

# First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

Trinity Sunday

June 7, 2020

10:00 a.m.

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Words of Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

**And also with you!**

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Hymn 2

"Come, Thou, Almighty King"

1 Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise:  
Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

2 Come, thou incarnate Word, merciful, mighty Lord, our prayer attend.  
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

3 Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.  
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

4 To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore!  
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of grace, love, and communion,**

**we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind;  
and to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

**We ignore your commandments,**

**stray from your way, and follow other gods.**

**Have mercy on us.**

**Forgive our sin and raise us to new life**

**that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

## First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:4(a)

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.

**And God saw that the light was good;**

and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night.

**And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.**

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky.

**And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.**

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas.

**And God saw that it was good.**

Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it.

**And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.**

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness.

**And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.**

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind.

**And God saw that it was good.**

God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.”

**And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.**

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind.

**And God saw that it was good.**

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the

earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.”

God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.

**God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.**

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done.

**So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.**

Psalter: Psalm 8

O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.  
O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Sermon: "Sermon in the Night Sky"

Rev. Carter

## **RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Hymn 25 "O Lord, Our God, How Excellent!"

1 O Lord, our God, how excellent, how glorious is your name.  
Your majesty surrounds the earth, and children sing your fame.

2 The heavens shout your handiwork; we stand beneath in awe,  
to think the One who made all things should care for us at all.

3 Yet you have made us less than gods, surpassing all but you,  
with heart and mind, with strength and will, to search for what is true.

4 Into our hands you've placed all things: the earth, the sea; each place  
we're called to probe for secret gifts and venture into space.

5 O Lord, our God, how excellent, how glorious is your name,  
majestic in your holiness. We sing and praise your fame.

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering  
Offertory

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

### **GO IN GOD'S NAME**

Hymn 1 "Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty"

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Charge and Benediction  
Postlude

### **PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

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