

WORSHIP SERVICE

June 4th, 2023

Trinity Sunday

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship Romans 5:1-5

"Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.

And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.

And hope does not put us to shame because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who 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's bring our praises to the holy Trinity.

* Opening Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy" Lift Up Your Hearts #538

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!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

Who wert and art and ever more shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,

Though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,

only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.
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!

*Opening Prayer

Song: "Baptized In Water"

Lift Up Your Hearts #790

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now God's praise we sing.
Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praise we sing.
Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ, our King;
born of one Father, we are his children,
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Call to Confession (Isaiah 58:6-7)

"Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke?

Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe them and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?"

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Father, you call us to honor you above all else. Help us to honor you by working for the justice you desire. Help us to trust your provision for us enough to be generous in helping others. Lord Jesus,

you sacrificed deeply to show your love to us. Help us to love others as you have loved us. Holy Spirit, lead us and empower us to use the gifts you have given us for the work of the kingdom of heaven. Amen.

Words of Assurance (Romans 8:15-17)

“The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.”

Song of Entrusting: “Father I Adore You”

Father, I adore You, lay my life before You.

How I love You. Jesus, I adore You,
lay my life before You. How I love You.

Spirit, I adore You, lay my life before You.

How I love You.

Children’s Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:31-46 (p:916)

³¹“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. ³⁴“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

³⁷ “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?’ ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?’ ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ ⁴⁰ “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’ ⁴¹ “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’ ⁴⁴ “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’ ⁴⁵ “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’ ⁴⁶ “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

Message: Sheep, Goats, and Cups of Water

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: “Here I Am Lord” Lift Up Your Hearts #869

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? whom shall I send?

REFRAIN: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain. I have wept for love of them.

They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

REFRAIN: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them.

Whom shall I send?

REFRAIN: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

WE CELEBRATE GOD'S COVENANT WITH US

*The Lord's Supper

Communion Song: "Remembering With Love and Hope"

Lift Up Your Hearts #809

Remembering with love and hope, we celebrate the feast.

Christ bids us come and dine with him,
our Host and great High Priest.

God's Word made known in flesh and blood,
a covenant of grace-in manger, cross, and empty tomb,
we see God's loving face.

Through all our lives, Lord, you are near –
and to the end of time. In bread and cup yourself you give;
our life in yours we find.

We break the bread and bless the cup;
your Spirit is outpoured. Made one in you, we feast in love
until you come, O Lord.

We trust this pledge of your strong love
and pray your kingdom come, when face to face we'll feast with you
in our eternal home.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

Lift Up Your Hearts #936

Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from his dwelling take leave.

The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.

Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
the tasks of our everyday life we will face-
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring
embracing God's children, the whole human race.

With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and his name we bear.

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Lora Copley

Message: Rev. Randy Raak

Musicians: Andrew Friend, Nancy Berns, Chloe Berns-Schweingruber,
Eli Hufford

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

This week's special offering will be for the **Christian Education Tuition Assistance Fund**. Please consider giving to this fund as one of the ways in which we can support families and children of Trinity and as an action following from the promises, we make at baptism to nurture the faith of the children of our congregation

Communion: Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Congregation of Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared his table for believers. If you are sorry for your sins and follow Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, you are invited to come to his table. Through this celebration, we remember that:

- a. The Lord's Supper is a thanksgiving to God.
- b. The Lord's Supper is a memorial of Christ.
- c. The Lord's Supper is a participation in the body and the blood of Christ.
- d. The Lord's Supper signifies the work of the Spirit.

The Lord's Supper seals the present and coming kingdom of God..

The Education committee would like to celebrate a great year of Sunday school in a brunch potluck on June 4th following church. We are providing coffee, milk and juice but ask you to provide the following: Last name A-O a 'main entree' P-Z a 'side'. A main entree can be an egg casserole, French toast bake or even breakfast pizza! A side can range from cheese slices, fresh fruit or yogurt! Any questions please contact Rachel De Bruin

You are invited to a baby shower for the Friend baby at Laura Hufford's house, Sunday June 11 at 1 pm at 2850 North 500th Ave, Ames Iowa. Please **RSVP Laura Hufford**

Summer Softball league has begun. TCRC team will play on these dates, time, and field. May 30th June 6th at 6:10 on field 5, June 13th at 6:10 on field 6, June 20th at 6:10 on field 5, and June 27th at 9:10 on field 6.

Midwest B.A.S.I.C (Brothers And Sisters In Christ) **Youth Bible Camp**, this year will be Sunday August 6th through Wednesday the 9th. Camp is open to students who have finished the 6th grade through 12th grade. There are information/registration sheets on the table by the office.

Small Groups, Committees, & Sunday School Updates

Sunday School Classes Will resume this fall

Breakfast Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the Lincoln Center HyVee at 8:30 AM.

UFO meets the 3rd Monday of the month

Women's Bible Study meets 1st Monday of the month

Next Council meeting will be June 21st

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Walking Through Grief - Check out the new kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. What can you do when grief is hard? In Psalm 27:5, David says that God protects you and keeps you safe. What are some things to remember when grief feels unbearable? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Liz and Friends episode "The Long Goodbye."

Groundwork: God Cares and Will Provide; Trust Him - Our Creator God cares for us and promises in Scripture to provide for our needs. Join Groundwork as we study Nehemiah 9:6, Psalm 145:15-16, Matthew 6:25-34, and Philippians 4:10-13 to learn about God's providence. Together we'll discuss what believing these promises looks like in how we pray and live both in times of need and times of plenty. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

VOLUNTEERS

Congregational Prayer: Randy Raak

Sound : Tom Whitney

Nursery: Jessica and Kristy

Children's message: Lora Copley

Greeters: VanDyk

Greeters

June 4 VanDyk

June 11 Verkade

June 18 Voss

June 25 Whitney
July 2 Yoder
July 9 Baker

Nursery

June 4 Jessica and Kristy
June 11 Donna and Cassie
June 18 Elaine and Pam N
June 25 Mindy and Kenzie
July 2 Megan and Kathlyn
July 9 Judy and Jayden
July 16 Sue F and Caraline

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T-Z = Jeff Kopaska

Deacons: A-G = Joseph Yoder; H-K = Pam Niemeyer; L-S = Tom Whitney;
T-Z = Mark Irvin