

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Trinity Sunday

May 30, 2021

9:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

Self-service assistive listening devices are located on top of the bookcase at the rear of the Sanctuary on the Princess Anne St. side.

GATHERING. . .

***MASKS ARE TO BE WORN THROUGHOUT THE SERVICE.
PLEASE REMAIN SEATED FOR THE HYMNS.***

The Prelude *Song Without Words* Henry Kihlken

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit *The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune* R. Vaughan Williams

The Call To Worship (from *Psalm 29*) Susie Kuliasha, liturgist

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Your Name is above every Name, O God,

we will worship You in the splendor of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

**May the Lord give strength to Your people, O God,
may the Lord bless Your people with peace. Let us worship God!**

The Prayer of Adoration

Almighty and Ever-living God, all the earth is full of Your majesty. The lightning flash is a sign of Your creative voice. Thunder resounds with the magnitude of Your power and strength. The rains fall as a reminder of Your gentle refreshment. The sun shines in testimony to the warmth of Your love. All creation is Your temple; none can hide from You. Exposed to Your grandeur and led by Your Spirit, we give You all praise and honor, God of our lives. In Jesus' Name we worship and pray. Amen.

The Hymn 41 *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above*

*O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing God's power and God's love:
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.*

*The earth with its store of wonders untold, almighty, your power has founded of old;
established it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.*

*Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.*

*Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.*

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

...Friends, live and believe this Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Gloria Patri (spoken)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen.**

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

(Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ. For those worshipping at home, please share Christ's peace with someone outside Your home this week.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

Startle us, O God, with Your truth and open our hearts and our minds to Your wondrous love. Speak Your word to us; silence in us any voice but Your own and be with us now as we turn our attention, our minds and our hearts, to You, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson: *Isaiah 6:1-8*

The Anthem

Benedictus

Brian Lewis

*Benedictus, qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

The Epistle Lesson: *Romans 8:12-17*

The Gospel Lesson: *John 3:1-17*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

Embodied

Brittany Tamminga

TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD. . .

*The *Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT. . .

The Presbyterian Church welcomes and invites everyone - children and adults - baptized in the name of Jesus Christ to come to The Table of the Lord and participate in The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

*The Hymn of Preparation 503 *Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation*

*Lord, we have come at your own invitation, chosen by you, to be counted your friends;
Yours is the strength that sustains dedication; ours, a commitment we know never ends.
Here, at your table, confirm our intention; give it your seal of forgiveness and grace;
Teach us to serve without pride or pretension, Lord, in your kingdom, whatever our place.
When, at your table, each time of returning, vows are renewed and our courage restored,
May we increasingly glory in learning all that it means to accept you as Lord.*

The Invitation

The Call To Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

...who forever sing to the glory of Your Name:
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.
...Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

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.

The Communion

(You are invited to partake of the elements as you receive them with reverent meditation.)

The Prayer After Communion

We thank You, O Lord, for being our host at this table. Our hearts are gladdened because You have nourished our faith, hope and love. As You have welcomed us in Christ, lead us to welcome others in Jesus' holy Name. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD'S NAME. . .

*The Hymn 634

To God Be the Glory

*To God be the glory; great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.*

*REFRAIN: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!*

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory: great things He has done!

*Great things he has taught us; great things he has done!
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. REFRAIN*

*The Charge & Benediction

*The Postlude

Praise God!

arr. Hugh Livingston

***KINDLY REMAIN SEATED DURING THE POSTLUDE. YOU WILL BE DISMISSED
BY OUR SAFETY USHERS FROM THE BACK TO THE FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY.
WE APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING.***

Announcements for May 26 June 2

Returning

I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!' Your Session has begun to chart a path forward to returning to worship. We will continue to keep social distancing and use masks in worship.

But after 17 months in exile, stacked in the last pews of the Sanctuary, bibles and Hymnals will shortly be re-placed in the pews. As more of our members are vaccinated, and the community infection rates drop, we can see more folk participating in worship in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings.

We expect to use our reservation format for several weeks into June at least. Watch for news of an additional Sunday morning service to begin in the summer months.

Sometimes returning takes a while.

In the meantime, this prayer for Jerusalem from the same psalm is part of our prayers for you:

*'May they prosper who love you.
Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers.'
For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, 'Peace be within you.'
For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.*

Blessings! See you soon!

Brittany and Allen

(Psalm 122: 1, 6b-9)



Weekly Meetings & Activities

- Wed. (5/26) — Meditation Group, 5:30pm (Church Lawn)
Contact Marsha Lockett (marshajluckett@gmail.com)
- Thurs. (5/27) — Jubilate Ringers, 6pm (Sanct. Balcony)
Adult Choir, 7:15p.m. (Choir Room)
- Sun. (5/30) — Worship, 9am (Sanct. & Youtube)
- Mon. (5/31) — Office Closed
- Tues. (6/1) — Men's Breakfast Group, 7:30am (FH & Zoom)
Contact John Howe (jhowe1969@cox.net)
- Wed. (6/2) — Meditation Group, 5:30pm (Church Lawn)

Church Family News:

Capsule of Concern: Doris Glidden, Doris Gulatsi, Debra Myers, Billie Plank, Irene Repanshek, Larry Repanshek, Pam Werner

Birthdays this week May 30-June 6

30. Abe Rowe, Nancy Nash, Saige Morris
31. Jim Gaines, Matt Bohmke
1. Betty Ellett, Marsha Lockett
2. Scott Allison, Elle Carr, Becca Sidebotham
3. Tom Theado, Sophie Early, Alanna John
4. Doreen Vaughn, Charlotte Webb, Teri Clark, Sophie Jones, Hailey Bothel
5. Sue Keffer
6. Debe Garrison, Margaret Rowe



Lectionary Readings for Sunday, May 30:

Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29;
Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

Communion

We will celebrate communion in worship this Sunday, May 30. If you plan to join us online at 9:00 a.m., or watch the recording at any time, please set aside two things for each member of your household: a morsel of bread and a drink of your choosing. Kindly place them in front of you as you prepare to worship, perhaps on a plate and/or in a special cup or glass.





Rocky Railroad - Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs. Join us July 12-16, from 9:00

a.m. to noon. Register online using the link below to sign up both participants and to volunteer. Any questions please contact Robin Joel. <https://vbspro.events/p/events/7710ec>

Summer registration for Camp Hanover is open!! Studies have shown that outdoor camps help support whole-child health, social emotional learning, academic performance, as well as college & career readiness. Come to camp and 'Bond over s'mores, not screens!' The camp staff is focusing on health, safety, and risk management and is using the American Camp Association Field Guide and guidance from the local health department. The staff is also implementing strategies (testing, co-horting, masking, distancing, etc.) that mitigate the spread of COVID-19. For more information or to register, go to <https://www.camphanover.org>

The week of June 20, we will be congratulating and celebrating **those who are graduating from high school and beyond**. Please email the church office with the name of the school from which you or someone you know is graduating (cjforsing@fredericksburgpc.org). Thank you!

An invitation to all women of our church to join a **Presbyterian Women circle**. Benefits of being a circle member: Growing deeper in God's word by studying together, deepening friendships, making new friends; serving the church through mission projects and more. For further details, please contact Sharon Moser, Historian of the Presbytery of the James. Phone or email. 540-786-2661 (slmhorsewm@aol.com).

Do you enjoy driving? Are you one who is excited by the journey more than the destination? Would you enjoy watching the rolling hills of scenic Virginia transform into the rolling mountains of picturesque North Carolina? If so, we have a volunteer opportunity for you! Our youth will be returning again this summer to the **Montreat Youth Conference and we are in need of additional drivers**. If you are free to help with transportation on Sunday, July 25 and/or Saturday July 31, please be in touch with Pastor Tamminga in the Church Office.



A reminder that we continue to serve our neighbors in need through the Food Pantry at Fredericksburg United Methodist Church. As of May 24, the FUMC Food Pantry days and hours of operation will be changing. It will now be open only on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 2:00-4:00 p.m. If you are interested in serving the community through this ministry, contact Elder Sherman Brown or sign up online: <https://tinyurl.com/PantryHelp>

Volunteers Needed for Refugee Feeding Ministry - Since the beginning of the pandemic, our congregation has provided several thousand pounds of food for local refugees and other at-risk individuals in our community. We are looking to expand this ministry, but we need volunteers! If you are interested in helping to sort and/or deliver food to these families, please be in touch with Marsha Luckett (marshajluckett@gmail.com) or Betsy Mathias (bcmathias@aol.com)

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