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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 am • CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am • Jay Carlson and Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastors

## A PRAYER FOR PEACE

While I was in seminary, I was awarded a grant that allowed me to spend several months in Israel and Palestine. The majority of my time was split between Bethlehem in the West Bank and the Muslim Quarter of Jerusalem’s Old City.

The primary purpose of the trip was personal discernment. At the time I was vacillating between humanitarian aid work and ordained ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The Lilly Foundation thought it was time that I privileged one path over the other; I agreed. My project allowed me to learn simultaneously alongside aid organizations—namely, the Lutheran World Federation and the Mennonite Central Committee—and two Lutheran congregations.

My vocational exploration quickly took a backseat to my love affair with the region. I became fast friends with some Mennonite relief workers in the West Bank, a Palestinian family in Bethlehem, a tourist shop owner in Jerusalem, an archeologist from South Africa, and lots of American expats working for various NGOs. There was hummus and fresh-squeezed lemonade, latkes and applesauce, midday cotton candy out of the back of an old sedan and after hours falafel on the backstreets of the city. So many beautiful memories were shaped that summer.

Of course, not even the power of relationships and the cultural charm of the region could fully mask the underlying difficulties that have faced this 10,000 square mile plot of land for generations. The rockets, the walls, the machine guns, the rocks thrown, the angry words exchanged—even as a short-timer, I was caught up in the complicated unrest that felt like the norm soon after I arrived.

Outside my apartment window in the Old City, stood a minaret. (I didn’t take that into account when I was securing a place to live.) It called me to prayer throughout the day and night. The muezzin’s voice reminded me that in the midst of the joy and sorrow, fear and hope that everyone was experiencing each and every day, God was present and listening to all of creation.

Each time I hear a report of the conflict raging in and around Gaza, I hear the muezzin’s voice, as well. I know he’s still singing about life, even in the midst of the devastating destruction. This week, I invite you to sing a prayer for peace, too.

– Ingrid Rasmussen, Pastor

*Sustain together in undiminished hope, O God,  
those who continue to labor with undiminished determination  
to build peace in the land from which  
hope emerged for so many of faith.*

*Bless all together*

*with the light of your presence.*

*For in the light of your presence*

*we have found a way of justice and mercy  
and a vision of peace.*

*We praise you O God, Giver of Peace,  
who commands us to love. Amen*

– adapted from Rabbi Herbert Bronstein

## NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says: “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing bread and cup of the eucharist, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God’s presence to others.*



### LESSONS

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28  
Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b  
Romans 10:5-15  
Matthew 14:22-33

### ADULT FORUM

10:00 am — In the library

### AUGUST 10

### “CHILDREN IN WORSHIP”

Pastor Jay Carlson

Among the list of five promises parents make to their infants during the service of baptism is to “bring them to the word of God and the holy supper.” It sounds simple at the time, but some parents later find bringing their kids to church to be among the hardest things they do during the week. Why is it important? How can our congregation live out the promise we make at baptisms to support children and their parents? All are invited to participate in this discussion about children and worship.

### AUGUST 17

### “GODLY PLAY”

Kay Buzza

Children have an innate sense of the presence of God. The Godly Play approach helps them to explore their faith through story, to gain religious language, and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Kay Buzza, with the help of Stephanie Sulzbach and others, led a wonderful first year of Godly Play for our youngest Sunday School students last year. Come join Kay and her students to experience Godly Play for yourself. We will meet in the Godly Play classroom on the third floor.

### HOLY TRINITY CAMPING TRIP

We’re making plans for an intergenerational camping weekend, September 19-21. Please mark your calendars. It will take place at Nerstrand Big Woods group camp. All are welcome! Talk to Pastor Jay or Theresa Rian for more information about this event. A sign-up sheet is available in the Community Room.

There will be one worship service at 10:00 a.m.  
on Sunday, August 31. It will be held outdoors,  
weather permitting

# PARISH INFORMATION

## MUSIC IN THE GARDEN, AUGUST 10

Join us from 12:00-1:00 in the Rain Garden for fellowship and music from Lake Street Bridge. Lake Street Bridge is Bob Aldrich and Paul Baglyos, two musicians living on opposite sides of the Mississippi. Two guitars, all original instrumentals, an amalgam of blues, jazz and American fingerstyle.

## MEALS ON WHEELS

Holy Trinity will be delivering meals for South Minneapolis Meals on Wheels the week of August 18-22. Volunteers are needed to pick up and deliver meals during these days. Meals are picked up at 11:10 a.m. at Nokomis Square delivery area, 35th Ave. and 50th St. Delivery takes about 1 hour. You may volunteer for 1-5 days. A sign-up list is in the Community Room or you may call Mary Engen at 612-721-7181.

## END OF SUMMER GATHERING ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

We will gather in the Rain Garden to celebrate the end of summer and the beginning of the school year on Friday, September 12. There will be ice cream and special music, including a Longfellow bluegrass band. If you would like to sing or play one piece during the evening, please contact Randy Nelson, Nicholas Ellison, or Pastor Ingrid.

## WRITERS' CIRCLE

All are welcome to join the Holy Trinity Writers' Circle. On the 2nd Tuesday of every month a small group of writers meet to give one another support in their craft. Join them at their next meeting, August 12th, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Mary Martha Room.

## RACE: THE POWER OF AN ILLUSION

The Outreach Committee invites all to view the second session of *Race: The Power of an Illusion* and to engage in conversation about race, difference, faith, and justice. Tuesday, August 12 from 7-9 p.m. in the library. Please join us, even if you were unable to attend the first session. We'd like your voice and your experiences represented at the conversation table.

## LONGFELLOW CORN FEED

The 44th Annual Longfellow Corn Feed will be Thursday, August 14th at Longfellow Park (3435 36th Ave S). This year will have all the staples of the Corn Feed—live music, a resource fair featuring local businesses and organizations, ice cream, games, activities, and (of course!) roasted corn. A lovely summer evening with plenty of activities.

## PARISH EVENTS August 10-16, 2014

<b>Sunday</b>	8:45, 11 am	Worship Services with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Adult Forum
	12:00 pm	Music in the Garden
	2:00 pm	Swahili Service
	3:00 pm	Javen Swanson's Ordination at Gloria Dei
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 pm	Nurturing and Christian Education Meetings
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 pm	Writers' Circle
	7:00 pm	Viewing of <i>Race the Power of Illusion, Part II</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 - 5 pm	LVC Orientation
	5:30-8 pm	Longfellow Corn Feed at Longfellow Park
<b>Friday</b>	1:00 pm	Youth bike ride, pool, and pizza party at Benson's

Boiler Fund by Meagan McLaughlin

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS August 10, 2014

8:45 AM		11:00 AM	
Jay Carlson	<b>Preacher</b>	Jay Carlson	
Joel Wiberg	<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Keith Olstad Sara Christians, Mason Helmel	
<b>Acolytes</b>			
Karen Batdorf	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Lynda Nordholm	
Josh Becker	<b>Crucifer</b>	Jeff Weiss	
<b>Communion</b>			
Bruce Martens, Joyce Peterson	Sue Roberts, Susan Wootten Joe Fortier, Linda Woytasek		
Gerry/Linda Berglin	<b>Altar Guild</b>		
<b>Ushers</b>			
Bob/Bev Peschiutta, Chris Engen	G. Madich, M. Hiner, Bob/Helen Norheim		
Engens	<b>Coffee Servers</b>	Gosiewski/Hefte	
Ron/Margaret Peterson	<b>Counters</b>	Gary Johnson, Mary Ellen Olson	
<b>Closer</b>			

Financial Report	August 3	Year to Date
Budget Requirements	13,591.35	421,331.73
Budget Receipts	16,249.97	413,821.42
World Hunger		10,711.57
Disaster Relief		50.00
Boiler Donations	15.00	25,027.50
ELCA Malaria Campaign		1,020.00
African Pastor's endowment		960.00
Exodus Appeal		7,438.00
Food Shelf		160.00

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