

**Offertory Anthem:**

“The Smallest Things”

Text by David Wright  
Music by James E. Clemens

*See how the grass of the field stands tall? See how it graces the meadow? Ev'ry blade that God has made a taste of creation's glory.*

**Refrain:** *Sing hallelujah for the smallest things, the grass of the field, the birds of the air. Sing hallelujah for the smallest things, God's own hand is ev'rywhere.*

*Look at the flow'r and what it wears, the finest silk so yellow. Ev'ry Spring the hillside sings, a choir in its splendid robes.*

**Refrain**

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

(see insert)

**Music During Communion:**

“The King of Love my Shepherd is”

UMH# 138

**\*Hymn:**

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

UMH # 381

**Benediction**

**Postlude:**

“Hymn to Joy”

arr. by Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

**Music Notes:** Today we hear the Chamber Choir's musical offering. This group of students from grades 6 and up, rehearse each Sunday after church and sing 4 - 6 times a year. We are always looking for new members and would welcome some new faces in September!

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

**Musicians:** Steve Hays, accompanist, David Belew, soloist and Chamber Choir

**Acolytes:** Adeline and Anja Berke and Sam Crawford

**Altar Flowers:** In loving memory of David B, from his family

**Altar Ministry:** Deb Garth and Kathy Hathaway

**Carillonneur:** Thomas St. Marie

**Communion Servers:** Ginger Elliott, Kris Goold, Brenda and Tom Sheldon

**Fellowship Hour:** Administrative Council and volunteers

**Liturgist:** Robert McKeown

**Ushers:** Head Usher; Lisa Bakowski, Asst. Head Usher; Sheila Womble, Hope & Fred Lewis, Matt Connelly

**Video Team:** Brian and Samuel Crawford, Eric Mazzarella, Nic Odell, Anthony and Nicholas Skridulas

**Please Pray for:** Bridget B, James B, Janet B, Meri B, Natalie B, Mary C, Pat D, David F, Sophia G, Donna G, Courtney H, Dave J, Pete L, Brenda L, Cristopher L, Katherine L, Amy L, Ellen L, Arlene M, Diane M, Carlos M, Pat N, Les P, Rev. Dr. Bob P, Catherine Ann R, Gerald R, Jen R, Carl S, Lynn T, Allie W, our service members and their loved ones, those affected by gun violence and natural disasters.

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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.*



**Celebrate** God's love

**Nurture** relationships with God and one another

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

## Second Sunday After Pentecost - Communion

June 7, 2026

10:30 a.m.

### WELCOME

We worship using this liturgy & two songbooks: The United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) & The Faith We Sing (TFWS). Please silence your electronic devices. Nursery care is downstairs for children birth - 4 years.

\*Please stand in body or in spirit. **Items in bold are read in unison.** *Items italicized are sung by the choir.*

### WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE FOR A TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION

“Catharsis returns us to the purpose for which were originally intended - to be called by God to do good - and thus ultimately returns us to ourselves.” – Desmond Tutu

### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude:** “Fairest Lord Jesus” arr. for organ by Dan Forrest (b. 1978)

**Introit:** “Christians, We have Met to Worship”

*Christians, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God. Will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the word. All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down, Christians pray and Holy manna will be showered all around.*

**\*Call to Worship:** – *Ministry Matters Abington Worship Annual 2023*

Leader: Come into God's presence.

**People: All are welcome here.**

Leader: Come, saints and sinners alike.

**People: We are all God's children.**

Leader: Faith has brought us here.

**People: Grace will make us whole.**

Leader: Come! Let us worship.

**\*Hymn:** “Gather Us In” TFWS # 2236

**\*Morning Unison Prayer** - *Written by Thom M. Shuman, Lectionary Liturgies (June 9, 2020)*

**We would sing glad songs to you, Commissioning God, as we enter your heart with thanksgiving on our lips, for you are that love which never ends; that joy which overflows; that faith which is always full.**

**We would proclaim our praise to you, Voice of compassion, as you would send us into the world in which we live, for you are the Word we can speak to power; the healing we can offer to the broken; the justice which can replace oppression.**

**We would offer our hands and hearts to you, Imaginative Spirit, as you teach us new steps in this dance we call life, for you are the cleanser of our messy hearts, the breath of hope for shallow lungs, the password for access to grace. With our hearts, voices, bodies, souls, we offer joyful noise to you, God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.**

**\*Response:** “Be Thou my Vision” (vv. 1 & 2) UMH# 451

**Verse 1:** Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

**Verse 2:** Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

**Anthem:** “Song of Joy, Song of Praise” Traditional Spanish Carol arr. by James Brighton

*Sing to the Lord, O sing a song of praise. People now rejoice, come let your voice be raised. Sing to the Lord, O sing a song of joy. People now rejoice, sing praises evermore. Come, sing alleluia. Come, sing, let your voice be raised. Come, sing alleluia. Come, sing praises evermore. Sing to the Lord the King above all kings. People rejoice, let alleluias ring. Sing to the Lord the mighty one who reigns. People now rejoice, come praise God's holy name.*

**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.**

**Prayer Response:** “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

*Hear our prayer, O Lord; hear our prayer, O Lord; Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.*

**\*Hymn:** “Whom Shall I Send” UMH # 582

*(Note: Chapel Kids is over for the season. It resumes mid-September.)*

**New Testament Scripture Reading:** Mark 3: 20-35 (NRSV) p. 35

**Response to the Word:**

**One:** The Word of God for the People of God.

**Many: Thanks be to God!**

**The Word in Reflection:** “Healing and Accusations” Rev. Dr. David V. Calhoun

### RESPONDING TO THE SPIRIT'S PROMPTINGS

**Offertory Prayer:** - *Written by Rev. Renee C. Jackson and posted on the Faith Foundations*

God of eternity and God of the next moment: we offer our gifts today having heard your call through Jesus to follow. Remind us again this day that being a follower doesn't end at the offering plate. There is a weight to this call – one that demands we not only say “yes” to following but that we also say “no” to thousands of things that will lead us away from the discipleship path. Guide us that we might not wander off that road. In Christ, we pray. **Amen.**