

✚ 20th Sunday after Pentecost ✚

October 22, 2017 10:00 A.M.

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Please use the time during the prelude for quiet meditation to prepare yourself for worship.

◆Prelude

◆Call to Worship

Pastor: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation
day after day. Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

People: **For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
he is to be feared above all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.
Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and glory are in his sanctuary.**

Pastor: Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come into his courts.
Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth.
Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns."
The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity.

People: **Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.
Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.
Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,
he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples in his faithfulness.**

◆Song of Praise (BH #326) *Somebody's Knocking at Your Door*

◆Invocation

The Lord's Prayer (forgive us our sins...)

WORD

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 45:1-7

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

◆Gloria Patri (BH #109)

Pastoral Prayer

◆Hymn of Preparation *In Christ Alone*

Message "Modeling Worthy of Imitation"
Rev. Mark Westlund

RESPONSE

◆Hymn of Response (BH #195) *Shine Jesus Shine*

Prayer of Confession (In Unison):

God of Grace, we know that you have chosen us, but we often forget that you have also chosen others. You call us to be imitators of Christ, yet many times we are imitators of the world. You challenge us to turn from our idols, but we are tempted to turn back to them again and again. Rescue us, Lord, from ourselves. Show us your way. Guide our every action, that we may live as you call us to live.

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Pardon (Pastor):

The God of Hosts assures us that if we trust God's Word, we will be led back to the life that God calls us to live. God is eager to show us the path home. Accept the offer of the new life we have been given through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Life Together

Offering

Offertory *10,000 Reasons*

◆Doxology (BH #48) *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

◆ Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

◆ **Hymn of Dismissal** (BH #529) *Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast*

◆ **Benediction**
Postlude

◆ **Indicates those who are able should stand.**

NOTES OF INTEREST

Childcare is offered for infants and younger children in the church nursery. If you need directions or more information feel free to ask an usher for assistance.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Greg Goetz, Carol Latimer, Lorraine Sorensen, Linda Stearns (Pryme Tymers "Happygrams"), Linnea Wimpenny.

As a church family we extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Hazel Carlson who entered the life eternal on Monday, October 16. Visitation and funeral service was held at Trinity on Saturday, October 21 at 11 A.M. Peace be to Hazel's memory.

Rev. Mark Westlind.....Interim Pastor
Stuart Seale.....Director of Music and Worship
Betty Aardema and Nate Van Der Male.....Organists
Amanda Fulton.....Director, Noah's Ark Preschool
Karen Christakos.....Church Secretary
Joe Michalowicz.....Custodian

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It's a Kingdom Thing

Pastor Mark invites you to join him on Wednesday evenings now through December 6 for his class that looks deeply into what the Gospel means for our lives.

We meet at 6 PM for a light dinner;
class begins at 6:30 P.M. and concludes at 8 P.M.

CHIC 2018 NEWS

Calling all High School Students...CHIC is coming! July 15-20 in Knoxville, TN. CHIC is a triennial conference for high school students sponsored by Make and Deepen Disciples, the Evangelical Covenant Church. CHIC is a worship, transformational and fun week of Christ! If you have completed grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 in the 2017-2018 school year and are 15 years old by Dec. 31, 2017 then you are eligible to go. If you are a senior and already went to CHIC you are welcome, too!

Registration forms are available in the church office or see Kellie Lee. Deposits and registration sheets are due by Dec. 15, 2017. Please pay \$100 early bird registration deposit by Dec. 15, 2017. Final payments of \$499 are due may 15, 2018.

Extra fees include: optional excursions from \$10 to \$75 and transportation fees. We are looking into air fare and bus costs.

Questions? See Kellie Lee or email: pglkl99@comcast.net

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WELCOME TO TRINITY

So that we can get to know you better and you can better know us, please complete the tear-off below and place in the offering plate. Thank you!

Date: _____

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Calendar for the Week:

Today:

- 10 A.M. Worship
- 10–11 A.M. Nursery for Infants/Sunday School Pre-K – 6th Grade
- 11:15 A.M. Confirmation Class and High School Youth Group
- 11:30 A.M. Adult Sunday School, Fireside Room

This Week:

- Mon.-Fri. 9:00 A.M. Noah's Ark Preschool
- Tues. 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study, Fireside Room
- Wed. 6:00 P.M. Light dinner prior to Pastor Mark's class
- Wed. 6:30 P.M. "It's A Kingdom Thing" class, presented by Pastor Mark
- Thur. 11 A.M. Pryme Tymers
- Fri. 6 P.M. Noah's Ark Pizza Night Fundraiser, Peterson Hall

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- 4 P.M. Youth Group K-6th Grade Halloween party, Peterson Hall

Oct. 29 – Nursery Helpers: Heidi Weszely, Carol Latimer
Greeters: Tom & Barbara Dori

Announcements:

Adult Sunday School

In October Jenny DeVivo continues her topic on the Nicene Creed. As early Christians wrestled with their understanding of Jesus and determined what was orthodoxy and what was heresy, the theologically dense Nicene Creed states many foundational beliefs about Christ and Christianity.

In November the class will be lead by Rev. Dr. Paul O. Bischoff on the "The Reformation Wasn't Protestant", a 3-week forum on the life of Martin Luther and the impact of his Reformation theology on the church. Dr. Bischoff studied theology and received his doctorate in Bonhoeffer from Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, the University of Chicago and Oxford.

Color the World Orange Day

Wear the color **Orange** on Monday, November 6, in support of MaryFaith West who was diagnosed 4 years ago with Complex Regional Pain Syndrome, a very painful disease. Help raise awareness by attending the awareness party on Saturday, November 4, 12-4 P.M., at Hometown School, 8870 S. Duffy. Proceeds benefit The Ferocious Fighters. Contact Michelle West for further information.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, December 16: Greg Athnos, Professor of Music for 32 years at North Park University, will present a class on *A New View of Handel's Messiah*. Mr. Athnos has done research and has an entirely new view of Handel's spiritual commitment to the text used in the masterpiece. Class starts at 10 A.M., with a break for lunch, and resumes following lunch. Look for sign up information in future bulletins.

Today's Scripture:

Isaiah 45:1-7

"This is what the LORD says to his anointed,
to Cyrus, whose right hand I take hold of
to subdue nations before him
and to strip kings of their armor,
to open doors before him
so that gates will not be shut:

²I will go before you
and will level the mountains;

I will break down gates of bronze
and cut through bars of iron.

³I will give you hidden treasures,
riches stored in secret places,
so that you may know that I am the LORD,
the God of Israel, who summons you by name.

⁴For the sake of Jacob my servant,
of Israel my chosen,
I summon you by name
and bestow on you a title of honor,
though you do not acknowledge me.

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other;

apart from me there is no God.

I will strengthen you,

though you have not acknowledged me,

⁶so that from the rising of the sun

to the place of its setting

people may know there is none besides me.

I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷I form the light and create darkness,

I bring prosperity and create disaster;

I, the LORD, do all these things.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

1 Paul, Sila and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace and peace to you. ²We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. ³We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴For we know, brothers and sister loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. ⁶You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. ⁷And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. ⁸The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, ⁹for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

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Halloween-themed Games

Candy Prizes
And...

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