

*Virtual Worship Service*  
*Trinity Sunday*  
Crossnore Presbyterian Church  
Sunday, June 7, 2020



**Welcome and Announcements:**

Welcome to our virtual worship service. Please click on the links to listen to the music that has been provided and participate in this time of worship. Take time to read the attached announcements and updated prayer requests and also the attached letter from our presbytery concerning the tragic events that have captured our hearts and souls in this past week.

As we all know, this past week has gripped the very soul of our nation. Today's service is going to help us remember who we are in the midst of a pandemic, an economic crisis, and a time of protest raising the deep issue of racial inequality across our country. No matter where you stand on any of these issues, this morning we stand together as Christians, as followers of Jesus, as the Body of Christ.

So, let us do what Christians do in the midst of disease, worry, and conflict; let us pray to God who is with us and with the world. God will never desert us and God's future is still moving forward.

**Let us pray:**

God of all life,  
we need you this morning  
and we don't know which direction to turn.  
Many of us are struggling to stay safe in this pandemic;  
many of us are struggling to pay our bills because of jobs lost;  
many of us are risking our lives because we are considered essential.  
And in the midst of our efforts to stay well and pay bills,  
we watch thousands of protestors marching in our cities and towns across the country  
pleading for us to hear what they are trying to say  
about the demand for racial equality and justice.  
We also watch those few who are destroying property.  
It is excruciating.  
We watch as police forces protect peaceful protestors  
and yet, there are those few officers who cause harm.

Dear God,  
help us all to stop and listen,  
to hear the words of those who are standing up for justice  
and to provide safety for all who are marching in peace  
and all who are trying to keep the peace.

There is no "they" dear Lord.  
You taught us that in your creation.  
We are all your children.

Help us to examine our own hearts, our own prejudices,  
before we start judging those we do not understand.

Help us to be bridge builders  
providing space in our own lives  
to pray and listen and study and respond  
as your Church, your Body.  
In the name of Christ, the Prince of Peace, we pray. Amen.

**Choral Call to Worship: *Morning Has Broken* sung by Judy Collins**

Songwriters: Eleanor Farjeon / Yusuf Islam

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cUiuNfFUJIs>

**\*Call to Worship:**

Let us praise God the Creator,  
**who is filled with glory and power—with holiness and splendor;**  
Let us worship God the Savior,  
**who is filled with love and compassion—with justice and peace;**  
Let us experience God the Spirit,  
**who fills us with faith and joy—with love and eternal life.**

**\*Hymn of Praise: *Holy, Holy, Holy***

Text: Reginald Heber, 1827; Music: John Bacchus Dykes, 1861

Sing along with First Plymouth Church in Lincoln, Nebraska

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0SHDNs7Dt5M>

**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, 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 sinfulness thy glory may not see,**  
**only thou art holy; there is none beside thee**  
**perfect in pow'r, 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!**

**Call to Confession:**

God invites us into the abundant life offered to all. Our brokenness and sinfulness separate us from our true identity as God's children. Let us come before God and one another and confess those things that build walls that separate us instead of bridges that reconcile us to God and each other.

**Unison Prayer of Confession:**

Lord God, your love for humankind, present in the beginning of all things, extends throughout history and touches even our lives. Your love sees failings and forgives. Your love feels pain and wipes away our tears. Your love knows grief and comforts the sorrowful. Your love sees sin and still loves the sinner. Forgive us when we fail to live lives that reflect your love. Forgive us the many times when we take for granted all that you have done for us. Transform us, through your Spirit, and empower us to serve you this day and all days (moment of silent confession). Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon:**

Christ Jesus breaks down the barriers that separate us from God and from each other. Receive the good news that we are forgiven and remember that we are all created in God's image—we are all brothers and sisters in Christ. May the Spirit embolden us to live out that truth in our lives this week.

**Response to God's Grace and Mercy: *There Is a Redeemer***

Text: Raymond E. Herklots, 1969; Music: Supplement to Kentucky Harmony, 1820

\*you can sing along with Keith Green:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ldRcFz7rK7w>

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.  
Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

**Refrain:**

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,  
And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

When I stand in glory, I will see his face;  
There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.  
(Refrain)

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.  
(Refrain)



**Prayer of Illumination:**

Most Holy Mystery,  
open our eyes, our ears, and our hearts  
as your scripture is read and your Word proclaimed,  
that we might gain a glimpse of your joyous life  
and join the dance of Father, Son, and Spirit  
now and always. Amen.

**Scripture Reading, 2 Corinthians 3:17-18:**

And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as through a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. *The Word of the Lord; thanks be to God.*

**Sermon: "Remember Who You Are"**  
(the sermon is attached as a separate document)

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**

**Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles Creed:**

(this ancient creed's first century doctrine was probably a personal confession made at the time of baptism. It assumed its present form in the sixth or seventh century, A. D.)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Hymn of Meditation: *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian***

Text and Music: African American Spiritual

\*Sing along with Lenzing Vocal Workshop at Melk Abbey May 30, 2015

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QVWmegagSSA>

**Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.  
In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.**

**Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;  
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.  
In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.**

**Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart.  
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.  
In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.**

**Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart.  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.  
In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.**

**Prayers of the People:**

Ever living and ever-loving God,  
We praise you for your loving presence with us.

Come, Holy Spirit,  
take and transform our societies—  
that broken people find healing;  
that lonely people find love;  
that bitter people find peace;  
that fearful people find hope.



Come, Holy Spirit,  
take our world's leaders and governments and bring renewal—  
that communication can be open;  
that relationships between polarizing voices can be transformed;  
that a hunger for peace and a hunger for justice go hand in hand.

Come, Holy Spirit,  
fill your church—  
that our worship will be ever more pleasing to you;  
that prayers will change our minds  
    instead of trying to get you to change yours;  
that our lives will make a real difference to real people in the real world.

Come Holy Spirit,  
comfort and heal those who suffer this day in body, mind, or spirit.  
We lift up all those who are on our prayer list  
and those we offer to you in silence from our hearts.

Come, Holy Spirit,  
fill our lives with your presence—  
so that more and more every day,  
all that we do and say and hope  
will be an act of worship to you and an expression of love to others,  
to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

#### **Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings:**

The God of heaven and earth, of all of creation, holds each one of us in tender love and care. God is gracious and good, and no one is insignificant in God's eyes. So we respond to every-thing God is doing in the life of the world by offering a portion of what we have generously received from a loving God. Through our ministry, we reach out to all of God's children in tender love and care. Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

#### **Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:**

**Almighty God, we offer our gifts in gratitude this morning – not just for what you do in our lives, but for who you are in our lives. You are with us in the person of the Father, the God above us. You come to meet us as the Son, as God beside us. You empower us to do the work of kingdom-building by the Holy Spirit, God within us, providing strength and boldness that we would never find on our own. May these gifts be tools that make the transformation of the world a reality. We pray in the name of one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

#### **Closing Hymn: *Let All Things Now Living***

Text: Katherine Davis, 1939; Music: Welsh Folk Melody

Sing along with Lebanon County Youth Chorus, from their album 'Somewhere in the Skies.'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KpMCE1G3N7Q>

**Let all things now living, a song of Thanksgiving  
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;  
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
by guiding us onto the end of our days.**

God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:  
till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,  
as forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces, the stars in their courses  
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
With glad adoration a song let us raise  
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
"To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!" Amen.



**Charge and Benediction:**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with each of you, be with all of us, be with our hurting world.  
Amen.  
So now, go in peace and serve the Lord.

**Postlude: The Channel Islands Blessing**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TascsWZPj8U>