

# *Mt. Zion United Church of Christ*

Trinity Sunday

10:30AM

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## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*O God Beyond All Praising*

by Holst

### CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

L: God our Creator, we call You Father, Mother, Author of Life:

**P: Draw us closer to You, O God.**

L: Christ our Savior, we call You the Son, the Messiah, the One who Saves:

**P: Draw us closer to You, O God.**

L: Holy Spirit, we call You the Advocate, the Inspirer, Breath and Wind of God:

**P: Draw us closer to You, O God.**

L: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; Heaven and earth are full of Your glory:

**P: Draw us closer to You, O God. Draw us in, Spirit, Christ and Creator, that we might journey with You more fully and deeply, in this life and beyond. Amen.**

### OPENING PRAYER

L: Abba, Father, Mother, Creator...Continue to call us, guide us, and lead us into this world and beyond.

**P: Amen.**

### OPENING HYMN NO. 144 (UM hymnal, see p. 3)

*This is My Father's World*

### TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>2</sup>

**ALL: O God, even as we celebrate your unity, we know that sometimes we forget the beauty of your three persons. We hold to your transcendent life as Creator and keep at a distance the challenges of Christ. We bow before your glory and keep your humanness away from the reality of our own lives. Forgive us, Jesus Christ. Guide and guard us, Holy Spirit, and go on creating within us, Creator God. If we are tempted to think that we know all that there is to know, Holy Trinity, closing ourselves off from ideas which others offer and neglecting to search for even deeper truths: Forgive us, Jesus Christ. Guide and guard us, Holy Spirit, and go on creating within us, Creator God. This we pray in faith. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 756 (black hymnal, see p. 4)

*Glory to God*

**ALL SING: Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

**SUNDAY SONGS**

*The Trees of the Field*

by Dauerman & Rubin

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SCRIPTURE** (read by Andrew Texter)

*John 16: 12-15*

**MESSAGE**

**HYMN NO. 277** (black hymnal, see p. 4, vs. 1-3)

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

**JOYS & CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN NO. 592** (black hymnal, see p. 5, vs. 1, 3, 4)

*God of the Ages, Who with Sure Command*

**TIME OF REMEMBRANCE & BENEDECTION<sup>3</sup>**

L: In a world filled with violence and war,

**P: we go forth believing in the promise of peace.**

L: In a world filled with tyranny and oppression,

**P: we go forth seeking justice and freedom for all.**

L: In a world filled with hunger and greed,

**P: we go forth working so that there is plenty for all.**

L: Our hope is in the name of the Almighty God,

**P: the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of heaven and earth.**

L: God of hope and peace, we come to you this Memorial Day weekend, with gratitude for service but lament for loss... In the name of the Holy Parent who creates each day anew, the Son who understands the greatest depth of sacrifice, and the Holy Spirit who protects us—may we go forth in peace and gratitude.

**POSTLUDE**

*Praise Ye the Father*

by Gounod

Thank you to Andrew Texter for reading Scripture this morning! Thank you to Deb Herlocker, Jack Herlocker, & Ron Miles for serving on the tech team. Thank you to Andrew Texter, Barb Neff, & Brenda Beyer for serving on the praise team.

<sup>1</sup> The Call to Worship and Opening Prayer were written by Rev. Mindi and posted on her Rev-o-lution blog and was accessed at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/05/call-to-worship-prayer-trinity.html> on May 20, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> The Confession is from Words for Worship originally posted on <http://pilgrimwr.unitingchurch.org.au/> and was accessed on [https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/05/prayer-of-confession-trinity-sunday\\_21.html](https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/05/prayer-of-confession-trinity-sunday_21.html) on May 20, 2021.

<sup>3</sup> The Time of Remembrance is from On Earth as in Heaven: Praying for Peace, MCC Peace Sunday Packet 2008 and was accessed from <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2013/05/call-to-worship-memorial-day.html> on May 24, 2021.

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## This Is My Father's World

**Piano** ♩ = 80

1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and to my lis - tening  
 2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the birds their car - ols  
 3. This is my Fa - ther's world. O let me ne'er for -

5  
 ears all na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the  
 raise, the morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's  
 - get that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er

9  
 spheres. This is my Fa - ther's world: I rest me in the  
 praise. This is my Fa - ther's world: he shines in all that's  
 yet. This is my Fa - ther's world: why should my heart be

13  
 thought of the rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his  
 fair; in the rust - ling grass I hear him pass; he  
 sad? The Lord is King; let the heav - en's ring! God

16  
 hand the won - ders wrought.  
 speaks to me ev - ery - where.  
 reigns; let the earth be glad.

# Gloria

Piano  $\text{♩} = 80$   
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

5  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

# Holy, Holy, Holy

Piano  $\text{♩} = 80$   
1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God the Al - might - y!  
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Saints a - dore you tru - ly,  
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though we know but dim - ly,


5  
Ear - ly in the morn - ing we praise your maj - est - ty.  
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
Though the eyes of hum - an - kind your glo - ry may not see,

9  
Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim bow be - fore you on - ly,  
You a - lone are ho - ly, you a - lone are wor - thy,

13  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
From the be - gin - ing, God e - ter - nal - ly.  
Per - fect in power, in love and pur - i - ty.


# God of the Ages, Who with Sure Command

**Piano**  $\text{♩} = 80$



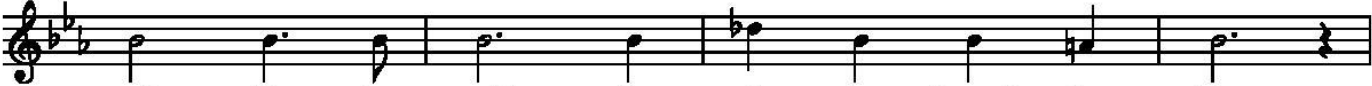
1. God of the a - ges, who with sure com - mand  
2. From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pest - i - lence,  
3. Re - fresh your peo - ple on life's toil - some way;

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brought forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
with stead - fast care be ev - er our de - fense;  
lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

9



of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
Your love and faith with - in our hearts in - crease;  
With truth and love guide us through er - ror's maze,

13



our grate - ful songs be - fore your throne a - rise.  
with boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
and we shall give you glo - ry, laud, and praise.