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*Trinity United seeks to provide
a scent-free environment. Thanks!*

May 17th 2020
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Please stand as you are able where indicated (*)

WE APPROACH OUR GRACIOUS GOD

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

♪♪ *Introit: "New Every Morning", verse 1—VU #405

*Scripture Sentence/Greeting/Call To Worship *Romans 5:5*

*The love of God has been poured into our hearts:
Through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit:
Be with you all!*

And also with you!

Children of God, come and worship!
We are led by the Spirit of God.

*Our Redeemer accepts us and invites us
to gather as people of faith.*
**We come, as we are,
ready to receive the Good News.**

*This is the day that our God has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!*
Thanks be to God.

♪♪ *Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You"—V #232

*Litany of Approach

Holy Spirit: blow through the doors of this building!
Holy Spirit, blow through the doors of our hearts!

*Where the dust of the years
covers the joy of God's love,
blow it away!*
**Where the shutters are nailed down,
keeping us from experiencing the sunrise,
blow them open!**

*Where life has burned us,
burdened us, broken us,
blow into these bones
that we might live.*
**Blow into these bones,
that we might live as Christ's people again!**

Through Christ!
Amen!

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Gathering, Pentecost 1 2020, p. 36.
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***Response: "Open Our Hearts"—MV #21**

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Friends, the peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you.

Please share that peace with one another.

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time

♪♪ *Hymn: "As Comes the Breath of Spring"—VU #373

Scripture Reading: Acts 1: 1-26

*Hear what the Spirit
is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God!*

Sermon

"Credo, Fourth Series, Part II:
The Church Apostolic"

*"But you will receive power
when the Holy Spirit has come upon you,
and you will be my witnesses
in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria,
and to the end of the earth."*

--Acts 1:8

WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL

♪♪ *Hymn: "God, Who Has Caused to Be Written"—VU #498

Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Invitation to the Offering

♪♪ Offertory

♪♪ *Dedication: "Grant us, God, the Grace"—VU #540

*Litany of Dedication

Receive, O God, these gifts that we have given:
**As a symbol of all that we seek to be
and all that we seek to do
as we follow in your way.**

Bless what we have offered:
Direct us in the use of these offerings.

For your glory, and for the well-being of all.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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WE DEPART TO LOVE AND SERVE OUR GOD

♪♪ *Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation"—VU #331

*Sending Forth

God of power:
May the boldness of your Spirit transform us.

God of new beginnings:
May the gentleness of your Spirit lead us.

God of attentive faithfulness:
May the gifts of your Spirit equip us.

To serve and worship you now and always.
Amen.

Go forth now to love and to serve our God.
Thanks be to God.

♪♪ *Closing: "I Wish You The Blessing—Oldham/Klusmeier

Postlude

Minister: Rev Foster Freed Music Director: Alison Dalton
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