



INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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TRINITY SUNDAY

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*There once was a time when Thoreau wrote,
“I have great faith in seed. Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to
expect wonders.” By the power vested in everything living, let us keep to that faith.
I’m a scientist who thinks it wise to enter the doors of creation not with a lion tamer’s whip
and chair, but with the reverence humankind has traditionally summoned for entering
places of worship: a temple, a mosque, or a cathedral. A sacred grove, as ancient as time.*

~ Barbara Kingsolver, *Small Wonder*

~ GATHERING ~

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Matthew 28:19)*

Jesus calls us to go and make disciples,
baptizing them in the triune name of God.

PRELUDE

*LITANY FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: **Glory to you forever!**

Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life: **Glory to you forever!**

Font of Blessing, Living Water, Flowing River: **Glory to you forever!**

Sun, Light, and Burning Ray: **Glory to you forever!**

Giver, Gift, and Giving: **Glory to you forever!**

Lover, Beloved, and Love itself: **Glory to you forever!**

Rock, Cornerstone, and Temple: **Glory to you forever!**

Rainbow of Promise, Ark of Salvation, Dove of Peace:

Glory to you forever!

God who was, God who is, God who is to come: **Glory to you forever!**

*HYMN

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

GTG #1

by Reginald Heber

NICAEA

CHILDREN OF GOD

POURING THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name. Amen. *[Silent Confession.]*

***RESPONSE**

LORD, HAVE MERCY
American folk melody

GTG #551
LAND OF REST

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thank be to God. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** (*2 Corinthians 13:11-13*)

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

INSTRUMENTAL

~ ***THE WORD*** ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON **THE GREAT COMMISSION** (Matthew 28:16-20)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

HEBREW BIBLE **THE STORY OF CREATION** (Genesis 1:1-2:4a)

SERMON

~ ***RESPONDING TO THE WORD*** ~

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*from the Nicene Creed*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

***RESPONSE**

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Holy, triune God, **have mercy on us.**

HYMN

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

GTG #2

Anonymous

ITALIAN HYMN

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

~ **SENDING** ~

***HYMN**

WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

GTG #300

by Peter Scholtes

***BENEDICTION** (*Matthew 28 & 2 Corinthians 13*)

***SENDING**

GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN

GTG #541

by Jeremiah Eames Rankin (RANDOLPH)

Verse 1

POSTLUDE

Pieces of today's liturgy are from: *Book of Common Worship* (PCUSA); *Call to Worship*, *Lectionary Aids*; *Presbyterian Outlook*, Teri Ott. Bulletin Cover: *Sun and Moon*, Budapest