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All members of the congregation

The Celebration of Worship Trinity Sunday

May 27, 2018

10:30 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.

Large print hymnals, Bibles, hearing devices,
and information about child care are available from any usher.

If your hearing aid has a button for telephone use, turn it on now
to receive sound directly to your hearing aid.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.

Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand in body or in spirit.



We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor. The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon. He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox. The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire. The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!" The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever. May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Psalm 29

PRELUDE

Finlandia (Song of Peace)
Paula Legge, organ

Jean Sibelius

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory Be to God

Maher, Minter, Townend

To You we bring our hymn of praise: glo-ry be to God.
 You pur-chased cap-tives for Your saints: glo-ry be to God.
 And Hearts and hands to- geth- er raised: glo-ry be to God.
 o- pened wide the king- dom gates: glo-ry be to God.
 Who spoke be- fore the dawn of time: glo-ry be to God.
 You o- ver- came the sting of death: glo-ry be to God.
 And Veil of dark- ness torn by light: glo-ry be to God.
 clothed us in Christ's right- eous- ness: glo-ry be to God.
 And with un- ceas- ing voice all heav- en sings, "Glo-ry be to God!"
 And all Your chil- dren cry with loud ac- claim: "Glo-ry be to God!"
 An- them of the Lord's re- deemed: "Glo-ry be to God!"
 Sing, O church, your sweet re- frain: "Glo-ry be to God!"
 Fath-er, Spir-it, ris-en Son: glo-ry be to God. Who was and is and is to
 come: glo ry be to God And with un- ceas-ing voice all heav-en sings,
 "Glo-ry be to God!" An- them of the Lord's re- deemed: "Glo-ry be to God!"

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Christian Johnson

*RESPONSE

Father, I Adore You

Terry Coelho

I II III
 Fa- ther, I a- dore You, lay my life be- fore You; How I love You.
 Je- sus, I a- dore You, lay my life be- fore You; How I love You.
 Spi- rit I a- dore You, lay my life be- fore You; How I love You.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

GINNA TAYLOR

Almighty God, You poured Your Spirit upon Your disciples, empowering them to be Your witnesses to the ends of the earth. We confess that we are not always faithful witnesses. At times, we choose not to listen, nor to love You with our whole being. We have trouble loving our neighbors as ourselves, and sometimes have trouble even loving ourselves. Have mercy on us, we pray, and forgive us our sins. Fill us with Your Spirit that the good news may live in us.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

BILL MCCOY

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so we may greet each other by name.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MARY ODIN

*PASSING THE PEACE

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

*HYMN 337

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

AMERICA

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

GINNA TAYLOR

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.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 581

*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, Amen.*

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHRISTIAN JOHNSON

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.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

Variations on the Navy Hymn

MICHAEL JOSEPH

*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.*

Ever-faithful God, we long to be faithful givers, modeling ourselves on You who have given everything to us. May Your Spirit of abundance, which gives more than we ask or imagine, grace these gifts for Your kingdom in Jesus' name, Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

ANTHEM

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

arr. Holstein

Make me a channel of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love; Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord; and where there's doubt, true faith in You.

O, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love with all my soul!

Make me a channel of Your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope; Where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of Your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, In giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

The Geneva Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Samuel 3:1-10; Pew Bible, OT, p. 247

Christian Johnson

GOSPEL LESSON

John 3:1-17; Pew Bible, NT, p. 93

EPISTLE LESSON

Acts 9:1-19; Pew Bible, NT, p. 127

Bill McCoy

SERMON

Consider Your Call

Bill McCoy

*CONCLUDING HYMN 331

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PARTING

HYMN 541

God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.

*POSTLUDE

God of Our Fathers / Taps
Paula Legge, organ

Robert Powell

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· *In worship leadership last Sunday:* We thank Amelia Keller for chiming the Trinity and Bekah Grishaber
· and Ruth Odin for serving as acolytes during worship May 20.
· *Restrooms and water fountains* are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel; please
· accompany children.
· *Childcare:* Nursery and Rooms 112 and 114
· *Elder visitation:* Mike Abernethy, Ben Adams, Eddie Baker
· *The flowers in the sanctuary today* remind us that a contribution has been given to the Hunger Fund for
· the glory of God by the Presbyterian Women.
· *Greeters today:* Susan Watkins, Dave and Sandy Campbell, Kristen Harrison
· PLEASE FEEL FREE TO KEEP THIS BULLETIN OR DROP IT IN THE RECYCLING BOX AS YOU EXIT. THANK YOU!
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