

# Last Week This Week 7-24-16: Donald Trump Edition

Wrath /ræθ/ *noun*

1□: strong vengeful anger or indignation□  
(chiefly used for humorous or rhetorical effect)

2□: retributory punishment for an offense or a  
crime: divine chastisement□

## On WBT

David James discussed [Plato's Republic](#) and how it relates to Donald Trump—namely, what kind of leader and democracy do we really want?

Adrian Bonenberger writes [live from Ukraine](#), where an expected Russian Orthodox Church "March for Peace" might turn out to be something straight out of the Russian dictator's playbook.

## Editor's Recommendations

### Trump and Foreign Relations

Speaking of Putin, distinguished historian and expert in Eastern Europe, Timothy Snyder, has written [a fascinating, and scary, article](#) about how Putin is an ideal model for Trump.

[Franklin Foer at Slate](#): "Vladimir Putin has a plan for destroying the West, and it looks a lot like Trump." Lots of research and detail here.

The same author earlier this year [profiled Trump's new campaign manager](#), a certain Paul Manafort. The man has apparently worked for two dozen dictators in a long career which is almost unbelievably devoid of humanity or morality of

any kind.

## **Trump as the Republican Party's Frankenstein's Monster**

Norm Ornstein and Thomas Mann [detail in great depth](#) how the Republican Party laid the groundwork for a no-nothing populist demagogue by waging war on government itself for three decades.

## **Trump, The Sociopath**

Trump's [ghostwriter](#) regrets his part in painting a myth shrouding a deeply troubled man.

## **Trump's Character**

There is not enough time in the day to list all the ways Trump is a flawed candidate, but [this article](#) does a great job summarizing how much he has faked out the Republican Party for his own egotistical ends.

Matt Taibbi at Rolling Stone with a laugh-out-loud, over-the-top [annihilation](#) of everything Trump is and represents.

## **Trump Satire**

Remember that Christmas classic cartoon, How the Grinch Stole Christmas? It taken't take much changes by [College Humor](#) to rework the orange Trump monster into something scarier than the Grinch.

The office of American President is too much power and work for a single person. Donald Trump does not want to do any work but wants to be a figure-head. [This ingenious article](#) shows how we can kill two birds with one stone by reforming the American political system. All hail, King Trump!