



# TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Liturgy for Home Worship

Trinity Sunday  
— May 30, 2021 —

### Words for Reflection

I've often reflected on the rather obvious thought that when his disciples were about to have the world collapse in on them, our Lord spent so much time in the Upper Room speaking to them about the mystery of the Trinity.

- Sinclair Ferguson

When we pray in times of injustice, we are protesting to the highest authority in the universe, the perfect arbiter of all justice. As human beings made in the image of the God of justice, prayer is our foundational path to justice.

- Eugene Park

In the face of monstrous evil, the worst possible response is to feel nothing. What must be felt is grief, rage, and outrage. In their absence, evil becomes an acceptable commonplace.

-J. Clinton McCann

Enemy language belongs to faithful living, not because the Psalter comes out of an ancient culture that didn't know any better, but because enemy language is faithfully honest about life in a fractured and often cruel world. It's honest about other people and their capacities to harm, wittingly or unwittingly. It's honest about oneself—about the heart of darkness that lies within. And it's honest to God.

-W. David O. Taylor

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

-Micah 6:8

## The Call to Worship

*God invites and calls us into His presence to worship Him. He enters into our busy lives to speak to us.*

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,  
**who was and is and is to come!**  
Worthy are you, our Lord and God,  
**to receive glory and honor and power,**  
for you created all things,  
**and by your will they existed and were created.**  
—Revelation 4:8, 11 ESV

## Hymn of Praise | Holy, Holy, Holy

*We sing praises to God and proclaim through song the good news of what He has done in Jesus' death and resurrection. Some songs might be initially unfamiliar, but we believe the rich, true, beautiful words of these hymns will make their way into your heart.*

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!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around  
the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before  
Thee,  
Who wert and art and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide  
Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may  
not see;  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside  
Thee,  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

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!

Words: Reginald Heber; Music: John Dykes

## Opening Prayer & Lord's Prayer

*We ask for God to be present among us and conclude with the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.*

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## 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.

## Confession of Sin

*We fight the temptation to hide our sin and instead acknowledge it openly to God, but we do so in light of the grace offered in Jesus.*

Most Merciful Father,

We praise You that Your Son has come into the world as the True King who brings true justice, righteousness, and deliverance. We thank You that he has called us to proclaim and enact this good news of his Kingdom in both word and deed. Yet Lord, we confess the ways we've failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly before You. Instead, we have often been complacent and complicit in the face of injustice. We have sought our own good above the good of our neighbors. Please forgive us through the crucifixion and resurrection of our True King and enable us by Your Spirit to embody and extend his mercy and love to the ends of the earth. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Forgiveness

*God reminds our forgetful hearts of the grace that is ours in Jesus.*

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

—Luke 4:18-19 ESV

## Hymn of Response | His Mercy is More

*We respond in thanks and praise for God's redemptive work in Christ.*

What love could remember, no wrongs we  
have done

Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not  
their sum

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly  
roam

What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the  
poor

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord*

*His mercy is more*

*Stronger than darkness*

*New every morn'*

*Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the  
cost

We stood 'neath a debt we could never  
afford

Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Words & Music: Matt Papa, Matt Boswell

## Confession of Faith | The Apostles' Creed

*We join the church in history by confessing this basic statement of what Christians believe.*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.\*  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\*\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*\*While Jesus didn't literally descend to hell, he did endure the torment of hell on the cross and remained under the power of death until his resurrection.*

*\*\*universal*

## Baptism | Lucille Jane Gastil

### To the Parents (Ellen & Garrett Gastil):

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit? **We do.**
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own? **We do.**
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord? **We do.**

### To the Congregation:

Pastor: Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

**People: We do.**

*"For you Jesus came into the world; for you he lived his life; for you he was crucified; for you he was raised from the dead; and for you he is coming again. You may not know this story now, but we, your church, promise to tell you this story until you make it your own."*

*(based on French Reformed Baptismal Liturgy)*

## The Offering

*In gratitude, we offer our gifts to God. You may give online at [www.trinitypresfw.org/give](http://www.trinitypresfw.org/give) or through the Church Center App.*

## The Prayers of the People

*We lift up our requests to God knowing that He hears us when we pray.*

## The Reading of the Word

Psalm 10

*God speaks to us through His Word.*

**10:1** Why, O LORD, do you stand far away? Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?  
**2** In arrogance the wicked hotly pursue the poor; let them be caught in the schemes that they have devised. **3** For the wicked boasts of the desires of his soul, and the one greedy for gain curses and renounces the LORD. **4** In the pride of his face the wicked does not seek him; all his thoughts are, "There is no God." **5** His ways prosper at all times; your judgments are on high, out of his sight; as for all his foes, he puffs at them. **6** He says in his heart, "I shall not be moved; throughout all generations I shall not meet adversity." **7** His mouth is filled with cursing and deceit and oppression; under his tongue are mischief and iniquity. **8** He sits in ambush in the villages; in hiding places he murders the innocent. His eyes stealthily watch for the helpless; **9** he lurks in ambush like a lion in his thicket; he lurks that he may seize the poor; he seizes the poor when he draws him into his net. **10** The helpless are crushed, sink down, and fall by his might. **11** He says in his heart, "God has forgotten, he has hidden his face, he will never see it."  
**12** Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up your hand; forget not the afflicted. **13** Why does the wicked renounce God and say in his heart, "You will not call to account"? **14** But you do see, for you note mischief and vexation, that you may take it into your hands; to you the helpless commits himself; you have been the helper of the fatherless. **15** Break the arm of the wicked and evildoer; call his wickedness to account till you find none. **16** The LORD is king forever and ever; the nations perish from his land. **17** O LORD, you hear the desire of the afflicted; you will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear **18** to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## The Preaching of the Word

Pastor Brian Davis

"Praying for the Justice of God"



## The Celebration of Holy Communion

*Communion (also called the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist) is the family meal of baptized Christians. It's not a meal for good people. It's a meal for desperate people who trust in Jesus alone for salvation, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength and grace to live more faithfully with Jesus. You will be invited to come forward. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal today, we encourage you to spend this time in reflection or prayer.*

*Children who have not received their first communion are welcome to come forward with their families. We invite children who are ready to make a public profession of faith in Christ to arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become "communicants" at the Lord's Table.*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**  
Pastor: Lift up your hearts!  
People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:  
People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hallelujah!**  
Pastor: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!  
People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**  
Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

## Hymns for Communion

### Abide with Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.  
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;  
And, though rebellious, and perverse  
meanwhile,

Thou hast not left me, though I oft left  
Thee,  
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's  
power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can  
be?

Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless  
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness  
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?  
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

Words: Henry Lyte & Justin Smith; Music: Jeff Bourque

## Be Still, My Soul

Be still, my soul; the Lord is on Thy side.  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Leave to thy God to order and provide;  
In every change, He faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul; thy best, thy heavenly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future, as He has the past.  
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know His voice  
Who ruled them while He dwelt below.  
Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,  
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart,

Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.  
Be still, my soul thy Jesus can repay  
From His own fullness all He takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord.  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrows forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Words: Katharina Amalia Dorothea von Schlegel  
Music: Jean Sibelius

## Life at Trinity

## Departing Hymn | Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*We respond in faith and song.*

*Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's  
greater Son!*

*Hail in the time appointed, His reign on  
earth begun!*

He comes to break oppression, to set the  
captive free,  
To take away transgression, and rule in  
equity.

*(Chorus)*

He comes with comfort speedy to those  
who suffer wrong,  
To help the poor and needy, and bid the  
weak be strong.

To give them songs for sighing, their  
darkness turn to light,

Whose souls, condemned and dying, are  
precious in His sight.

*(Chorus)*

He shall come down like showers upon the  
fruitful earth,  
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in  
His path to birth.

The tide of time shall never His covenant  
remove.

His Name shall stand forever, That Name to  
us is Love.

*(Chorus)*

Words: James Montgomery; Music: Sandra McCracken

## The Benediction

*God sends us out with his blessing. A benediction is not a prayer. We don't bow our heads. We lift them up and even lift up our hands to receive his blessing as we are sent out as participants in His mission to Fort Worth.*

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

—2 Corinthians 13:14 ESV

## The Sending

*The people of God are sent into the world to love God, love people, and love Fort Worth.*

Pastor: Let us go forth to serve Fort Worth and the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

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## Announcements

### Women's Summer Study

Ladies! Mark your calendars and invite your neighbors to join our summer study, "June with the Gentle Shepherd." Each Wednesday night in June, at 7pm, we will meet in houses to hear from one of our Trinity women about how Jesus has been a Good Shepherd to her. Addresses will be announced in our weekly emails. Need a great book to read this summer? Order *Gentle & Lowly* by Dane Ortlund and read along with us!

### Men's Fish Fry

Men, join us for a fish fry! We will enjoy Robert's Famous Fried Fish and cold refreshments. Check out the church center app for details and to register (space is limited!).

### Congregational Meeting

Please plan to stay for our annual congregational meeting June 13, after worship. We will have financial updates and updates on our various ministries. Children who are already in the nursery can remain there until the meeting is over.

