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Sunday: Trinity Sunday, Year A

CALL TO WORSHIP:

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the Earth.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, what are mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor.

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF ADORATION:

We do indeed stand in awe of you, O God. We rejoice that you have chosen us to be your own. By your word the heavens were made; your loving kindness fills the whole earth. By the bounty of your mercy we have been born to new life. Hear now what fanfare we give you as we lift our voices in praise of your name. Amen.

HYMN: Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples (757)

Today we are called to be disciples of the Lord,

To help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword,

To feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,

To serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.

God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race

To live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace.

But we are vain and sadly proud; we sow not peace but strife.

Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.

Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream,

With righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem

For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease,

A world that was created for a harmony of peace.

May we in service to our God act out the living word,

And walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.

As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord

To God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

O God, when we are put to the test we do not quickly respond. If called upon to decide, we lack the courage of faith. Confessing commitment, we confuse your will with our own.

Seeking security, we turn to devices that we control. Your voice comes from heaven to chasten and discipline. Your commandments Jesus proclaimed as the course we should

**take. Forgive us when we deviate from the truth you deliver, and increase our trust in you.
Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 28:16-20

PRE-SERMON PRAYER

SERMON: In Medias Res

POST-SERMON PRAYER

HYMN: Lord, You Give the Great Commission (298)

**Lord, you give the great commission: “Heal the sick and preach the word.”
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard
Help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:
With the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you call us to your service: “In my name baptize and teach.”
That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,
Give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community:
With the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you make the common holy: “This, my body; this, my blood.”
Let us all, for earth’s true glory, daily lift life heavenward,
Asking that the world around us shar you children’s liberty:
With the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

**Lord you show us love’s true measure: “Father, what they do, forgive.”
Yet we heard as private treasure all that you so freely give.
May our care and mercy lead us to a just society:
With the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

**Lord, you bless with words assuring: “I am with you to the end.”
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,
And, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity:
With the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

Nicene Creed

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 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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right . . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of you glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy . . . Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, . . . Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

HYMN: Go in Grace and Make Disciples (296)

Go in grace and make disciples. Baptize in God's holy name.

Tell of death and resurrection; Easter's victory now proclaim.

Christ's commission sends us forth to the nations of the earth.

Go in grace and make disciples, midwives for the world's rebirth.

**God and follow Christ's example, not to vanquish, but to heal.
Mend the wounds of sin's divisions. Servant love to all reveal.
Roles and ranks shall be reversed; justice flow for all who thirst.
God and follow Christ's example. Forge a world of last made first.**

**Go in Pentecostal spirit, many tongues and many gifts.
Feed the hearts of hungry people. Spread the gospel that uplifts.
Till the day of Christ return, as disciples, teach and learn.
Go in Pentecostal spirit: let God's flame of witness burn.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION