



Central Lutheran  
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Dear Friends in Christ,

We are in the seventeenth week of the Covid-19 pandemic. It is hopeful that the cases in Minnesota seem to be leveling off and at the same time it is concerning to hear about other states that see dramatic increases. We stay the course with the plan to continue with online worship, even as we long to be back for in-person worship and life together as the Central Lutheran faith community.

Today I write with fun invitations for July for you to consider. These are “water stops” for us as we run this pandemic marathon together. Please be sure to note the front and the back of this letter for all the details.

1. The summer carillon concert and food truck series will begin Sunday, July 12, at 12:00 p.m. Please note these details:
  - a. The concert and food truck will be outside on the north patio.
  - b. You can purchase food and beverages from the food truck, unfortunately the church cannot yet serve coffee or water. But you can bring you own!
  - c. We ask that you walk around the outside of the building to the north patio.
  - d. There will be access to the restrooms from the north plaza entrance.
  - e. For those with accessibility needs, you can walk through the building to the north patio area. The sanctuary and great room will not be open.
  - f. The summer carillon concert and food truck series will run on Sundays at 12:00 p.m. from July 12 through August 9.
2. The Virtual Vacation Bible School week will be July 20-24. Directions and the materials for your virtual VBS at home will be mailed out to each family the week of July 13. Watch for those details and this fun opportunity to grow in faith as a family.
3. The Daily Prayer and Holy Communion services continue. You are invited to sign up through the link on the website. The Wednesday Zoom Bible

Study on the Psalms continues at 6:00 p.m. The Zoom link is also on the website.

4. There will be an invitation for us to respond as a congregation to the needs of the Longfellow neighborhood. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is an anchor in Longfellow and needs congregational support. In July we will have a specific appeal for us to respond to and ways for members to serve. Watch the eNews for the specifics of the appeal to help support the ministry of Holy Trinity Lutheran. You can also visit their website to donate today: [www.htlcmpls.org](http://www.htlcmpls.org).

As we slowly begin to gather in safe and healthy ways, there are essential guidelines for our life together. The Council has adopted these basic guidelines as a part of their working document to reopen the Central facility and expand ministry.

Staying safe and healthy guidelines:

- Stay at home if you are ill.
- As we reopen and you come to Central, masks will be required, in the hallways, restrooms, volunteer locations and for outdoor events.
- Six feet of social distancing will be required
- For outdoor events, partners and families can sit and eat together
- For events or volunteer opportunities inside the facility:
  - All who enter will be required to have their temperature taken.
  - All who enter will be required to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer.
  - All who enter will be required to enter their information in the log book at the reception desk
- We will all be committed to staying safe and healthy.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness, openness, support and prayer as we worship together online and care for our neighbors during this unprecedented time. God is at work, leading us from death to life and sickness to health.

It is a privilege to serve as one of your rostered leaders.

God bless you,



Pastor Peter