

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2015

10:00 a.m.

In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Toccata in E minor"

Pachelbel

Call to Worship

Isaiah 6:3, Psalm 29:4

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

The whole earth is full of God's glory.

The voice of the Lord is powerful.

The voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

Let us worship God!

* Hymn 1 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

God of grace, love, and communion,

we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind.

You claim us as your own, but we prefer to do things our way.

You call us to serve you, but all we see is our inadequacy.

You send us to proclaim your word in deed and speech,

but we would rather stay to ourselves and play it safe.

Have mercy on us. Come and release us from our fear.

Set us free from guilt, sin, and selfishness

through the grace of Christ and the fire of your Spirit.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Response: "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!" (591)

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Recognition of Graduates

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8 (OT, p. 635)

Psalter: Psalm 29 (Responsive Reading, OT, p. 504)

A Time with Children

Anthem

"Laudate Dominum"

Sherri Porterfield

Our young children are invited to attend "Joyful Noise" in room 103.

"Joyful Noise" will be taking a break for the summer. Starting June 7, children age 4-grade 2 will remain upstairs during the service. "Joyful Noise" will resume in the fall.

Epistle Lesson: Romans 8:12-17 (NT, p. 158)

Sermon: "God Has No Grandchildren"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 2 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Litany of Gifts

There are varieties of gifts,

but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way,

but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit

to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,
and individually members of it.

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Constitutional Questions

Ordination Prayer and the Laying on of Hands

Declaration of Ordination, Charge, and Welcome

As the officers are greeted, all are invited to sing "Here I Am, Lord," (Hymn 69).

Offering

Offertory

"Andante"

Albrechtsberger

* Doxology (Hymnal 606)

* Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 450

"Be Thou My Vision"

Joyful Noise! participants will return to the sanctuary.

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

"The Heavens Declare"

Marcello

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God

- by Myrna and John Diven in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and
- by Catherine Ryon in loving memory of her husband, John L. Ryon Jr.



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

The Holy Spirit bears witness



**with our spirit that
we are God's children.**

Romans 8:16

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Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Psalms 29 (responsively)

¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.

³The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

¹¹May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Romans 8:12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.