

Morning Rundown: Minister's Heretical 'Sparkle Creed' Sparks Controversy and Criticism

Here's a quick rundown of the top stories on :

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A Lutheran minister has sparked controversy and captured public attention with a recitation of a heretical "Sparkle Creed" during a recent church service.

Anna Helgen, co-pastor at Edina Community Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota, led the congregation in the recitation, which has drawn criticism for its departure from biblical teachings.

In this creed, Helgen proclaimed her belief in a nonbinary God, assigning plural pronouns to the divine. Such a portrayal deviates from the biblical understanding of God's nature and character. The Scriptures clearly refer to God in masculine terms and emphasize the unity and oneness of the divine being (John 1:18, 1 Cor. 8:6).

Conservative Commentator Todd Starnes Permanently Banned From YouTube

Conservative commentator and radio talk show host Todd Starnes says YouTube has permanently shut down his account.

In a recent blog post, Starnes explains that he had posted a video of a recent gay pride parade in Seattle. He criticized the event because it featured naked male cyclists "exposing themselves in front of children".

“Within minutes – my entire YouTube account was terminated. It was the last straw,” he wrote. “YouTube accused me of severe and repeated violations of their community guidelines.”

What Is Happening to Patriotism in America?

“America is the only country ever founded on an idea. [It is] the only country that is not founded on race or even common history. It’s founded on an idea and the idea is liberty. That is probably the rarest phenomena in the political history of the world; this has never happened before. And not only has it happened, but it’s worked.” –author and commentator Charles Krauthammer (1950-2018)

This year marks the 247th anniversary of the signing of our nation’s Declaration of Independence. Significantly, it explicitly acknowledged God four times and we are told that all men are “created equal” and are “endowed by their Creator” with the unalienable right to “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

The declaration cites the “laws of nature and of nature’s God” as authoritative and appeals to Him as the “Supreme Judge of the world.” Finally, the Founding Fathers expressed in the declaration their “firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence.”