The Order of Service: Trinity Sunday
June 7, 2020

Prelude Meditation
Frank Bridge
George Bullock, Cello & Dr. Gukhui Han, Piano

Opening Acclamation
Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God forever and ever.

Collect for Purity (people muted)
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty
(Mute your device and sing loudly and joyfully)

Nicaea
Collect for the Church  (people muted)

Lord…We thank you for your church, founded upon your Word, that challenges us to do more than sing and pray, but go out and work as though the very answer to our prayers depended on us and not upon you. Help us to realize that humanity was created to shine like the stars and live on through all eternity. Keep us, we pray, in perfect peace. Help us to walk together, pray together, sing together, and live together until that day when all God’s children - Black, White, Red, Brown and Yellow - will rejoice in one common band of humanity in the reign of our Lord and of our God, we pray. Amen.

– The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

A Reading  Genesis 1:1--2:4a (people muted)

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So 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. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So 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. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And 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. God 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. Then 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.” So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw
everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 8**

*The soloist will sing first, then the congregation will repeat.*

**REFRAIN:**

You whose Glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;
You have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

**REFRAIN**

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers
the moon and stars you have set in their courses,
What are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that should care for them?

**REFRAIN**

Yet you have made them little less divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.
You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:

**REFRAIN**

All flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field, the birds of the air,
The fish of the sea and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

**REFRAIN**

A Reading 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 *(people muted)*

A reading from Second Corinthians.

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.
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**Anthem** *Arioso (BMV 156)*

J.S. Bach arr. Seunghee Lee  
Samuel Choi, Clarinet & Dr. Gukhui Han, Piano

**The Gospel** *Matthew 28:16-20 (people muted)*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Anthem** *Méditation (from Thaïs)*

Jules Massenet  
George Bullock, Cello & Dr. Gukhui Han, Piano

**The Sermon** (people muted)

*Silence follows the sermon.*

**Affirmation of Faith** *A Trinity Poem* (people muted)  
Prayer by Phu Luu

*Father God,*  
who is the parent of us all,  
nurture us with your guidance  
Feed us with your love  
Gather us together as a mother hen  
So we may become your family,  
your presence in this world

*Son of the God,*  
who has come to rule our hearts,  
with justice and peace,  
with restoration and mercy,  
Bring us the friendship of your Kingdom  
the expansive embrace of your reign

*Spirit of the living God,*  
who stirs the waters of creation,  
continue to move our hearts,  
to encounter the life that is you,  
waiting,  
eager life  
that fills us full
and forms us,  
bringing us back, again and again,  
into the image  
that you created us to be  

God, In your diversity and unity  
help to make us one as you are one,  
the one who dances in harmony with each other  
who is self-giving,  
other-giving,  
who honors each other and loves each other,  
continually reaching out into your world  
to bring the world closer to you.  

(Please, unmute yourself and join together in the final verses of our Affirmation of Faith.)

May this Spirit descend on us today.

In nómine Patris et Fílii et Spíritus Sancti.  
In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit Amen.

**Anthem Better is One Day**  
Matt Redman  
Malek Sammour, Soloist

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The Prayers of the People

(people muted; please hold down your space bar for the response: Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.)

The Leader and People pray responsively.

**Leader:** We gather as people created and renewed by the life-giving breath of the Holy Spirit. Let us open our hearts to her compassionate touch as we pray:
For your creation and all its creatures that we might be faithful stewards of the bounty with which you have blessed us, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For the nations of the world, for all leaders that they might make decisions that respect the dignity of every human being and all creation, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For Asians facing increased hostility and acts of violence due to the Corona-19 pandemic, and for the black and brown members of our community who are struggling to gain access to public benefits and healthcare, and are dying at disproportionately high rates, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For the church of Christ, strong in mission and compassionate in service, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For this congregation, for our hearing and doing of the Word, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For refugees and those who are homeless, for the lonely and the brokenhearted, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For those who have lost their jobs or have closed their businesses, and for those working in service jobs, public safety, and healthcare under often unsafe conditions, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For those who are sick or suffering, for those who are troubled or in need, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For those infected with the novel Corona Virus, and for the medical professionals caring for them, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For those suffering from anxiety and loneliness due to physical distancing, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For those overwhelmed by stress, isolation, fear, illness, loss, and despair, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For those who have died, that they may be held in God’s eternal grace; and for those who mourn, that they may be comforted, let us pray:
**Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

For the people and places we now name:
*(please add your own prayers at this time, aloud or silently.)*

Let us pray: **Fill us with your life-giving Spirit.**

*Celebrant:* O God, we commend to your care all for whom we pray in confidence that your love is greater than anything we can imagine. Hear us, through the power of your life-giving Spirit. **Amen.**

**Lord’s Prayer** *(people unmuted)*

*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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

The Blessing
May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, Redeemer, and Inspirer, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

The Peace
Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People And also with you.

Postlude It is well with my soul
Dr. Gukhui Han (Piano), George Bullock (Cello), & Samuel Choi (Clarinet)