

The Order of Celebration and Worship of God

Trinity Sunday, First Sunday after Pentecost June 7, 2020

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come— this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Opening Prayer

Greeting and Call To Worship

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; People: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. Leader: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; People: Let the humble hear and be glad. Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, People: And let us exalt his name together!

Opening Hymn | Come Thou Almighty King

Words by anonymous, circa 1757; Music by Felice de Giardini, 1769

Come, thou Almighty King, Help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, Gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three, Eternal praises be, hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, And to eternity love and adore. —Psalm 34.1-3

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Leader: Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

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

Leader: Praise the Lord! People: The Name of the Lord be praised!

Hymn of Worship | All Creatures of our God and King

Words by St. Francis of Assisi, 1225; Music from Jesuit hymnal, 1623

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia alleluia!

O rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O praise Him, alleluia! O rising morn in praise rejoice; ye lights of evening find a voice: O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All you who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part; Sing praises, alleluia! All you who pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care; O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

People: Jesus said, "If you love me, you will obey what I command, and I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him." Let us confess our sin to God.

—based on John 14:15-17, 21

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

-Romans 5:1-2, 5

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of the Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. **Leader:** Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Parents may take children 3-5 (pre-Kindergarten) to Redeemer Kids at this time.

Old Testament Reading | Genesis 1.1-2.4

[1] In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. [2] The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

[3] And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. [4] And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. [5] God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

[6] And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." [7] And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. [8] And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

[9] And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. [10] God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

[11] And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. [12] The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. [13] And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

[14] And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, [15] and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. [16] And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. [17] And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, [18] to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. [19] And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

[20] And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." [21] So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. [22] And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." [23] And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

[24] And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. [25] And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

[26] Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

[27] So God created man in his own image,

in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

[28] And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." [29] And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. [30] And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. [31] And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

[1] Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. [2] And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. [3] So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

[4] These are the generations

of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens.

Hymn of Worship | Holy, Holy, Holy

Words by Reginald Heber, 1826; music by John Dykes, 1861

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! all thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Psalm | Psalm 8

Leader: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
People: You have set your glory above the heavens.
Leader: Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
People: You have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

Leader: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, **People:** The moon and the stars, which you have set in place, **Leader:** What is man that you are mindful of him, **People:** And the son of man that you care for him?

Leader: Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings **People:** And crowned him with glory and honor.

Leader: You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;
People: You have put all things under his feet,
Leader: All sheep and oxen,
People: And also the beasts of the field,
Leader: The birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,
People: Whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

Leader: O LORD, our Lord, **People:** How majestic is your name in all the earth!

Ministry of the Word | Community in the Trinity

Rev. John Bryant Wilbanks

Sermon Text | 2 Corinthians 13.11-14

[11] Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. [12] Greet one another with a holy kiss. [13] All the saints greet you.

[14] The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Sermon Notes

Confession of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

-from A Brief Statement of Faith

Prayers of the People, Concluded with 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Holy Communion

(For those watching at home, I encourage you to take this time to watch and pray with us. Remember this all along: Jesus is not more present with us who are gathered than he is with you at home! The Lord's Supper is a sign and seal of his blessing to us, and a great gift, but it does not mean you are missing out on his presence or his blessing. We all participate by faith in Christ whether physically receiving the Supper or not.)

Prayer of Dedication

Leader: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: Lift up your hearts!
People: We lift them up to the Lord!
Leader: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God!
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise!
Leader: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying:
People: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Leader: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us. People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Feast

Communion Hymn | We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Words and Music by Sandra McCracken, 2015

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things, we will say together We will feast and weep no more!

We will not be burned by the fire He is the LORD our God We are not consumed, by the flood Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night, before the dawn My soul, be not afraid For the promised morning, oh how long? Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the Faithful one And from the garden to the grave Bind us together, bring shalom.

Concluding Prayer

One More Hymn and the Offering | O Love that Will Not Let Me Go

Words by George Matheson, 1882, Music by Christopher Miner, 1997

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Light that foll'west all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be. Life that shall endless be!

Benediction & Dismissal

Leader: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

People: Thanks be to God.

Leader: And let us remember "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit."

People: Thanks be to God. Amen!

-Romans 15:13; Galatians 5:22-25

Announcements

Small Group Meetings:

Small groups are an important part of our ministry at Redeemer. They offer opportunities to deepen relationships and to love, serve, and pray for one another and our city. If you are interested in joining a group, please email Ben Wheeler: ben@redeemertyler.com.

Monthly Youth Meeting:

All junior high and high school students are invited to join us on the third Sunday of the month for a time of fellowship, dinner, and Bible Study.

Bible and Book Studies:

- Men's study meets over breakfast, 7:00 am on Fridays. Contact Konrad Kern (714-658-4972).
- Women's Bible study (Galatians) meets 11:00 am on Friday mornings.

• Women's book study is reading one book per month and then discussing it on first Fridays in place of the weekly Bible study. They will be discussing *When Helping Hurts* by Fikkert and Corbett on June 5th. Contact Patti Babin (361-215-0065) for information on either of these women's groups.

Prayer Suggestions:

Topic: our church and mission

• <u>Monday</u>

That God would prepare us to be his ambassadors, welcoming to those who visit and reaching out to friends and neighbors and those in need; for healthy marriages and families.

• <u>Tuesday</u>

For authentic community, healthy small groups, deep friendships.

- <u>Wednesday</u>
 - That we would grow in prayer; for God to bless our corporate worship.
- <u>Thursday</u>

Physical and material needs of the body; that we would see opportunities to love and serve the destitute, ill, imprisoned, orphaned, and widowed.

• <u>Friday</u>

Passion for ministry; Sabbath rest; discernment.

• <u>Saturday</u> Perspective, faith, contentment.

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