

TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE 4, 2023

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Organist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

*Opening (Stand) #23 "All Creatures of Our God and King" *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

*Call to Worship (Stand)

Beloved of God, why do you gather today, in this sacred space?

We gather today, at this appointed time, in the name of God, to worship and bear witness to God's great saving acts.

Beloved of God, what do you believe about God?

We believe God is God, and we are not gods. God is One, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Beloved of God, what do you believe about Jesus the Christ?

We believe Jesus is God, God's one and only Son, the Anointed Messiah, who is our Lord, who died and rose to save us.

Beloved of God, what do you believe about God the Spirit?

We believe the Holy Spirit is God, worthy of worship and praise with the Father and the Son, who is alive and active around, in, and among us whenever we gather and serve in Jesus' name.

Beloved of God, do you believe in three Gods or One God?

We believe in One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who is eternally praised in heaven and earth, therefore, with joyful hearts, we join our voices in love and praise of our triune God.

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*Opening Prayer (Stand)

Song of Faith "Open the Eyes" "Holy, Holy, Holy" Worship Team

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Scripture Reader: Sonia Roling

The First Reading

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (Stand)

Matthew 28:16-20

*Responsorial (Stand) #34

"Doxology"

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*Greeting and Sharing Peace with Family and Neighbors (Stand)

The Children's Sermon

Announcements & Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations -
Worshippers are invited to give their tithes, gifts, and offerings to the Lord.

Prayer of Dedication & Offertory Special

A Prayer of Illumination & The Message

The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

WE FEAST AT THE TABLE OF THE LORD

Communion Song

"The Communion Hymn"

Worship Team

Invitation & Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer – 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper

Breaking of Bread

The Body of Christ; The Bread of Heaven

Passing of the Cup

The Blood of Christ; The Cup of Salvation

WE RESPOND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

* Hymn (Stand) #561

"Christ for the World! We Sing"

ITALIAN HYMN

*Spoken Benediction

*Postlude

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HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) which have hurt God and others. Apologize to God and turn away from harmful behavior and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** – Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God the credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer and Redeemer (Savior) and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY** - Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church, may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator, or come forward at a meeting of the congregation. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.



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