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WELCOME

We're glad
you're here!



*Loving hearts.
Open minds.
Serving hands.*

Welcome to Trinity

Sunday July 21st, 2024

10 am

“Loving Hearts ... Open Minds ... Serving Hands.”

“The point of prayer is not to spend our prayer lives begging for ourselves but to turn us into the Jesus figures who answer the prayers of others.”

Sister Joan Chittister

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Prelude: *Kyung-A Lee*

Introit: *“Find a Home Here”*

**Find a home here, live out faith here,
gather strength here, find family here.
Be yourself here, feel secure here,
celebrate here, be at home here. (repeat)**

Greeting

One: Jesus said: “I have come that you may have life and have it abundantly”.

All: In our lives, may this be so. Amen.

Welcome in Friendship! Welcome in Faith!
Welcome in God’s all-inclusive and healing love!

Announcements

Joys, Concerns and God Moments

A Moment of Mediation

Let’s pause for a few moments and allow ourselves to grow still ...

Call to Worship

One: As the summer sunlight dances on the lakes and rivers, we come together in prayer and song to celebrate the love of God who welcomes us here.

All: God the Holy Spirit is present in this place; may Spirit refresh our souls.

One: Spirit of Life, open our eyes to your simplicity.

All: Open our ears to your voice.

One: Open our minds to your truth.

All: We carry you with us into the rest of the day remembering the same breath that is within us is within everyone around us.

One: We are all, whether here or apart, connected and united in Christ’s Spirit. Let the presence of God’s Spirit ground us so we may know God’s strength within us.

Opening Hymn: *“Open My Eyes, That I May See” (VU 371)*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer

God of creation, we are a people seeking wisdom, guidance and joy striving to become all the person you created us to be. Some days are better than others. Some days we miss the mark. But always we strive to become more like our spiritual mentor Jesus. We join our prayers with the prayers of the world: birds singing, flowers bold with colour, summer laughing with delight. Mingle our spirit with yours so others may recognize your love in us. Amen.

Second Hymn: *“Spirit of Life” (VU 381)*

Summer Music: *Kyung-A Lee and Jeannette McCullough*

WE LISTEN FOR OUR GOD’S WORD

Today’s Scripture Reader is Lynda Baker.

Prayer of Illumination

Reader: God of Grace may your word abide deep within our souls. When we are renewed with your word, there is a new courage in us to serve and to be a light bearer in our world. Amen.

New Testament Reading: Matthew 6: 5-13

(The disciples are taught by Jesus how they should pray.)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to our hearts.

All: Amen.

Second New Testament Reading: Phillipians 4: 6-7

(Do not be anxious about anything but pray about everything.)

The Minister’s Morning Message:

“A Prayer-Conditioned” Life - Part 1

Musical Reflection

Invitation for Offering

One: We are called to be a school of love, the body of Christ in the world.

We are called to care about each other and encourage one another.

We are called to share our blessings with one another.

Our morning tithes and offerings will now be received.

Offering Hymn

God of love, hear our prayer,
bless this offering we bring you.
May our lives do your will, guide and guard us forever.
Give us the courage to stand for truth,
help us care for others.
God of love, hear our prayer,
bless this offering we bring you.

Offering Prayer

God, with open hearts and open spirits we acknowledge the abundance in our lives. With all that we have and all that we are we bring our offerings for your ministry of love. We lift our voices in prayer and celebration that you are our all. May your spirit fill our words, our actions and our lives so we may grow in likeness of the compassionate man from Galilee.

Hymn: “Put your Hand in the Hand”

Put your hand in the hand of the man who stilled the water.
Put your hand in the hand of the man who calmed the sea.
Take a look at yourself and you can look at others differently.
By puttin' your hand in the hand of the man from Galilee.
Every time I look into the Holy Book I want to tremble (tremble).
Or when I read about the part where the carpenter cleared the temple (temple).

For the buyers and the sellers were no different fellas
than what I profess to be.
And it causes me shame to know we're not the people
we should be.

So, put your hand in the hand of the man who stilled
the water.

Put your hand in the hand of the man who calmed
the sea.

Take a look at yourself and you can look at others
differently.

By puttin' your hand in the hand of the man from
Galilee.

My mama taught me how to pray before I reached the
age of seven.

She said, "There'll come a time when there'll probably
be room in heaven."

But I'm feeling kinda guilty 'bout the number of times
to do what we must do.

Well you do what you must do.

But we forget what he said, then we figure that he'll
still make room.

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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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

Closing Hymn: *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (VU 664)*

The Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face
And the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold us all in the palm of God's hand. Amen.


Musical Postlude: *Kyung-A Lee*



*Join us in Trinity Hall following today's service for a
glass of lemonade and fellowship time.*

Your hosts today: Lynne Doyle and Jim Schiedel.



Your spiritual takeaway for the week: 

"You pray in your distress and in your need.

*Would that you would also in the fullness of your joy and in
your days of abundance." Kahill Gibran*

The Outreach Team is asking you to help the local food banks.
On the last Sunday of each month, we will be collecting food
for the Salvation Army and the Table Soup Bank.
July is Cereal!

