

TRINITY SUNDAY

June 4, 2023

9:30 a.m.

“A belief in the Trinity insists that relationship is what truly matters; it then becomes the litmus test for what faith looks like in the world.”

Caroline Lewis

WE GATHER AROUND GOD’S WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE

Mary Mackie

The Gift of Love... Janet Linker

(Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to this place of prayer,

**People: for here we can bring our hopes and dreams,
our hidden fears and the doubts we wear
on our sleeves.**

Leader: We come to this place of grace,

**People: for here we learn compassion and joy,
and discover how deeply we are loved.**

Leader: We come with these people called the church,

**People: to be blessed by the variety of gifts,
to live as one for our God.**

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

* HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 138

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

* Those who wish may stand.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Holy and triune God, You alone live in perfect relationship, One God in three persons, mutual and loving, ever seeking reconciliation and unity. You have called us to live in Your completion, yet we confess that our relationships are imperfect and we are incomplete without You. We are selfish and greedy. We are anxious and resenting. We feel the shame of our foolish behavior and brokenness. We have allowed sin to drive us apart from one another and from You.

Forgive us and restore us, draw us close and bind us together in Your mercy. By the working power of Your Holy Spirit. Amen. *Adapted from Katherine Lee Baker*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* GLORIA PATRI No. 579

* PASSING OF THE PEACE
Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Lou Pennebaker

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Melissa Seaton
John 16:12-15 pg. 1678

ANTHEM Chancel Choir
And the Father Will Dance... Mark Hayes
Richard Dinwiddie, director; Mollie Wakeman, accompanist
(CCLI #20405356)

* Those who wish may stand.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 8-9, selected verses
(a translation by scholar Shirley Wurst)

MINISTRY OF THE WORD
“When God Dances”

Rev. Renée Rico

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

- * AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

Apostles’ Creed

See next page

- * HYMN OF PREPARATION

I Come with Joy

No. 507

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup Shared

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- * SINGING OF THE LORD’S PRAYER

See Insert

- * CLOSING HYMN

I Danced in the Morning

No. 302

- * BENEDICTION

- * CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Go Now in Peace... Don Besig

Inside Cover of Hymnal

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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