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ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

October, 2024

EVERYWHERE IS JERUSALEM

Experiencing the Holy Then and Now

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
in the Parlor

In Everywhere Is Jerusalem, James Howell takes us on a spiritual pilgrimage to significant places in the ongoing story of the Christian faith. We'll go from Bethlehem to Jerusalem, from the Jordan River to Assisi, and from the Sea of Galilee to Montgomery, Alabama. Along the way, we will discover the profound connections between biblical stories and the places they happened. We'll see how Christians throughout history have brought their faith to life worldwide, in their own cities and communities. And we'll find God calling us to bring our own faith to life right where we are, right now.

October 3

Everywhere Is Galilee: The Downward Call

October 10

Everywhere Is the Jordan: Baptism and All the Waters

October 17

Everywhere Is the Mount of Olives: Standing Up and Courage

October 31

Everywhere Is Bethlehem: Prayer Walls

TABLE TALK

Tuesday, October 1
7:00 - 8:00 p.m., in the Parlor
The cost of the book is \$9.00.

SIGNS OF BELONGING: Luther's Marks of the Church and Christian Life



Join us as we explore Luther's teaching on the seven marks of the Church. How do these "marks" define the corporate body of Christ and connect with the lives of individual Christians?

Session Two

The Word: The Story Where We Belong

THIRD SUNDAY PROGRAM

Sunday, October 20, at 6:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall



Memory Wars: Myths from Two Sides of the Atlantic

Speakers: Mallory Noe-Payne, public radio journalist
Michael Paul Williams, Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist, Richmond Times-Dispatch

Join our speakers as they examine how societies confront their difficult histories and sins. In particular, they consider how Germany confronted its horrific past in the wake of the Holocaust, while the U.S. still grapples with its original sin of human enslavement. Our speakers will explore "the struggles it takes for a society to change its narrative, face up to an uncomfortable past, and pave the way for atonement."

We begin with a light supper at 6:00 p.m., followed by the program at 6:30 p.m.
Please make reservations in the narthex or Fellowship Hall.

AMERICAN NATIONS A History of the Eleven Rival Regional Cultures of North America

Fridays, 11:00 a.m - 12:00 p.m.
in the Parlor

Award-winning journalist and historian Colin Woodard takes readers on a journey through the history of our fractured continent, offering a revolutionary and revelatory take on American identity.

October 4

War for the West
PART FOUR - Culture Wars:
1878 to 2010
Founding the Far West
Immigration and Identity
Gods and Missions

October 11

Culture Clash
War, Empire, and the Military
The Struggle for Power I:
The Blue Nations
The Struggle for Power II:
The Red and the Purple
EPILOGUE

AN ENNEAGRAM STUDY Learning to See Yourself as God Sees You

Mondays, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., via Zoom

Contact the church office to receive the Zoom invitation by email.



Father Richard Rohr teaches that God gives us our soul—our True Self—from the very start. We lose sight of that True Self as we learn not only to survive but to thrive in the world. We develop an ego which seeks to protect us from the hurt and trauma we encounter along the way. This is the necessary work of the first half of life. But too often the ego becomes a mask—a False Self which hides our soul. In the second half of life, we can learn to take off the mask, rediscover our True Self and begin to live our own unique God-given destiny. The Enneagram is a valuable tool that can help us take off the mask and learn to see ourselves—and others—as God sees us.

October 7 - Which Center of Intelligence Sounds Most Like You?

October 14 - Enneagram Types 8, 9, & 10
The Instinctive or Gut Triad

October 21 - Enneagram Types 2, 3, & 4
The Feeling or Heart Triad

October 28 - Enneagram Types 5, 6, & 7
The Thinking or Head Triad

SERMON DISCUSSION

Thursday, October 24, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m in the Parlor
Join us as we discuss recent Sunday sermons,
copies of which will be provided in advance.

A JOURNEY CALLED HOPE Today's Immigrant Stories and the American Dream

Fridays, 11:00 a.m - 12:00 p.m., in the Parlor
The cost of the book is \$16.00.

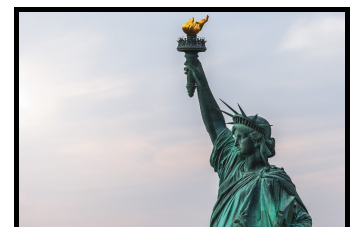
Author Rick Rouse weaves a tapestry of immigrant experiences—successes, hopes, challenges, and dreams that have often unfolded amidst global conflicts and political polarization. These narratives inspire compassion as “these least of these” search for a safe haven and discover how diversity enriches America and our faith.

October 18

Foreword / INTRODUCTION
PART ONE: Immigrants and the American Dream: Past and Present
The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: A History of American Immigration

October 25

The Changing Face of America: Threat or Promise?
Desolation and Restoration: The Refugee's Journey



SUNDAY MORNING EDUCATION CLASS

THE FALSE WHITE GOSPEL

Rejecting Christian Nationalism, Reclaiming True Faith, and Refounding Democracy

Sundays, 9:30 - 10:20 a.m., in the Parlor
The cost of the book is \$24.00.

Author Jim Wallis believes it is time to call out genuine faith—specifically the “Christian” in White Christian Nationalism—inviting all who can be persuaded to reject and help dismantle a false gospel that propagates White supremacy and autocracy. Wallis turns our attention to six iconic texts at the heart of what genuine biblical faith means and what Jesus of Nazareth, in the gospels, has called us to do. It is time to ask anew: Do we believe these teachings or not?

October 6

FOREWORD:

The Love Battle to Save the Soul of America

Introduction: Crossing the Color Line

The False White Gospel

October 13

Your Neighbor Doesn't Live Next Door

October 20

Made in God's Image – Or Not?

Lies That Demand Loyalty

October 27

Gifts Festival Breakfast (no class)

THE BOOK OF RUTH

Tuesdays, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., in the Parlor



The incredibly rich story told in the book of Ruth captures the fears, challenges, and hope of those who find themselves pulled away from home and of those who are there when they return. In this book we are invited into the deep emotions and conversations of the three central characters of Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz, while exploring the themes of loss, loyalty, risk, and hope.

October 1

Where Does Loyalty Pull Us? (Ruth 1:19 – 2:23)

October 8

Where Does Risk Take Us? (Ruth 3:1-18)

October 22

Where Does Hope Lead Us? (Ruth 4:1-22)

FALL SEMINAR

EMBRACING THE DIVINE FLOW Exploring Trinitarian Spirituality

Wednesdays, 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall

In this series, Father Richard Rohr invites us to consider a worldview framed and informed by the power of the Trinity, and through its dynamic flow, embrace and participate in the living, continuous relationship with the divine, and God's ongoing work of transformation and redemption.

"God's dream is to show God's self. Everything. God's dream is to show off who God is. And once we become the seers who are willing to see what God is showing, which is everything all the time, even the suffering...we are in on the dream of God."

- Richard Rohr

October 30

A Universe Shaped by Shared Identity

Exploring the Trinity and Our Interconnectedness

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

September 29 - October 5

Week of Michael & All Angels (Proper 21)

- S Luke 10:17-20 Jesus gives his followers authority
- M Exodus 18:13-27 Moses appoints judges to keep peace
- T Deuteronomy 1:1-18 Moses charges the judges
- W Matthew 5:13-20 You are salt and light
- T Zechariah 10:1-12 God will gather the people
- F Acts 4:13-31 The believers pray for boldness
- S Psalm 5 Lead me in righteousness

October 6 - October 12

Week of Pentecost 20 (Proper 22)

- S Mark 10:2-16 Teaching on marriage
- M Deuteronomy 22:13-30 Laws about sexual relations
- T Deuteronomy 24:1-5 Laws about divorce
- W Matthew 5:27-48 Be perfect
- T Jeremiah 3:6-14 God will forgive the unfaithful people
- F 1 Corinthians 7:1-16 Paul on marriage and divorce
- S Psalm 112 Happy those who fear God

October 13 - October 19

Week of Pentecost 21 (Proper 23)

- S Mark 10:17-31 Teaching on wealth and reward
- M Deuteronomy 5:1-21 The Ten Commandments
- T Deuteronomy 5:22-33 Moses mediates God's word to the people
- W Matthew 15:1-9 Jesus teaches the true commandments
- T Amos 3:13-4:5 Judgment against oppressors
- F Hebrews 3:7-4:11 Against disobedience
- S Psalm 26 Prayer for acceptance

October 20 - October 26

Week of Pentecost 22 (Proper 24)

- S Mark 10:35-45 Warnings to ambitious disciples
- M 1 Samuel 8:1-18 Samuel warns against kings
- T 1 Samuel 10:17-25 Saul proclaimed king anyway
- W John 13:1-17 Jesus washes the disciples' feet
- T Genesis 14:17-24 The story of Melchizedek
- F Hebrews 6:1-20 The hope of God's promise
- S Psalm 37:23-40 God will exalt the righteous

October 27 - November 2

Week of Reformation (Proper 25)

- S John 8:31-36 The truth will set you free
- M Exodus 4:1-17 Moses' power from God
- T 2 Kings 6:8-24 Elisha has power over sight
- W Mark 8:22-26 Jesus heals a blind man
- T Jeremiah 33:1-11 God promises healing
- F Hebrews 7:1-22 Jesus like Melchizedek
- S Psalm 119:17-24 Open my eyes

OUR MISSION: To Care Actively in the Name of Jesus Christ.

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