

Celtic Evensong
Trinity United Methodist Church
MAY 25, 2025, 5 P.M.



Welcome and Invocation**Anne Hough**

God is our help and our strength!
The Creator of the heavens and the earth cares for us!
God watches over us. We need not fear!

Prelude*Amazing Grace*

Newton

Opening Prayer**Taehwan Roh**

God of the ages, you call your people into new pilgrimages of faith. We are so often fearful and reluctant to start something new. We don't want to leave what is comfortable. Give us brave and faithful hearts, that we may trust in your promise of unending love and care. Amen.

Musical Response**Scripture Reading***Joshua 1: 1-5; 9***Anne Hough**

After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying, "My servant Moses is dead. Now proceed to cross the Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the Israelites. Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I promised to Moses. From the wilderness and the Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, to the Great Sea in the west shall be your territory. No one shall be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you.

I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

Music for Meditation*If You But Trust in God to Guide You*

Newmark

Message*"I will be with you"***Anne Hough****Prayer of Confession****Taehwan Roh**

God of grace and power, we confess that we often do not trust you with our lives. We are too easily swayed by our doubts, even when there are signs of your promises all round us. Forgive our doubts and help us to be a people of firm faith and courage. Let your strength grow in us, that we might follow your guidance throughout our lives. Amen.

Music for Reflection

Trust and Obey

Towner

Psalm for Reflection

Psalm 121

Anne Hough

I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?
My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.
He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.
The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.
The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.

Blessing

Anne Hough

Postlude

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Showalter

Scripture quotations taken from *The Holy Bible, New Revised Standard Version*.
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