

**We thank those who participated in today's service:**

Special thanks to the Chamberettes for participating in today's service.

**Accompanist:** Steve Hays

**Acolytes:** Aisla and Levi Varnon, Shelmith Wamuyu

**Altar Flowers:** In memory of Elsie Harwood, from her family.

**Altar Guild:** Kathy Hathaway and Beverly Ratté

**Carillonneur:** Thomas St. Marie

**Fellowship Hour:** Vera Baker and Volunteers

**Liturgist:** Allison Berke

**Ushers:** Head Usher, Sheila Womble; Asst. Head Usher, Don Cushing; Ushers, Andrew, Jacob and Lisa Bakowski, Ray Miller

**Video Team:** Nicole Baker, Brian Crawford, Nic Odell, Jack Rust, Eric Wing



**Celebrate** God's love

**Nurture** relationships with God and one another

**Serve** our community and world, as we share the light of Christ

*Notes:*

Horizontal lines for taking notes.

# Trinity United Methodist Church

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*Believing that all persons are created in God's image and are of sacred worth, that Jesus' message was one of inclusion of those rejected by mainstream society, and that each member makes inherent and valuable contributions to the Body of Christ, we of Trinity Church welcome into this congregation people of every age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic condition, family structure, and physical or mental ability.*

**Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Happy Mother's Day**

**May 8, 2022**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Bold items are the congregation's part. \* Stand if you are able**

**Meditation:**

*“We' is the most important word in the social justice vocabulary. The issue is not what we can't do, but what we CAN do when we stand together.” (Reverend Dr. William J. Barber II).*

**Prelude:** “Prelude I in C Major” J. S. Bach

**Welcome and Announcements**

*(Visitors/members please sign & date the red folder & pass it on. Please remember late comers.)*

**Introit:** “Crown Him Now with Alleluias”

**\*Call to Worship:** *(Center for Faith and Giving, modified)*

L: ALL, and that means ALL (here, on-line and in spirit), come to worship God!

**P: With the multitude from all ages, we cry out with a LOUD voice, “Holy victory belongs to God and to the Lamb!”**

L: Together, we are ready to worship the God who shelters us and gives a new vision of hope.

**P: Together, we claim the Lamb as our shepherd.**

L: Together, we sing praises to God, who guides all to the water of life.

**P: With grateful hearts, let us worship God.**

**\*Hymn:** “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” UMH #117

**Opening Prayer:** *(Center for F&G and TUMC Mission Statement)*

**God of the ages, we offer you our praise this day, for the ways you continue to make your presence known to believers in every age. “As a community of faith we gather together to celebrate your love, nurture our relationships with you and one another, and to serve our community and world as we share the light of Christ” so that we might fulfill the call you have placed in each of our lives. We offer you our hearts, our hands and our voices. Amen.**

**Special Music:** “Anthems of Love” D. Forrest

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Children's Moment**

**Pastoral Prayer, Joys & Concerns (Moment of Silence)**

**The Lord's Prayer & Prayer Response:**

**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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*Hymn:** “Guide My Feet” (vv. 1-3, 5-6) TFWS #2208  
*(At the start of this hymn children ages 7-12 are invited to go to the Chapel for Chapel Kids.)*

**Scripture Lesson:** Revelations 7:9-17 (NRSV) N.T. p. 235

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon:** “An Eschatological Vision of Community”

**Invitation to Offering:** *(Elizabeth D. Barnum, modified)*

To praise God is to both give and receive. In this moment, we meditate on both as we prepare to give as we are able, in the spirit of trust and service. In gratitude for the amazing vision of hope we receive from God who works upon, within, and between each of us in this gathered body, we open our hearts and hands.

**Offertory:** “Alleluia” R. Thompson

**\*Doxology:** UMH #94

**Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication:** *(Elizabeth D. Barnum, modified)*

Let us pray: **God, bless these gifts that they may be shared in the spirit of Easter people, ever seeking ways to live out our faith and your vision for our community in acts of true love, faithfulness and service. Amen.**

**\*Hymn:** “We've a Story to Tell to the Nations” UMH #569

**Benediction**

**Postlude:** “Prière à Notre-Dame” Léon Boëllmann