

WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021

Pacific Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church of Union, Missouri

**TRINITY SUNDAY**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come, let us worship the One who created the world.

**All: Let us worship the One who died [and rose] for us.**

One: Come, let us worship the One who gives us life.

**All: Let us worship the Lord our God.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** “Come, Thou Almighty King” GtG 2

One: Come, thou almighty King,

**All: help us thy name to sing;**

One: help us to praise:

**All: Father, all glorious,  
o'er all victorious,**

One: come, and reign over us,

**All: Ancient of Days.**

One: Come, thou incarnate Word,

**All: merciful, mighty Lord,  
our prayer attend.**

One: Come, and thy people bless,  
and give thy word success;

**All: Spirit of holiness,  
on us descend.**

One: Come, holy Comforter,

**All: thy sacred witness bear  
in this glad hour.**

One: Thou who almighty art,

**All: now rule in every heart,  
and ne'er from us depart,  
Spirit of power.**

One: To thee, great One in Three,

**All: eternal praises be,  
hence evermore!**  
One: Thy sovereign majesty  
may we in glory see,  
**All: and to eternity  
love and adore.**

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**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you  
with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be,  
so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**\*SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(from Psalm 103)*

One: “The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.”  
**All: “The Lord does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.”**  
One: “For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God’s steadfast love toward those who revere God.”  
**All: “As far as the east is from the west, so far does the Lord remove our transgressions from us.”**  
One: My friends, hear and believe the good news.  
**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**\*THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**

*(From your seat, a brief sign of peace may be shared: a wave of the hand, a nod of the head, etc.)*

## **THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 136

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON** “The Case for Redundancy . . .  
and Repetition . . .  
and Saying It Over and Over . . .  
More Than Once . . .  
Or Twice . . .  
Or Even More Times Than That . . .”

by Pastor Bill Vincent

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostles' Creed*)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again 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.**

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**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Pastor:** Lord, in your mercy...  
**People:** ...hear our prayer.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Contemporary*)

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,**

your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.

## OFFERING

*Invitation*

*Reflection*

*\*Unison Prayer of Dedication*

**Thank you, O Lord our God, for your love for us and your life given to us. We offer our lives to you, that your word may be proclaimed and your love be embodied for the furtherance of your kingdom in the world. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

## SENDING

**\*CLOSING HYMN** "Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud" GtG 11

One: Source and Sovereign,

**All: Rock and Cloud,**

One: Fortress, Fountain, Shelter, Light,

**All: Judge, Defender, Mercy, Might,**

One: Life whose life all life endowed:

May the church at prayer recall

that no single holy name

but the truth behind them all

is the God whom we proclaim.

**All: Word and Wisdom,**

One: Root and Vine,

**All: Shepherd, Savior, Servant, Lamb,**

One: Well and Water,

**All: Bread and Wine,**

One: Way who leads us to I AM:

**All: May the church at prayer recall**

**that no single holy name**

**but the truth behind them all**

**is the God whom we proclaim.**

One: Storm and Stillness,

**All: Breath and Dove,**

One: Thunder, Tempest, Whirlwind, Fire,

**All: Comfort, Counselor, Presence, Love,**

One: Energies that never tire:

**Unison: May the church at prayer recall  
that no single holy name  
but the truth behind them all  
is the God whom we proclaim.**

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**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Pastor: ...And let the gathered people of God say...

**People: ...Amen.**

**POSTLUDE**

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