

+Act of Praise: "Glory Be to the Father" spoken in unison. *Hymnal: 70*
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, in now and ever shall be.
World without end, Amen, Amen.

Concerns and Announcements

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

Sermon Lesson. Genesis 1:1-2:4a
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!
Sermon: "Classic Christianity I: Creed and Creation". Pastor Phil Thraillkill, Interim Minister

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

Silence with the Word of God and the Spirit of God

+Confessing The Trinitarian Faith of the Church

Brothers and sisters, let us love one another,
that with one heart and one voice we may confess our ancient and apostolic Christian faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

+Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer: Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

SENDING FORTH

Recorded Song of Praise: "How Great Thou Art"

+Dismissal with Blessing, Pastor Phil Thraillkill
Postlude: "Pass It On". Lawton Harris: Piano
Please leave your Offering in the basket near the door as you exit. Theodore Burns: Usher

THE SUNDAY SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

Sunday August 16, 2020, 10:00am

"The mission of First United Methodist Church
is to win and nurture souls for Jesus Christ by sharing and living the message of salvation."

ENTRANCE

Songs for the Gathering of the People. Mary Lynn Hart, Jackson Rushing
Prelude: "Amazing Grace". Lawton Harris: Guitar
Chiming the Hour. Amy & Harrison Goodwin: Bells
Welcome, Invitation to Silence. Pastor Phil Thraillkill, Interim Minister

+Greeting. Trinitarian Greeting, Psalm 8, "Creation and Our Place Within It"

As the friends of God, let us bless the Lord.

Blessed be God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

"O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!

Thou whose glory above the heavens is chanted by the mouth of babes and infants,
thou hast founded a bulwark because of thy foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.
When I look at thy heavens, the work of thy fingers,
the moon and the stars which thou hast established;
what is man that thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that thou dost care for him?
Yet thou hast made him little less than God, and dost crown him with glory and honor.
Thou hast given him dominion over the works of thy hands;
thou hast put all things under his feet,
all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!"

Recorded Hymn: "This Is My Father's World"

+Mutual Blessing and Common Prayer. Based on Genesis 1:1-2:4a

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray with one voice:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
you are engineer and artist without rival, the maker and sustainer of all that is.
You have made us in your image, male and female, and placed us in families.
For all that is good and true, beautiful and delightful and full of mystery, we thank you.
But our world and all creation is fallen in rebellion and chaos, into death and misery.
So it is to you that we come for forgiveness, healing, sanity, and restoration.
May your Holy Spirit draw us towards Jesus Christ today, to his love and strength.
Reclaim us as your own people, because without your protection we are indeed lost.
Come to us with hope and life as we wait before you in silence. Amen.