

We thank those who participated in today's service:

Altar Flowers: In loving memory of her parents, K. Gordon and Beverly Spongberg, from Kristin Goold.

Altar Guild: Kathy Hathaway and Beverly Ratté

Carillonneur: Thomas St. Marie

Duet and Guitar: Stephanie and Andrew Gilbert

Fellowship Hour: Katherine Lovell and volunteers

Flute: Lynette Varnon

Liturgist: Tina Warren

Ushers: Head Usher, Sheila Womble; Asst. Head Usher, Don Cushing; Ushers, Nicole Baker, Jo Anne Evans, Wendy Regan

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



Celebrate God's love

Nurture relationships with God and one another

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

Please Pray for:

Lisa B, Borys B, the B family, James B (Bridget's brother), Michael B (Alicia C's grandfather), Vonda B, (Chad T's sister), Marilyn C, Margaret (Peg) C, Mary C (Matt's mother), Dominick E, Heather F-B (Bridget B's cousin), Steve H, Cyndi L, Brenda L, Cristopher L, Katherine L, Amy L, (Katherine's sister-in-law), Dorothy M, Holly Joy P, Daryl P, Mary P, Claire (LaPierre) P, Bob R, Catherine Ann R, Ann B R, Nancy S, Clara Lee S, Madeline S (David S & Monica A's granddaughter), The S/F family, Lynn T, Mary (T) G (Nate T's sister & Camille's sister-in-law), Tina W, Alison W, our service men, women and their loved ones, the people of Ukraine and Uvalde, TX.

Notes:

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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.

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 21, 2022

10:30 a.m.

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

Meditation

“Start by doing what is necessary, then what's possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.”

– St. Francis of Assisi

Prelude: Meditation from 'Thais' Jules Massenet

Welcome and Announcements

(New visitors only please fill out the blue paper in the red folder. Others, please sign the white attendance sheets.)

*Call to Worship:

One: The earth shakes and the waters quiver.

Many: The wind whistles and the sun listens.

One: The beauty of creation mingles with the power of creation.

Many: Awed in wonder and trembling with fear, we seek a safe place,

One: A place to voice our awe in song.

Many: And welcome God's love that conquers our fears.

***Hymn:** “Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise” UMH# 103

*Prayer of Confession:

God of wondrous patience, hold us close in the midst of our doubts and fears, for the future will demand much from us. Our time, our energy, and our resources will be needed to expand our ministry. Release through us a flow of grace and courage that will bring healing where there is hurt, creativity where there is hesitancy, new beginnings where there are dead ends, openness where there has been prejudice and justice where there has been brokenness. Move us step by step into your vision for us. Through Jesus the Christ our guide. Amen.

*Words of Assurance and Pardon:

One: God's love dries our tears; God's forgiveness picks us up; God's peace settles our worry. In the name of the risen Christ you are forgiven.

Many: Thanks be to God!

Special Music: “Wade in the Water” Folk Song

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Moment

Pastoral Prayer, Joys and Concerns

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

***Hymn:** “I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry” TFWS# 2051

(During this hymn, parents are invited to escort their children ages 4-8 to Bible Story Time in the room across from the Nursery downstairs. At the end of the service, parents must pick-up their children. Thank you.)

Scripture Reading: Luke 13: 10-17 (NRSV) N.T. p. 71

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us,
for the word of God within us, **thanks be to God.**

Sermon: “Compassion” Rev. Dr. David Calhoun

Invitation to Offering:

God of love and grace, as we prepare our offerings this day, we ask that they might be dedicated to strengthening your church for the making of disciples for Jesus Christ. Open our ears to hear what pleases you and open our eyes to see the opportunities all around us. Amen.

Offertory: “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley/ Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen”
arr. Andrew Gilbert

***Doxology:** UMH# 94

*Prayer of Thanksgiving:

O Loving God, we place these gifts on your altar, and we commit these offerings and tithes with prayerful minds and quiet hearts. As we give, we also receive. Bless us as we seek to bless others. In the Spirit of Christ, we Pray. Amen.

***Hymn:** “Jesus Is All the World to Me” UMH# 469

Benediction

Postlude: "Festive Trumpet Tune" David German