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Worship in person at 9:30 am Sunday mornings—Masks required.

#### Message from Travis

After worship on October 10th many Judsonians congregated at the corner of 42nd Street and Lyndale Avenue for Open Streets Lyndale. We had a great time blessing bikes and pets and scooters, listening to The Masked Accordion Band led by Dee Langley, catching up with friends (old and new) and neighbors, and people watching.

What struck me was that many people came to the booth to thank Judson Church for one thing. The one thing that could very well be our biggest asset for the neighborhood: (drumroll) The Playground. We had parents and kids, specifically, come to the booth to thank us for the playground (by the way they all love the new wood chips). Imagine with me transforming Judson Church, in the eyes of the neighborhood, from the playground with a church to a church with a playground.

Now imagine saying to all those parents and guardians and kids and neighbors, "Do you know, This is your church? Weddings, baptisms, funerals, playground, meeting space, sanctuary, someone to talk to, questions about life... We are here for you."

On November 16, 2021 Judson Church will officially turn 112 years old. We will celebrate this occasion on Thanksgiving Sunday, Nov. 21. It is a big deal and a big number. I think the most hopeful and sustainable route for Judson Church is to be a neighborhood-centric congregation with a metro-wide appeal. Next month I will share what that looks like for my December article...





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The Pastoral Relations committee includes the following people: Mary Gustafson (chair), Joel Frederickson, Pam Joern, and Karla McGray. Feel free to speak with any of these people to share ideas, concerns, or thanks. (*Subcommittee members are listed alphabetically)					

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Articles for the next issue of the Judson Messenger can be submitted to bkumlin@judsonchurch.org. The deadline is the <u>20th</u> of each month for the following month. For hardcopy submissions, see the editor listed on the address page.

#### **MODERATOR'S LETTER**

Dear Friends,

A favorite story from Weatherhead family lore concerns my late mother-in-law, Joan Weatherhead, whom many of you knew. Her daughter Trisha (my husband Doug's sister) tells about an incident that occurred when she was in high school. She and Joan were in the kitchen making lunch and Trisha was giving her mother a bit of grief about being an ordinary housewife who never did anything exciting and who was boring and oh-so-predictable. Joan turned around and threw the entire bowl of salad she was preparing against the wall!

Maybe it takes a little challenge to act "outside the box" or to jolt us into new creativity. Or maybe we just need to give ourselves permission to dare. It's part of our charge to change from a community that says "no" to one that says "how can we make that happen?"

We have recently said YES to solar panels, to racial justice training, to Karla's book launch, to a Women's Spirituality group, to Open Streets, to the Remembrance of All Souls art event and to so much more.

We have ideas for upcoming tasks and projects:

- Advent event that includes decorating the church and having stations where volunteers could assemble gifts for chosen organizations
- Writing up Christmas cards at the advent event and/or from home in smaller chunks
- Creating a task force to generate ideas for making the church building more welcoming and inviting
- Creating a task force to draft an Operations Manual

Creating a task force to explore what it would mean to be a digital member of Judson

We are hoping to have the following events:

- Is Anxiety a Habit You Can Unlearn? A discussion led by Joel Frederickson in-person and by Zoom based on the ideas of Professor Jud Brewer of Brown University
- Char and Barbara's traditional Christmas singalong
- Bill Staines Concert booked for February 25, 2022!

Do you have an idea for an event or for tasks or projects that you'd like to see started? Contact me at 612-226-8349 or lewis145@q.com and our group (Polly Schrom, Steve Hirsch, Kristine Revak and I) will help you get started.

When will you throw your salad at the wall?

-Monica Lewis

Judson Church Moderator

P.S. Magical Spiritual Moment: At a recent church service, Carolyn Kolovitz led a wonderful guided meditation in which we imagined the face of someone near to us who had passed on. The person had a message for us. My mother's face popped into my mind and her message to me was "You are loved." This would not be a normal interaction for us. That afternoon on my daily walk I came upon a young mom and her 18 month old toddler. Mom was packing the car and the baby started walking toward me. I stopped, not knowing what the mom's comfort level might be. The baby toddled toward me a good twenty feet, then stopped, wrapped her arms around my legs, looked me right in the eye and smiled. Thank you. Got the message. I am loved.

#### YOUTHLINK BREAKFAST AND PRESENTATION

Youth Experiencing Homelessness Action Group

The Youth Experiencing Homelessness Action Group is back in action. D'Ann and Micah have continued to volunteer at YouthLink over the last several months. In addition, now, the Youth Experiencing Homelessness Action Group is scheduled to serve breakfast at YouthLink on Tuesday, October 12th.

Those serving breakfast will talk about their experience at an open forum on Sunday, October 17th after the worship service (10:45 am). Also, Sonya Yermishkin, Volunteer and Donor Engagement contact person at YouthLink will give a short presentation about YouthLink. She will give a general overview of the mission of YouthLink, and talk about the volunteer opportunities available at YouthLink. Please join us for this presentation.

Judson action group members and others last served a breakfast and a lunch at YouthLink in October of 2019. Volunteer opportunities were limited after that, because of Covid. We are looking forward to renewing the opportunity to serve meals at YouthLink, and continuing to serve the youth in our community in other ways.

For more information about this Judson action group, contact Kathy Urbaniak, 612-232-3924.

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## Do you have an idea for an event or for tasks or projects that you'd like to see started?

The first two important steps (in this order):

Hatch the idea

#### **Contact Monica Lewis**

#### 612-226-8349 or lewis145@q.com

Then take a deep breath... and carry on...

#### **COVID TASK FORCE UPDATE**

COVID GUIDELINES FOR JUDSON WORSHIP and other large gatherings, such as concerts

October 20, 2021

1. As the signs posted on the Judson Church entrances state...

If you have any of these symptoms, go home, stay away from other people, and contact your health care provider: Fever or feeling feverish; Chills; A new cough; Shortness of breath; A new sore throat; New muscle aches; New headache; New loss of smell or taste.

2. Masks are required at worship services and other large gatherings at Judson.

3. Worship and event leaders (Travis, Carolyn, worship leaders, musicians) will wear masks, but may temporarily remove them when speaking / performing.

4. We encourage people to fellowship outside after the service / event.

5. The first few pews will remain vacant. The sanctuary remains marked for social distancing, with alternate pews roped off.

6. Adjustments so far have worked well, and will continue: using the small individual containers for communion; the practice of shared prayer requests; one offering basket in the back; masks and hand sanitizers available at several spots.

7. We are thankful that the vast majority of Judson people have been vaccinated; we continue to strongly encourage getting vaccinations.

8. Continue to check Judson emails for ongoing updates and reminders. We will continue to be cautious and flexible at Judson.

Below are additional general points related to use of Judson at other times.

1. Wear masks upon entering and exiting the church. Be especially mindful of this when preschool children are present.

2. Each small group meeting at church can use its judgment as to whether to continue to wear masks during that meeting.

3. We continue to strongly recommend getting vaccinations.

Judson's Covid-19 Task Force members are: Eileen McLaughlin, Travis Norvell, Polly Schrom, Karla McGray, Barb and Tom Balcom, and Kathy and Wayne Urbaniak, Jackie Thureson is joining the task force, as a representative of Personnel Committee. Dawn Martin and Susan Mason serve as resource people to the task force. We thank all who have been using Judson Church, for the excellent cooperation and sensitivity.

Wayne Urbaniak

#### **JOYCE UPTOWN FOOD SHELF**

Items Requested for November

Anna Vogt, Program Coordinator for Joyce Food Shelf Sent This Request.

"We are still very much in needs of diapers (any size is fine, but 3-6 is most popular) baby wipes, dental hygiene products, feminine hygiene products and other personal hygiene products like shampoo, or soap or deodorant. We are also happy to take other donations like children's books, winter clothes (hats or mittens would be great!) school supplies, pet food, and paper bags. We have seen a large increase in shoppers since the beginning of September, and our monthly average of food distributed has increased by 10,000 pounds. Any donations, whether monetary or otherwise, are helpful at this time and greatly appreciated!

Thank you so much!"

You may send a check to Judson Church and designate "Joyce Food Shelf." Or, you can process an online donation by using Vanco: go to judsonchurch.org, website, click on "MAKE A DONATION," then put your donation amount in the food shelf box, and click continue.

You may drop off items at Judson Church any time that is convenient for you during the month of November and Jim TenBensel will deliver the items to Joyce Food Shelf.

Or you may drop off items at 3041 Fremont Ave. S., Mpls., MN 55408 as they are accepting FOOD AND NON -FOOD DONATIONS ON FRIDAYS FROM 9 A.M. UNTIL 1 P.M.

#### A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

Travis, Eileen and the Judson Community,

I want to thank you for your hospitality for my book event on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. I couldn't imagine any other place for this gathering of friends and family, so it meant a great deal to me to be able to host this event in my church community. Many new folks were introduced to our beautiful sanctuary and shared their reactions with me.

Special thanks to Eileen McLaughlin and Bryant Kumlin for their help in reaching out to the community about this event. Luise Forseth and Pam Joern added their very thoughtful support with introductions and the interview about the book. Jimmi Langemo dressed up the occasion with beautiful blues guitar before and after the book reading and interview. Polly Schrom was a great help with selling books as guests left the church.

A wonderful discovery at the end of the day, with guidance from Judson's Covid Task Force and the help of ushers, Wayne and Kathy Urbaniak, Carley and Al Watts, Tom and Barb Balcom and Bill Forsyth, was that we have the ability to hold a safely distanced and masked event for over one hundred people in our sanctuary. With advance notice of masks being required, by adding additional chairs in the back of the sanctuary, and with a few guests in the balcony, we were safely able to host 105 individuals for this event. No food or beverages were served, but it was a lovely successful safe event with the support and care of my dear church community. Thank you so much! Karla McGray

#### **STARFISH INFORMATION**



A partnership between Bethlehem Lutheran and Judson Baptist helping individuals and families in temporary crisis.

#### WAYS TO HELP BRING HOPE TO OUR NEIGHBORS

#### DONATE

Donate online at www.bethlehem-church.org/ways-to-give

Or mail a check to Bethlehem Lutheran Church Twin Cities Attn: Starfish Ministry 4100 Lyndale Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55409

Consider a gift in memory or in honor of someone special.

#### VOLUNTEER

Volunteers and donations make the work of Starfish possible. Want to learn more? Call 952-686-4124.

TO REFER OR SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

To refer or schedule an appointment with Starfish call 952-686-4124.

For more information visit us at www.bethlehem-church.org/care-ministries

#### Starfish Information—October, 2021

Requesters helped: 8 Total Aid: \$5,003.35 Utilities, Rental , and car repair: \$4,603.35 Bus/Gas/Food cards: \$400 Funds Exhausted: October28, 2021

#### A FINE ARTIST WINS 2021 FINE ARTS AWARD!!

On his first attempt at entering his art into the Minnesota State Fair Fine Arts Exhibit, Bob Clague's piece, "Story of Identity", was chosen for the 2021 fair in the sculpture category. That is an extraordinary accomplishment. But that's not all—his piece was also awarded the Minnesota Artists Association Award of Excellence! Congratulations Bob!

Take a look at "Story of Identity."

Next time you see Bob, give him a thumbs-up for his excellent work, and check out his portfolio at <u>www.robertclague.com</u> and on Facebook.



#### **UPDATE FROM JUDSON PRESCHOOL**

It has been a very exciting fall at Judson Preschool. Each of our classes prepared, cooked, and enjoyed homemade applesauce, and our oldest preschoolers baked apple turnovers. We wel-

comed parents inside our classrooms for conferences, celebrated Halloween in our costumes, and have been observing the change to fall. It's hard to believe Thanksgiving is just around the corner- we are so thankful for our little school!



**OPEN STREETS, 2021** 







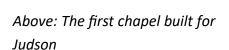






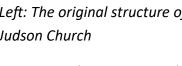
#### JUDSON'S 112TH BIRTHDAY

Judson Church started as a small wooden chapel on the urban frontier of south Minneapolis at the corner of 38<sup>th</sup> and Harriet in 1907. Several years later, the Judson chapel was "bursting at the seams" with new neighborhood residents and a much larger facility was needed. A site was chosen on the corner of 41<sup>st</sup> and Harriet and a brick, gothic style church was built and opened in the spring of 1915.



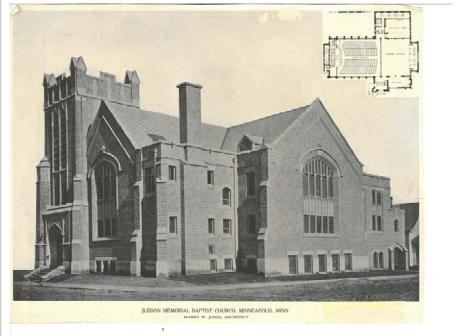
*Left: The original structure of* Judson Church

Bottom: Architect Harry Wild Jones lays the cornerstone for Judson Church









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#### **TRUST UPDATES**

- TRUST Chore Program has a big need for workers to do light house cleaning, fall clean-up, and snow removal. Chore Program enables seniors to continue living in their own home. Contact 612.827.6150
- TRUST Main Office is looking for volunteers to answer phones, help with mailings, filing, and other light office work.
  612.827.6159
- Do you know someone who is able to shop independently but can't get to the store? The Grocery Transportation Program provides rides to and from the grocery store for Riders age 60+ or those living with a disability. Contact 612.721.5786
- Are you on Facebook? Like and share the TRUST Inc. page. <u>https://www.facebook.com/TR</u> <u>USTINC.MN</u>
- We offer condolences to the family of program participant Martha Gavitt, who passed recently. We are grateful to have served her.

#### E-Newsletter 10.18.2021

#### Support TRUST Meals on Wheels in the Walk to End Hunger!

Please consider donating to TRUST Meals on Wheels during this challenging time for so many individuals and families. What Meals on Wheels provides is simple, but important: nutritious meals and friendly visits from a volunteer for all people who face challenges in procuring healthy food and cooking for themselves. 100% of money raised for our program comes back to support TRUST Meals on Wheels. Plus, all money raised will be matched dollar for dollar by Metro Meals on Wheels! <u>Donate here</u>

#### **Minneapolis 2021 Municipal Election**

On November 2 Minneapolis voters will use ranked choice voting to elect a mayor and members of the City Council, Board of Estimate and Taxation, and Park and Recreation Board. Learn about who and what is on the 2021 ballot in this <u>guide</u>. Attend the Ward 13 Candidate Forum moderated by The League of Women Voters Minneapolis 7pm-8:30pm October 19 <u>register here</u>

#### Need help keeping your home?

Hennepin Homeownership Preservation Program (HHPP) provides support to homeowners in Hennepin County who are past due on their mortgage or other housing expenses. HHPP offers foreclosure prevention advising and limited financial assistance. Complete this <u>form</u> to determine if you are eligible for HHPP.

#### Fall into Fun

10/19 Ward 13 Candidate Forum

10/20 Let's Change the Narrative on Central America 7-8:30pm at Mayflower info

10/24 Minnehaha Avenue Open Streets info

10/24 Flu Clinic - St. John's Lutheran 11am-12pm

10/30 Autumn Alley Clean Up at Washburn 10am-12pm info Halloween Activities

#### Covid-19 Update

Governor Walz announced a comprehensive COVID-19 action plan to relieve Minnesota's increasingly crowded hospitals and provide new rapid testing opportunities for Minnesota families. Governor Walz is taking immediate action to free up capacity at Minnesota's long-term care facilities, in order to relieve hospital capacity. <u>Read</u> the plan.

### News from the Racial Justice Team!

1. As part of their new mission to be a center for racial healing, Penumbra Theater is offering a new series called *Let's Talk* that will provide a space for "compassionate and challenging conversations around issues of social justice, equity and the arts." These bi-monthly and virtual events, facilitated by Penumbra Artistic Director Sarah Bellamy, will cover four topics: Climate Justice, Criminal Justice, Health Equity, and Education. The first event is:

Monday, December 13

7 PM

#### Let's Talk: Climate Justice

Tickets are FREE but you need to make a reservation: <u>https://penumbratheatre.org/events/</u> <u>upcoming/lets-talk</u>

2. Winter School: 2nd Thursdays of January, February, March 6:30 - 9 PM at Judson:

a. January 13, 2022 "Slavery By Another Name" followed by Q&A. **SLAVERY BY ANOTHER NAME** is a 90-minute PBS documentary that challenges one of Americans' most cherished assumptions: the belief that **slavery** in this country ended with the Emancipation Proclamation.

b. February 10, 2022 PBS Documentary, American Experience: "Freedom Summer" followed by Q&A (6:30-9 PM). The Mississippi Summer Project was a 1964 project that sent 1000 mostly white students to live with Black families throughout Mississippi to register Black voters and conduct Freedom Schools.

c. March 10, 2022. Native American racism. Details pending.

3. Judson's Racial Justice Team has arranged for the Mennonite-based group, Roots of Justice, to conduct Antiracism Analysis Training. The workshop is set for the last weekend in January. Fifteen people from Judson will engage with members of a primarily Black UCC Congregation from Philadelphia (on Zoom) to develop the team to lead Judson toward becoming an antiracist community. Next summer, the team plans to attend an in-person retreat followed by another training session next fall or winter(2023).

If you would like to be involved in the ongoing work of Judson's Racial Justice team, please contact Jean Hayes, jean1945@hbci.com.

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#### YOUTH UPDATE



Congrats to Micah Lesch, senior at Washburn High School, for his selection on the All State Soccer team.



Grease the musical will be playing at Washburn high school auditorium, Thursday, November 11, Friday, No-

vember 12 and Saturday, November 13 at 7pm. Sunday, November 14 at 2pm.

Also showing Thursday, Nov 18, Friday, November 19th and Saturday, Nov 20 at 7pm. Come see Carter Gustafson (high school senior) as Kenickie in the show.

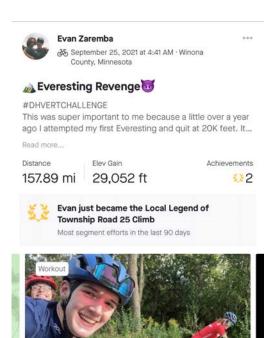
#### On September 25, 2021 Evan Zaremba, a senior at

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Washburn High School, completed an "Everesting." The concept is simple: pick any hill and repeatedly ride up it until you climb 29,031 feet (the height of Mt. Everest).



#### JUDSON IN THE NEWS-MINNESOTA INTERFAITH POWER AND LIGHT BLOG:

#### **SOLAR ILLUMINATES CONGREGATION'S VALUES**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

The pathway to climate action can be like ascending a mountain. Take for instance a solar array. The shiny, electricity-producing array gleams like a snow-capped peak on the horizon. But hiking the twists and turns can be arduous and much farther than you first thought. It takes a congregation really dedicated to its values to remain on the path and reach the top.

<u>Judson Memorial Baptist Church</u> in Minneapolis showed just that commitment through two years of planning through installation. This month, they dedicated their new 56 kw DC system as a beacon to climate justice.

Judson wisely selected three leaders to shepherd the project, empowering them to explore several options and tasking them to report back to other church leaders and the congregation. Bill Forsyth, Larry Jacobsen, and Brad Joern divided the work to fit their strengths. Bill worked on the financing aspect; Larry brought the knowledge of the church building; and Brad handled communicating with the congregation.

They reached out to MNIPL and found a robust solar program with a trusted design-installer and unique financing options. This allowed them to take advantage of tax credits even as a non-profit. Larry gathered the necessary electrical usage data, and within a few weeks, they reviewed their first proposal. It called for a 104 panel-array, which would offset 34% of their electrical usage.

Next steps involved Larry climbing on top of Judson's roofs with structural and electrical engineers while Bill surveyed financing options. Their due diligence found that actually they could build a bigger array—140 panels covering nearly 75% of their usage. This improved the financing and allowed them to bundle a roof replacement with the project. The information changed regularly during discovery, and Brad had his hands full communicating with church leaders.

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Finally the day came when the team presented the final proposal to the congregation. Brad admitted he was a little nervous, knowing how complicated the project was. But Judson had grown over the years in its dedication to climate justice. They pray regularly for the earth



and climate change such as climate refugees. Their pastor, the Rev. Travis Norvell, bikes to work and includes environmental justice themes in his sermons (follow him on twitter: <u>@pedalingpastor</u>).

The team had done their homework. The team presented a project that fit their congregation's environmental values while also taking a prudent financial path. After some healthy Q&A's, the congregation embraced the array whole-heartedly, and everyone celebrated. There were still a lot of steps for the team, but Larry championed the project from that point forward, working with the developer through the installation phase.

In early June, Xcel threw the final switch to turn on the system, and with this final step Judson summited the peak. They turned their values into action—a new source of energy that offsets a huge portion of their carbon emissions, helping to alleviate the climate crisis.

https://www.mnipl.org/2021/09/solar-illuminates-congregation-values/

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#### **BREAKFAST SERVED AT YOUTHLINK**

One of the four action groups at Judson is "Youth Experiencing Homelessness Action Group." We have given donations and have supported YouthLink by serving meals at the downtown drop-in center.

On Tuesday, October 12th, Jackie Thureson, Lynne Hesse, Kathy Urbaniak and Wayne Urbaniak arrived at YouthLink at 8 a.m. They were greeted by Sonya Yermishkin, Volunteer Coordinator at YouthLink, who helped us prepare and serve the breakfast along with Chef Carl.

We were told to plan for around 15 youth. Kathy had gotten all the ingredients for the breakfast, and we brought them to YouthLink that morning. We served scrambled eggs, turkey bacon, tater tots, bagels and cream cheese, blueberry muffins, and orange juice.

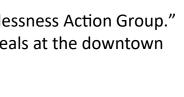
This was the first breakfast served for 18 months because of Covid, and so there were only a few youth, but we did serve about 8 staff. We enjoyed serving the breakfast, and we hope there will be future opportunities to volunteer at YouthLink.

#### **IT'S ALMOST ADVENT!**

The theme of our Advent series this year is "A New Kind of Church, A New Kind of Christian"

There will be a Christmas eve service at 9pm, details forthcoming

A Christmas Pageant is also in the works



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#### PICTURES FROM KARLA MCGRAY'S BOOK OFFERING



Judson Connections (email) will come out on Wednesdays and Fridays. **Wednesdays** will feature the Midweek Pause, our online worship, which is uploaded to Judson's YouTube channel on Wednesdays. **Fridays** will contain information on Sunday worship, events, church news, a look at the week ahead, and a recap of the week.

I encourage you to like or follow Judson's Facebook page. Each day's main post has a theme: Mystic Monday, Tune for Tuesday, Worship Wednesday, Theology Thursday and Fun Friday. In addition to the main post we will include news, events and updates. **Please take a second to like, comment, and share these posts within your networks.** 

Lastly, you can find/follow Judson's growing digital presence thorough our easy to share **link tree** (links to the Judson webpage, Facebook page, YouTube Channel and Instagram account). https://linktr.ee/JudsonChurch

#### FINAL GARDEN UPDATE FOR THE SEASON

The gardeners and the gardens had a beautiful summer. We are not trimming the plants back much this fall so that insects, bees and pollinators can use the leaf and plant cover to aid in their survival this winter. Enjoy the look as frost and snow decorate them. On another note, the arcade flower boxes will be rebuilt by Chip ten Bensel in the next few weeks. They were beginning to rot from the bottom up. We will look forward to planting the boxes again in the spring.



#### ODDS AND ENDS

-Please follow the <u>Judson Channel on Vimeo</u> [ctrl click] so you can receive the latest worship services. -Please <u>like Judson Church on Facebook</u>. [ctrl click]

-And please forward this sign-up link [ctrl click] to your friends and encourage them to sign up for our daily emails.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have any updates for the Tree of Life (the Judson Prayer List), either send them to me at (<u>gtnorvell@judsonchurch.org</u>) or send them to Eileen at (<u>info@judsonchurch.org</u>). [ctrl click]

#### DIRECTORY REQUESTS

If you need an updated copy of an updated Judson Directory, please let Eileen know at (<u>info@judsonchurch.org</u>). You can request a hard copy or a PDF copy sent to you by email. If you have changed your address, phone number, or new email, please contact the church office.

#### LULU JOHNSON'S BLOG

We wish blessings on Lulu's travel and study. Lulu is on her **Fulbright Scholarship** in Seoul, South Korea. <u>She</u> will blog about her experience here. [ctrl click]

#### CHURCH CALENDAR ON WEBSITE

-If you have a Judson gathering (a meeting or an event), please let Eileen in the office know so we can put it on the <u>Judson Church Calendar</u>. *[ctrl click]* Again, this is another tool to share with others the good news of this congregation. We are doing lots of good work; let's not cover up that light!

#### Twin Cities Gay Men's Chorus December Concert –*There will Be Light*

TCGMC is brightening spirits this December! In addition to celebrating the winter holidays, we're also celebrating the return of live singing!

Presenting live concerts for the first time since December 2019, TCGMC is doing it in a big, majestic way at the historic Landmark Center on December 16 and 17.. *There Will Be Light* is inspired by the song, "Light," from the musical *Next to Normal* and serves as musical affirmation that, indeed, we have the opportunity to emerge out of darkness and into light as a more loving, inclusive, community.

In addition to timeless holiday favorites, TCGMC will present a wide variety of repertoire such as an Islamic prayer about the light of Allah, the music of Sweet Honey in the Rock, and the unveiling of our newest commissioned work, **"Love Comes Home,"** by the world-renowned composer Kim André Arnesen!

Purchase tickets online at tcgmc.org or by calling 612-339-7664 (M-F, 9-4pm)

#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 2021**

#### Sunday, November 7th:

9:30am: Worship, Listening to our Ancestors: St Benedict and St Scholastica Special Guest: Rev. Dr. Molly Marshall

Interim President at United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities

#### Sunday, November 14th:

9:30am: Worship, Listening to Our Ancestors: Mashup

Special Guest: Dr Trisha Zimmerman

Associate Professor of Practice in Religion at St. Olaf College

#### Sunday, November 21:

9:30am: Worship, Thanksgiving Sunday

Judson's 112th Birthday

#### Sunday, November 28:

9:30am: Worship, First Sunday of Advent

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