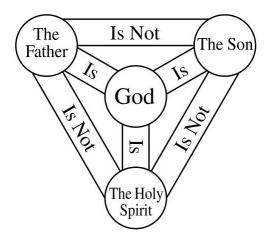
June 16, 2019 – 10:00 am **TRINITY SUNDAY**



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- LITURGY WRITTEN BY REV LEVON BAYLER
- PLEASE RESPOND WITH WORDS IN BOLD PRINT.
- SCRIPTURE TEXTS FROM THE COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE.
- *PLEASE STAND IF COMFORTABLY ABLE.
- NCH IS THE NEW CENTURY HYMNAL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Mark Hayes

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP:

- One: God finds delight in humanity, and in each of us. Let us rejoice before the majesty of our Creator.
- MANY: God of grace and glory, who made all things. How majestic is your name in all the earth!
- One: In Christ, we are called to endure and to hope. Let us give thanks for a faith that brings peace.
- MANY: God of grace and glory, Savior of your people, How precious to us is your gift of Jesus Christ!
- One: The Holy Spirit is present to guide and direct us, Let us listen that we may hear and do what is true.

MANY: God of grace and glory, ever present with us, How reassuring is the love with which you surround us!

*OPENING HYMN: **"Come, Christian, Join to Sing"** (insert)

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

Amazing God, revealed to us in more ways than we can count, yet binding in unity all that was and is and yet shall be, we worship you. Source of mountains and seas, giver of light and darkness, we marvel at the work of your hands. Reconciler and Redeemer, we are awed by the forgiving love that draws us to you and empowers us to care for one another. Spirit of truth, whose guidance is available to us every day, we rejoice in your transforming presence. Triune God, bless, we pray, this gathering of your disciples. Amen. *GLORIA: NCH 759 Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three- in-One; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Lay Liturgist

RESPONSIVE PSALM READING: Psalm 8 Page 624

SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5 Lay Liturgist

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL:

*GOSPEL READING: John 16:12-15 Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

SERMON:

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: NCH 278

"Creator God, Creating Still"

PASTORAL PRAYER:

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come; Your 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE: NCH 775

And God will raise you up upon eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of God's hand.

INVITATION TO SHARE:

OFFERTORY: "Faith of Our Fathers" David H. Hegarty

*DOXOLOGY: NCH 780

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

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

Giving God, we are grateful for wisdom, for beauty, for the ways in which we see your glory in all creation. Most of all, we thank you for caring for us and for entrusting to us the ministry of caring for the earth and for one another. May these offerings extend the faith and honor you. Creator, Savior, and Sustainer. Amen.

*SENDING HYMN: NCH 277 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION:

One: God's love has been poured into our hearts. When we give it away, we have even more for ourselves.

- MANY: The Holy Spirit has blessed us with love. The Spirit dwells with us and enables our loving.
- One: The Spirit of Truth promises to guide us. When we respond, our lives are deeply enriched.
- MANY: God has crowned us with glory and honor. We are given responsibility to care for God's creation.

One: Wisdom continues as a partner in creation and re-creation. Let us praise the one who has dominion over all.

MANY: How majestic is God's name in all the earth! We accept the grace and peace God offers. Amen.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: NCH 809 God be with you, God be with you, God be with you till we meet again. O God be with you, God be with us, God be with you till we meet again.

*POSTLUDE: "Trinity Blessed" Benton Price