

Prelude  
Announcements  
Opening Hymn

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!  
\*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.  
which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

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Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Trisagion**

sung by a cantor

Holy God, Holy and Might, Holy Imortal One  
Have Mercy on Us.

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## **The Collect of the Day**

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

## **The First Lesson**

Lector: A Reading from Genesis

When God began to create heaven and earth, and the earth then was welter and waste and darkness over the deep and God's breath hovering over the waters, God said, "Let there be light." And there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good, and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness God called Night. And it was evening and it was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be a vault in the midst of the waters, and let it divide water from water." And God made the vault and it divided the water beneath the vault from the water above the vault, and so it was. And God called the vault Heavens, and it was evening and it was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered in one place so that the dry land will appear," and so it was. And God called the dry land Earth and the gathering of waters God called Seas, and God saw that it was good. And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the heavens to divide the day from the night, and they shall be signs for the fixed times and for days and years, and they shall be lights in the vault of the heavens to light up the earth." And so it was. And God made the two great lights, the great light for dominion of day and the small light for dominion of night,

and the stars. And God placed them in the vault of the heavens to light up the earth and to have dominion over day and night and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And it was evening and it was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters swarm with the swarm of living creatures and let fowl fly over the earth across the vault of the heavens." And God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that crawls, which the water had swarmed forth of each kind, and the winged fowl of each kind, and God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the water in the seas and let the fowl multiply in the earth." And it was evening and it was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of each kind, cattle and crawling things and wild beasts of each kind. And so it was. And God made wild beasts of each kind and cattle of every kind and all crawling things on the ground of each kind, and God saw that it was good.

And God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, by our likeness, to hold sway over the fish of the sea and the fowl of the heavens and the cattle and the wild beasts and all the crawling things that crawl upon the earth. And God created humans in the divine image, in the image of divinity itself God created them. And God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and conquer it, and hold sway over the fish of the sea and the fowl of the heavens and every beast that crawls upon the earth." And God said, "Look, I have given you every seed-bearing plant on the face of all the earth and every tree that has fruit bearing seed, yours they will be for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and to all the fowl of the heavens and to all that crawls on the earth, which has the breath of life within it, the green plants for food." And so it was. And God saw all that God had done, and, look, it was very good. And it was evening and it was morning, the sixth day.

Then the heavens and the earth were completed, and all their array. And God completed on the seventh day the task that God had done, and God ceased on the seventh day from all the tasks that God had done. And God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, for on it God had ceased from all tasks. This is the tale of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm 8**

O Lord our governor, \*  
how exalted is your name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*

to quell the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

what are mortals that you should be mindful of them, \*  
their children that you should seek them out?

You have made them but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn them with glory and honour;

you give them mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under their feet;

all sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and all that walks in the paths of the sea.

O Lord our governor, \*  
how exalted is your name in all the world!

## **The Second Lesson**

Lector:        A Reading from Second Corinthians

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Lector:        Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People:        Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Hymn**

1 O Trin - i - ty of bless - ed light, O U - ni -  
 2 To thee our morn - ing song of praise, to thee our  
 3 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ re -

ty of prince - ly might, the fier - y sun now  
 eve - ning prayer we raise; O grant us with thy  
 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

goes his way; shed thou with - in our hearts thy ray.  
 saints on high to praise thee through e - ter - ni - ty.  
 Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

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 Music: *Bromley*, Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

## The Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ According To Matthew

People: Glory to You, O Christ.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Deacon: The Gospel of Our Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

## **“To Sit and Look at Light-filled Leaves” by Wendell Berry**

To sit and look at light-filled leaves  
May let us see, or seem to see,  
Far backward as through clearer eyes  
To what unsighted hope believes:  
The blessed conviviality  
That sang Creation’s seventh sunrise,

Time when the Maker’s radiant sight  
Made radiant every thing He saw,  
And every thing He saw was filled  
With perfect joy and life and light.  
His perfect pleasure was sole law;  
No pleasure had become self-willed.

For all His creatures were His pleasures  
And their whole pleasure was to be  
What He made them; they sought no gain  
Or growth beyond their proper measures,  
Nor longed for change or novelty.  
The only new thing could be pain.

## **The Homily**

### **The Apostles’ Creed**

We give our hearts to you, God Beyond Us, creator of heaven and earth.

We give our hearts to you, Jesus Christ, God Among Us, our model and savior. You were conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, were crucified, died, and were buried; you descended to the dead. On the third day you rose again; you ascended into heaven, you are seated at the right hand of God Beyond Us, and you will come again to judge the living and the dead.

We give our hearts to you, Holy Spirit, God Within Us. We give our hearts to the community of the church, to the communion of saints, to the practice of forgiveness, to the hope of the resurrection, and to the promise of life everlasting.  
Amen.

## **Hymn**

1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
 and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
 Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
 while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

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## The Prayers of the People

Intercessor: God, in whose image the whole human family was created, we pray for all whose lives have been forever altered by racial violence. In particular, today we remember George Floyd, beloved child of God. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We remember George Floyd's family and friends, beloved children of God each one. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We remember the protestors, beloved children of God, still gathering across the city, the state, and the country to demand justice and change. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We remember our public officials, beloved children of God, managing a global pandemic and a nationwide cri de coeur at once. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We remember our police officers, beloved children of God, whom we ask, often without appropriate training, to respond to human beings in their worst and most vulnerable moments. We remember the police officers who feel their loyalties divided or their cause unclear, who feel afraid for themselves, their brethren, their families, and their fellow citizens. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We remember every person in Columbus, and in the nation, beloved children of God. We have been traumatized, grief-stricken, enraged, and heart-sickened by the video of one neighbor slowly snuffing the life out of another, by riots and looting, by the sounds of flash-bang grenades, the sting of tear gas, the scent of smoke, and by our own helplessness. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We remember those who have pledged their lives to racist ideologies, beloved children of God. We acknowledge the pain they have caused to victims of violence, to their communities, to their families, and to their own souls. We acknowledge that each of us carries racist ideology within us, and we beg your mercy to free all your people from it. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We know that the sickness of racism is in this nation's very bedrock. Today we acknowledge and repent of the twin original sins of this nation: the genocide of the indigenous people of this land and the institution of chattel slavery. We know that the shockwaves from these sins still reverberate today, that the trauma from these sins live in our

bodies, and that the pain we suffer now has its origin in those first treacheries. Let us pray

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We repent of laws that codify or allow unequal treatment based on race, ethnicity, religion, or skin tone. We repent of promises broken again and again. We repent of foreign policy that sees more value in some human lives than in others. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We repent of the role of the church, historically and presently, in supporting and emboldening these policies. We repent of the ways that we have made your church a home to oppression, exclusion, or indignity for any child of God. Let us pray.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We repent of the ill-use of your bounty: we hoard land and wealth, manipulate plants and animals, abuse your creation, and your most vulnerable people suffer the consequences.

People: Christ have mercy.

Intercessor: We pray for the people on our prayer list, especially....let us pray.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Intercessor: Oh God of infinite affection, you looked at all that you had made and called it good. By your grace, help us to look upon your creation and to see, with your mothering eyes of love, how good, how good, how good it is. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One

People: Have mercy on us.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil, for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## **Anthem Text**

### **Sweet Spirit, Comfort Me**

**Text: Robert Herrick**

**Music: Crawford R. Thoburn**

In the hour of my distress,  
When temptations me oppress,

And when I my sins confess,  
Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

When I lie within my bed,  
Sick in heart and sick in head,  
And with doubts discomforted,  
Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

When, God knows, I'm toss'd about  
Either with despair or doubt;  
Yet before the glass be out,  
Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

When the Judgment is reveal'd,  
And that open'd which was seal'd,  
When to Thee I have appeal'd,  
Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

## **The Peace**

Celebrant: The peace of God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Please join us for **Coffee Hour Questions: Growing as Disciples from Our Homes** by following this link: <https://zoom.us/j/97988915524>