



TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 5, 2024

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lord God, open unto us light for our darkness.
Many: Open unto us courage for our fear,
peace for our turmoil, joy for our sorrow.
One: Open unto us strength for our weakness,
wisdom for our confusion, forgiveness for our sins.
Many: Open unto us love for our hate,
offering living water to all who would drink.
Your Self for our selves.
All: Lord, our God, open unto us!

† GATHERING HYMN

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 317

[In Christ There Is No East or West](#)

MC KEE

WE OPEN UP TO GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the clean and the unclean, we too easily think we can see from your point of view. We exclude, hold grudges and nurse contempt, all the while hiding ourselves for fear we too would be found wanting. We think we are justified because we are made holy by your love - and we forget, or never really knew, that all you touch is holy. So when we exclude others, we exclude you. When we hold grudges, we hate you. When we show contempt, we are contemptuous of those you love. Forgive us, God. May we be made holy in truth, loving as you love, clean and unclean alike. AMEN.

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us;
Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.

† WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: God hears our cries and answers with steadfast love and faithfulness.
Many: There is nothing – nothing at all – that can ever separate us from God.
One: In a world where good news is hard to find, this news is good indeed:
Many: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

† THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you –
And also with you!

† GLORIA PATRI

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 582

[Glory to God](#)
GLORY TO GOD

GOD SPEAKS TO US

MORNING WATCH

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2: 11-22

ANTHEM

Magnificat in B flat major
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

My soul doth magnify the Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. Because he hath regarded the humility of his handmaid: for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. Because he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imaginations of their heart. He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel. As he promised to our forefathers: to Abraham and to his seed forever.

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.

SERMON

Move Closer
Rev. Dr. Steve Lindsley

WE RESPOND WITH FAITH & COMMITMENT

† HYMN OF RESPONSE

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 693

[Though I May Speak](#)
GIFT OF LOVE

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

A MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP AND OFFERING

To make an offering by text, text TPCGIVE to 73256.

For online offering click [HERE](#) or scan QR code to the right.



OFFERTORY

† [DOXOLOGY](#)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

† PRAYER FOR OFFERING

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS & SERVE

† SENDING HYMN

Glory to God, Hymnal No. 306

[Blest Be the Tie That Binds](#)

DENNIS

† BENEDECTION

POSTLUDE

Nunc dimittis in B flat
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel. 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.

† *All who are able are invited to stand.*

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Dr. Steve Lindsley, preacher; Rev. Rebecca Heilman-Campbell, liturgist; Dr. Justin Smith, Director of Music and Cultural Events; Dr. John Siler, organist; and the Trinity Choir.

MUSIC NOTES – *To read Justin’s music notes today, scan the QR code under offering.*

WELCOME TO TRINITY

You are welcome and there is a place for you here at Trinity! We strive to be an open and inclusive community, acknowledging and embracing the rich diversity of God’s creation so we embody our calling to, “grow together and welcome all.” We love having children, and their wiggles, worship with us at Trinity. If you choose, childcare is provided for ages four and under. We are happy your family is here! Whatever in your life brought you to worship with us today, you are welcome, and we hope you feel at home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST SUNDAY LUNCH TODAY – Join us for food and fellowship today after Worship while we pack snack packs for Nations Ford Elementary School! We will convene in the Fellowship Hall after service. Invite family and friends to join you for lunch and church!

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE - Sunday School classes and Children's Choir will meet on May 12 and May 19. Children's Choir meets in the Heritage Room during Worship.

NURSERY SCHEDULE – The Nursery is open every Sunday, from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. unless there is no Sunday School and then it will open at 10:30 a.m. Our nursery care providers are Angela Drugan and Sarah Emily Click.

MUSIC OF THE FRENCH BAROQUE, MAY 18 - The majesty of pre-revolutionary France - the Palace of Versailles and the opulence of the Sun King - was the Age of Absolutism, with France at the height of its military power and artistic influence. The music of the age comes alive in this splendid musical offering. North Carolina’s renowned early music orchestra collaborates with Queens' internationally award-winning choir in a program of French masterworks. Scan QR code under Offering for more information and to purchase tickets.

SAVE THE DATE - CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC, MAY 19 - Save the date for our Annual Congregational Picnic, May 19, following worship. We will celebrate the end of the church program year with Atomic Dog Food Truck and Kona Ice at the YOUTH CENTER! There will be games and activities for families and children. Hope to see you there!

CALLING ALL GRADUATES AND FAMILIES - We want to hear from you! Please complete a short form and provide us with a little bit of information so we can recognize and celebrate with you. You can find a link to this form using the QR code under Offering. This is for graduates of all kind - high school, college, and other. See Steve with any questions.

M&M REBRANDING - Millennials & More group is moving to an “Adults Only” format and will meet quarterly. Future events will include “Theology on Tap” as well as dinners, sports, outings. etc. Join us for our first 2024 event at Legion Southpark, Thursday, May 23, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. RSVP to Gary Sugg, Jr. (grsugg@gmail.com or 704-578-0280) so we can reserve ample space.

MATCH WITH A TRINITY MINISTRY - Check out Trinity’s Ministry Match Tool by scanning the QR code under Offering. In three minutes you can be matched with ministry opportunities to serve your interests and preferences. It’s simple: 1. Answer the 24 multiple-choice questions. It’s about you so you can’t go wrong! 2. Immediately see your top 10 ministry opportunities.