



May 31, 2026, 10:30 am
Trinity Sunday

Welcome to worship! Led by the Holy Spirit, we glorify God, nurture the faith with each other, and witness the fullness of Christ's love in the world. Beyond the pews, we hope you will grow in faith with us on Sunday mornings and throughout the week. Our service today includes the celebration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All are invited to share in this joyful feast of the people of God as you are served in your pew. Children are welcome in the Sanctuary, with childcare available for infants through 4-year-olds in the nursery on the 1st floor of the Education Building. We are glad you are here.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

☩ We rise in body or spirit.

We say words in bold together.

Prelude

Praise God, Ye Christians

Dietrich Buxtehude

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Elizabeth Lovell Milford

Gathering Prayer

Holiness, Word, Power, you reveal yourself as one God in three persons, a mighty, creative, life-generating dancer who invites your

creation to join you. Catch us up in your love and lead us into your world to call others to follow you with singing and rejoicing. Amen.

Introit *From All That Dwell Below the Skies (Hymn 327)*

Call to Worship Liturgist: Rev. Coy Franklin

We gather to worship the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life,
Font of Blessing, Living Water, Flowing River,
Compassionate Mother, Beloved Child, Life-Giving Womb,
Sun, Light, and Burning Ray,
Giver, Gift, and Giving,
Rainbow of Promise, Ark of Salvation, Dove of Peace.
Rock, Cornerstone, and Temple,
God who was, God who is, God who is to come,
Glory to God, Three-in-One and One-in-Three!

✠Hymn 9 *The Play of the Godhead*

*The play of the Godhead, the Trinity's dance,
embraces the earth in a sacred romance:
with God the Creator, and Christ the true Son, entwined with the Spirit,
a web daily spun in spangles of mystery, the great Three in One.*

*The warm mists of summer, cool waters that flow,
turn crystal as ice when the wintry winds blow.
The taproot that nurtures, the shoot growing free,
the life giving fruit, full and ripe on the tree:
more mystic and wondrous, the great One in Three.*

*In God's gracious image of coequal parts,
we gather as dancers, uniting our hearts.
Men, women, and children, and all living things,
we join in the round of bright nature that rings
with rapture and rhythm: creation now sings!*

✠Prayer of Confession

Holy, Holy, Holy One, we confess that we have turned away from you. We have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other Gods. Flame of Love, purify us from sin; Eternal Now, lead us to your truth; Risen One, baptize us

into union with you. Transform us into faithful disciples who worship you alone, our Triune God. Amen.

✠Assurance of Pardon

We are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

✠Gloria Patri (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

✠Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: *Exodus 3:13-15*

p. 62 in the pew Bible

Psalms 8:1-9

p. 605 in the pew Bible

Moment with the Children

Natasha Taylor, Faith Formation Coordinator

Anthem

Just a Closer Walk With Thee

Ed Lojeski, arr.

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 28:16-20*

p. 41 in the pew Bible

This is the word of faith that we proclaim. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Using God's Full Name

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

✠Affirmation of Faith from *The Second Helvetic Confession*

God is one. We believe and teach that God is one in essence or nature. . . . God is three. Notwithstanding we believe and teach that the same immense, one and indivisible God is in person inseparably and without confusion distinguished as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit . . . there are not three gods, but three persons, consubstantial, coeternal, and coequal . . . they are so joined together that they are one God, and the divine nature is common to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

✠Hymn 11 *Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud*

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud, Fortress, Fountain, Shelter, Light, Judge, Defender, Mercy, Might, Life whose life all life endowed:

REFRAIN: May the church at prayer recall that no single holy name but the truth behind them all is the God whom we proclaim.

Word and Wisdom, Root and Vine, Shepherd, Savior, Servant, Lamb, Well and Water, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM: [Refrain]

Storm and Stillness, Breath and Dove, Thunder, Tempest, Whirlwind, Fire, Comfort, Counselor, Presence, Love, Energies that never tire [Refrain]

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise your name, most holy God, . . .

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his life, death, and resurrection, we gather at this table . . .

we own the mystery, joining together in the prayer Christ taught us:

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Today you will be served in your pews. You are welcome to consume the elements in a moment of personal prayer or hold them until all have been

served so we may partake together. All the bread is gluten-free and the cups contain grape juice.

Prayer After Receiving

SENDING

✠Hymn 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

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 evermore shalt be.*

*Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness 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!
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✠Charge and Benediction

✠Postlude *Trumpet Tune (Based on "Raison")* Gordon Young
Go in peace, holding quiet space for those who wish to reflect and pray.



*The flowers on the pulpit are given by Dick Szymanski and family
in honor of Mary Szymanski's birthday.*

Serving in Worship Today:

Choirmasters: Mary Ann & Larry Casey

Organist: Amy Shirk

Communion Servers: Bruce & Bridget Harvey, Mike Gibson, Betsy Mathias,
Tom Theado, Jim & Patty Toler, Gary Vaughn

Ushers: Bruce and Bridget Harvey

Elevator Assistant: Bill Stewart
Sanctuary Guild: Vicky & Marty Wilder
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