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**TRINITY SUNDAY**

**WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP**

**Welcome (**Mark)

**God Greets Us**

**All: Amen**

**Song:** Holy, Holy, Holy, LU 538: 1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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**Opening Prayer**

We gather to meet with God

Father, Son and Holy Spirit

To be aware of your presence in our day

For you, Lord, are here now;

your Spirit dwells within us

To bring you our worship

And offer you our praise

To be conscious that you walk beside us

And that we do not make the journey alone.

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, draw near to us

As we draw near to you

Amen

**Song:** Jesus, We are Here, LU 520: 1, 2, 3

Jesus, we are here;

Jesus, we are here;

Jesus, we are here;

we are here for you.

Father, we are here . . .

Spirit, we are here . . .

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**Call to Worship**

One: God our Creator,

we call You Abba, Father, Author of Life:

**All: Draw us closer to You, O God.**

One: Christ our Savior,

we call You the Son, the Messiah, the One who Saves:

**All: Draw us closer to You, O God.**

One: Holy Spirit,

we call You the Advocate, the Inspirer, Breath and Wind of God:

**All: Draw us closer to You, O God.**

One: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty;

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory:

**All: Draw us closer to You, O God.**

One: Draw us in, Spirit, Christ and Creator,

that we might journey with You more fully and deeply,

in this life and beyond. Amen**.**

**Song: Hymn to the Trinity**

**O God, the Creator,**

**The King on the throne;**

**You know us and love us**

**And call us your own.**

**Be near to give comfort**

**And hear as we call**

**To you, mighty Father,**

**The ruler of all.**

**O Jesus, our Saviour,**

**Our Lord to the end;**

**You love and redeem us,**

**Messiah and friend.**

**You cried for us sinners**

**And died in our place**

**So, death now defeated,**

**We might see your face.**

**O come, Holy Spirit,**

**The life breath, the fire;**

**Bring power from the Father**

**To heal and inspire.**

**Give light to our darkness**

**And brighten our ways,**

**Make each breath and heart beat**

**An anthem of praise.**

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**WE CONFESS OUR LACK OF FAITH AND ARE FORGIVEN**

**Confession for Trinity Sunday**

Reader 1: O God, even as we celebrate your unity,

we know that sometimes

we forget the beauty of your three persons.

We hold to your transcendent life as Creator

and keep at a distance the challenges of Christ.

We bow before your glory

and keep your humanness away

from the reality of our own lives.

(Silent reflection) *pause about 10 seconds.*

Reader 2: Forgive us, Jesus Christ.

Guide and guard us, Holy Spirit,

and go on creating within us, Creator God.

Reader 1: If we are tempted to think that we know

all that there is to know, Holy Trinity,

closing ourselves off from ideas which others offer

and neglecting to search for even deeper truths:

(Silent Reflection) *pause about 10 seconds*

Reader 2: Forgive us, Jesus Christ.

Guide and guard us, Holy Spirit,

and go on creating within us, Creator God.

This we pray in faith. Amen**.**

*— adapted from Words for Worship***,**

**Assurance of Pardon**

*Not on screen:* Hear these words of assurance**:**

God, the Creator, brings you new life,

Christ, by the power of the Spirit,

Forgives and redeems you.

Take hold of this forgiveness,

And live your life in the Spirit of Jesus. Amen

**Song: Father, I Adore You, PsH 284: 1, 2, 3**

Father, I adore you,

Lay my life before you.

How I love you.

Jesus, I adore you,

Lay my life before you.

How I love you.

Spirit, I adore you,

Lay my life before you.

How I love you.

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**Prayers of the People (Jane)**

**WE HEAR GOD’S WORD**

**Scripture: Acts 2:32-42 (NRSV)**

**32 This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. 33 Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear. 34 For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, 35 until I make your enemies your footstool.”’ 36 Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”**

**37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” 38 Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” 40 And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41 So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. 42 They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.**

**Message: Try Unity**

**Prayer**

**Song of Response: Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven, LU 179**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise.**

**Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.**

**Once he died and once was buried; now he lives forevermore—**

**Jesus Christ, the world’s Redeemer, whom we worship and adore.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high;**

**Alleluia! To the Savior, who has won the victory;**

**Alleluia! To the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity;**

**Alleluia, alleluia! To the triune Majesty.**

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**OUR WORSHIP SERVICE ENDS WITH GOD’S BLESSING AND PRAISE**

**God Blesses Us**

**All: Alleluia! Amen**

**Song: Holy, Holy, Holy, LU 538: 3**

Holy, holy, holy!

Though the darkness hide thee,

though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,

only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,

perfect in power, in love, and purity.

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