



First  
Presbyterian  
Church  
Henderson, Texas

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020

TRINITY SUNDAY

— Gathering —

**PRELUDE #250**

***"In the Bulb There is a Flower"***

Sleeth, 1986

**WELCOME**

Rev. Michele R. Goff

**OPENING SENTENCES**

Mighty Wind, who danced over the deep and surveyed the shapeless void,  
***dance over us now and ready us for your creative purpose.***

Divine Word, who commanded unruly chaos and called forth light and life,  
***call to us now and open us to new expressions of grace.***

Eternal Artist, who formed us in your likeness and claimed us as kin,  
***Re-form and refine us to be bearers of your blessing.***

Holy Trinity—Creator, Christ, Spirit—who gathered the primeval waters,  
***gather us in, then send us out, our voices echoing creation's song:  
How majestic is your name in all the earth!***

**HYMN #1 (138)**

***"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"***

Heber, 1827

*(Alternate hymn numbers are for the old blue hymnals.)*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**CONFESSION**

Let us confess the ways we have denied our God-given identities, and return to the One who created and called us good.

***Lord Jesus, you send us to make disciples of all nations, but we focus our energies inward and shy away from sharing the good news in word and deed. You charge us to teach your commandments, but we struggle to obey them and neglect to model them for others. You assure us of your abiding presence, but we doubt this promise and disregard your Spirit, denying the power you give us to do your work. Forgive us, Lord, and renew us to be the church you created us to be. Wash us with your grace and commission us for service in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.***

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

In the waters of baptism, the Triune God raises us to new life. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
***Thanks be to God.***

— Word —

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE**

Our first reading is from the Second letter to the Corinthians chapter 13 verses 11 through 13.  
Does not wisdom call, and understanding raise her voice?  
Hear the word of the Lord.

The word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Our second reading is from the gospel according to Matthew chapter 28 verses 16 through 20.  
Hear the word of the Lord.

The wisdom of God for all people; the call of God to all who live. ***Thanks be to God.***

**SERMON**

***"Our Great Commission"***

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## DESCRIPTION OF PRAISE

— Response —

### HYMN #298 (429) "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

Rowthorn, 1978

(Alternate hymn numbers are for the old blue hymnals.)

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Holy God, One-in-Three and Three-in-One, hear us as we pray saying:  
Holy, triune God, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, continue to pour out your power in the church, in the world, and in our daily lives, so all will know that you are at work among us; through Jesus Christ, our living Lord. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER—UNISON

— Eucharist —

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Even though we are connecting differently, we are still doing the work of the church. We are thankful that you continue to support the church and our ministries. Thank you!

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

While we tune in from many places, we are united at the Lord's Supper. We are bound together by love across time and distance, for this table is not my table or your table...

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## BREAKING THE BREAD

We give you thanks that on the night of his arrest Jesus took bread, and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*"Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."*

In the same way he took the cup, saying:

*"This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.*

*Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."*

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. This is the bread of life and the cup of justice for you.

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

### HYMN #2 (139) "Come Thou Almighty King"

Social Worship, 1757

(Alternate hymn numbers are for the old blue hymnals.)

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.**

— Sending —

## BLESSING AND CHARGE

### HYMN #610 (466) "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Wesley, 1739

(Alternate hymn numbers are for the old blue hymnals.)

*"Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences"*

