

# *Trinity Sunday*

*June 7, 2020*



We are filled with joy at your presence and hope you experience God's Spirit as you worship and meet with those around you. If you would like more information about RPC, please talk with any Session member or the Pastor.

## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

**Bold Letters -- Indicate congregational response**

### GATHERING THE PEOPLE OF GOD

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

Eternal Artist, who formed us in your likeness  
and claimed us as kin,

**Re-form and refine us  
to be bearers of your blessing.**

Holy Trinity—Creator, Christ, Spirit—  
who gathered the primeval waters,

**gather us in, then send us out,  
our voices echoing creation's song:  
How majestic is your name in all the earth!**

**Hymn          Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**#1**

**1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love and purity.**

**4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

## Opening Prayer

Holiness, Word, Power,  
you reveal yourself  
as one God in three persons,  
a mighty, creative, life-generating dancer  
who invites your creation to join you.  
Catch us up in your love  
and lead us into your world  
to call others to follow you  
with singing and rejoicing. **Amen.**

## Call to Confession and Reconciliation

This is the proof of God's great love: that while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins.

## Unison Prayer of Confession

**God, our creator, our savior, our guidance.  
We confess that we have strayed from you and continually turn aside  
from your way. We are misled by pride; we see ourselves pure when we  
are stained, and great when we are small.  
We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth.  
Have mercy, O God. Return us to paths of righteousness; continue to  
lead us, to walk with us, and to forgive our sins. through the risen Jesus  
Christ, our Savior.**

*Silence is kept for personal confession*

## Assurance of Pardon

God's love is constantly poured into our hearts  
Through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

## A Time with the Children

## Recognition of Graduates

### Hymn

*God of Great and God of Small*

#19

**1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story;  
bring its bud to glorious flower.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.**

**3 Cure thy children's warring madness;  
bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.**

**4 Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore.  
Let the gift of thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.**

## **First Reading**

## **Genesis 1:1-2:4a**

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup>the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

<sup>6</sup>And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." <sup>7</sup>So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. <sup>8</sup>God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

<sup>9</sup>And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. <sup>11</sup>Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. <sup>12</sup>The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed

in it. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

<sup>14</sup>And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, <sup>15</sup>and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. <sup>16</sup>God made the two great lights — the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night — and the stars. <sup>17</sup>God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, <sup>18</sup>to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup>And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." <sup>21</sup>So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup>God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." <sup>23</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. <sup>25</sup>God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." <sup>27</sup>So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. <sup>28</sup>God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." <sup>29</sup>God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. <sup>31</sup>God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

<sup>2:1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

**Psalm 8:1,2-9**

- <sup>1</sup> O LORD, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
**You have set your glory above the heavens.**
- <sup>3</sup> **When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;**
- <sup>4</sup> what are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?
- <sup>5</sup> **Yet you have made them a little lower than God,  
and crowned them with glory and honor.**
- <sup>6</sup> You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,
- <sup>7</sup> **all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,**
- <sup>8</sup> the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- <sup>9</sup> **O LORD, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Hymn	<i><b>You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord (On Eagle's Wings)</b></i>	<b>#43</b>
------	---	------------

Sermon	<b><i>Who Are We?</i></b>
--------	---------------------------

Hymn	<i><b>For the Beauty of the Earth</b></i>	<b>#14 (vs. 1, 3, 5)</b>
	<b>1 For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:</b>	

**Refrain:**

**Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.**

**4 For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild: (Refrain)**

**5 For thyself, best gift divine  
to the world so freely given;  
for that great, great love of thine,  
peace on earth and joy in heaven: (Refrain)**

**Together, We Confess Our Faith**

**The Apostle's Creed (Traditional)**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

**THE OFFERING**

**Invitation to Present Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

**Response**

***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow***

**#606**

**Prayer of Dedication**

May your Spirit of caring and generosity rest upon us as we present our offerings so that our giving does not end here, but only begins to flow forth. May we, through our selfless gifts, be a baptism of hope, of grace, of healing, and of love and peace to all, including those we may never meet. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

**Prayers of the People**

**1** I come with joy, a child of God,  
forgiven, loved, and free,  
the life of Jesus to recall,  
in love laid down for me,  
in love laid down for me.

**3** As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,  
each proud division ends.  
The love that made us, makes us one,  
and strangers now are friends,  
and strangers now are friends.

**5** Together met, together bound  
by all that God has done,  
we'll go with joy, to give the world  
the love that makes us one,  
the love that makes us one.

### 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.**

Praise to you, O God, for all your works.

You created the world and called it good  
and made us in your image to live together in love.

You made a covenant with us,  
and even when we turned from you,  
you remained ever faithful.

Therefore, with all creation, we sing your praise:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**



### **Hosanna in the highest.**

Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son  
To visibly shepherd us, your followers,  
to live among us and tell your story,  
to heal the sick and welcome sinners,  
to share your pain and die your death;  
and then to rise to new life that we might live,  
and all creation be restored.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen,**

**Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon these your gifts of bread and wine  
that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ  
and that we may be his body for the world.

By your Spirit unite us with Christ and one another.

All glory and honor are yours, almighty God,  
now and forever more.

**Amen.**

### **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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead  
us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### **Preparing the Elements**

#### **Serving the meal**

*Please partake of the communion elements at home as the participants in  
the sanctuary partake.*

### **Communion Prayer**

## **THE SENDING**

### **Opportunities for Service and Fellowship**

1 There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,  
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;  
there are sweet expressions on each face,  
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

**REFRAIN:**

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,  
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;  
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;  
without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived  
when we shall leave this place.

2 There are blessings you cannot receive  
till you know him in his fullness and believe;  
you're the one to profit when you say,  
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way." (Refrain)

**Charge and Benediction**

May the spirit of the triune God Strengthen and sustain you,  
All throughout the life to come.  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, proclaiming the messenger of  
reconciliation God has entrusted to us.

**Amen. Thanks be to God.**

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;  
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;  
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field  
will clap, will clap their hands.  
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;  
the trees of the field will clap their hands;  
the trees of the field will clap their hands  
while you go out with joy.

**Postlude**

~~~~~

## ***Promotion & Graduation Recognition***

### ***Promotion to Kindergarten***

*Frances Kathryn Hutchins*

### ***Promotion to Middle School***

*Bruce Wayne Hutchins*

*Jessica Taylor*

### ***Promotion to High School***

*Jackson Taylor*

### ***High School Graduates***

*Bryson Sorini*

*Andy Epie*

*Ryan Anderson*

*(David Anderson's grandson)*

### ***Master's Degree of Science***

#### ***Narrative Medicine***

*Maya Sorini*



***Rockville Presbyterian Church welcomes everyone without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, age, disability or marital status. We also welcome and encourage the full participation of persons without regard to sexual orientation.***