

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ
Evansville, Indiana**

June 7, 2020 Trinity Sunday

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Pastor Bill Wassner

OPENING MUSIC

Italian Hymn (Felipe de Giardini)

Lisa Wassner, Organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary Hurley

OPENING SONG

To God Be the Glory

Katie Maurer

Lisa Wassner

*1 To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life gate that we may go in.*

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,

let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,

let the people rejoice!

*O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he has done!*

2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

To ev'ry believer the promise of God;

the vilest offender who truly believes,

that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. [Refrain]

*3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]*

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Mary

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship Your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise Your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into Your Presence, where You live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FOR TRINITY SUNDAY *(from The New Zealand Prayer Book)* Pastor Bill

You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God. You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to You. You have revealed and proved Your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God. You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be Your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; You overcome death. You are our God. We worship You. Amen

MORNING PRAYER

Pastor Bill

PRAYER RESPONSE

Holy, Holy, Holy (refrain)

*Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kim Armstrong

OFFERING MEDITATION

Pastor Mary

OFFERTORY

Wonderful, Merciful Savior (Rodgers)

Lisa Wassner, Organ

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Mary

God of love and peace, You created the vast universe! Through Christ Your Son, You redeemed the world. Open our eyes to see the reflection of Your image in each person. By Your Spirit, inspire us to contribute to all that You made to be very good indeed. Use these gifts and offerings to support the church's mission of hope and assistance for people in our wider community and world. We pray through our faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 (NRSV)

¹¹ 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.

¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

SERMON

"Third Time's a Charm?"

Pastor Bill

COMMUNION (Inspired/Adapted from the Liturgy of Maren Tirabassi and UCC Worship Ways)

Invitation

Pastors Bill and Mary

Words of Remembering

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Prayer After Communion

Concluding with 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.***

CLOSING SONG

Love divine, all loves excelling

Katie Maurer
Lisa Wassner

*I Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n to earth come down:
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.*

2 *Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit,
let us find the promised rest:
take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.*

3 *Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.*

4 *Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be:
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
'til in heav'n we take our place,
'til we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

BENEDICTION

Pastor Bill

CLOSING MUSIC

“Worthy of Worship” (Blankenship)

Lisa Wassner, Organ