

Holy Trinity’s Reconciling Statement

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church follows God’s directive to love all and welcome all with open arms. We celebrate God’s gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status, and so much more. We acknowledge that we live in a world of profound social, economic, and political inequities. As followers of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice and pledge to stand in solidarity with all who are marginalized and oppressed.

“Pack the Pantry” Challenge

Each week (starting TODAY) we will focus on one item desperately needed at Hope Pantry. If you are able, please bring that item the following week and place it in the wagon at the front of the sanctuary. Thank you!

Week 1 (bring the week of August 17-23): **Flour** (white or masa—5lbs.)

Week 2 (bring the week of August 24-30): **Sugar** (white or brown—5lbs.)

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church

August 16, 2026

9:30am

God in the Dark: It Could Always Get Worse (The Middle Season)

If you have a prayer request today, please fill out the card in your pew rack and hand it to an usher during the offering.

Prelude		
Welcome		
Call to Worship		
Centering Time		
Hymn	“God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale” (vs 1-4)	Hymnal 122
Kids’ Time		
Scripture	Genesis 39:1-8 & 14-20	
Hymn	“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”	Hymnal 474
Message		Rev. Leigh Brown
Offering		
Doxology	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	Hymnal 94
Joys and Concerns		
Prayer/Lord’s Prayer		
Announcements		
Hymn	“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)” (vs 1-3)	W&S 3104
Blessing		
Postlude		

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Leigh Brown pastor@htumc.org (651) 245-4889	Church Admin: Tina Chant office@htumc.org (952) 447-2990
Choir Director: Randi Erlandson	Liturgist: Janean Mestnik
Bell Choir Director: Kay Petterson	Ushers: Lori Boynton & Jim Helgersen
Pianist/Vocalist: Randi Erlandson	Greeters: Lois Burkart & Sandy Feldhake
AV Coordinator: Janean Mestnik	Fellowship Host: Maria German
Nursery: Paisley Buchholz & Emily P.	Kids' Church: Nursery Only

This Week:

Monday, August 17	2-6pm 7:00pm	Hope Café & Pantry Al-Anon Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday, August 18	10:00am 2-6pm 7:00pm	Quilters Hope Café & Pantry Codependents Anonymous (Parsonage)
Sunday, August 23	9:30am	Worship/Live-Stream



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Prayer Requests:

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