

# Journal of the Journey

TRINITY SUNDAY  
May 31, 2026



## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*\*please stand as you're able*

### PRELUDE

*The Play of the Godhead, Perichoresis<sup>1</sup>*

### WELCOME

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP** - John 1:1-5

One: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**All: He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being.**

One: What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

**All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.**

#### **\*HYMN 1**

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God, Almighty!, Nicea<sup>2</sup>*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of Wisdom, our choices have denied you. We drink from the shallow waters of instant gratification, when you offer springs of living water from the depths of your love. We attend to goals which crumble into dust when we view the sacrifice and service that builds our true character. We confess that we have not put first things first. We confess our sin. Today we recommit ourselves to listen for your guidance. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## **\*PASSING THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## **\*CELEBRATION SONG 702**

*Christ Be Beside Me, Bunessan*<sup>3</sup>

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **SCRIPTURE**

2 Corinthians 13:5-14

Examine yourselves to see whether you are living in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless, indeed, you fail to meet the test! I hope you will find out that we have not failed. But we pray to God that you may not do anything wrong—not that we may appear to have met the test but that you may do what is right, though we may seem to have failed. For we cannot do anything against the truth but only for the truth. For we rejoice when we are weak but you are strong. This is what we pray for, that you may be restored. So I write these things while I am away from you, so that when I come I may not have to be severe in using the authority that the Lord has given me for building up and not for tearing down. Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

### **PSALM 46 - HYMN 380**

*God Is Our Help, Refuge, and Strength, God Is Our Help*<sup>4</sup>

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

After the message, children may go with the teacher to room 11 for Spiritual Adventures.

### **WHAT WE BELIVE**

Question 19. What does it mean to say that human beings are created in the image of God?

**God created us to live together in love and freedom — with God, with one another, and with the world. We are created to be loving companions of others so that something of God's goodness may be reflected in our lives.**

Question 20. What does our creation in God's image reflect about God?

**Our being created for loving relationships is a reflection of the Holy Trinity. In the mystery of the one God, the three divine persons — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — live eternally in perfect love and freedom.**

## SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

## SERMON

*The Trinity*

## \*HYMN 835

*Just a Closer Walk with Thee, Closer Walk*<sup>5</sup>

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING** - *Please also pass the friendship form through the row. Bring coins! All change collected will go to a mission project as chosen by the children.*

## OFFERTORY

*Come, Join the Dance of Trinity, arr. M. Burkhardt*<sup>6</sup>

## \*DOXOLOGY HYMN 10 vs 4

*Sing Glory to the Name of God, Lasst Uns Erfreuen*<sup>7</sup>

**May God forever be our peace; May hymns of glory never cease: Alleluia, Alleluia! Let all the faithful people come; Sing praise to God, the Three in One: Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION, LORD'S PRAYER

## \*HYMN 543

*God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me, Green Tyler*<sup>8</sup>

## \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name, arr. R. Hobby*<sup>9</sup>

*The postlude is offered as a grateful thanks to God. We invite you to remain seated as we listen together.*

## Leaders Today



Interim Pastor: Rev. Sara Tonje

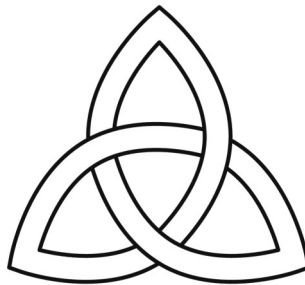
Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman

The Chancel Choir

Ushers/Greeters: Paul & Linda Bishop, Joyce Buseman, Eileen Ahearn (Deacon)

Liturgist: Roger Fletcher

AV/Tech: John Tarr/Josh Mou



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