

ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 11, 2017

Trinity Sunday

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book (“pew pad”) where you can also record any prayer requests. Our prayer is that you will experience the presence of the Living God as we worship together. We invite you to focus your heart and mind in worship.

** indicates please stand as you are able.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ryan Moore

PRELUDE

“I Love to Tell the Story”

Organ

tune by William G. Fischer

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Ryan Moore

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have obtained access to this grace in
which we stand;

and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings,
knowing that suffering produces endurance,
and endurance produces character, and character
produces hope,

and hope does not disappoint us,
because God’s love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

In the shadow of God’s peace,
in the powerful name of Jesus,
and with the hope of the Holy Spirit, let us worship God.

—based on Romans 5:1-5, NRSV

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***SONGS OF WORSHIP:**

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY”

(Hymn 2)

(VERSE 1)

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!

(VERSE 2)

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

(VERSE 3)

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful flesh thy glory may not see;
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power in love and purity.

(VERSE 4)

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!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

“WONDERFUL MERCIFUL SAVIOR”

(VERSE 1)

Wonderful merciful Savior
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb
Could rescue the souls of men
Oh you rescue the souls of men

(CHORUS 1)

**You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for
Oh our hearts always hunger for**

(VERSE 2)

Counselor Comforter Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts
Have hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way

(VERSE 3)

Almighty infinite Father

Faithfully loving your own
Here in our weakness you find us
Falling before your throne
Oh we're falling before your throne

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TIME OF PRAYER

Mike Helland

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Call to Confession

When we come into the holy presence of God,
our own humanity is laid bare.

When we stand in the living presence of truth,
our own falsehood is revealed.

People of God, let us acknowledge who we are
and ask our ever-present God to forgive us.

Prayer of Confession

You asked for my hands,

that you might use them for your purpose.

I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them,
for the work was hard.

You asked for my mouth

to speak out against injustice.

I gave you a whisper that I might not be accused.

You asked for my eyes

to see the pain of poverty.

I closed them, for I did not want to see.

You asked for my life,

that you might work through me.

I gave a small part, that I might not get too involved.

Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve you—

only when it is convenient for me to do so,

only in those places where it is safe to do so,

and only with those who make it easy to do so.

Father, forgive me,

renew me, send me out

as a usable instrument,

that I might take seriously

the meaning of your cross. **Amen.**

[Silent Prayer]

Assurance of Pardon

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
As a father has compassion for his children,
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.
For he knows how we were made;
he remembers that we are dust.
But the steadfast love of the LORD is from
everlasting to everlasting
on those who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's children,
to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.

—Psalm 103:8, 13-14, 17-18, NRSV

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SONG OF WORSHIP

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED

“O LORD YOUR TENDERNESS”

(VERSE)

O Lord your tenderness
Melting all my bitterness
O Lord I receive your love
O Lord your loveliness
Changing all my ugliness
O Lord I receive your love

(CHORUS)

**O Lord I receive your love
O Lord I receive your love**

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Don Meekhof

OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

Mike Helland

Invitation to the Offering

Give to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come before him.

**We will sacrifice a thank offering to God
and call on the name of the Lord.**

**We will fulfill our vows to the Lord,
in the presence of all God's people.**

Let each of us use whatever gift we have received,
faithfully sharing God's grace in many forms.

Freely we have received; freely we will give.

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***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

All good things come from you, O God,
and with gratitude we return to you what is yours.
You created all that is, and with love formed us in your
image.

When our love failed, your love remained steadfast.
You gave your only Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Savior.
All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you.
And so, in gratitude for all your gifts,
we offer you ourselves, and all that we have,
in union with Christ's offering for us.
By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with
each other,
and one in ministry to all the world,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

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*You may bring your offering and light a candle at the front or back
of the sanctuary.*

The children are excused at this time to attend Junior Chapel.

Offertory

"Meditation"

Organ

Robert J. Hughes

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

Lois Robertson

Genesis 1:1–5 (NIV)

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

² Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

³ And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light.

⁴ God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light “day,” and the darkness he called “night.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

Matthew 28:16–20 (NIV)

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

MESSAGE

Jamie Fiorino

“Your Next-to-Best Eternal Friend”

Take some time this week to reflect on what Word you’ve heard in worship today. Consider this:

When reflecting on the idea that all of creation is the work of love and mystery, and that God’s dominion is one of love and grace, and seems clear that the actions of Love are the essential nature of the Trinity.

In light of the mandate in the Gospel of Matthew to go and share the good news, how do you see Knox expressing the image of

God? What is your role in that? Should sharing the good news be done solely by the church?

***SONG OF WORSHIP:**

“SING PRAISE TO THE FATHER”

(Hymn #9)

(VERSE 1)

Sing praise to the Father, Creator and King,
whose mercy has taught us a new song to sing;
who made us, and loved us tho' rebels and lost,
and planned our redemption at infinite cost.

Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul,
for the grace that redeems, for the love that makes whole;
O come and adore him, his glories proclaim,
and worship before him—the Lord is his name!

(VERSE 2)

Sing praise to the Savior, Redeemer and Friend,
for grace past all telling, for love without end;
who stripped off his glory, put on mortal sin,
and died in our stead, full atonement to win.

Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul,
for the grace that redeems, for the love that makes whole;
O come and adore him, his glories proclaim,
and worship before him—the Lord is his name!

(VERSE 3)

Sing praise to the Spirit, the gift of God's love,
who quickens our hearts with new life from above,
who woos us, subdues us, and seals us his own,
and faultless presents us before the White Throne.

Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul,
for the grace that redeems, for the love that makes whole;
O come and adore him, his glories proclaim,
and worship before him—the Lord is his name!

(VERSE 4)

Sing praise to the Father, sing praise to the Son,
sing praise to the Spirit, great God Three in One;
the God of salvation, of glory, of grace,
who wrought our redemption—my soul, sing his praise!

Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul,
for the grace that redeems, for the love that makes whole;
O come and adore him, his glories proclaim,
and worship before him—the Lord is his name!

BENEDICTION

Jamie Fiorino

POSTLUDE

“Festive March”

Organ

*(from the 16th Organ Concerto)
G. F. Handel*

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Our guest preacher for much of the summer is Jamie Fiorino. A native of Spokane and graduate of University of Idaho, she just finished her middle year at Princeton Theological Seminary in New Jersey working towards her Master of Divinity. (Less than 350 days to graduation!) Jamie has been involved in church ministry for more than 20 years, most recently serving four years as the lay pastor at Bovill Presbyterian Church in Bovill, Idaho.