



Trinity Sunday

June 4, 2023

* *Please stand if you are able*

Prelude: "Morning Has Broken"

Mark Hayes

Gathering

WELCOME & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Acolyte: May the Holy Spirit unit us in worship, point us toward Jesus Christ, and inspire us to love mercy, do justice, and walk humbly with God. Come, let us worship God.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: In the beginning God...

All: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Liturgist: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

All: He was with God in the beginning

Liturgist: Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

All: Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

Liturgist: In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Genesis 1 & John 1 adapted

Liturgist: Let us worship the Creator, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

* **All Singing: 538 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"**

- * GOD'S GREETING
- * GOD'S PEOPLE GREETING ONE ANOTHER

* **All Singing: 496 "Uyai Mose"**

Children ages 2–7 may come forward for a brief word and blessing before they leave for "God Loves Me" and "Children in Worship."

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reconciliation

Liturgist: And God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

All: So, God created human beings in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1:26-27

Silent Reflection and Confession

All Singing: 663 "For the Troubles"

Song leaders singing through once; congregation joining to repeat

Liturgist: God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

All: For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves; in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Liturgist: Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5 & Colossians 1 adapted

* **All Singing: 795 "We Know That Christ is Raised"**

BAPTISM OF SLOANE JAMES RILEY

Minister: Having heard God's gracious promises to us in Christ, do you desire that Sloane James be baptized?

Parents: We do.

All: With joy we celebrate together the gift of God's grace in Christ!

Minister: In presenting your child for baptism, desiring that Sloane James be grafted into Christ as a member of his body do you receive the teachings of the Christian faith, which we confess in the Creeds of the church?

Parents: Yes! We trust in him as our Lord and Savior. We intend to be Christ's faithful disciples, trusting in his promises, obeying his Word, honoring his church, and showing his love, with God's help as long as we shall live.

Minister: Will the congregation please stand and with these parents proclaiming your faith using the words from the Apostle's Creed.

All: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

COVENANT VOWS
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
BAPTISM
WELCOME

Minister: Some of us will have the privilege of encouraging Sloane James often, over the course of many years. Others of us may not be able to do so. Yet we all speak words of promise and welcome, speaking on behalf of Christ's whole church, in time and space, and committing ourselves to live lives of Christian encouragement wherever God calls us.

Brothers and sisters, we now receive Sloane James into Christ's church. I charge you to nurture and love her and to assist her to be Christ's faithful disciple.

All: **With joy and thanksgiving, we now welcome you, Sloane James, into Christ's church; for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage, and support you and to help you know and follow Christ.**

Duet: "In the Water" Jim Hofman

In the water He claims us, with his promise he saves us, children of His love.
Born for His purpose, grace poured out to us, His blessing from above.

Jesus our brother, one like no other, come bless our little babe.
We offer to You, our hands of love, to grow and guide them on Your way.

Show us the way to share past today, with Sloane James as she grows.
Help us to model the way that we ought to, Your spirit in this place.

In the water he claims us...

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: **May the words of my mouth, and the meditation of our hearts, be acceptable and pleasing to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.**

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-31

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: First Things First

* **All Singing:** **18** "Touch the Earth Lightly"

Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist: With joy, let us now offer our gifts, in music, heart, and resource, as a sign of our deep devotion and covenant faithfulness.

OFFERING

1. General Fund
2. Benevolence

OFFERTORY “Brother Sun”

Porters Gate

Brother sun, sister moon, your light shines from the heavens
Giving glory, all the glory to the Maker

Gentle wind, welcome home, you've been traveling with your song
Singing glory, all the glory to the Maker

Hallelujah, hallelujah! Singing glory
Hallelujah, hallelujah! Singing glory to the Maker. Hallelujah!

Sweetest rain, serenade, pouring down from the heavens
Bring all your blessings, every blessing from the Maker

All you people, join in the song; there is work to be done
For the glory, all the glory of the Maker

* **All Singing:** **551 “All Creatures of Our God and King”**
Singing verse 6

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

* BENEDICTION

Postlude: “All Glory Be To God on High”

Johann Walther

Worship Leaders

Organist:	Dora Diephouse	Acolyte:	Moriah Dykstra
Pianist / Soloist:	Erin Pacheco	Liturgist:	Karis Dykstra
Vocalists:	Aron Reppmann Helen Van Wyck	Prayer:	Mark Dykstra
Percussionist:	Clay Carlson		
Duet:	Jim & Dave Hofman		
Minister:	Roger Nelson		

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