## Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

May 26, 2024

## **Trinity Sunday**

At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.

# Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.

Prelude Improvisation on Holy, Holy, Holy

Greeting

\*Call to Worship

One: Ascribe to God glory and strength;

Many: Ascribe to God the glory of God's name.

One: The voice of God is powerful.

Many: The voice of God is full of majesty.

One: May God give strength to the people!

Many: May God bless the people with peace!

All: Let us praise the name of God!

\*Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

**UMH 64** 

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!

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

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

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

\*Please stand in body or in spirit.

#### \*Praise Songs

#### I Have Joy in My Heart

I have joy in my heart, deep, deep down in my heart...

Jesus gave to me, and no one can destroy it.

I have joy in my heart; deep, deep down in my heart...

#### Praise, O Praise, My God and King

Praise, O praise, my God and King.

Hymns of adoration, sing;

For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful, ever sure...

Alleluia, Alleluia!
King of Kings and Lord of Lords!
For his mercies, shall endure; Ever faithful ever sure...

## Common Prayer (unison)

### **Everlasting God:**

You have revealed yourself as Father-Mother, Son, and Holy Spirit, and ever live and reign in the perfect unity of love.

Grant that we may always hold firmly and joyfully to this faith, and, living in praise of your divine majesty, may finally be one in you; who are three persons in one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Children's Conversation

#### Prayers of the People

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

**TFWS 2157** 

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!

#### Affirmations of Faith: The Nicene Creed (unison)

**UMH 880** 

We believe in one God.

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son

is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism

for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Offering

Offertory Anthem

Amman Mma - Children of the World

Children of the world, children of the world, praise the Lord, for He is a mighty King.

Children of the world, children of the world, praise the Lord, for He is a mighty King.

He has conquered death. When He speaks, everything remains still. He is a conqueror. We will worship Him always.

Children of the world, children of the world, praise the Lord, for he is a mighty King.

Children of the world, go! We will sing for Him. We will shout praises unto Him. We will magnify Him always. We will give him all the glory and honor.

\*Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Passing of Peace "Shalom" Mensah Essilfie

God's peace be unto you,
We wish you Shalom!
The peace of God which transcends all
understanding be with you forevermore.

\*Gospel Reading John 3:1-17

Anthem Trinitarian Blessings Alice Parker (1925-2023)

May the Sending One sing in you,
May the Seeking One walk with you,
May the Greeting One stand by you,
In your gladness and in your grieving.
May the Gifted One relieve you,
May the Given One retrieve you,
In your falling One receive you,
In your falling and your restoring.
May the Binding One unite you,
May the One Beloved invite you,
May the Loving One delight you,
Three-in-One unending;
Three-in-One, joy in life unending.

#### Message

#### Announcement

\*Hymn "To God Be the Glory" UMH 98

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son; but purer, and higher, and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

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Postlude Tuba Magna John Madden

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Call to Worship – Psalm 29 ALT. The New Testament and Psalms: An Inclusive Version, Oxford Univ. Press.

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