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Trinity Sunday  
June 4, 2023 ~ 8:30AM and 11:00AM

PRELUDE

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

(arr. by Jeffrey Bennett)

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

*Please sign the registration pad and pass it to your neighbor in the pew*

We come today to worship the Triune God, even as we, like the Eleven on the mountainside, have our doubts.

**Holy Trinity, meet us in our questions and help us embrace your mystery.**

We come to encounter the God who is both immense and particular, greater than words can describe, and yet intimately present with us.

**Holy Trinity, surround us with your love that brings order to chaos and community to individualism.**

We come to give thanks to the God who created and sustains us, and who calls us to steward the earth and all that live in it.

**Holy Trinity, empower us to enter into partnership with you for the flourishing of all creation with gratitude and joy.**

We come to receive Christ's commission to make disciples, to baptize, and to teach the gospel wherever we go.

**God, immerse us in the life of the Holy Trinity that we might go and welcome others into the dance of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

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✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

✠HYMN OF PRAISE #62                      *All Creatures of Our God and King*

✠THE APOSTLES' CREED

✠GLORIA PATRI

OFFERING                                      *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name*                                      (Fettkel)

✠DOXOLOGY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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belong so that we may live with gratitude for all that you have done. **Amen.**

PSALTER #743                                      Psalm 8

HYMN OF PREPARATION #92                      *For the Beauty of the Earth*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS                      Genesis 1:1-3 and 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

SERMON                                      "From Chaos To Community"                                      Dr. Darren M. McClellan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION *UMH#13*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING HYMN #89                                      *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE                                      *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*                                      (arr. by Jeffrey Bennett)

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Mary Lu and Thomas Brown by Nancy Brown Myrick.

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Dr. Darren M. McClellan; Liturgist, Emily Garner

**Acolytes:** 11:00 Nicholas Goleash, Evan Jones

**Music:** Tom Hood, Minister of Music; John Richardson, Organist; Chancel Choir

**Media and Sound:** Wright Tapscott

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OPENING SONG

We Believe

Shea White, Praise Team

WELCOME ~ CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

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PRAYER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM AND VOLUNTEERS

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 8*

O Lord, our Lord,

**how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and infants:

**you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.**

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

**the moon and the stars that you have established;**

what are humans that you are mindful of them,

**and mortals that you care for them?**

Yet you have made them a little lower than God

**and crowned them with glory and honor.**

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

**you have put all things under their feet,**

all sheep and oxen,

**and also the beasts of the field,**

the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,

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SINGING OUR PRAISES

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## GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 28:16-20

## SERMON

"The Fullness of God"

Rev. Laura Parker

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### GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

As you come before God to receive this Holy Meal,  
You are invited to bring all of who you are as an offering  
to the one who has given all of who he is for us.  
*\*\*\*Baskets are available to present your offering  
as you come forward to receive the bread and cup.*

### INVITATION TO PRAYER AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

## SENDING FORTH

## CLOSING SONG

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**Challenge 2023: Read the Bible in One Year**



Reinforce your reading by participating in a discussion group hosted by Dr. Ann Pearson on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm in Wesley Hall.

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