



SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND COVENANT RENEWAL

Trinity Sunday

30 May 2021

Christians have a Spirit-given call to obey God, for we know that we are subject to the power of God. We stand under His authority, recognize our dependence on Him, and submit to the powers and authorities established by Him over us, provided these powers do not require us to disobey God and His Law-Word. To be submissive in no way means being willing to unconditionally obey a human power. —Jean-Marc Berthoud

The reason why so many of us are still troubled, still seeking, still making little forward progress is because we haven't yet come to the end of ourselves. We're still trying to give orders, whilst interfering with God's order for us.

—A.W. Tozer

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

It is God Himself who calls His people to worship. We do not call ourselves, but it is the King who opens His gates and beckons us into His courts.

Gospel Invitation—Matthew 28:18-19

Jesus came and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.”

Introit—Holy God, We Praise Your Name, Vs. 1

Ho - ly God, we praise Your name; Lord of all, we bow be - fore You!

All on Earth Your scep - ter claim, all in Heav'n a - bove a - dore You:

In - fi - nite_ Your vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is_ Your reign.

Text: Based on *Te Deum*, 4th century, Attr. Ignace Franz, 1774;
Music: GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1774.

Call to Worship—based on Psalm 18:2, 30, 33, 46

Leader: The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer.

All: **He is my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

Reader 1: His way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him.

Reader 2: He made my feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights.

All: **The Lord lives. Blessed be my rock.**

Leader: Exalted be the God of my salvation.

Hymn of Praise—Come, Thou Almighty King

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves. The score consists of three systems of music. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the final four lines and ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are as follows:

Come, Thou Al - might - y King, help us Thy name to sing,
Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, gird on Thy might - y sword,
Come, Ho - ly Com - for - ter, Thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
To Thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be,

Help us to praise! Fa - ther all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
Our prayer at - tend! Come, and Thy peo - ple bless, and give Thy Word suc - cess,
In this glad hour. Thou Who al - might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,
Hence, ev - er - more. Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

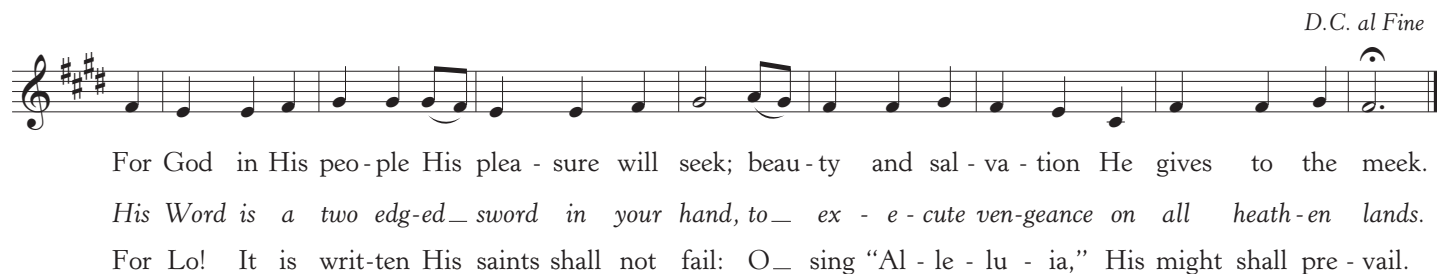
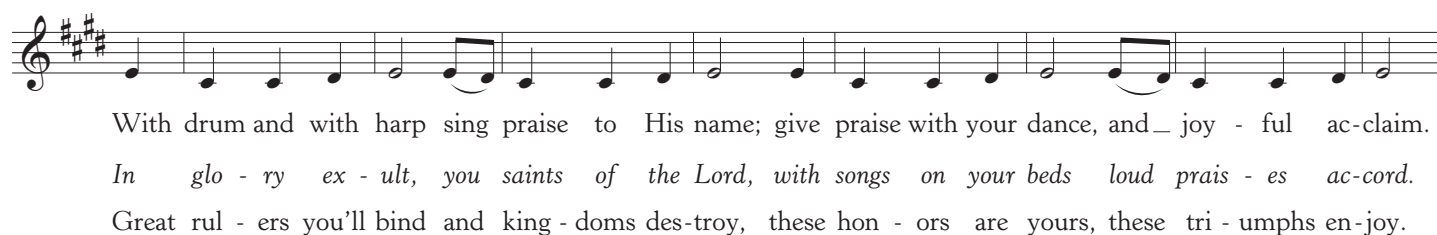
Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days!
Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend!
And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power!
And to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore!

Text: Anonymous, 1757; Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1769.

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

The Bible is the means by which God graciously reveals Himself to His people—so we listen, read, and study with expectant hearts. God particularly entreats us in His Word to sing psalms. And while all Scripture is appropriate for hymns and spiritual songs, there is a specific exhortation for us to make use of the Psalter as the church's songbook.

Psalm of Praise—O Praise Ye The Lord And Sing A New Song (Psalm 149)



Text: *The Psalter*, 1909; *New Version of the Psalms of David in Meter*, 1709; Alt. Henry C. Haffner, 2019;
Music: PULASKI, Henry C. Haffner, 2019.

Scripture Reading—John 16:13-15

Jesus said, "When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He will take what is Mine and declare it to you."

Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn of Praise—The Lord Is King



The Lord is king! Lift up thy voice, O Earth; and all ye heav'ns, re - joice!
The Lord is king! Who then shall dare re - sist His will, dis - trust His care,
The Lord is king! Child of the dust, the judge of all the earth is just;
He reigns! Ye saints, ex - alt your strains; your God is king, your Fa - ther reigns;



From world to world the joy shall ring, "The Lord om - ni - po - tent is King."
Or mur - mur at His wise de - crees, or doubt His ro - yal pro - mi - ses?
Ho - ly and true are all His ways; let ev - ery crea - ture speak His praise.
Through earth and heav'n one song shall ring, "The Lord om - ni - po - tent is King!"

Text: Josiah Conder, 1824; Music: ROCKBRIDGE, Lucius Chapin,
from *The Harmonia Sacra*, 1812, Alt. 2010.

Baptism of Trinity Gregory

Baptism of Rosemary Gregory, daughter of Ryan and Trinity Gregory

Reading of the Word—1 Corinthians 11:2-16

Now I commend you because you remember me in everything and maintain the traditions even as I delivered them to you. ³But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God. ⁴Every man who prays or prophesies with his head covered dishonors his head, ⁵but every wife who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonors her head, since it is the same as if her head were shaven. ⁶For if a wife will not cover her head, then she should cut her hair short. But since it is disgraceful for a wife to cut off her hair or shave her head, let her cover her head. ⁷For a man ought not to cover his head, since he is the image and glory of God, but woman is the glory of man. ⁸For man was not made from woman, but woman from man. ⁹Neither was man created for woman, but woman for man. ¹⁰That is why a wife ought to have a symbol of authority on her head, because of the angels. ¹¹Nevertheless, in the Lord woman is not independent of man nor man of woman; ¹²for as woman was made from man, so man is now born of woman. And all things are from God. ¹³Judge for yourselves: is it proper for a wife to pray to God with her head uncovered? ¹⁴Does not nature itself teach you that if a man wears long hair it is a disgrace for him, ¹⁵but if a woman has long hair, it is her glory? For her hair is given to her for a covering. ¹⁶If anyone is inclined to be contentious, we have no such practice, nor do the churches of God.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sung Response—Fairest Lord Jesus, Vs. 1

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass, in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily composed of chords, with some eighth-note movement in the Treble staff. The lyrics are: Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cher - ish, Thee will I hon - or, Thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown. The score ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

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Text: *Münster Gesanbuch*, 1677, tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1873;
Music: CRUSADER'S HYMN (ST. ELIZABETH), Silesian folk song, 1842.

Sermon—*Authority, Headship, and Glory*

—Pastor, George Grant

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE, AND RECONCILIATION

The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Confession of Sin—based on Isaiah 1:4; Psalm 145:13-18

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing. We confess that we are a sinful people, laden with iniquity. We are slow to obey, hesitant to follow, and resistant to Your will.

All: **We are sinners and the offspring of sinners. We are quarrelsome children who deal foolishly and selfishly. We have forsaken You, O Lord; we divide ourselves from Your will and from one another.**

Pastor: But You, O Lord, are faithful in all Your words and kind in all Your decrees. You uphold all who fall and raise up all who are bowed down.

All: **Our eyes look to You, and You give us our sustenance in due season. You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

Pastor: You, O Lord, are righteous in all Your ways and kind in all Your decrees.

All: **Lord, You are near to all who call on You, to all who call on You in truth.**

Assurance of Pardon—Titus 2:11-14; John 3:16-17

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession who are zealous for good works.

Pastor: This is the promise of God. This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.**

Pastor: For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sung Response—Jesus, Lover Of My Soul, Vs. 2



Oth - er ref - uge have I none, hangs my help - less soul on Thee;

Leave, ah! leave me not a-lone, still sup-port and com - fort me!

All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring;

Cov - er my de - fense - less head with the shad - ow of Thy wing.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1740; Music: MARTYN, Simeon B. Marsh, 1834.

HEAVENLY GIFT—EUCCHARISTO

As God beckons His people to the bounty of His table, they make joyous profession of their fealty to Him.

Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and Earth,

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,

Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into Hell.

On the third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into Heaven and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit; the one holy church—both visible and invisible;

The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

Sursum Corda

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

WOMEN

MEN Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho-ly, ho-ly, God of pow'r and might, Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho-ly, ho-ly, God of pow'r and might, - Heav'n and Earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est. Heav'n and Earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est, Ho-san-na in the high - est, Ho-san-na in the high - est, Ho-san-na in the high - est. A - men. san-na in the high - est, Ho san-na in the high - est. A - men.

Text: Is 6:3, Rev 4:8, Mt 21:9; Music: FRANKLIN SANCTUS, Gregory Wilbur, 2009. ©2009 Greyfriars Press.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S TABLE

This table is open to all baptized Christians who have made a profession of faith. You may dip the bread in the cup of wine or grape juice.

Psalm of Praise—O Come Before The Lord, Our King (Psalm 95)



O come be - fore the Lord, our King, and in — His pres - ence let — us sing;
Al - might - y pow'r the Lord main - tains, ex - alt - ed o - ver all — He reigns;
O come and let us wor - ship now, be - fore our Mak - er let — us bow;



Let us in glad and joy - ful lays the rock — of our sal - va - tion praise;
He holds the val - leys in — His hand, He makes the might - y moun - tains stand;
We are His sheep and He — our God, He feeds our souls in pas - tures broad;



Be - fore Him come with thank - ful song, in joy - ful psalms His praise pro - long.
To Him be - long both land — and sea, — Cre - a - tor of the world is He.
He safe - ly leads us in — the way; O come and hear His voice to - day.

Text: *The Psalter*, 1912; Music: ST. PETERSBURG, Dimitri Bortniansky, 1825.

Hymn of Praise—Jesus, Shepherd Of Thy People



Je - sus, Shep - herd of Thy peo - ple, lead us through this des - ert land;
All Thy sheep shall come to Zi - on; with them Thou wilt nev - er part;
In Thy bos - om safe - ly lodg - ed, Thine shall rest from dan - ger free;



We are weak, and poor, and fee - ble, yet we trust Thy might - y hand;
Beasts of prey, nor roar - ing li - on, none shall pluck them from Thy heart;
They shall nev - er more be judg - ed, nor shall con - dem - na - tion see;



Great pro - tec - tor! By Thy power a - lone we stand.
All Thy cho - sen cost Thee wounds, and blood, and smart.
Bless - ed Je - sus, let us thus re - joice in Thee.

Text: J. Adams, 1838; Music: Cathy Steere, 2008. ©2008 www.restassuredhymns.com

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE, PETITIONS, TITHES & OFFERINGS

Our praying, serving, and giving are essential aspects of worship. It is here that our faith moves from our heads and hearts into our lives and callings.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession—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.*

Hymn of Praise—Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Holy Way



Teach me, O Lord, Thy ho - ly way, and give me an o - be - dient mind;
Guide me, O Sa - vior, with Thy hand, and so con - trol my thoughts and deeds,
Help, me, O Sa - vior, here to trace the sa - cred foot - steps Thou hast trod;
Guard me, O Lord, that I may ne'er for - sake the right, or do the wrong;



That in Thy ser - vice I may find my soul's de - light from day to day.
That I may tread the path which leads right on - ward to the bless - ed land.
And, meek - ly walk - ing with my God, to grow in good - ness, truth and grace.
A - gainst temp - ta - tion make me strong, and round me spread Thy shel - tering care.



Text: William T. Matson, 1866; Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, 1561.

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.

Reception of New Members

Benediction—based on Philippians 1:9-11

May your love abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. *Amen.*

Sung Response—Holy God, We Praise Your Name, Vs. 4

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano/Alto and Bass/Tenor) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly Fath - er, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, three we name You; While in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim You; And a - dor - ing bend the knee, while we sing this mys - ter - y." The score consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line.

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Announcements

Worship Notes:

Here at the beginning of 1 Corinthians 11, Paul's letter begins to focus on some specific controversies in the Corinthian church that may seem rather puzzling in our 21st century context. But as in the earlier portion of the book, often the issue at hand isn't the root issue at all. Perhaps Paul isn't concerned so much with headgear and hairstyles as he is with authority: "the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God" (1 Corinthians 11:3). Many of our hymns this morning declare the authority of God. We acknowledge Him as our King (*O Praise Ye The Lord And Sing A New Song—Psalm 149; The Lord Is King; O Come Before The Lord Our King—Psalm 95*). We ask Him to reign over us (*Come, Thou Almighty King*), to lead us (*Jesus, Shepherd Of Thy People*), and to cover our defenseless heads (*Jesus, Lover Of My Soul*). We promise to honor Him (*Fairest Lord Jesus*), and bend the knee in adoration (*Holy God, We Praise Your Name*). This attitude of humble obedience doesn't always come naturally to our proud hearts, so we end the service with a prayer: "Teach me, O Lord, Thy holy way, and give me an obedient mind," so that we may learn to walk in meekness with our God, and delight in His "sheltering care."

—Henry C. Haffner

Key Words: Head, Glory, Symbol, Cover, Authority, Independent

Keystone Verse: I want you to understand, the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God. (1 Corinthians 11:3)



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