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on the traditional territories of the  
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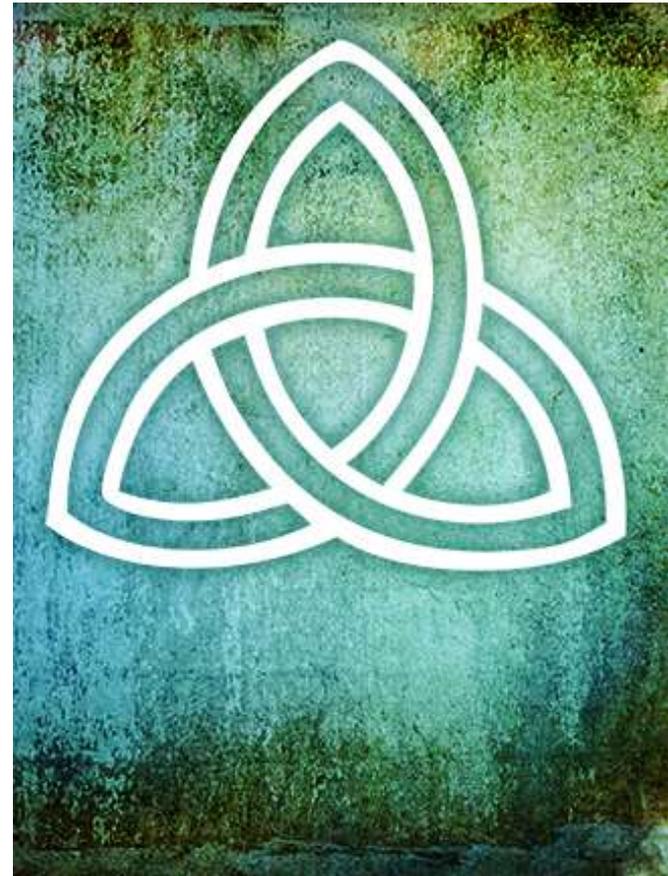
**We give thanks for their care for the land  
over thousands of years and  
for their deep spirituality and  
honouring of the Creator and the creation.**

**May we live with respect in God's creation  
and in harmony with our neighbours.**



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**Trinity Sunday**

*Welcome to all.*

*May this time of worship touch our hearts and minds  
and offer hope and promise for the days to come*

**PRELUDE:** " All Glory Be to God on High", BWV711 J.S. Bach  
Prelude on "Nicaea" Aaron David Miller

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE^**

**WELCOME**  
**LIFE and ACTION of the COMMUNITY OF FAITH**

**CENTRING^ AND PRAYER OF APPROACH^**

**HYMN: VU315<sup>1</sup>** "Holy, Holy, Holy"

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!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

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.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth  
and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

**TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Isaiah 6: 1-8

**CHOIR ANTHEM:** "O Day of Rest and Gladness" David von Kampen

**NEW TESTAMENT READING:** John 3: 1-17

**REFLECTION:** "The Holy Trinity – Mystery or Reality?"

**HYMN: MV154<sup>2</sup>** "Deep in Our Hearts"

Deep in our hearts there is a common vision;  
deep in our hearts there is a common song;  
deep in our hearts there is a common story,  
telling Creation that we are one.

Deep in our hearts there is a common purpose;  
deep in our hearts there is a common goal;  
deep in our hearts there is a sacred message,  
justice and peace in harmony.

Deep in our hearts there is a common longing;  
deep in our hearts there is a common theme;  
deep in our hearts there is a common current,  
flowing to freedom like a stream.

Deep in our hearts there is a common vision;  
deep in our hearts there is a common song;  
deep in our hearts there is a common story,  
telling Creation that we are one.

**PASTORAL PRAYER^**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**HYMN: VU375<sup>3</sup>** "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

*Refrain:* Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow thro' the wilderness calling and free,  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness,  
Wind, Wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the  
valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing:  
wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings. R

You swept thro' the desert, you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;  
and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,  
then you spoke thro' your prophets to open their eyes. R

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world  
was still;  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush  
of the wind. R

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,  
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams,  
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,  
with bold new decisions your people arise. R

## BENEDICTION<sup>^</sup>

## SUNG BLESSING: VU962<sup>4</sup>

May the blessing of God go before you.  
May God's grace and peace abound.  
May God's Spirit live within you.  
May God's love wrap you 'round.  
May God's blessing remain with you always.  
May you walk on holy ground.

**POSTLUDE:** Prelude on "St. Patrick's Breastplate" Richard Peek

Leading in worship today are Jane Darling, Chair W&S; Rev. John Taylor, Guest Minister; Robert Grandy, Minister of Music; Dave & Chris Freeman, Covid Choir; and Dave Freeman, Technical Production.

We welcome as our Guest Minister this morning Rev. John Taylor. John is a Retired Minister in the United Church of Canada. He was formerly an adherent of Trinity United Church and is currently a member, with his partner Ken, of the faith community at Northminster United Church. John has served in ministry across Canada for the past 45 years, in both capacities as a congregational Minister and as Director of Hospital Chaplaincy.

The current COVID climate brings back memories for him of his ministry 18 years ago during the SARS crisis where he offered spiritual care to 21

patients and their families in Scarborough. John spoke about that experience in a recording at Trinity last summer. John is honored to be invited back to visit with the friends of Trinity and to share the Good News of Jesus, that we are not alone, that God is with us!

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## TODAY'S ORGAN MUSIC

**PRELUDE:** J.S. Bach's little prelude on the Lutheran hymn for Trinity Sunday "Allein Gott in der Hoh' sei Ehr'" (All Glory Be to God on High), is based on an adaptation of the Gloria, with its melody derived from plainchant. The hymn-tune in the right hand is supported by running figures of sixteenth notes in the left hand.

Another well-loved Trinity Sunday hymn is "Holy, Holy, Holy", to the tune Nicaea. This popular hymn, set to music by John Bacchus Dykes is based on John's vision of God enthroned in heavenly glory as found in Revelation 4. The text combines a sense of mystery, power, love and purity. American composer Aaron David Miller perfectly captures these qualities in his piano prelude on this tune.

**ANTHEM:** This week's anthem, "O Day of Rest and Gladness" by David von Kampen, has a text by Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), as did last week's anthem, "See the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph". Von Kampen's setting of this text is a simple lilting one, with a bit of a Celtic flavour.

**POSTLUDE:** Today's final piece is one of those that opens quietly and builds to the end. American composer and organist, Richard Peek (1927-2005) wrote a prelude on the traditional Irish tune "St. Patrick's Breastplate". The text of this 11th century hymn of the Trinity, according to the preface in the original manuscript, is a prayer "of faith for the protection of body and soul against demons and men and vices..." Peek's setting opens mysteriously with the tune

heard over solid chords. A series of flowing eighth notes announces a change of key with the melody going down to the pedals. The organ crescendos to the final installment of the tune: a strong two-part canon (or round).

### **OFFERING**

Your donations are appreciated and used carefully to further Christ's work in the world. In these weeks, when gatherings are not possible, please make donations to Trinity UC and to the Mission and Service Fund of the United Church of Canada by using Canada Helps, a Canadian not-for-profit organization. Cheques may also be placed in the secure mailbox located beside our main door under the covered portico.

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