!**

# MARCH FOOD SHARE DRIVE

**Minnesota FoodShare's** March Campaign is the largest food drive in the state and relies on the generosity of congregations like HTLC. **Click on the picture** to learn how you can donate to our local Peace Center.



# UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 7 & 10

**LENT 3**

Law and Gospel

March 14 & 17

**LENT 4**

Theology of the Cross

March 21 & 24

**LENT 5**

Vocation

March 28

**PALM SUNDAY**

Hosanna!