ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 18, 2025 Worship 10:30 AM

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Gather

Prelude "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" arr. Jin

arr. Jim West, 2025

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit

"He Is Lord" (Renew#29)

Anonymous

Lighting of the Candles

Praise

Prepare for Call to Worship

**Call to Worship (based on Psalm 100)

Leader: Shout with joy to the Lord! Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing with joy! Know that the Lord is God!

People: He made us, and we are his.

We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him and bless his name.

People: For the Lord is good. His unfailing love continues forever,

and his faithfulness continues to each generation.

**Hymn

"God, in Our Church's Teaching"

AURELIA

Prepare

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Patient God, it's so easy to get lost in the noise and busyness of life. Forgive the times we lose focus and forget that all are your beloved children, all are deserving of your love and our love. Slow us down a bit, Lord. Remind us again that we are responsible for the care of this world, for reaching out and offering your healing love.

Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we have failed to be a people known by our love. Show us how to be more caring. Teach us how to love others. And now in our silence, remind us again of Jesus' words to his friends when he told them that they should love one another as he loved them. May we take time to bear witness to that love in all that we do (silent reflections):

Assurance of Pardon

**Congregational Response

Spirit of the Living God

(Hymn #288)

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.

**Passing the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you! . . . And also with you.

Listen

Children's Message

Anthem

"Make a Joyful Noise"

Sally K. Albrecht

Prayer of Illumination

Gracious and Loving God, as you once declared, "See, I am making all things new." So now, through your Holy Spirit, open our hearts and minds to your transforming word in Scripture. Grant us a new vision of the height, depth, and breadth of your trustworthy and true love, that we may be inspired to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, reflecting the new creation you have begun in us. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm Reflection Video

Psalm 100

Gospel Reading

John 13:31-35 (CEV)

Sermon

"We Love Trinity Presbyterian Because..."

Respond

Hymn #301

"Let Us Build a House" (vss. 1, 2 & 4, 5)

Two Oaks

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

**Doxology

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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**Benediction

**Closing Hymn

(None today)

Choral Benediction

"Go Now in Peace"

Don Besig/Nancy Price

Extinguishing the Candles

Postlude

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

arr. Jim West, 2025

Leaders in and for Worship Today

Preaching Today Rev. Ronnie Osborn Liturgist Amanda Fues Acolyte Daniel Fues Director of Music J. West **Organist** Jim West Audio/Video Technicians Marianne Fues, Bill Kennedy, Odell Newkirk Ushers Ted Groshong, Cathy Nelson Greeter Judy Hughes

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WELCOME TO WORSHIP: We're glad you are here today. If you are visiting Trinity for the first time, we'd love to get to know you better. Please leave your contact information in the guest book by the front door, and we will be in touch with you soon. You can also contact us by texting your name and request to (573) 284-8084, emailing the church office: trinity@trinity-presbyterian.org, or completing the "Contact Us" form at the bottom of the website homepage: www.trinity-presbyterian.org.

MISSION STUDY SURVEYS: If you have not yet taken the Mission Study Survey which was sent out from the Hartford Institute for Religion Research, we hope you will do so very soon. This is an opportunity for you to express your hopes for the future of Trinity, and your participation will help the Mission Study Team complete their work. Printed copies of the survey are available for those who cannot take the online survey or for those in the household who share an email and need a second copy. These should be returned to the church office when completed.

THE WARDROBE: Trinity serves this Wednesday, May 21st, from 11:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Please sign up to help at the kiosk in the lobby or contact our Wardrobe Coordinator, Anne Seymour.

^{**}Those who are able and comfortable please stand.

FIBER FELLOWSHIP: If you like to knit, crochet, or do other needlecrafts, this is the group for you! Fiber Fellowship will meet next Saturday morning, May 24, from 10:00 a.m. until noon in the downstairs Youth Room. Bring your current project or start a new one and enjoy this time to visit with others from Trinity and to work on your project.

SAYING THANK YOU: Next Sunday, May 25, we will say a special "thank you" to our organist, Jim West, and celebrate his faithful service to Trinity the past two years. Due to health reasons, Jim is resigning his position as Church Organist. Following worship next Sunday, there will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall in honor of Jim. See Jim's letter below:

It is with deep regret that I feel the need to submit my resignation as the Full Time Organist for Trinity Presbyterian Church. I have loved playing organ and piano for you in worship on Sundays and choir rehearsals and choir anthems, special worship services and just being as part of the life of the congregation. Trinity has become our church family, and it will remain so for both of us. My chemo has caused increasing neuropathy in both my hands and feet; and as badly as I hate to give it up, it becomes too difficult for me to accomplish. The two years I have been your staff keyboardist have been such a blessing to me. To play for our wonderful choir, and accompany our talented Scholarship Singers, and work with J. on a regular basis have been some of the most rewarding times of my life. Thank you all, The Rev. Jim West