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**All who are able may stand.*

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Trinity Sunday

June 7, 2020

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

setting by Carol Klose

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences

Leader: Gathered in the name of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and blessed by God,

All: we come to worship one, holy God.

Leader: O God, our own God, how wonderful is your name in all the earth.

All: Your majesty is the music of the starry skies, yet even children of dust can sing your praises.

Leader: In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we let our gratitude and joy be made known.

All: O God, our own God, how wonderful is your name in all the earth!

Hymn #1

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

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TRINITY SUNDAY





Unison Prayer of Confession (inspired by Psalm 8)
(written by Beth Merrill Neel, and posted on **Hold Fast to What is Good**)

Great God of all creation, who are we that you are mindful of us? You who set the stars in motion, who launched waves crashing against the shore, who knows the heights and depths of the world; Why do you bother with us? You count the hairs on our heads, and call us each by name. You give us your wisdom and you uphold us by your Spirit. You tend to us and care for us, and we do not understand why. We cannot grasp your love for us, O God, for it is unlike us to be that loving and forgiving. We become enmeshed by our own needs and wants and desires and we fail to see beyond anything but our own little circles. Turn us around, O God. Help us to see as you see, and to reach out as you reach out. Remind us once again of the sacredness of our ordinary, day-to-day lives. By your Spirit, teach us to live truly as beings little lower than angels. In your mercy, O God, forgive who we are and bless who we will be. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

(A time for silent prayers of confession . . .)

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, hear this great good news: God continually shows us another way.

All: God's mercy is as wide as the ocean. God's desire to forgive is as strong as the mighty wind.

Leader: So let our hearts receive the outpouring of God's love through the Holy Spirit.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Holy, Holy, Holy, Merciful, Eternal, and Mighty God, by your grace you have shown us who you are, One in Three, and Three in One. We glorify you as Trinity, even as we worship you in your Unity. Open our hearts to receive your Word to us today, that not only in our worship but in our lives we may serve and reflect your Triune Love all our days. Amen.





Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 8



Hymn #716

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

BEACH SPRING

Gospel Lesson:

Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon

"Who God Is"

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer



Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings



Offertory

"Nicaea"

setting by Joel Raney

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*



Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Affirmation of Faith: *From "A Declaration of Faith" of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*

We believe in one true and living God. We acknowledge one God alone, whose demands on us are absolute, whose help for us is sufficient. That One is the Lord, whom we worship, serve, and love. We acknowledge no other God. We must not set our ultimate reliance on any other help. We must not yield unconditional obedience to any other power. We must not love anyone or anything more than we love God. We praise and enjoy God. To worship God is highest joy. To serve God is perfect freedom.

We affirm that Jesus was born of woman as is every child, yet born of God's power as was no other child. In the person and work of Jesus, God himself and a human life are united but not confused, distinguished but not separated. The coming of Jesus was itself the coming of God's promised rule. Through his birth, life, death, and resurrection, he brings about the relationship between God and humanity that God always intended.

The Holy Spirit is God active in the world. By the Spirit God raised up leaders and prophets in Israel. By the Spirit Jesus was conceived, baptized, and empowered. By the Spirit the risen Christ is present with his church. We affirm that the Holy Spirit is the Lord and Giver of life, the Renewer and Perfecter of God's people, the One who makes real in us what God has done for us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!



Hymn #298

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Benediction

Postlude



Christian sympathy is extended to Bill and Susan Walters on the death of Bill's brother Al Elgin on June 4.



Congratulations to Jennie Lee Wells and Gus Aretakis who were married in our sanctuary on Friday, June 5.