

✦ Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost ✦
October 28, 2018 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 (Responsively)**

Pastor: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dreamed.

**People: Our mouths were filled with laughter,
our tongues with songs of joy.
Then it was said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”**

Unison: The LORD has done great things for us,
and we are filled with joy. Restore our fortunes, LORD,
like streams in the Negev.

Pastor: Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy.

**Unison: Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow,
will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.**

◆ **Hymn of Praise** (BH #412) *Be Thou My Vision*

◆ **Invocation**

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

Kingdom Kids *Walking in the Light*
10,000 Reasons

WORD

Scripture Readings

Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22
Jeremiah 31:7-9
Mark 10:46-52

◆ *Gloria Patri* (BH #109)

Pastoral Prayer

◆ **Hymn of Preparation** (BH #341) *Amazing Grace!* (vs. 1,2,5)

Message **“I sought the Lord and He heard me”**
Rev. Mark Westlind, Senior Pastor

RESPONSE

◆ **Hymn of Response** *In Christ Alone*

Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Lord we are so grateful and thankful that you hear our cries of pain and anguish. We feel supported and cared for by You. What we confess today is our short memory. We forget about your care for us. We think you do not care and we know we are so wrong. You have died for us and given your all. Forgive us we pray and help us to recall the numerous times that you have heard us and given us your saving grace. You never stop saving and forgiving us.

(Silent Reflection)

Assurance of Pardon (Responsively)

Pastor: Dear people of God. The Lord always hears our cries. He has heard us just now as well. Know that your confession is heard. Know also that you are forgiven.

Unison: Since we are His people and are called by His name; we now humble ourselves and pray. We receive the promise that we and our lands can and will be healed. Amen and amen! May God be praised!

Passing of the Peace

Life Together

Offering

Offertory

◆ *Doxology*

◆ Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

◆**Hymn of Dismissal** (BH #368) *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

◆**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 feel free to ask an usher for assistance.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Marjorie Cassady, Chloe Johnson, Char Dunk-Sladek, Lorraine Sorensen.

**REMINDER – NEXT SUNDAY
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
MOVE CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR**



Rev. Mark Westlind.....Senior Pastor
Stuart SealeDirector of Music and Worship
Betty Aardema and Nate Van Der Male.....Organists
Christina Palazzolo.....Director, Noah's Ark Preschool
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Fall Musical – Free Show for Senior Citizens

The Oak Lawn Community High School's Theater Department extends an invitation to all the seniors in the area to see this year's musical, *Chicago*. Set in the city during the 1920's jazz age, *Chicago* explores the fascination with and the personality of celebrity murderers.

When: Wednesday, October 31

Time: The show starts at 10 A.M. so please *plan to arrive early at the high school by 9:30 A.M.*

Where: Oak Lawn Community High School, 9400 Southwest Highway, Oak Lawn, IL 60453. Enter at the Front Door.

BRING YOUR FRIENDS TOO! Just mention the name "Tom Panush" or say you're from the "Pryme Tymers".

Today's Scripture:

Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22

I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. ²I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice. ³Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together. ⁴I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. ⁵Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame. ⁶This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles. ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them. ⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. ¹⁹The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all; ²⁰he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken. ²¹Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned. ²²The LORD will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

Jeremiah 31:7-9

⁷This is what the LORD says: "Sing with joy for Jacob; shout for the foremost of the nations. Make your praises heard, and say, 'LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.'" ⁸See, I will bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the ends of the earth. Among them will be the blind and the lame, expectant mothers and women in labor; a great throng will return. ⁹They will come with weeping; they will pray as I bring them back.

I will lead them beside streams of water on a level path where they will not stumble, because I am Israel's father, and Ephraim is my firstborn son.

Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁸Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁹Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." ⁵⁰Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

⁵¹"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."

⁵²"Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

Calendar for the Week:

Today:

- 8:45 A.M. Adult Sunday School, Fireside Room
- 10 A.M. Nursery for Infants/Sunday School Pre-K – 6th Grade
- 10 A.M. Worship
- 11:20 A.M. Confirmation Class, Youth Room

This Week:

- Mon.-Fri. 9 A.M. Noah’s Ark Preschool
- Tues. 9:30 AM. Women’s Bible Study
- Note: No Wednesday Evening class

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November 4 – Nursery Helpers: Judy and Ariel Kurzweil
Greeters: Pam Romano, Heidi Weszely

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 _____

Announcements:

October Adult Sunday School

Join us in the Fireside Room at **8:45 A.M.** with Dr. Paul Bischof as he concludes his class on “Dietrich Bonhoeffer: A 20th Century Martyr”. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, professor, pastor and plot participant, spoke out early against Hitler and his demonic reign. His secular-yet-Christian theology countered the racist religious fantasy of the Nazis. This seminar gets into four of Bonhoeffer’s best-known books: *Discipleship*, *Life Together*, *Ethics* and *Letters & Papers from Prison* in which he challenges us to proclaim the Gospel in Jesus’ non-religious language with a human accent as a church that exists for others.

In November, the class will start at 9:00 A.M. Mel Mueller will conduct the class on the subject: I Timothy, a study of Paul’s letter to Timothy concerning the care of the church at Ephesus. Please join us in leaning about I Timothy and enjoy some “coffee and...” too.

**Trinity Evangelical Covenant Church
Miriam Circle/Covenant Women Ministries
Presents**

JulFest

Saturday, December 1, 2018



All ladies are invited to celebrate the Christmas Season at Trinity's Annual JulFest on Saturday, December 1, at 11 A.M. Our program will feature "Christmas Joy" with Debbie and Haley, a mother-daughter duet.

To reserve your tickets, fill out the form below and place in the offering plate. Tables will accommodate 8/9 people maximum. Full payment is required when picking up your tickets on November 4, 11, 18 or 25 in Peterson Hall following the morning worship service. Tickets will also be on sale in Peterson Hall after worship on November 4, 11, 18 and 25. Please see Kay Shannon or Carol Strickland or contact the church office with any questions.

(See reverse side of this flyer for additional JulFest information.)

10:15 A.M. Doors open for craft shopping

11:00 A.M. JulFest Program

12 P.M. Swedish Smorgasbord



RSVP – JulFest December 1

Name: _____ Phone: _____

I wish to purchase tickets:

_____ Adults (\$20.00) _____ Children age 5-12 (\$5.00)

_____ Children under age 5 – free



Trinity Celebrates JulFest December 1

Trinity's annual JulFest is on Saturday, December 1. Our craft room will open at 10:15 A.M. until our program "Christmas Joy" begins at 11 A.M. Doors will reopen after the luncheon. Lingonberries, Bondost cheese and coffee cakes will be on sale with proceeds benefiting the Family Winter Weekend. Miriam Circle will have a gift table of new or gently used items. If you wish to have your own table, please contact Lorraine Weszely.

On Thursday, November 29, at 1:00 P.M., we really need all those who are available to help us decorate Peterson Hall. Let us all work together to make JulFest 2018 special for all those who attend.

Our ladies are asked to bring 3 dozen home baked cookies for dessert. If possible, please bring cookies on November 29.

Wednesday Evening Class with Pastor Mark

Frederick Buechner said, "Call is where your greatest joy meets the world's deepest pain."

Pastor Mark's Wednesday evening class is a 10-week study with 4 sessions remaining. We would LOVE to have you join us.

We have a light dinner at 6 P.M. in Peterson Hall, followed by the class from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. in the Fireside Room. The course is titled, "The Call." We are



examining "Call" in our own lives and also calls upon the lives of many of the OT and NT heroes.

One of the themes we have looked at are the three different types of "calls."

1- The call that Jesus makes upon our lives to bring us to Him through salvation.

2- The occasional/seasonal/short term call that we get involved with through the "nudgings" of the Holy Spirit. We can have different calls through the seasons of our lives.

3- The call that is upon our lives on a daily basis. We have coined a phrase for this which is: "Life-Thread."

Come enjoy the interaction and fellowship.

Please fill out the form below and return to the church office.

We hope you'll join us.

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November 7 _____

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