

# Covenant United Presbyterian Church

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**Trinity Sunday**

**May 31, 2026, 11:00 AM**

Guest Pastor: Brian F Graff, C.P.

Worship Leader: Dorothy Wallace

Guest Musician: Kathy Kemerer

## ~ Order of Worship ~

\*\* = Please stand, as able

### The Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PROCLAMATION

\*\*PSALM OF THE DAY            *Psalm 8 – Divine Majesty and Human Dignity*

\*\*HYMN 744                      *Come, Arise, Your Light Has Come!*                      FESTAL SONG

INVITATION TO CONFESSION & CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, you created us to obey you and to be faithful; to stand with those who are poor; to break the chains of oppression; and to live together in peace with all the peoples of the earth; but we have sinned and fallen short of your commands.**

**We divide the human family, we violate your image in others and in ourselves, we exploit those who are vulnerable and we resist opportunities for reconciliation which would repair the relationships we have fractured... and yet, you love us still!**

**Forgive us, O God of grace; make us whole again; establish us for good and not for evil. This we pray in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.**

A TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor:            Let us not forget: At one time, we were without Christ; we were the stranger, the outsider, the alien, the one without a family. But now, in Christ, we have been brought home to live in God's household of hope and peace. God's covenant with us is everlasting; God's steadfast love is

forever; God's forgiveness makes us new and whole. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

\*\*RESPONSE 581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)  
***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.***

\*\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. To this peace we were called as members of a single body. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL with Miss Dorothy *PC(USA) Study Catechism, Questions 16-18*

Leader: [Question 16.] What does it mean to say that we human beings are created in the image of God?

People: **That God created us to live together in love and freedom — with God, with one another, and with the world. Our distinctive capacities — reason, imagination, volition and so on — are given primarily for this purpose. We are created to be loving companions of others so that something of God's goodness may be reflected in each of our lives.**

Leader: [Question 17.] What does our creation in God's image reflect about God's reality?

People: **Our being created in and for relationship is a reflection of the Holy Trinity. In the mystery of the one God, the three divine persons — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — we live in, with and for one another eternally in perfect love and freedom.**

Leader: [Question 18.] What does our creation in God's image reflect about God's love for us?

People: **We are created to live wholeheartedly for God. When we honor our Creator as the source of all good things, we are like mirrors reflecting back the great beam of love that God shines on us.**

### **The Word**

\*\*ILLUMINATION 286 v.2 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM  
***Breathe on me, Breath of God; until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.***

HT LESSON *Pew Bible P.1*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God!**

NT LESSON                      2 Corinthians 13: 11 - 13                      *Pew Bible P.944*

Leader: Here ends the reading of the Epistle.                      People: **Praise be to You, O Lord!**

SCRIPTURE HYMN 757                      *Today, We All Are Called to Be Disciples*                      KINGSFOLD

\*\*GOSPEL LESSON      Matthew 28: 16 – 20                      *Pew Bible P.812*

Pastor: The Gospel of Our Lord.                      People: **Glory to You, O Christ!**

CANTICLE 288 *Spirit of the Living God*                      LIVING GOD

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. (x2)***

***Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.***

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.***

MESSAGE                      PASTOR BRIAN

AFFIRMATION HYMN 771                      *What Is the World Like*                      NEW WORLD

THE PASTORAL PRAYER with THE 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.**

### **The Eucharist**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, & GIFTS

\*\*DOXOLOGY 606                      *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*                      OLD HUNDREDTH

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*\*CORPORATE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O God, through all the generations of this church in all the seasons of our lives, you have loved us, sought us, and claimed us as your own. You have blessed us so that we ourselves may be a blessing to others. Now accept these our gifts and grant us grace, that in everything we may yield our wills and our works unto you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Sending**

\*\*HYMN 756                      *O God of Every Nation*                      LLANGLOFFAN

\*\*THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*\*POSTLUDE

Wait! Don't Go Yet! Join us for food & conversation in Fellowship Hall. Thanks to *Linda Peters* for hosting today!

### **Membership at Covenant United Presbyterian Church**

If you are reading this information in our Worship Bulletin, you already belong here at Covenant United Presbyterian Church. Here, all are welcome, and membership in the congregation is not required to participate in any of our activities and ministries. By becoming a member, you will have voice and vote in congregational meetings and can better express your commitment to Jesus Christ through this church. Welcoming people as members helps us to get to know them better and to support you more fully – letting all of us stay engaged and grow in faith together. Individuals may join the church by Profession of Faith and Baptism (for those who have never been baptized), by Reaffirmation of Faith (for those who are not currently active members of another Christian church), or by Transfer of Church Letter (for those on the active roll of another church.) Contact the church office or Pastor to find out more.

## **Church Announcements**

Lighthouse Item of the Month: **JUNE** – Shelf-stable Milk & Bottles of Juice

Worship Accompanists Needed! Almost all Sundays are open from June 28 - Sept 13. Piano, Organ, Any Instrument OK! See Church Administrator ASAP.

June 7 10:00 AM Worship will be AT Trinity PC next door – Special Guest Dr. Steven Greene from Ghana Mission



Please Pray for:

**Scott**, Linda Peter's neighbor, battling cancer;  
**Pam Patterson**, admitted to Passavant Hospital;  
**Carolyn Starkey**, Dave Loebell's aunt from Ohio, adjusting to a new pacemaker;

**Leo Deblack**, great grandson of Nancy Rice's brother, with a rare, but treatable genetic disorder called MSUD. . . prayers are appreciated for the family;

**Jane Faulkner**, Ann Morrison's sister in CA, receiving assistance with her FEMA housing file from Congressman Kelly's office, while she is managing treatment for persistent lung-related illness (MAC); **Scotty McAliley**, Ann Morrison's cousin in Marietta, Georgia, continuing chemotherapy for the remainder of her life, while caring for her 99-year-old mother, herself with health issues;

**Maria, Miquel & family**, known to Dave Loebell, Miquel has been diagnosed with aggressive bladder cancer.