



SUNDAY WORSHIP

Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine

June 5, 2022

We welcome you to this Zoom worship service of the Main Street Church, developed as an alternative to in-person worship. As you join this Zoom meeting, we invite you to greet and check in with others present. The playing of the prelude signals a settling time of quiet and meditation as we prepare ourselves for the Word of God. Please mute your device microphone when you hear this signal, and leave your device muted for the entire worship service. Feel free to participate in responses and hymns while your device is muted.

Following worship we invite you to join in fellowship with other Zoom worshippers.

Join our Zoom worship service by clicking on the link below (Sunday beginning at 9:15 am):

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Order of Worship
TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL PARISH OF CASTINE
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Castine, Maine
Day of Pentecost

June 5, 2022

9:30 am

Pastor:

Rev. Robert Vagt

Church Musician:

Suzanne Eaton

Deacon:

Barbara Cooper

Lector:

Elise Adams

Liturgist:

Ray Nualla

Zoom/YouTube Host:

Amy Stewart

Ministers: All Members

GATHERING AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

We welcome you to worship in this special place, and hope that you feel free to greet your friends and neighbors as you arrive. Please let the playing of the organ prelude signal a settling time of quiet and meditation as we prepare ourselves for the Word of God.

PRELUDE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERLUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

Now there are different spiritual gifts;

They all come from the same Spirit.

There are a number of ways to serve;

We all serve the same God.

There are different ways to participate;

The same God inspires each of us.

The Holy Spirit works in each of us for the common good.

Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire us, guide us, and lead us.

based on 1 Corinthians 12:4 - 7

***OPENING HYMN**

O Holy Spirit, Root of Life

NC 57

*1 O Holy Spirit, Root of life,
Creator, cleanser of all things,
anoint our wounds, awaken us
with lustrous movement of your wings.*

*2 Eternal Vigor, Saving One,
you free us by your living Word,
becoming flesh to wear our pain,
and all creation is restored.*

*3 O holy Wisdom, Soaring Power,
encompass us with wings unfurled,
and carry us, encircling all,
above, below, and through the world.*

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)**

We come before you, O God, and wait for the kindling flame of your Holy Spirit, calling us into fuller and richer lives. You have blessed us by the night's rest and the morning's light. Open us to your claim on us. Show us your way. Let us live in the spirit of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

A TIME WITH ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy Spirit, we confess that we do not always seek you. We desire to do things our way and forget that all we have comes from you. We are distracted by worldly pursuits while neglecting to cultivate our spiritual gifts. Forgive us for our selfish ways. Remind us that we are your beloved children. Help us to embrace you as our Spirit, Guide, Guardian and Friend, and to embrace one another as spiritual siblings. Holy Spirit, move through us, breathe in us, and lead us onward. Amen.

A moment for silent prayer

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (Unison)

P 513

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD

Acts 2:1 - 21

²When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?

⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the sea, great and wide,

creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

There go the ships,
and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.
 These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
 when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
 When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
 When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the ground.
 May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works –
 who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke.
 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
 May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the LORD.
 Bless the LORD, O my soul.
Praise the LORD!

Romans 8:14 - 17

¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Congregational Response

Spirit of the Living God

NC 283

*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.*

John 14:8-17, 25-27

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. ¹⁵If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

*HYMN

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (verses 1-3)

NC 286

*Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.*

*1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
And over the eons you called to each thing,
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."*

*2 You swept through the dessert, you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
When they were confounded by their idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.*

*3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
And down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.*

SERMON

Rev. Robert Vagt

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology (**Unison**)

P 515

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication (**Unison**)

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

Celebrations & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (**Unison**)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* (verses 1-3) NC 290

*1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are,
and make me love you as I ought to love.*

*2 I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
No angel visitant, no opening skies;
but take the dimness of my soul away.*

*3 Have you not bid us love you every way?
All, all your own; soul, heart, and strength, and mind;
I see your cross – there teach my heart to stay;
O let me seek you, and O let me find.*

*BENEDICTION

*TRIBUTE *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* P 429

*Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep,
O hear us when we cry to thee,
For those in peril on the sea.*

POSTLUDE Please remain seated to enjoy the Postlude.

Notes:

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***The Flowers on our Communion Table this morning
are given to the Glory of God.***

The Church Council continues to recommend following Maine CDC guidance: that is, with Hancock County at high-risk for covid transmission, face coverings are recommended for group gatherings inside the church. We hope this is received as an extension of hospitality that aims to make life together a bit safer for all, especially the most vulnerable of our beloved community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ordinations Today

This congregation is blessed to help shepherd two worthy individuals into the ministry. An invitation is extended to you to rejoice with one or both of them this afternoon, **June 5th**.

Dr. Andrea Lloyd - service will be held at **3 p.m.** on June 5, at the Congregational Church of Middlebury, Vermont, and it will be livestreamed to the church's Facebook page and YouTube channel..

Gary Hatter - service will be held at **4 p.m.** on June 5, at the Olivet Presbyterian Church, Charlottesville, VA. It will be livestreamed on the church's YouTube channel and available for later viewing.

Check your News & Notes for the live links to both ordinations