



June 7, 2020

9:30 Worship

"Trinity Sunday"

** indicates those who are comfortably able may stand*

"...O LORD, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"

-Psalm 8:1

Gathering Music

Amy Crousore

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

"La Bandoline"

Amy Crousore

Francois Couperin

Carrying in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 8)

Ally Jaberg

O LORD, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
Your glory shines through the heavens and encompasses the earth.

**The moons and the stars proclaim God's Creative Wisdom;
The heavens, the works of God's fingers bring reverence and awe!**

What are we, O God; simple human beings; simple creatures;
Yet you are mindful of us, you care for us, crowning us with honor.

**You have made us as your Creation partners and servants,
Given us dominion over your works to care and protect.**

Birds of the air, fish of the sea, sheep and oxen, beasts of the field;
All God's Creation is given to us to be stewards of it.

**Praise God who comes to us in the midst of that Creation;
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer; One God, evermore!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

(insert)

*Opening Prayer

Ally Jaberg

God of Creation and Community; you called this world into being with community in mind; yet today we are confounded by a different understanding of what that means. We are social people practicing social isolation and looking for ways to make community happen. Your vision burns bright in our desires. Forgive us for the times when we fail to see your presence in the midst of this isolation; and help us to realize that community exists in our hearts. Inspire us by your Holy Spirit to reach out to one another in new ways, and teach us to keep the lessons of Jesus always foremost in our lives. Remind us of your love, God; and remind us to share it with others. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

God has created us to be stewards of all Creation; Jesus has taught us the ways of proper stewardship; and the Holy Spirit has fired us up and inspired us to be active leaders in the ways of justice, righteousness and Shalom. As Pentecost people living into that identity, we are God's blessed servant leaders, sharing the wisdom of Jesus and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Praise to the Triune God!

*Prayer Response

"Spirit of the Living God"

NCH #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!

Children's Time

Pastor Rick

Response

"This Little Light of Mine"

NCH #524

This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine!
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Living our Mission

"Strengthen the Church"

Ally Jaberg

Old Testament Lesson:

Genesis 1:1-8, 24-31

Ally Jaberg

In the first parable of Creation, God speaks chorally about Creating the earth and humanity in Their image. In this, we learn about community; that God is always in community by nature.

Gospel Lesson:

Matthew 28:16-20

Ally Jaberg

The author of the Gospel attributed to Matthew tells his version of Jesus' Ascension; and his charge to the disciples to "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." In this charge, the Triune nature of God is revealed.

Sermon:

"In Our Image"

Pastor Rick

*Meditation Hymn:

"All Creatures of our God and King"

(insert)

*Invitation to Communion

In today's Sacrament of Communion, we will be remembering the meal in which Jesus gave us instruction to be servant leaders and to love one another even as he first loved us; however we will not be partaking of bread and wine in the Sanctuary (people viewing at home may do so). In the act of blessing, elevation and fraction we remember God's presence in the life of Jesus; we remember Jesus' instructions throughout his life; and we remember God's Holy Spirit inspiring us to serve. For those present in the Sanctuary, we will take the presence of Jesus into our hearts in symbolic gesture, rather than physical nourishment; and all will receive a special blessing from Pastor Rick, reminding us of the blessings of community.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayer

Institution/Fraction/Elevation/Blessing

Communion Prayer

The LORD's Prayer

(sung by the congregation, led by James Melton)

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

Presenting our Gifts

"Menuet"

Amy Crousore

JS Bach

*To give online text "GIVE" to 573.240.4041 and follow the prompts
You can also give online by visiting our website: www.columbiaucc.com*

*Response

"We Praise You, O God"

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**We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
We bless your Holy name, glad praises we sing!**



*Prayer of Dedication

Ally Jaberg

Triune God; you come to us in many diverse ways, challenging us to do your work in the world. In response, we give these gifts to you today. Let them be used to enable what matters most: your mission of justice, righteousness and Shalom. Use them to bring the world to reconciliation, embracing one another and your Creation, with which we have been blessed. We give these gifts from our hearts; inspired by your Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Benediction

Pastor Rick

*Response:

"Let There be Peace on Earth"

**Let there be Peace on Earth and Let it Begin with me!
Let there be Peace on Earth; the Peace that was meant to be!
With God our Creator, Children all are we!
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony!

Let Peace begin with me; let this be the moment now!
With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally!
Let there be Peace on Earth; and let it begin with me!**

*Postlude

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Amy Crousore

Thomas Chesterfield

CUCC Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant:

Columbia United Church of Christ celebrates God's boundless and unconditional love by intentionally welcoming and affirming all God's children.

- No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey;
- No matter where you are on your faith journey;
- No matter your sexual orientation, gender expression or identity;
- No matter your race, culture, ethnicity, nationality or politics;
- No matter your age, ability, health, relationship status or family structure;
- No matter your social, economic, educational, legal or life circumstances;
- You are welcome here!

Called by Jesus to be an Open and Affirming, inclusive faith community, Columbia United Church of Christ commits to welcoming everyone into the full life of our congregation. Our paths and voices may differ, but we journey in faith together.

*CUCC celebrates God's boundless love by:
Welcoming all God's People;
Nurturing Faith and Spiritual Growth;
Challenging and inspiring everyone with vibrant worship;
Building a supportive church family;
Transforming both the congregation and community
through service and outreach*

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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 eye of sin - ful man 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 pur - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

All Creatures of Our God and King 22

Unison

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
 2. O rush-ing wind with voice so strong, you clouds that sail in heav'n a-
 3. O flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, make mu-sic for your God to
 4. And all for-giv-en ten-der hearts, for-giv-ing oth-ers, take your

Harmony *Unison*

sing; Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia! O burn-ing sun with gold-en
 long, O praise God, Al-le-lu-ia! O ris-ing morn, in praise re-
 hear, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia! O blaz-ing fire who lights the
 part, sing prais-es, Al-le-lu-ia! You who long pain and sor-row

Refrain (Harmony)

beam, O sil-ver moon with soft-er gleam,
 joice, you lights of eve-ning find a voice, O praise God,
 night, pro-vid-ing warmth, en-hanc-ing sight,
 bear, praise God, who knows your ev-'ry care.

Unison

O praise God, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

WORDS: Francis of Assisi, 1225; tr. William H. Draper, 1925, alt.
 MUSIC: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, 1623; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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