

**First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem
Trinity Sunday
Digital Traditional Service
May 30, 2021**



The Service for the Lord's Day

WE GATHER

PRELUDE "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"

setting Jean Langlais

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

#435

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE

1 There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea.

There's a kindness in God's justice,
which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven.

There is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgment given.

2 For the love of God is broader
than the measures of the mind.

And the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more faithful,
we would gladly trust God's Word,
and our lives reflect thanksgiving
for the goodness of our Lord.

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed; by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We
have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as**

ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WE LISTEN

SPECIAL MUSIC Irish Blessing

Bob Chilcott

Rebecca Erhardt, Soprano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Luke 6:20-31

Joanne Kelhart

Leader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON

The Rev. Lindsey Altvater Clifton

“A Good Word: Grace”

WE RESPOND

HYMN

#475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

1 Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

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

CALL FOR OFFERING

Call to Give

Offertory "Sing Me to Heaven"

Daniel E. Gawthrop

Madison Zahorsky, soprano

*Response - #592

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

*Prayer of Dedication

CLOSING HYMN

#753

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

1 Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2 Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

3 Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

4 Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Voluntary on "America the Beautiful"

arr. Chad Stanton