### \*CLOSING HYMN #238

Thine is the Glory

### \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

No Other Name with All Hail the Power arr. Mark Hayes

**Congregation remains seated** 

# **Trinity Presbyterian Church**



www.trinitypresbyfairfield.org 9th Sunday after Pentecost July 30, 2023 10:15 AM

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# **ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus by Helen Lemmel arr. Fred Bock

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you!* 

### **INTROIT #796**

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually. Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones

**\*OPENING HYMN #336** 

We Gather Together

# **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Sisters and brothers, God never forgets God's promises; God's covenant endures in each new generation. We are free to speak the truth about our lives because God's faithfulness embraces us as we examine our hearts.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our withered imaginations until we yield the judgments we trust to a love we cannot control. Amen.

Liturgist Ushers Director of Music Co Pastor Donna Schuler Debbie Johnson, Debi Hess, Joleen Goens Davis McKinney Rev. Kate Mauch

# Bolded words are read by the congregation. \*Indicates please stand as you are able.

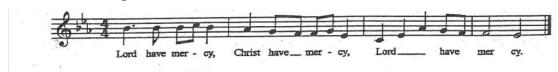
**Welcome:** to all who worship with us this morning, especially our visitors! If you have a joy or concern that you would like to share with the congregation, please use the yellow slips which are on the table in the narthex and place it in the offering plate. These will be shared with the congregation during our "Joys and Concerns."

We hope you feel at home at Trinity, and that you will join us again. We invite you to consider becoming part of our church family.

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MINUTE OF SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION Let us sing to the Lord...

**KYRIE**—All Sing



# **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? Sisters and brothers, nothing we have done, nothing we will ever do, is enough to separate us from the love of God made known in Jesus Christ. Please turn to your neighbor and share these words of assurance: "In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven."

SPECIAL MUSIC

The King of Love My Shepherd Is by Henry Baker Soloist Eileen Dyer

# PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

# **PROCESSIONAL HYMN #591**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

#### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT** Children's Sermon

(The children will be dismissed to Children's Church after the Children's Moment.)

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** 

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world. Red, and yellow, black, and white, They are precious in His sight, Jesus loves the little children of the world

# PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Spirit of life, we do not know how to pray as we ought. Meet us in words written, in words spoken; intercede for us with sighs too deep for words, until we shine with the hope that is hidden in our hearts, for we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 8:26-39** 

### SERMON

The Horse is Gone

Rev. Kate Mauch

**MOMENT FOR REFLECTION** 

# **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

### \*HYMN #703

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,

whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

# **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

The apostle Paul promises that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. We trust that God will bring forth good from that which we offer today. It is our privilege to participate in the unfolding of God's grace in the world. Let us give with grateful and expectant hearts.

Draw Me Nearer by William Doane arr. Hugh Livingston MUSICAL OFFERTORY

# \*DOXOLOGY Hvmn #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia. alleluia!

Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

# **\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Holy One, receive these offerings as you receive our lives. Gather our false starts and uncertain efforts, our generosity and our reluctance. Enliven us with your breath and make your purposes known, that our lives might show forth your glory, for we pray in the name of Jesus and by the power of your Spirit. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS CALL TO PRAYER — Hymn #471 (verse 1) **PASTORAL PRAYER** THE LORD'S PRAYER (DEBT, DEBTORS)

### Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

A Brief Statement of Faith

### \*HYMN #336

# \*HYMN #703

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens his will to make known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing, Sing praises to his name, he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; So from the beginning the fight we were winning; Thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, And pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free! Jesus, thy boundless love to me, no thought can reach, no tongue declare; O knit my thankful heart to Thee, and reign without a rival there! Thine wholly, Thine alone, I'd live; myself to Thee entirely give.

O grant that nothing in my soul may dwell, but thy pure love alone; O may Thy love possess me whole, my Joy, my Treasure, and my Crown! All coldness from my heart remove; may every act, word, thought, be love.

O Love, how gracious is thy way! All fear before thy presence flies; care, anguish, sorrow, melt away, where'er thy healing beams arise. O Jesus, nothing may I see, nothing desire or seek, but Thee.

# \*CLOSING HYMN #238

Thine is the Glory

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

> Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, For the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt thee, Glorious Prince of life! Life is nought without thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.