

Celtic Evensong  
Trinity United Methodist Church  
November 27, 2022, 5 P.M.



## Welcome and Announcements

Eileen Gilmer

### Prelude

*We Gather Together*

16th c. Dutch melody

### A Prayer for the Evening

Neil Hough

Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Call to Worship

Hough

Our Lord Jesus spoke to the storm, saying “Peace, be still.” As we gather in worship, Jesus speaks to our hearts and spirits now, saying “Peace, be still.” As we rest in your presence, Lord, may all our storms grow quiet within us. Bring rest to our hearts. May we know both your presence and your peace. Lord, may you receive both our praise and our thanksgiving.

### Prayers of the People

Gilmer

God of love and mercy,  
thank you for your great gift of your Child, Jesus Christ,  
who fills us with all that we need.

Merciful God,  
we are fully aware that not all your children  
are able to bask in joy or peace during this season.

We pray for peace within all walls:  
walls within our own homes,  
walls that surround each city and town.  
We pray that during this season of Advent  
we may usher your promise of salvation into our lives  
and that we may share the Good News of our Savior with others.

We pray that the promise of your birth  
may be the promise that we live in and share at home,  
at work and at school.

May we be moved to compassion and action in your name.

We pray this in the powerful name of Jesus Christ  
who taught us all to pray, saying...

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.

### Musical Response

*Alleluia*

<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Psalm 89:1-4	Hough
	I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations. I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: 'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations.' "	
<b>Music for Meditation</b>	<i>We Walk by Faith</i>	Attrib. Wilson
<b>Message</b>	<i>Searching for a Sign</i>	Eileen Gilmer
<b>Music for Reflection</b>	<i>Come Down O Lord Divine</i>	Vaughan Williams
<b>Reading</b>	<i>St. Francis' of Assisi's prayer given to Brother Leo</i>	Hough
	You are holy, Lord, the only God, and Your deeds are wonderful. You are strong. You are great. You are the Most High. You are Almighty. You, Holy Father are King of heaven and earth. You are Three and One, Lord God, all Good. You are Good, all Good, supreme Good, Lord God, living and true. You are love. You are wisdom. You are humility. You are endurance. You are rest. You are peace. You are joy and gladness. You are justice and moderation. You are all our riches, and You suffice for us. You are beauty. You are gentleness. You are our protector. You are our guardian and defender. You are our courage. You are our haven and our hope. You are our faith, our great consolation. You are our eternal life, Great and Wonderful Lord, God Almighty, Merciful Saviour.	

**Blessing**

In the midst of darkness, we have seen the light of Christ.  
We have been promised peace and good will, love and hope.  
Now we are equipped to go forth to be the light of Christ.  
Glory to God in the highest! Alleluia! Amen.

Gilmer

**Postlude**

*Harvest Time*

Trad. Irish

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