



The Worship of God

Trinity Sunday • June 7, 2020

PRELUDE *We Are Members of One Body* arr. Lloyd Larson
Molly Frederick & Susan Pearce, duet; Jasmine Braxton, acolyte

We are members of Christ's body, joined by faith in unity: one in calling, joy, and suffering, wholesome in diversity. We will work with gifts that differ towards the Kingdom's destiny. We are members of Christ's body, joined by faith and unity.

Ear and eye to one another, we have need of every part; hands and feet belong together, guided by a loyal heart; tendons, bones, and flesh embody what the Spirit's breath imparts. We are members of Christ's body, joined by faith and unity.

When one member suffers hardship, we will shoulder all the pain; when another part is honored, joys throughout the body reign; for our common love is pulsing towards the growth of Christ's domain. We are members of Christ's body, joined by faith and unity.

CALL TO WORSHIP *(All speak words in **boldface**.)* Marvin & Linda Stackhouse

The God of creation makes us one in body!
Let us give witness in faith, hope, and love!
The God of Christ makes us one in the Spirit!
Let us worship God in joyful praise!

HYMN *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!* DARWALL'S 148TH
Lynn Auman, violin; Chad Hammer, cello

- Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!***
- Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!***

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PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

Eternal God, you are the power behind all things:
**behind the energy of the storm,
behind the heat of a million suns.**

Eternal God, you are the power behind all minds:

**behind the ability to think and reason,
behind all understanding of the truth.**

Eternal God, you are the power behind the cross of Christ:

**behind the weakness, the torture and the death,
behind unconquerable love.**

**O changeless God, under the conviction of your Spirit,
I learn that the more I do, the worse I am.**

**The more I know, the less I know;
the more holiness I have, the more sinful I am;
the more I love, the more there is to love.
My heart is full of affection, yet full of leaks.**

We are your Body, and yet we lose track of how we are knit together.

**Our memory is faulty; we easily forget the lessons learned
and so your truths seep away. Give us broken hearts that—
even still—carry home the waters of grace.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

What more could be done than what Christ has done? His death is our life, his resurrection our peace, his ascension our hope, his prayers our comfort. Friends, hear and believe this good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia. Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

***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. (TEXT: Trad. liturgical text P.D. TUNE: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851 P.D.)

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 12:14-21

SERMON

"Body Building"

Rev. Laura Viau

HYMN

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

**1 *Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace,
we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,
equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.***

**2 Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old,
blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.**

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from The Theological Declaration of Barmen, sections 8.16-8.18)

“Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body [is] joined and knit together.”

The Christian Church is the congregation of the brethren in which Jesus Christ acts presently as the Lord in Word and Sacrament through the Holy Spirit. As the church of pardoned sinners, it has to testify in the midst of a sinful world, with its faith as with its obedience, with its message as with its order, that it is solely his property, and that it lives and wants to live solely from his comfort and from his direction in the expectation of his appearance.

We reject the false doctrine, as though the church were permitted to abandon the form of its message and order to its own pleasure or to changes in prevailing ideological and political convictions. Amen

PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD

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.

BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

CLOSING RESPONSE *Lord, You Give the Great Commission* ABBOT'S LEIGH
Gail Thomas, soprano; Laura Viau, alto; Wayne Tillman, tenor; Ken Curry, bass

Rev. Laura Viau, Interim Pastor (laurabviau@gmail.com)

Randy Warner, Organist/Pianist; Joyce Winkler, Qualified Ruling Elder;

Stephanie Reeves, Church Secretary; Linda Rowell, Church Treasurer;

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