

**✚ 16th Sunday after Pentecost ✚**  
**September 24, 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 (Responsively)**

Pastor: Shout for joy to God, all the earth!  
Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious.

People: **Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
So great is your power that your enemies cringe before  
you. All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise  
to you, they sing the praises of your name.**

Pastor: Come and see what God has done, his awesome deeds for  
mankind!

People: **He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the  
waters on foot—come, let us rejoice in him**

Pastor: He rules forever by his power, his eyes watch the nations—  
let not the rebellious rise up against him

All: **Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise  
be heard; Amen.**

**◆Song of Praise** (BH #269) *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

**◆Invocation**

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

**WORD**

**Scripture Reading**

Acts 17:22-32 (Paul at the Areopagus)

**◆Gloria Patri** (BH #109)

**Pastoral Prayer**

**◆Hymn of Preparation** (BH #57) *This is My Father's World*

**Message "What's New? A Collision of Cultures!"**  
Rev. Mark Westlind

**RESPONSE**

**◆Hymn of Response** (BH #322) *You Servants of God, Your Master  
Proclaim*

**Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

**Maker and giver of all, forgive us when we are too preoccupied  
to notice your presence in our lives: when we walk through this  
world  
and fail to see the wonder of you upholding our lives and all  
creation;  
when we walk through our lives and fail to see you abiding with,  
within, and around us; when we walk through holy moments and  
fail to savor your presence, instead feeling abandoned in the  
vast sweep of life as each day rushes at us with its demands.  
Open our eyes to your presence, God of love, that we may lean  
on you -for you uphold all of creation in tenderness and power.  
Amen.**

**(Silent Prayer)**

**Words of Assurance (Pastor)**

Even in the midst of doubt and darkness, the light of God is shining in  
you, on you, and through you. Out of God's great love, you have been  
redeemed and made whole. Rejoice, beloved of God! AMEN.

**Passing of the Peace**

**Life Together**

**Offering**

Offertory *Make us One*

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

**◆Prayer of Dedication**

**SENDING**

**◆Hymn of Dismissal** *So Send I You*

**◆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, Pauline Guadagno (Tracy Hood's mother), Carol Latimer, Lorraine Sorensen, Linda Stearns (Pryme Tymers "Happygrams"), Linnea Wimpenny.

As a church family we extend our deep sympathy to the family of Natalie Marie Hjelmberg who passed away on Friday, September 15 at the age of 94. Natalie was a longtime member of Trinity Church and a resident of Covenant Village of Northbrook since 1996. Memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 7 at 10 A.M. at Covenant Village of Northbrook, 2625 Techny Road, Northbrook, 847-998-1020. Memorial gifts to the Benevolent Fund, Covenant Village of Northbrook, 2625 Techny Road, Northbrook, IL 60062. Peace be to Natalie's memory.

As a church family we extend our deep sympathy to JoAnn Bergwall on the death of her cousin, Peggy Lundmark (a longtime member of Trinity) who entered the life eternal on Thursday, September 21 in Tucson, AZ. Peace be to Peggy's memory.

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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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**SWEDISH CULTURAL COLLISION**

**SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING**

Today, September 24 at 12 P.M. in Peterson Hall

We will be discussing certain financial matters concerning the church.

We encourage all of you to participate in the meeting.

**SAVE THE DATES  
FOR UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Thur. Oct 12. 11 A.M. Pryme Tymers
- Sat. Oct. 14 3 P.M. Pacesetters (anyone age 65+) gathering at Betty Aardema's
- Sun. Oct 15 12 P.M. Let's Do Lunch-Camp Fundraiser
- Tue. Oct 17 11 A.M. Covenant Women/Miriam Circle lunch, program and meeting.
- Tue. Oct. 17 November Messenger articles due.
- Thur. Oct. 26 11 A.M. Pryme Tymers
- Fri. Oct. 27 6 P.M. Noah's Ark Preschool – Pizza Night Fundraiser

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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 begins
- 12 P.M. Special Business Meeting, Peterson Hall
- 12:45 P.M. County Line Orchard Family Event, ages 5-12, K-6<sup>th</sup> Gr

**This Week:**

- Mon.-Fri. 9 A.M. Noah's Ark Preschool
- Tues. 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study
- Thur. 11 A.M. Pryme Tymers
- Fri. 10:30 A.M. Noah's Ark Preschool-Grandparents Day

**Next Sunday:**

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- 11:30 A.M. Adult Sunday School

**Oct. 1 – Nursery Helpers:** Denise Sullivan, Diana Eigenbauer

**Greeters:** Paula Cassady, Jeff Blust

**Announcements:**

**Adult Sunday School**

Our Adult Sunday School class resumes *today* with Greg Goetz teaching on *Tongues of Fire: Aspects of the Holy Spirit*. The class begins at 11:30 A.M. in our usual spot, the Fireside Room. Hope to see you there, Greg always has interesting insights to share.

*In October*, Jenny DeVivo, Associate Professor of Theology, will lead the class. Jenny's topic is 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. The class will start at 11:30 and last until approximately 12:15. Everyone is invited to attend and welcome Jenny back here again. She is a favorite with our class.

### **North Park University Concert**

On Saturday, October 7 at 7:30 P.M. the North Park University Concert Band will be presenting the 8th Annual "Exceptional Music for Exceptional Families" concert, for families of children with autism and special needs. The concert is free and will include an "instrument petting zoo" at 7:00 P.M. To reserve a space in the accessible performance venue at Anderson Chapel, contact Karen Dickelman at 773-244-5625 or [kdickelman@northpark.edu](mailto:kdickelman@northpark.edu).

### **Covenant Women Give Back**

Save the date, **Tuesday, October 17** at 11 A.M. in the Fireside Room after Bible Study, for Covenant Women/Miriam Circle lunch, program and meeting. Most of us have enjoyed the bounty of food that our "Larry Thomas" brings to us quite often. Larry volunteers at the Affordable Recovery Foundation in Blue Island, a facility where homeless recovering addicts [both men (150) and women (50)] can get room/board, food /shelter, help finding a job, and counseling for \$35 a day. Most of these residents find employment, go to work daily and pay for their room and board. We can help the residents by donating "new" or "gently used" clothing, as well as toiletries. There is a "wishlist" on the Covenant Women bulletin board for items needed (please note, most residents work in factories and cannot use "dressy" clothes.) Drop off your donations to the Overflow Room starting Sunday, October 8. We will present the donations to Larry on October 17. Please RSVP to Lorraine Weszely by Sunday, October 15.

### **Carson's Day Books**

Noah's Ark Preschool is selling Carson's Community Days coupon books for \$5. The book contains over \$500 in coupons. Get good prices on the latest fashions and help support our preschool at the same time! Community Days are Wednesday-Saturday, November 8-11. All proceeds go towards the school. Please see Ms. Amanda (708-969-3481).

### **Reading to Noah's Ark Preschoolers**

Noah's Ark Preschool is looking for volunteers to lend their voice in reading to the preschool children on Fridays at 11

A.M. You are invited to read a Bible Card and a story provided by the teacher. See the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex, call the church office or Ms. Amanda at 708-969-3481.

### **Today's Scripture:**

#### **Acts 17:22-32 (Paul at the Areopagus)**

<sup>22</sup>Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>"The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands.<sup>25</sup>And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else.<sup>26</sup>From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. <sup>27</sup>God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. <sup>28</sup>'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.'<sup>29</sup>"Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. <sup>30</sup>In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. <sup>31</sup>For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead."<sup>32</sup>When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of them sneered, but others said, "We want to hear you again on this subject."



Noah's Ark Preschool  
Pizza Night Fundraiser!!

**When:** Friday October 27 6:00 p.m.

**Where:** Noah's Ark Preschool and  
Trinity Covenant Church in Peterson Hall  
9230 S. Pulaski Oak Lawn

Kids come in costume

All you can eat pizza and salad!!!!

\$6.00 per person, children 2 and under are FREE

Raffle tickets will be 6 for \$5.00

Please purchase tickets in advance from  
Ms. Amanda

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RSVP - Noah's Ark Preschool Pizza Night Oct. 27

We can attend: \_\_\_\_\_

How many adults \_\_\_\_\_ children \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## An Autumn Afternoon of Music

Do you like to listen to music?

Do you like to sing?

Are you 65 or older?

Then join us at Betty Aardema's

6250 W. 127<sup>th</sup> Place

Palos Heights

on **Saturday, October 14**, at 3 P.M.

for an afternoon of music, singing, fellowship,  
and supper.

Pacesetters will supply the supper.

The \$ amount to be determined (approximately \$5).

If you need transportation, please let

Pat Anderson or Pat Petersen know by October 8.

Note: It is important that you RSVP by October 8.



### RSVP - Pacesetters October 14:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone  
Number \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I need transportation \_\_\_\_\_