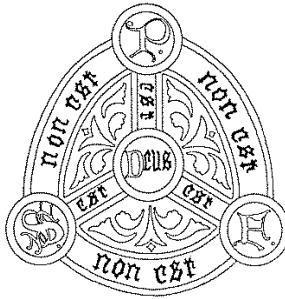


# Trinity Sunday

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*Upon entering the sanctuary please maintain silence for  
the sake of the congregation's preparation for worship, and please make  
sure all electronic devices are turned off or set to silent mode.*

## **-DRAWING NEAR TO GOD-**

### **Welcome and Silent Prayer**

Holy, holy, holy God,  
we worship and adore you—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
Today in our worship we long for a glimpse of your glory,  
seen perfectly in Christ, our Lord.  
As we worship, may we gain new insight  
into the mystery and wonder of your love.  
And may we sense new ways to mirror that love in our world,  
through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### **\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 105.1-3

### **\*Prayer of Adoration**

### **\*Song of Praise to God**

*Hymn No. 57*

*HALLELUJAH, PRAISE JEHOVAH, O MY SOUL*

## **-HAVING OUR HEARTS CLEANSED-**

### **Confession of Sin**

O Lord, you promised that if we confess our sins,  
you are faithful and just and will forgive us.

Humbly we come, seeking your forgiveness;  
that we may know the joy of your presence,  
the light of your face.

You alone know our hearts:

how often we have offended you,  
how often we have offended others.

Forgive us, Lord, for every unkind thought,  
every false word, every wrong act.

Forgive us, for we have lived not for you,  
but for ourselves.

Forgive us for failing to give you thanks,  
for our neglect of prayer,  
our ignorance of your Word,  
our loss of purpose.

Heavenly Father, have mercy on us.

Create in us clean hearts,  
and renew a right spirit within us;  
by the blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Silently Add Your Own Confession of Sin*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Isaiah 1.18

**\*Song of Praise to Christ**

*Hymn No. 301*

*JOIN ALL THE GLORIOUS NAMES*

**Prayer for the Church and the World**

**-ATTENDING TO THE WORD-**

**Scripture Lesson**

Philippians 4.2-3

**Sermon**

“That They May Be One”

Rev. Ron Gonzales

**\*Song of Response**

*Hymn No. 347*

*THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION*

**Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings**

*\*DOXOLOGY*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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## **Confession of Faith**

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

—The Nicene Creed

## **-OBSERVING THE SACRAMENT-**

### **The Lord's Supper**

We celebrate the Lord's Supper by coming forward and partaking of the bread and the cup. Wine is served in the inner ring of each tray; grape juice in the outer ring. We warmly invite to the Table all baptized Christians, who are living under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking of the cup, you are admitting that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for salvation.

### **\*Song of Thanksgiving**

*Hymn No. 679*

*TIS SO SWEET TO TRUST IN JESUS*

## **-GOING FORTH TO SERVE-**

### **\*Benediction**

Numbers 6.24-26

### **Postlude and Silent Prayer**

Grant, O Lord, that we might be strengthened with power through the Spirit in our inner being, that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith – that, being rooted and grounded in love, we may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,

that we may be filled with all the fullness of God. Amen.

—based on Ephesians 3.16-19

\*Please stand if able

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### **Other Gatherings**

*Kids' Quest* is a catechism class for children, ages 5 through elementary grades, taught by Pastor Ron. It meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month (during the school year), from 3:30 to 4:45 PM, at the church.

*The Men's Group*, meets Thursdays, from 6:00 to 7:30 AM, at Pastor Ron's office, for fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. They are currently studying Hebrews, and all men are invited.

*The Women's Group*, led by Cherry Gonzales, is studying Ecclesiastes, a combination of wisdom and folly "under the sun." The group meets Saturdays, from 10:00 to 11:30 AM, at Pastor Ron's office, and all are invited. For more information, talk to Cherry.

## Sermon Notes: "That They May Be One" (Philippians 4.2-3)

1. The importance and difficulty of maintaining unity:
2. What to do when we do not see eye to eye (i.e., How to maintain unity):

## Prayer Concerns

*Tom & Melissa Manning* (Jordan): Pray for the Mannings as they minister to patients at Annour Sanatorium and to the Syrian refugees in Mafraq, that God blesses their work and brings salvation and growth in Christ to many.

*Bret Reller* is on a six-month deployment to Afghanistan. Pray for his safety and the safety of those serving with him, as well as for the success of their mission.

## Announcements

*Birthdays this Week:*

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| May 22 | Eileen Davis   |
| May 25 | Chad Leinweber |
| May 28 | Karl Hedine    |

*The Mannings Are Coming!* Mark your calendars: Tom and Melissa Manning will be here July 3. Tom will be preaching and we will gather for a picnic at Pioneer Park, after the Coffee Hour, to hear what the Lord has been doing in Jordan.

*Membership Class:* A class will be offered, from 10:00 to 11:00 AM, the four Sundays in June, for those thinking of becoming members of Covenant or who are already members but would like a refresher on who we are and what we are about.

*Session Meeting:* The elders are meeting this Thursday, at 5:30 PM, at Pastor Ron's office, to pray for and conduct the business of the church. Pray for them as they do, and please let them know how they can pray for you.

*Visitors:* Welcome to Covenant! Please join us downstairs, following the service, for refreshments, fellowship and, if your schedule permits, our Sunday School hour.

## Our Nursery Helpers

Worship

*Today:* Nicole Miller

*Next Week:* Samantha Schroeder

Sunday School

*Today:* Peter & Jenni Early

*Next Week:* Peter & Jenni Early

### Explanation of Cover Symbol

The Shield of the Holy Trinity is frequently found in stained glass windows of medieval churches. This emblem expresses the Christian doctrine of the triunity of Almighty God, a truth taught in Scripture and affirmed by the Council of Constantinople in AD 381.