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## EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

#### Prelude

**Gnossienne No. 1**  
*by Erik Satie*

#### Welcome & Announcements

Leader: This is a day that God has made!  
All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

*Time for sharing news of the church.*

#### Introit

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**  
*Glory to God #39, v. 1*

#### Call to Worship

Leader: With friends and strangers, with family and neighbors,  
we gather in person and online:  
**People: Come among us, Healing God, with that love which never ends.**  
Leader: With faith reaching out to touch, with hearts straining to trust, we hope:  
**People: Come among us, Friend of the broken,  
with your compassion which makes us whole.**  
Leader: With word and wonder, with silence and song, we wait:  
**People: Come among us, Dryer of our tears, to lift us to our feet to follow you.**

#### Gathering Song

**O Christ, the Healer**  
*Glory to God #793, v. 1-5*

## Invitation to Confession

Leader: We know the words we have spoken which have broken a relationship;  
we know the deeds we have done which separate us from friends and families.  
We know how we have failed to be faithful followers of Jesus.  
Let us join together in confessing our sins,  
trusting that God will touch us with the healing power of grace:

### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**All too often, God of Excellence, it is the hem of sin we cling to, letting it drag us through the mud of fear and failures. You offer us that love which will always be with us, but we find it difficult to share it with those who need it most. You fill us with an abundance of gifts, but we think we need them all for ourselves.**

**Forgive us, God of Gentle Hope. You do not keep a list of all that we have done wrong, but erase our failings and foolishness, writing a new ending for our lives. You touch us with your grace, you lift us to our feet, you strengthen us so we may follow our Savior Jesus Christ in service to all your children. We pray and give thanks in his name. Amen.**

### Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Leader: This is the Good News, dear friends: God's love has no ending;  
God's hope rests upon us each day; God's forgiveness restores us to new life.

**People: Our God listens to us – to our cries, and to our joys;  
to our hopes and to our hearts.  
Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Alleluia!**

### Passing The Peace

Leader: Since God in Christ Jesus has forgiven us,  
let us forgive one another.  
The peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.  
Please share the peace of Jesus Christ  
with those with whom you are joining us for worship.

### Song of Praise

**Alleluia!**  
*from Mass of a Joyful Heart*

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

### Children's Message

**Hannah Peters**

### Anthem

**Intermezzo from *Cavalleria Rusticana*  
by Pietro Mascagni**

### Scripture Reading

**Mark 5:21-43 Rev. Jenny McDevitt**

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Message

**"Don't Hold Back"**

**Rev. Jenny McDevitt**

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

Song of Response

**Fight the Good Fight**  
*Glory to God #846, v. 1-4*

Affirmation of Faith

excerpt, written in 2011 by McCormick Seminary Students

Leader: We believe that in this world and at this time  
the Church is called to be the Resurrection.

People: **The Church must forever strive to be a place of radical love  
and hospitality and a process that is always changing,  
emerging and responding to the deep needs of a broken world.**

Leader: This Resurrection, just as that of Christ, is one  
that breaks down walls and barriers that separate us from one another.

People: **Whether those walls are race, class, or hate,  
when we become the Church, we become unified by the Holy Spirit,  
and only then can we begin to live out the true message  
of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**  
**Amen.**

## Litany Prayers of the People

adapted from a prayer written by Lisa Frenz, on **Lisa's Liturgies**.

*A time for silent prayers will be offered during the Prayers of the People.*

Leader: Holy God, you are indeed the healer of all our ills.  
We bring to you for healing our bodies, minds and spirits  
hurting and broken by the violence, ills, trauma and cares  
of a world separated from you.  
Come to us now with your healing powers.

**People: O God, we ask that you heal us.  
Give us the strength, health, wisdom and knowledge  
found only through you.  
Send your life-giving Spirit so that we may live our lives  
with courage in the profound peace of your love.  
Come to us now with your healing powers.**

**All: Breathe on me, O God, and make me whole.**

Leader: O God, we ask that you sustain those  
who seek to alleviate the pain and suffering of this world.  
Give strength, courage, wisdom and knowledge to all doctors and orderlies,  
nurses and clerks, psychiatrists, researchers,  
and all other medical care givers, volunteers and professionals.  
Send your life-giving Spirit  
so that their ministries may bring healing and promote health.  
Come to us now with your healing powers.

**All: Breathe on me, O God, and make me whole.**

Leader: Be also with those who work to heal the wounds of societies and nations.  
Guide, protect and strengthen our lawyers and police,  
chaplains and pastors, healthcare and social workers,  
politicians, military, diplomats and all others  
who work for economic and social reform.  
Send your life-giving Spirit that they may promote your love and grace,  
bringing healing to those in conflict and stability to those who are vulnerable.  
Come to us now with your healing powers.

**All: Breathe on me, O God, and make me whole.**

Leader: And now, God of healing and hope  
hear us as we offer our individual prayers  
from wherever we are gathered to worship this day,  
for ourselves, for our neighbors, friends and loved ones:

### *Silent Prayer*

Thank you, Loving God, for hearing all these our prayers.

**All: Breathe on me, O God, and make me whole.**

Leader: Grant all these things through Jesus Christ your Healing One,  
who taught disciples when we pray to say:

## 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

Leader: The earth and all it contains belong to God, the world and those who live in it. With gladness let us now offer from our life and labor our gifts to God. We continue to welcome your financial gifts to Trinity Presbyterian Church, and the ways to share are being shown in the live stream.

### Doxology

**God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending**  
*Glory to God #716, v. 1*

### Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

**May these gifts which we offer help to relieve suffering and reveal hope. May they give meaning to all who give and all who receive. We dedicate them, that those who have much may not have too much, and those who have little may not have too little. Through the Healing Christ our Savior, we pray. Amen.**

### WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

### Song of Service

**My Song Forever Shall Record**  
*Glory to God #67, v. 1-4*

### Commission and Blessing

Leader: Go, confident in the knowledge of God's steadfast love for you, assured of the healing touch of Jesus upon you and emboldened by the transforming power of the Holy Spirit within you.  
All: **Amen.**

### Postlude

**"Vilja" from *The Merry Widow***  
*by Franz Lehar*

### Participants in Today's Worship

**Pastor** – Marilyn Gamm

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

**Co-Liturgist** – Pat Gibbons and Katie Klein

**Children & Youth Minister** – Hannah Peters

**Communications Coordinator** – Katie Gibbons

**Technical Support** – Dylan Voss and John Roman

**Soloist** – Madeline Black

**Ushers** – Mary Klingensmith, Gordon and DeAnne Brown

### **The Trinity Choir:**

*Soprano – Aleta Klein, Cricket Gordon, Jenn Clodi, Madeline Black (Section Leader)*

*Alto – Connie Torretta, Margy Brown, Nancy Wagoner, Rachel Presti, Janelle Pierce (Section Leader)*

*Tenor – Brian Schroer, Pat Courtney, Evan Babel (Section Leader)*

*Bass – George Van Hare, Nigel Holloway, John Galczynski*

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**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**NEWS AND NOTES FOR JULY 18, 2021**

*We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, 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 committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.*

**About Our Guest Preacher:**

The Rev. Jenny McDevitt is pastor/head of staff at Shandon Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina and co-moderator of the Board of Directors of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians. She previously served as pastor of Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City and as associate pastor of Village Presbyterian Church in Prairie Village, Kansas. An accomplished preacher, liturgist and writer, she also serves on the board of Union Presbyterian Seminary and was previously on the board of the Presbyterian Outlook.

**REVISED IN PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES**  
**Effective July 8, 2021**

On July 8, 2021, a letter to the congregation was send out via email which included the revised safety policies and procedures.

Please DO review those safety policies and procedures prior to attending in person worship.

**Sign Up to Attend No Longer Required**

Although we are discontinuing using Sign Up Genius to pre-register to attend in-person worship, you will still be required to provide your name and contact information on the attendance log at either sanctuary entrance.

**Arrival, Pre- and Post-Worship Fellowship Outdoors and in the Building**

We continue requesting that those attending in person worship arrive no earlier than 9:45 a.m. each Sunday. This allows time for rehearsals, along with sound and other technology testing prior to the service.

We know how much we have all missed both worshipping in person together and catching up with one another. While continuing to practice physical distancing, worshipers may chat outdoors or inside both before and after the service. We do continue to request that worshipers do not congregate at the entrances.

**Congregational Singing and Communion**

Beginning the first Sunday in August we will provide in person worship attendees with pre-packaged communion elements with which to participate in partaking of the Sacrament.

There continues to be uncertainty about the safety of congregational and choral singing. However, the Session is now allowing quiet congregational singing. Congregants are to remain seated and masked while singing.

**Worship Online Continues**

While we are delighted to be worshipping in person in limited ways, we understand and respect that for various reasons not everyone may be ready to return to the building.

For those who prefer to worship in the comfort and safety of their home, we will continue to provide the live stream worship service via Facebook Live, with uploads of the service to YouTube, as we have been doing for the past year.

## **The Church gathers in worship in many places and ways!**

### **Rally Day 2021**

Trinity's fall kickoff is scheduled for Sunday, August 29!

We are excited to support "Home Sweet Home" for this year's mission component to Rally Day.

Home Sweet Home is a local nonprofit organization connecting partner agencies in the St. Louis region with donated furniture and household items. They help clients transition to new living situations with much-needed furnishings and basic household goods. This provides a sense of ownership and stability at a crucial time.

They serve clients who are referred with desperate needs, for different reasons, and from a variety of backgrounds. The services provided by Home Sweet Home are needed most by children, survivors of domestic abuse, veterans, people experiencing homelessness, and ex-offenders looking for a new start.

In the newsletter is a link to acceptable donations.

Home Sweet Home called and said they are especially in need of new pillows, small kitchen appliances, comforters and fans.

Please participate in supporting this valuable organization.

Items may be brought to the Trinity sanctuary Narthex or the Kingsland accessible entrance Sunday mornings or by appointment with Katie Gibbons in the church office through Sunday, August 29.

We will display all items collected on Rally Day.

Questions or for more information please contact Hannah Peters.

**Exciting News! Trinity All-Church Retreat to Mound Ridge is scheduled for September 11-12.** Mark your calendar and stay tuned for additional info. to follow. To fill out a registration form, contact Katie at [communications@trinityucity.org](mailto:communications@trinityucity.org)

### **Summer Sunday School Continues**

Each week, Miss Hannah will present a very brief Bible story, accompanied by a picture depicting the story for children to view as the story is being told.

Simple, related crafts and activity sheets will be available in Trinit-E-News each week if interested.

The stories chosen are ones we do not cover in Children's Worship during the programming year.

**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 Sundays.** 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!

Kids and parents probably already know about this, but if you are not a parent of a young person and have **wondered what goes on in “Children’s Church,” now you can experience it!** Hannah Peters has taped a YouTube video, and updated links will be posted regularly on the “Sundays at Trinity” section of our website homepage.

**As 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 Deacons Corie Merker, 314-434-8286, or Cathy Smith, 314-725-0586. Your need will be shared confidentially with our Transitional Pastor the Reverend Marilyn Gamm. You also can email her directly at [Marilyn.gamm@trinityucity.org](mailto:Marilyn.gamm@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**

Gordon Brown, Diana Gray, Kevin Harkins, Nigel Holloway, Mary Klingensmith, Sarah New Mayer, Mary McKown, Brian Muegge (Clerk), Bob Parks, Rachel Presti, Tim Rand, Jan Schulte-Glad

#### **Deacons**

DeAnne Brown, Bill Cahoon, Stacey Carman, Anna Gardner-Andrews, Corie Merker, John Merker, Jim Person, Art Platt, Diana Regan, Joanne Roman, Cathy Smith, Spirit Sorensen