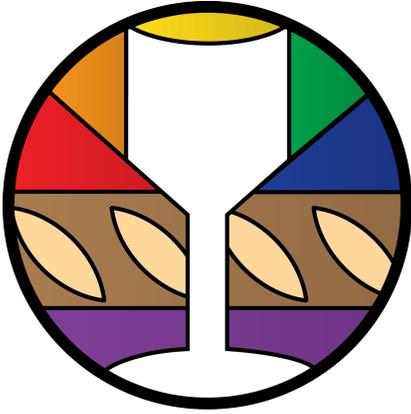


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More Light Presbyterian Logo

## PROPER 7 SUNDAY

### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

#### Prelude

**Troubled Waters**  
*by Margaret Bonds*

\* Please rise in body or in spirit.

#### Welcome & Announcements

Leader: The Lord be with you  
All: **And also with you**

#### \* Call to Worship

Leader: God's voice calls, through pages of scripture,  
down city streets, and along country roads,  
**People: inviting us to come and gather in this place.**  
Leader: God beckons us, to let go of what causes us harm,  
**People: so we can receive new, abundant life.**  
Leader: See what love God has for us,  
**People: that we should be called children of God**  
All: **for that is who we are!**

#### \* Gathering Song

**In Christ There is No East or West**  
*Glory to God #317, v. 1-4*

#### \* Invitation to Confession

**\* Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

**Holy One,**

**From the beginning,  
You called humanity “very good”.  
Through Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection,  
You revealed Your steadfast love for the world;  
for every ethnicity and demographic,  
for the old and the young,  
for the poor and the rich.  
for the disabled and for the able bodied,  
for every gender and sexual orientation.  
Through baptism,  
you claim each aspect of who we are,  
marking us as your own  
and calling us beloved.**

**And yet, we confess,  
that we do not always accept  
or believe in our own belovedness,  
or in the belovedness of others.  
We continue to deepen divides,  
marking boundaries to identify who’s “in” and who’s “out”.  
We lose our voices when it’s time to speak,  
or we say too much when it’s time to listen.**

**O Divine love,  
forgive us.  
Help us hear your voice calling us beloved,  
and may we recognize each other’s belovedness.  
By the power of your Spirit,  
work through our hands, words, and daily decisions,  
to create a new community,  
where all are welcome, celebrated,  
and proclaimed to be “very good”.**

**Amen**

**\* Assurance of God’s Forgiveness**

**Leader:** Siblings in Christ,  
you are each fearfull, and wonderfully made.  
From the beginning,  
God proclaimed that you are very good,  
and in the waters of baptism,  
you were claimed as God’s beloved child.  
Believe the good news that through Christ,  
You are forgiven.

**People:** **Thanks be to God! Amen**

**\* Passing The Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you  
People: **and also with you.**

*Please share the peace of Christ with those around you*

**\* Song of Praise**

**Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me**

*Glory to God #582, v. 1-2*

**Time with Children**

**Rev. Mel Smith**

**WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Scripture Reading**

**Psalm 139.1-18**

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.  
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.  
You search out my path and my lying down,  
and are acquainted with all my ways.  
Even before a word is on my tongue,  
O LORD, you know it completely.  
You hem me in, behind and before,  
and lay your hand upon me.  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit?  
Or where can I flee from your presence?  
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;  
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.  
If I take the wings of the morning  
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,  
even there your hand shall lead me,  
and your right hand shall hold me fast.  
If I say, 'Surely the darkness shall cover me,  
and the light around me become night',  
even the darkness is not dark to you;  
the night is as bright as the day,  
for darkness is as light to you.

For it was you who formed my inward parts;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.  
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works;  
that I know very well.  
My frame was not hidden from you,  
when I was being made in secret,  
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.  
In your book were written  
all the days that were formed for me,  
when none of them as yet existed.  
How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!  
How vast is the sum of them!  
I try to count them—they are more than the sand;  
I come to the end—I am still with you.

## **Anthem**

**Sacred the Body**  
*Glory to God #27, v. 1-4*

## **Second Scripture Reading**

**Galatians 3.23-29**

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Message "Finding Identity"**

**Rev. Mel Smith**

## **Affirmation of Faith**

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have clothed ourselves with Christ.  
There is no longer Jew or Greek,  
There is no longer slave or free,  
There is no longer male and female;  
For all of us are one in Christ Jesus.**

## **Song of Response**

**Sing a New World Into Being**

1. Sing a new world into being. Sound a bold and hopeful theme.  
Find a tune for silent yearnings. Lend your voice and dare to dream:  
dream a church where all who worship find their lives and loves belong.  
Sing a new world into being. Sing as Christ inspires your song!
2. Sing a new world into being where each gender class and race  
brings its rainbow gifts and colors to God's limitless embrace;  
where the lines that once divided form instead the ties that bind.  
Sing a new world into being: risk transforming heart and mind!
3. Sing a new world into being where the homeless find a home.  
Where no children ever hunger but are filled with God's shalom;  
Where all people work for justice, where all hate and vengeance cease.  
Sing a new world into being: raise the harmonies of peace.

- Sing a new world into being. Join the ancient prophets' cry for a time of health and plenty when all tears have been wiped dry; when compassion flows like waters, pouring balm for all who grieve. Sing a new world into being: live the promise you believe!

## **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 glory forever. Amen.**

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

### **Offering**

#### **Invitation**

#### **Offertory**

#### **Psalm 42**

*by Michel Guimont*

#### **\* Doxology**

**We Are an Offering**  
*Glory to God #710, v. 1*

### **Prayer of Dedication**

**God of abundance,  
we give you thanks, for all we have and for all of who we are.  
Out of gratitude, we bring the work of our hands, our time, energy and creativity. Receive these offerings and by your Spirit, turn them into good news: food for the hungry, water for the thirsty, comfort for the lonely, and welcome for the strangers – this we pray in the name of your son Jesus Christ,  
Amen.**

### **Dedication of the Progress Pride Banner**

As members of Trinity Presbyterian church, we open our doors to all people who want to join in worship, fellowship, education, and service.

We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly conditions, sexual orientation, disability, or any other human condition.

We elect and ordain persons who are called by God and who are committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.

Together we celebrate diversity, work for justice, and live with joy.

In this Spirit, as a More Light congregation, we are committed to working for the full participation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual and 2 spirit people in the life, ministry and witness of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and in society.

As a symbol of welcome, we have commissioned and installed the Progress Pride banner – and dedicate it now to the ministry of this church:

**Holy One,  
may all who see the colors of this banner;  
feel welcomed into your house,  
be embraced by this community,  
see their own belovedness,  
and hear your voice proclaiming that they are “very good”.  
This we pray in the name of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

**\* Song of Service**

**For Everyone Born**  
*Glory to God #769, v. 1-5*

**\* Commission and Blessing**

**Postlude**

**“A Jubilee” from *From the Southland***  
*by H.T. Burleigh*

**Please join us in the Chapel for Fellowship after the service**

Participants in Today's Worship

**Children & Youth Minister** – Hannah Peters

**Communications Coordinator** – Katie Gibbons

**Director of Music & Pianist/Organist** – Christian Hendricks

**Guest Pianist** - Vera Parkin

**Liturgist** – Diane O'Brien

**Pastor** – Mel Smith

**Soloist** – Madeline Black

**Technical Support** – Dylan Voss and Jim Person

**Ushers** – Cathy Smith, Opal Barbour, Jan Schulte-Glad, Kitty Underwood

Contact Trinity's staff and leadership by emailing [admin@trinityucity.org](mailto:admin@trinityucity.org) or contacting the church office.

**Description of More Light Presbyterian's Logo**

The logo reflects their mission and incorporates the communion elements of bread and wine, as well as rainbow colors evocative of stained glass church windows. These elements express the hospitality of Christ, and of the welcoming church movement, and the theology and practice of the open table. We are called together as many grains that form one bread. We share one cup.

For more learn more about More Light Presbyterians and what it means to be a More Light congregation, please visit: [www.mlp.org](http://www.mlp.org)

## TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS AND NOTES FOR June 19, 2022

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### **The Winger Food Pantry needs your help!**

The WFP is in desperate need of plastic grocery bags. If you have extra bags laying around your house, please bring them in!

**The Food Pantry uses the local Schnucks store to purchase canned goods and other non-perishables for the pantry.** We are taking part in the Schnucks reward program and receive award credits to use as credit against our food pantry purchases. If you shop at Schnucks, you too can add to this by using Trinity's phone number 725-3840 when checking out. The credit will go against future food pantry purchases. The small amounts add up!

**Trinity is "broadcasting" our Sunday morning 10 a.m. worship service via our Facebook page or you can watch the recording on YouTube later on.** Those who participate in this way on home computers or mobile devices can even type messages to one another during the live service, such as doing a virtual passing of the peace. Also, Facebook has captions! While watching the service, find the gear icon at the bottom of the video and click on it. When you do, an option pops up to turn on closed captioning!

**While we live in this challenging time, Trinity continues to be available to all those who need us.** Members desiring pastoral care are encouraged to call the church office at 314-725-3840 or to reach out to Deacon Corie Merker, 314-434-8286. Your need will be shared confidentially with our Pastor the Reverend Mel Smith. You also can email her directly at [melanie.smith@trinityucity.org](mailto:melanie.smith@trinityucity.org)

**Supporting the church through your financial gifts continues to be encouraged!** Please mail your contributions to Trinity Presbyterian Church, Att'n: Linde, 6800 Washington Ave., University City, MO 63130, or check out the online giving instructions below.

1) Text the code TPCDONATE \$[your gift] to 73256. You'll receive a text back with a link that lets you complete your online donation.

2) Log in to your Onrealm account ([onrealm.org](http://onrealm.org)) and click on the "Giving" tab.

### **Session**

Diana Gray, Kevin Harkins, Diane Hemphill, Jayne Howard, Jane Kaiser, Mary Klingensmith, Sarah New Mayer (Clerk), Mary McKown, Bob Parks, Jan Schulte-Glad

### **Deacons**

Anna Gardner-Andrews, DeAnne Brown, Stacey Carman, Cricket Gordon, Jennifer Higginbotham, Corie Merker, John Merker, Jim Person, Art Platt, Christy Schindler