

Banning United Methodist Church

Trinity Sunday

June 4, 2023

MEDITATIVE THOUGHT

Holy Three-in-One and One-in-Three: You show us the beauty of loving relationship. Help us relate lovingly to one another and to You. Amen.

PRELUDE "Day by Day" arr: Lloyd Larson by: Oscar Ahnfelt

WELCOMING FRIENDS and NEWCOMERS

WELCOME and PASSING OF THE PEACE

MINISTRY MOMENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

June Birthdays & Anniversaries

†CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We come today to worship the Triune God, even as we, like the Eleven on the mountainside, have our doubts.

P: Holy Trinity, meet us in our questions and help us embrace Your mystery.

L: We come to encounter the God Who is both immense and particular, greater than words can describe, and yet intimately present with us.

P: Holy Trinity, surround us with Your love that brings order to chaos and community to individualism.

L: We come to give thanks to the God Who created and sustains us, and Who calls us to steward the earth and all that live in it.

P: Holy Trinity, empower us to enter into partnership with You for the flourishing of all creation with gratitude and joy.

L: We come to receive Christ's commission to make disciples, to baptize, and to teach the gospel wherever we go.

P: God, immerse us in the life of the Holy Trinity that we might go and welcome others into the dance of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

†OPENING HYMN "Morning Has Broken" vs. 1 & 3 UMH #145

OPENING PRAYER

Holy God, Three in One, You are our eternal hope, our companion in life, our liberating power. Lead us in Your mission, baptizing and teaching in Your blessed Name so that all may worship You to the end of the age. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 1:16-27 NRSV

¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." ²⁷So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 28:16-20 NRSV

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Time to Go"

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR and PEOPLE

Children in Prayer

(After all slides: In Your mercy, **Lord, hear our prayer**)

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

GIVING BACK TO GOD (TITHES AND GIFTS)

OFFERTORY "A Communion Melody"

†**DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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. Amen.

†**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God of all creation, we offer our gifts in gratitude this morning – not just for what You do in our lives, but for who You are in our lives. You are with us in the person of the Father, the God above us. You come to meet us as the Son, as God beside us. You empower us to do the work of kingdom-building by the Holy Spirit – God within us, providing strength and boldness that we would never find on our own. May these gifts be tools that make the transformation of the world a reality. We pray in the Name of ONE God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

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COMMUNION HYMN "Let us Break Bread Together"

Hymn #618

†**CLOSING HYMN** "Rescue the Perishing" vs 1 & 4

UMH #591

†**BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" arr: Penny Rodriguez