

Order of Worship

Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2026



Welcome and announcements *The Power of Your Love*

Prelude *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* – arr. Larry Shackley

*Call to worship

Our gracious God has created us and called us his own.

Let us worship the triune God.

Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, has redeemed our lives.

Let us worship the triune God.

The Holy Spirit sustains and guides us all the days of our lives.

In gratitude and joy, let us worship the triune God!

*Opening Hymn # 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*

*Call to confession

God calls us, again and again, to turn from all that separates us from the Divine and to return to God's path. Let us, then, name the ways we have sinned in wandering from God, relying on God's mercy to forgive and renew us.

*Prayer of confession

Look deep, loving God, and see us as we really are. We are a people who prefer our will to your will. We focus on things of the self and give little thought or care to others. We wander through our days giving little thought to our own discipleship, let alone our call to help others become disciples. Forgive us, God of grace. Forgive us and set us again on the path of your righteousness. Amen.

(Silence is kept)

Assurance of pardon

Hear the Good News! While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Know you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

Choral Anthem *We, The People Of God* – by Jean Anne Shafferman

Prayer for illumination

Loving God, open our hearts and minds to what you would say to us this day. By your Spirit, we ask that you would speak, as we, your people, are listening. Amen.

Scripture readings Psalm 8; Matthew 28: 16 - 20

Sermon *Run Into the Arms of Jesus* Rev. Kathy Vineyard, H.R.

Affirmation of faith (from *The Study Catechism*)

How do you live for the love of God?

I love because God first loved me. God loves me in Christ with a love that never ends. Amazed by grace, I no longer live for myself. I live for the Lord who died and rose again, triumphant over death, for my sake. Therefore, I take those around me to heart, especially those in particular need, knowing that Christ died for them no less than for me. Amen.

Hymn of Response # 100 *My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

Call for the offering

Having heard of God's love and grace to us all, let us give all that we are to God. Let us give too of what we have for God's work in the world.

Offertory *As the Deer* – arr. Douglas Wagner

Doxology# 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of dedication

Holy God, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from you. We dedicate these gifts given this day to your work of making disciples in this time and place. Amen.

Prayers of the people and the Lord's Prayer

Gracious and loving God, hear us now, we pray, as we bring to you our prayers and concerns for the world around us.

We pray for the world around us. Where there is oppression and injustice, may your kingdom come. Where there is war and violence, may your peace reign. May we each work for the good of others, around the world and close to home.

We pray for our nation. It seems as if our divisions and enmities define us. We have lost the vision of our nation as a source of great hope for all. We have forgotten about the greater good and gotten lost in our special interests. Forgive us, God of unity, and guide us again to seeing the humanity in one another, regardless of political position.

We pray for our communities. May the local church be the source of hope and help in each place where we live. May our witness be strong and sure in the neediest in our communities, and may our churches work for a better future for all.

We pray for all who are sick or suffering. As Jesus was near to those who suffered, teach us to do the same. Teach us to serve as Jesus did and to surround those who need your special care with your peace that surpasses all understanding.

Lastly, Lord, teach us your ways and grow us into the disciples you want us to be. We pray all these things in the name of the one who taught us to pray, saying, “**Our Father...**”.

Hymn of Sending # 80 *You Shall Go Out with Joy

Charge and benediction

I charge you to live as disciples, empowered by the triune God, this day and forever more. And may you be surrounded with the love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Spirit. **Amen.**

Postlude *O Worship the King*

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