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June 7, 2020
TRINITY SUNDAY

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**CALL TO WORSHIP**

For God's creative splendor, let us give thanks.

Before Jesus' humility, and the power of Christ's commands, let us stand in wonder.

For the mystery of relationships – God's with us, and ours with one another, let us seek God's holy wisdom.

Come! Let us worship the Triune God.

HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story"

I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story,
Because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else would do.

REFRAIN:

I love to tell the story;
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story;
'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it,
More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story,
For some have never heard
The message of salvation
From God's own Holy Word. REFRAIN.

I love to tell the story;
For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory
I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story
That I have loved so long. REFRAIN.

GATHERING PRAYER

You are One, O God, and you are Three. You are majesty and mystery. Make us ever in your image, we pray. Make us one with You. Amen.

REFLECTION MUSIC “Holy, Holy, Holy” - arr. Anderson

Handbells – Rene Miserez
Keyboard – Shirley Klein

TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1:1-5

Matthew 28:16-20

CHOIR RESPONSE

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Judith Scott

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost and of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; from thence he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. In one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

HYMN “The God of Abraham Praise”

The God of Abraham praise,
All praises be His name;
Who was, and is, and is to be,
and still the same.
The one eternal God,

'ere aught that now appears;
The First, the Last; beyond all thought,
His timeless years.

His spirit floweth free,
High surging where it will;
In prophet's word He spoke of old --
He speaketh still.
Established is His law,
and changeless it shall stand,
Deep writ upon the human heart,
On sea, or land.

He hath eternal life,
implanted in the soul;
His love shall be our strength and stay,
while ages roll.
Praise to the living God!
All praised be His name.
Who was, and is, and is to be,
and still the same! Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

OFFERING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Sarabande"

- Corelli

DOXOLOGY

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, in Christ you have chosen us to be your friends and to know your will in the world. Therefore, we pray in Jesus' name that these tithes and offerings spread your love near and far. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS

SHARING COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC *“Deck Thyself My Soul With Gladness”* - Handel

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

AND GO FORTH IN LOVE

HYMN “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

Where cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan,
Above the noise of selfish strife,
We hear Thy voice, O Son of Man.

The cup of water given for Thee
Still holds the freshness of Thy grace;
Yet long these multitudes to see
The sweet compassion of Thy face.

O Master, from the mountainside,
Make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
Among these restless throngs abide;
O tread the city's streets again. Amen.

BENEDICTION

WE HOLD EACH OTHER IN SPIRIT

Blest be the tie that binds,
Our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds,
Is like to that above.

POSTLUDE *“To Thee Shall I Sing”* - Karg-Elert

Our WORSHIP is ended...our SERVICE now begins.

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Please keep each other in prayer, particularly those for whom God's healing touch is of special comfort.

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