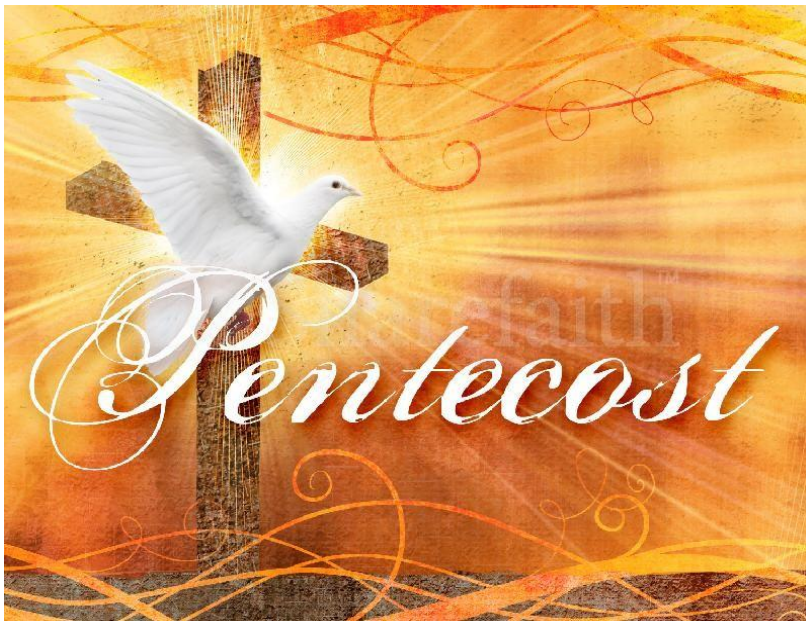


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May 15, 2016 PENTECOST SUNDAY



GOD IS STILL SPEAKING

PRELUDE/GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL OFFERING: Helping Hands/Strengthen the Church

*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 104)

One: O LORD, your Creation is diverse! In wisdom you have made a complex world full of your creatures.

All: Out there is the sea, great and wide; innumerable creatures are there, living things both small and great; unimaginable things live and play there. They all look to you to give them their food in due season;

One: When you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

All: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

One: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in Creation--God looks on the earth and it trembles, God touches the mountains and they smoke.

All: I will sing to God, the Creator, as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to God, in whom I rejoice.

One: Bless the LORD, O my soul.

All: Praise the LORD!

*INVOCATION (contributed by Mary Ann Price)

One: This is what I will do in the last days, God says: I will pour out my Spirit on everyone—your sons and daughters will proclaim my message; your young men will see visions, and your old men will have dreams.

All: Whoever calls to the Lord for help will be saved.

*OPENING HYMN: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" New Century Hymnal #293

A TIME FOR CHILDREN AND EVERYONE

INVITATION TO RECONCILIATION

One: Quite often, we forget the great connection among God, our neighbors, creation and us and in doing so we break covenant with one another. Let us take time to confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (contributed by Bobbi Poteau)

All: Our God, we come in humility, confessing who and what we are. We are often unresponsive for we are afraid. When your Spirit speaks, we turn deaf ears, for we fear what you might call us to do. When your Spirit touches our lips, we close our mouths, embarrassed to speak your Word. When the wind of your Spirit blows, we close the windows of our hearts, afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives. When the fire of your Spirit touches us, we quench the flame, afraid of the new life it might bring. Forgive us, O Lord.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVING PARDON

One: Like the warm rain that falls in the summertime or the light snow of winter, God's grace is showered upon us, reminding us that this is the moment to begin again. **Amen.**

RESPONSE OF PRAISE (remain seated)

NCH #283

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

ANTHEM:

"Holy is He"

Cloniger/Clydesdale

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Mary Ann Price, Lay Reader

One: Come, Holy Spirit, and teach us the ways of God's Kingdom; show us visions of hope and dreams of comfort and healing; remind us of all that our Savoir has spoken to us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Mary Ann Price, Lay Reader

Epistle Reading

Romans 8:14-17 (p.983)

New Testament reading

Acts 2:1-21 (p.948)

Gospel lesson

John 14:8-17, 25-27 (p.938-939)

One: God is still speaking.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON HYMN/MUSIC MEDITATION: "Spirit, Spirt of Gentleness" NCH#286

MESSAGE: "New Church"

Pastor Don

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (forgive us
our sins as we forgive those who sin against us)

PRAYER RESPONSE

Lord, listen to Your children praying,

Lord, send Your spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to Your children praying,

Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!

(repeat)

CALL TO OFFERING: Mary Ann Price, Lay Reader

One: In all of Creation, we see God's vision for the future. The gifts from Creation lead us to build dreams with God. With a heart of hope and a soul of gratitude, let us share our offerings to create the Church of today and tomorrow.

OFFERTORY

***THE DOXOLOGY**

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us" (x2)

Give thanks.

***UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: We delight in your Creation, Loving God. We rejoice in your hopes, visions and dreams for us. In a spirit of thanksgiving, we ask that you give us the courage to take these talents to build and not bury. Amen.

SERVICE OF COMMUNION (*this morning we will use the communion liturgy found on page 16 of your New Century Hymnal, following liturgy B throughout*)

A note for our guests:

Today's communion will be brought to the pews by our ushers. All are welcome to participate. As the plate is passed please take the bread and hold it until everyone has been served and pastor Don indicates that all may eat the bread together. When the cups are passed we will follow the same procedure. Empty cups may be placed in the small cup holders found on the back of each pew.

***CLOSING HYMN: "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"**

NCH #282

***BENEDICTION** (contributed by Alice Heitmueller)

As you leave this sanctuary listen to Spirit of truth. Listen to the voice of God telling you and your household how to be saved; You will be baptized in the Holy Spirit. Grow together in peace, friendship, faith, hope, and charity. Blessings in the name of our crucified brother and risen savior, Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

***SUNG BENEDICTION** (inside back cover of New Century Hymnal)

***GO TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND ALL PEOPLE**

***POSTLUDE**

*indicates an invitation to stand either in body or in spirit

If you use social media we invite and encourage you to check in online as you attend today's service.

Portions of this week's service were excerpted and adapted from **Hoping and Dreaming with Creation** by Rev. Michelle L. Torigian, and from writings by **Nolan and Phyllis Palsma**

Special thanks to **Mary Ann Price, Alice Heitmueller, Bobbie Poteau, Karen Robinson, Lori Leaman, and Nancy Henry** for their creative contributions to today's service

WELCOME TO TRINITY

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here - to explore your faith, to meet new people, and to strengthen your personal relationship with God. If you are a guest here today, please sign our guest book. If you would like to be included on our mailing list, please fill out the Welcome Card in the pews and put it in the offering plate.

Sunday Bulletins - Trinity offers a Children's Bulletin and a Large Print Bulletin along with the Regular Sunday Bulletin. We also have adjustable audio devices for better hearing. Each can be found in the narthex.

Prayer - Trinity believes in prayer. If you have a prayer request, we ask that you share it with us and put it in writing. Prayer Request Forms are in our red prayer bowl located outside the sanctuary. Once completed, place it back into the prayer bowl. Those written prayer requests will be added to our Prayer List, which is updated weekly. You will find a copy of the current list near the red bowl.

Columbia Food Bank - Cash and Check donations to the Columbia Food Bank can be always be added to your contributions to the weekly offering. Please write "FOOD BANK" on the envelope or memo line of your check.

Today is Sunday, May 15, 2016
 10:00 am Trinity Café
 10:30 am Worship – Communion –
 Helping Hands Offering
 12:00 pm Welcome Table

Monday, May 16
 8:00 pm AA

Tuesday, May 17
 6:30 pm Consistory Meeting
 8:00 pm AA

Wednesday, May 18
 6:30 pm Bell Choir
 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 19
 No Activities Scheduled

Friday, May 20
 No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, May 21
 No Activities Scheduled

Sunday, May 22
 10:00 am Trinity Café
 10:30 am Worship
 1:30 pm Bible Discussion

Sunday mornings couldn't happen without the many disciples here at TRUCC. Volunteers are appreciated and needed. If you're interested in serving please see the volunteer sign-up sheets outside the church office.

Sunday, May 22nd volunteers.

Trinity Café:

Greeters: Jean Haines &
 Shirley St. Clair

Head Usher: Christine Macready

Lay Reader: Bobbie Poteau

Nursery:

Counter:

Altar Flowers: Bobbie Poteau

Attendance
 May 10, 2015.....72
 May 8, 2016.....43

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Don Fenestre-Marek

Lay Reader: Mary Ann Price

Ministry of Music

Music Director, Chancel Choir Shannon Edwards

Bell Choir Director: Daniel Molkenthin

Sound Technician

Mark Cote and Charlie Miller

Ministry of Service

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Counter:

Nursery:

May Greeting Cards: Babs Froelich

Floral Arrangement donated by:
Marilyn Shertzer in memory of her sister Shirley's Birthday

Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ exists to render loving service toward humanity with Jesus as our example. We preach love, teach compassion and social justice, and welcome all into the full life and ministry of the church.