

# Service for the Lord's Day

Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2015

*The living God sends us living bread from heaven to fill our hearts with strength.  
All praise be to our Holy God!*

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

*God of love, God in three, and God in one –Jesus Christ is the Word you speak to shape chaos into creation's glory. The Holy Spirit is the breath of life, filling us with hope. We praise you, Triune God! Amen.*

## Gathering

PRELUDE

Sally Hosea

WELCOME

Jan Pennal

\*INTROIT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

*Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.*

The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

*The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare;*

and in his temple all say, 'Glory!'

*May the Lord give strength to his people!*

May the Lord bless his people with peace. (Psalm 29)

*Let us worship God!*

\*HYMN # 336

*"We Gather Together"*

Baker, 1894

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in Christ, we dare to approach God with confidence. (Romans 5:8 - Hebrews 4:16)  
Let us admit our sins before God.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Dear Lord, we bow before you with praise and thanksgiving, knowing that you are the mighty God of the universe and we are your creation. You have called us to belong to you, to give you our hearts, and to serve you with our whole selves. But we somehow forget this*

*and wander off to do our own thing, thinking only of ourselves. We are sinners in your sight and justly deserve your displeasure. We are sorry, and we confess our sins to you. Please forgive us. Fill us with your healing grace. Help us to see with your eyes, to love with your love, and to serve as your hands and feet in this world around us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen*

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kyrie Eleison

*"Lord, have mercy upon us,  
Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 32

People of God, please listen: God holds out His hand of mercy and blesses us by saying, "You told me your sins, without trying to hide them, and now I forgive you." Our sins are forgiven. He takes away our guilt. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and free. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

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ANTHEM

*"The Lord's Prayer"*

by Solti

Chancel Choir

## Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:12-17

Bibles, p. 147/ LG. p. 191

The Word of the Lord

*Thanks be to God*

HYMN #634

*"To God Be the Glory"*

Crosby, 1875

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 6:1-8

Bibles, p.597 / LG. p. 778

The Word of the Lord

*Thanks be to God*

SERMON

*"So...Why Worship?"*

Dr. Sharon Templeman

## Responding

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from 1 John 5)

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is a child of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child.

*For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments.*

By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love the Lord and obey God's commandments.

*For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments.*

For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith.

***For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments.***

Who overcomes the world? Those who believe that Jesus is the Christ

***For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments. And God's commandments are not burdensome.***

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Sending*

\*HYMN # 366 "Love Divine All Loves Excelling" Wesley, 1747

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*RESPONSE #366 "Love Divine All Loves Excelling"

POSTLUDE Selected

(\*) Those who are able may stand.  
*Bold italic letters* indicate congregational responses.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Sunday Mornings	8:30 a.m.	Choir Practice
Wednesdays	4:15-5:15	Kids for God
Thursdays	6:00 p.m.	Spanish Class
Sun. 06/07	Worship	Communion Sunday

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**"Here am I; send me!"**  
Isaiah 6:8

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