

THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Trinity Sunday
May 30, 2021

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(*) indicates the congregation will stand if able

We Gather in God's Name

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Ilsa, a childhood friend of mine once found a raspberry in the camp and carried it in her pocket all day to present to me that night on a leaf. Imagine a world in which your only possession is a raspberry and you give it to your friend.

Gerda Weissman Klein
Holocaust Survivor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Chorale Prelude on *Hankey* Emma Lou Diemer
Melody for Hymn 462 *I Love to Tell the Story*

Chorale Prelude on Nicaea Thomas Canning
Melody for Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In worship we participate the revelation of God's kingdom.

P: **We prepare for God's glorious reign of peace.**

L: Where love is lived,

P: **and all is done with justice and with peace.**

L: Where time and tears will be no more,

P: **and all but love will cease.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

*HYMN #1

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

Ryan Norris, cantor

CALL TO CONFESSION

from The Iona Abbey Worship Book

Holy God, Maker of us all; have mercy on us.
Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor, have mercy on us.
Holy Spirit, Breath of life, have mercy on us.
Trusting in divine mercy, let us offer our confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*UNISON*)

God of justice and mercy,
we confess that we disobey your will.
Whether individually or as participants in our civil covenants,
we withhold true justice and genuine mercy to others.

Christ our Savior, love incarnate,
we confess that we take your love for granted.
We withhold ourselves from others
and we do not always rejoice in all the blessings we receive.

Holy Spirit, power and breath,
we confess that we block or resist your movement.
We are reluctant to show truly self-sacrificial love.

Gracious Trinity, forgive us and grant us your peace.
Help us to turn more faithfully to you, Creator, Christ and Spirit,
so that we may love you by more joyfully caring for others.
Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING THE PEACE

L: May the peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Please return to your seats when the music starts.

***GLORIA PATRI** Glory Be to the Father

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.

God's Word Is Proclaimed

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

John Booth

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE VERSE "These Treasured Children"

*Come Holy Spirit, help us be
a nurturing community.
Empower us to realize
God's kingdom through our children's eyes.*

FIRST READING

Acts 17:22-31

L: The word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

John 3:1-17

L: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. **P: Glory to you, O Lord.**

SERMON

"The God of All Places"

John Booth

We Respond to God's Word

***HYMN #338**

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"
Ryan Norris, cantor

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

COLLECTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Cortège

Marcel Dupré

*DOXOLOGY #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (*unison*)

Holy Trinity of love,
God of heaven and earth, you pour down justice
like a rushing mountain stream;
you raise mercy and kindness like a new day dawning.
We thank you for creating this good planet,
and for your care of all that dwell here.
We thank you for our lives redeemed and made new
by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
We thank you for this holy rule
that promises your peaceable reign
in our homes, in our nation, and among all nations.
We thank you for the power given through Christ
to forgive others as we have been forgiven.
We present our tithes and offering in joyful thanksgiving
for all the blessings we have received from you.
Use them and us as instruments of your peace,
serving the call of the church and the revelation of your kingdom.
Amen.

We Seal God's Word Upon Our Hearts And Bear It Into the World

***HYMN #8**

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Ryan Norris, cantor

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

L: Let all God's people say

P: Alleluia Amen.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Chorale Prelude on *Jerusalem* Charles Callahan
Melody for Hymn 373 *O Day of Peace*

(please remain seated during the closing voluntary)

A thought on Memorial Day:

Memorial Day isn't about honoring veterans, its honoring those who lost their lives. Veterans had the fortune of coming home. For us, that's a reminder of when we come home we still have a responsibility to serve. It's a continuation of service that honors our country and those who fell defending it.

Pete Hegseth, Major, USA

We welcome Dr. Wilma Jensen as our guest organist today. Please extend your regards to her following the Closing Voluntary.

THE TRIUNE GOD

1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,

2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,

3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

ho - ly, Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.

cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;

though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,

All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Much of the imagery of this hymn comes from Revelation 4:2–11, which its author, an Anglican bishop, knew as a reading appointed for Trinity Sunday. The tune, written specifically for this text, reinforces the Trinitarian theme by strong dependence on the D-major triad.

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THE TRIUNE GOD

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

mer - ci - ful and might - y!

cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,

on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

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who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.

per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

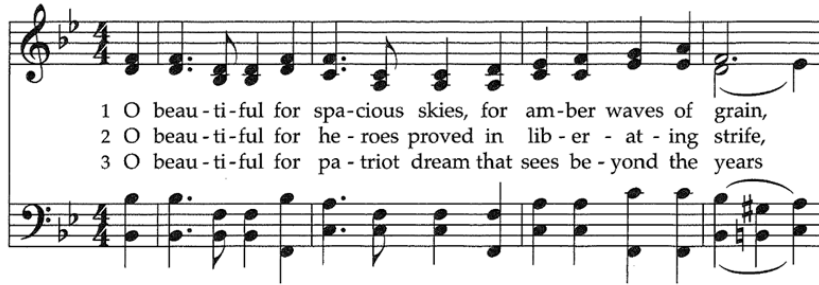
SPANISH

- 1 ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! Señor omnipotente,
siempre el labio mío loores te dará.
¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! Te adoro reverente,
Dios en tres personas, bendita Trinidad.
- 2 ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! La inmensa muchedumbre
de ángeles que cumplen tu santa voluntad,
ante ti se postra, bañada de tu lumbre,
ante ti que has sido, que eres y serás.
- 3 ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! Por más que estés velado
e imposible sea tu gloria contemplar,
santo tú eres sólo y nada hay a tu lado,
en poder perfecto, pureza y caridad.
- 4 ¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! La gloria de tu nombre
vemos en tus obras, en cielo, tierra y mar.
¡Santo! ¡Santo! ¡Santo! La humanidad te adora,
Dios en tres personas, bendita Trinidad.

KOREAN

- 1 거룩거룩거룩 전능하신 주여
이른아침우리주를 찬송합니다
거룩거룩거룩 자비하신 주여
성삼위일체 우리주로다
- 2 거룩거룩거룩 주의보좌 앞에
모든성도 금면류관 벗어드리네
천군천사 모두주께 굴복하니
영원히 위에 계신 주로다
- 3 거룩거룩거룩 주의 빛난 영광
모든죄인 눈어두워 보지못하네
거룩하신 이가 주님밖에 누구
권능과사랑 온전하셔라
- 4 거룩거룩거룩 전능하신 주여
천지만물 주의이름 찬송합니다
거룩거룩거룩 자비하신 주여
성삼위일체 우리주로다


O Beautiful for Spacious Skies 338



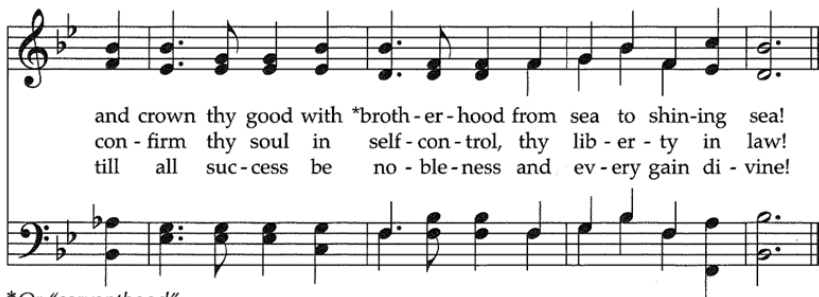
1 O beau-ti-ful for spa-cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain,
 2 O beau-ti-ful for he-roes proved in lib-er-at-ing strife,
 3 O beau-ti-ful for pa-triot dream that sees be-yond the years



for pur-ple moun-tain maj-es-ties a-bove the fruit-ed plain!
 who more than self their coun-try loved, and mer-cy more than life!
 thine al-a-bas-ter cit-ies gleam, un-dimmed by hu-man tears!



A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God shed his grace on thee,
 A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God mend thine ev-ery flaw;
 A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! May God thy gold re-fine



and crown thy good with *broth-er-hood from sea to shin-ing sea!
 con-firm thy soul in self-con-trol, thy lib-er-ty in law!
 till all suc-cess be no-ble-ness and ev-ery gain di-vine!

*Or "servanthood"

This text (inspired by the vista from Pike's Peak and by a visit to Chicago's Columbian World Exposition) and tune (named MATERNA because it was composed for "O Mother, Dear Jerusalem") were joined in 1912. The combination proved immensely popular during World War I and afterwards.

8 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
 2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
 3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who did brood up - on the cha - os
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
 mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
 wild and rude, and bade its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
 dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
 calm a - mid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we
 gave, for fierce con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
 rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

The year after this text was written for a student sailing to America, it was included in the most influential British hymnal of the 19th century. The tune especially composed for it preserves the ancient Roman name of the island where Paul was shipwrecked, now called Malta.

OUR MISSION

Gathering in the heart of Nashville, we are a community of disciples of Jesus Christ. We seek the welfare of the city as we seek the kingdom of God.

We are an historic church working to be a welcoming and inclusive congregation. Together we actively share God's grace and love through worship, education and service, and through being an active voice in promoting justice and peace in our community and the world.

OUR VALUES AND ETHOS

- Belief in God's love and in Christ's ministry
- The desire to welcome and embrace everyone. No exceptions.
- Service to God, service to our neighbors
- God's gift of creativity

SESSION 2021

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Jake Byl

Class of 2023

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