

Growing Together through Faith, Love, and Fellowship.

Trinity Sunday

June 12, 2022

The asterisk () indicates to please rise in body or spirit.*

Meditation before Worship

Lord God, we bind unto ourselves today your holy and living reality. We invoke your presence in the way you have revealed yourself to us—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—Three in One and One in Three. We pray your power to hold and lead us, your eye to watch, your might to stay, your ear to hear, your wisdom to teach, your hand to guide, and your word to give us speech. Help us to celebrate your love and to proclaim your majesty, your glory, and your awe—both now and evermore. Amen.

Gathering Music

The Gathering of God's People

Prelude - a time to prayerfully prepare oneself for worship

"The Solid Rock"

arr. Anna Laura Page

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

"Simple Gifts"

arr. John Lloyd, 1995

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,
'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.
When true simplicity is gained,
To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,
To turn, turn will be our delight,
Till by turning, turning we come round right.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ ... be with all of you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Today is the day for us to remember the Holy Trinity.

People: We remember: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Leader: These three are one ... God who has come to us in Jesus Christ.

People: This teaching stretches our minds.

Leader: May this teaching also warm your hearts ... to live in relationship.

People: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are united in love, and that relationship of love draws us to God.

Leader: May the love of our triune God embrace you in this time of worship.

People: That is our prayer. Amen.

***Hymn** “All Creatures of Our God and King” #15

The Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession** (*read in unison*)

God of justice and love, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. We call you God of creation, yet we serve idols of our own making. We confess Christ as our Savior, yet we rely on ourselves to provide protection from our many fears. We claim the indwelling Spirit, yet we abide by our own counsel. Forgive our double-mindedness, and through Christ make us whole. Amen.

(Silent prayer of confession.)

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Amen. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit live in holy relationship, and God has created us to live in that relational image. Receive the gift of forgiveness, the grace to begin anew each day, and the awareness that we are far more than individual persons.

People: God has created us to live in community, to be in relationship with others.

Leader: “[We] are the body of Christ and individually members of it.”

People: May God guide us to find our place living peaceably among others.

***Response Hymn** “Gloria Patri” #581

Ministry of the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Children's Sermon

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 8

Choir Anthem

“We Believe”

arr. Thomas Lloyd, 2022

We believe in one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Ever present help in need, praised by all the heavenly host,
By whose power alone all is made and wrought and done.
We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son,
Who descended from his throne and for us salvation won,
By whose cross and death are we rescued from sins misery.
We confess the Holy Ghost, who from both forever proceeds,
Who upholds and comforts us in all trials, fear, and needs.
Blest and Holy Trinity, praise forever be to thee.

Second Scripture Reading

Romans 12:4-5

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“What the Trinity Teaches Us”

Rev. Désirée M. Youngblood

The Response to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Second Helvetic Confession (5.015-5.017)

We believe and teach that God is one in essence or nature, subsisting in himself, all sufficient in himself, invisible, incorporeal, immense, eternal, Creator of all things both visible and invisible, the greatest good, living, quickening and preserving all things, omnipotent and supremely wise, kind and merciful, just and true.

Notwithstanding we believe and teach that the same immense, one and indivisible God is in person inseparably and without confusion distinguished as Father, Son and Holy Spirit so, as the Father has begotten the Son from eternity, the Son is begotten by an ineffable generation, and the Holy Spirit truly proceeds from them both, and the same from eternity and is to be worshipped with both.

Thus there are not three gods, but three persons, consubstantial, coeternal, and coequal; distinct with respect to hypostases, and with respect to order, the one preceding the other yet without any inequality. For according to the nature or essence they are so joined together that they are one God, and the divine nature is common to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

***Hymn** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!” #1

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***Invitation to Offering**

***Response** “Give Thanks” #647

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Sending of God’s People

***Closing Hymn** “Now Thank We All Our God” #643

***Charge and Blessing**

***Congregational Response** “We Are the Church”

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff contains the melody for the lyrics: "I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to - geth-er!". The second staff contains the accompaniment for the lyrics: "All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church to - gether!".

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***Postlude** "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" arr. Diane Bish

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