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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude

“O mio babbino caro” from *Gianni Schicchi*
by Giacomo Puccini

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

Will You Come and Follow Me
Glory to God #726, v. 5

Call to Worship

Leader: We have come to worship God, the Living God,
People: who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.
Leader: We have come to praise God, the Almighty God,
People: who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.
Leader: We have come to worship God, All-Gracious God,
**People: who chooses even you and me,
to receive and carry the Word of life and hope.
All glory to God!**

Gathering Song

Holy God, We Praise Your Name
Glory to God #4, v. 1-4

Invitation to Confession

Leader: In the midst of a time of grieving, the prophet Isaiah went to the temple to pray.
There he had a vision of God's majesty,
that moved him to recognize his unworthiness and sin.
Sometimes we think we have nothing to confess,
until we are confronted by the awesome presence of the Creator of all things.
In awe before God,
we now seek forgiveness and reconciliation as we pray together:

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Before the Holy One and God's people, we confess that we have been reluctant to speak out clearly, naming the injustice we see and declaring our Creator's vision. Before the Majestic One and one another, we confess our reluctance to receive our calling as God's people, made by the Creative One and chosen as witnesses to the Divine dream of justice and joy. Remind us, Awesome and Awe-Inspiring God, that you have made us for your service and recharge us with your Word. Renew us, Holy Spirit. Grant us courage to live out your way of peace and grace. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Leader: God has promised that whenever we repent and seek a new union with God,
forgiveness is ours.
That promise comes true now.
Siblings in Christ Jesus, believe the Good News: we are forgiven.

People: **Alleluia! Alleluia! 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!
Glory to God #587, v. 1

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Message

Hannah Peters

Anthem

Psalm 29
by Michel Guimont

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

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

All: **Thanks be to God**

Message **“Signing Up to Serve”**

Rev. Marilyn Gamm

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Song of Response

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Glory to God #69, v. 1-3

Celebrating Our Trinity Graduates

adapted from a Liturgy written by Jill Duffield

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Marilyn: We come together not in the way we would want, but in the way we are able, to honor our Trinity Church family’s high school graduates:

Hannah: Katie Klein from Parkway North High School

Ryan McKenzie from Ladue Horton Watkins High School

Nasia Metcalfe from University City High School

Marilyn: Congratulations to each of you and your families!

**Hannah: We would rather be sitting in rows of chairs
cheering for you as you cross the stage.
We would rather be standing side by side
for photos to mark your accomplishment.**

Marilyn: We would rather be in the same space,
telling you face to face how proud we are of you,
how excited we are for your future, how grateful we are to have you in our lives.

**Hannah: Someday, we hope soon, we will be able to celebrate you in person,
surrounded by all who cheer you on,
but until then we want you to know we recognize this milestone,
all the work and energy, all the change and challenges,
all the memories and experiences that have gotten you to this point.**

Marilyn: You are fearfully and wonderfully made, a unique reflection of God’s image.
We rejoice that God made you just as you are.

**Hannah: You persevered through challenges,
refusing to give up despite difficult circumstances.
We recognize your tenacity and strength.**

Marilyn: You accomplished much during your time as a student, learning new skills, trying new things, making new friends, finding new passions.
We celebrate with you and your family your many achievements.

**Hannah: Your curiosity and creativity are inspiring.
We cannot wait to see where your questions lead you.**

Marilyn: You have many people who love and care for you.
We support you and we believe in you.

**Hannah: We know that you are God's beloved child,
surrounded by the Holy Spirit and prayed for by us and by Jesus Christ.
You are claimed and named by God.**

Marilyn: We know that the road ahead will not always be smooth or easy or obvious,
nonetheless, we have faith in your ability to navigate whatever lies ahead.

**Hannah: We have faith in God's sure presence with you.
We have faith in your willingness to ask for help when you need it,
accept and extend mercy often and practice courageous kindness always.**

Marilyn: When you are afraid or anxious, unsure or struggling,
we want you to know that you can call on your church family.

**Hannah: Those of us gathered today want you to know
how valuable you are to us and to God.**

Marilyn: You are irreplaceable.

**Hannah: While we are proud of all you have done to reach this goal,
we love you for who you are.**

Marilyn: Remembering that nothing can separate you from the love of God, we pray:

Hannah: God of every season, we ask your prayers this day for Katie Klein, Ryan McKenzie, and Nasia Metcalfe. As they graduate and look to the future, remind them of all they have achieved so far. May these memories embolden and strengthen them when they face challenges. Assure them of your presence, your power, your providence and your grace. Reveal to them a sure sense of purpose and peace, especially when they feel afraid and anxious. May they recognize the gifts you have given them, and may those gifts bring them joy, a joy that increases when they are shared with the world. Surround them with the Holy Spirit so that every day they may know that they are beloved, beautiful and blessed to be a blessing. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Prayers of the People

A time for silent prayers will be offered during the 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

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Glory to God #606, v. 1

Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Receive our offering, God of Glory, that our church may come alive in the Spirit. May these gifts, and the way we live our lives each day, proclaim the Good News of Jesus as the Christ. Strengthen us in our giving. Help us to be generous enough to experience the joy you find in showering us with more than we can ever give away. Thank you for the gift of Jesus, the Christ, through whom we pray. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

Song of Service

My Song Is Love Unknown
Glory to God #209, v. 1-4

Commission and Blessing

Postlude

Grande valse brillante
by Frédéric Chopin

Participants in Today's Worship

Pastor – Marilyn Gamm

Director of Music & Pianist/Organist – Christian Hendricks

Liturgist – Bob Wagoner

Children & Youth Minister – Hannah Peters

Communications Coordinator – Katie Gibbons

Technical Support – Dylan Voss and John Roman

Soloist – Evan Babel

Ushers – Diane O'Brien and Jim Person

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

Contact Trinity's staff and leadership by emailing admin@trinityucity.org or contacting the church office.

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
NEWS AND NOTES FOR MAY 30, 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.

LIMITED IN PERSON WORSHIP BEGINS JUNE 6, 2021!

On May 11 we joyfully announced plans for an initial reopening of the Trinity Presbyterian Church building for limited in person worship beginning Sunday, June 6, 2021.

Sign Up

We are requesting those who plan to attend in person worship services to register in advance via Sign Up Genius, and to do so for Sunday, June 6 forward, please go to the link that was in the newsletter.

You also may register by leaving a message at the church office (314-725-3840).

Arrival

We are requesting that those attending in person worship arrive no earlier than 9:45 a.m. each Sunday.

This will allow time for rehearsals, along with sound and other technology testing prior to the service.

Worship Online Continues

While we are delighted to begin 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!

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.

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

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) 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 Sorenson