

Celtic Evensonz
TRINITY United Methodist Church
SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 5 P.M.



Prelude

Beach Spring (Come and Find the Quiet Center)
Bunessan (Morning Has Broken)
Hyfrydol

Trad. American
Trad. Scottish
Pritchard

Welcome and Opening

May your love and mercy be upon us today, O Lord.
Cleanse and refresh us from every transgression.
Let your joy and gladness dawn in our spirits,
and the recreating power of your Spirit make us new.
Have mercy upon us, O God.
Let your Spirit lead us in righteousness and truth. Amen.

Unison Prayer

Gracious God, you have gathered us again in your love.
After times of separation and distance, you bring us together as one body.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and renew in us the spirit of faith,
that we may walk in your grace and share your love with one another. Amen.

Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

[UMH 451](#)

Prayers of Intercession, and Candle Lighting

(Led by the Pastor; during the prayer, worshipers are invited to come forward and light a candle as an expression of prayers for healing and hope. Instrumental music will be played during this time.)

Reading of Psalm 133

How very good and pleasant it is
when kindred live together in unity!
It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down upon the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down over the collar of his robes.
It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion.
For there the Lord ordained his blessing,
life forevermore.

Reading of Hebrews 10:23-25

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

This is the Word of God, for us, the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Reflection / Devotion

The Gift of Gathering

Taehwan Roh

Music for Meditation

St. Patrick's Breastplate (I Bund Unto Myself)

Trad. Irish

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you are our shepherd,
and yet we want.

We lie down when we could act,
we stir up trouble when we could offer peace.

We wander tempting paths instead of following you;
we seek courage and comfort in earthly things rather than in you.

We hate our enemies and refuse to break bread with them.

We see scarcity even when you offer us abundance.

We pray for forgiveness, for your goodness and mercy,
so that we might dwell in You, in your grace, forever.

(a time of silent prayer)

Friends in Christ, know this: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting,
and so I remind you of this surpassing grace – in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Alleluia! Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Almighty God, we rejoice in the light of your love as we praise you at all times and in all places. In the beginning, as you created the world, you said, "Let there be light." You looked and saw that the light was good. You made the sun, moon, and stars, that they might mark the seasons of the earth. You created us in your image, that we might live in the light and care for your world. When anguish and despair darkened the earth, you sent your prophets to call the people to faithfulness and proclaim your promises. To those in darkness, you sent a great light, that they might see your ways and rejoice before you. And so, with your people on earth, and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

In the fullness of time, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, the light of the world, to claim us as your own. He taught your ways, proclaimed the good news, and healed the sick. In him we see the light of your love. Through him, you have gathered us into the body of Christ and made us one, that we too might reflect your light to the

world. On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." Merciful God, send now, in kindness, your Holy Spirit to settle on this bread and wine and fill them with the fullness of Jesus. And let that same Spirit rest on us, converting us from the patterns of this passing world, until we conform to the shape of him whose food we now share.

Amen.

He whom the universe could not contain, is present with us in this sharing of bread. He who redeemed us and called us by name now meets us as we share this cup. So, take these outward signs of God's providential love. In this meal Christ comes to us so that we may come to God.

Music during Communion *Simple Gifts (Lord of the Dance)* Trad. American

Closing Hymn *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* [UMH 557](#)

Blessing

Postlude *The Ashgrove (Let All Things Now Living)* Trad. Welsh

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