



June 12, 2022

**Trinity Sunday** 

An inclusive family of God, creating and inspiring Christian discipleship through fellowship, community mission and love of Jesus.

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## **GATHER**

**Prelude:** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, #2 Chalice Hymnal (background)

### **Greeting and Announcements**

### Call to Worship:

One: O Lord, our Sovereign God, You are neither made nor fashioned by anyone.

Many: Wonderful beyond measure, You are faithful Father, servant Son, and enlivening Spirit.

One: Holy Lord, beautiful and dynamic, Intimately united as a society of love,

Many: You are our Creator and cause, You are our perfect Savior, You are our Intercessor and giver of

spiritual gifts.

One: The Lord of all has called us forth; Our Triune God has made us good. Many: Hallelujah, bless the Lord. Hallelujah, praise God's holy name!

**Opening Song:** O Breath of Life, #250 Chalice Hymnal

#### **Invocation:**

One: Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your threefold name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Confession and Forgiveness:**

One:The triune God mercifully and graciously invites us into a relationship of wholeness. In humility and truth, let us confess the sin that keeps us from the life God intends.

Many: Holy God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Mother, Lover, and Friend, one God in three persons, mutual and whole, we confess our relationships are not that way. We have been too selfish; or we have given too much; or we have accepted too little. Our sin drives us away from one another and from you. Forgive us and restore us. Draw us close that we may know life in all of its fullness.

Silence

One: God's love is poured out through the Holy Spirit. This is love from God's own heart, love that cleanses and renews. This is good news!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.

## LISTEN

Scripture: Romans 5:1-5

**Reflection, Pastor Dennis Sanders** 

**Song of the Day-** It is well with my soul #531 Chalice Hymnal

## **PRAY**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### Lord's Prayer

All: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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Song -** Kyrie Eleison (Lebanon)

## **EAT**

#### Communion

**Elder's Prayer for the Bread and Cup:** All who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior welcome to share in this holy meal.

#### **Words of Institution**

Please come forward to receive the communion packet and take it to your seat. When everyone has their bread and grape juice, everyone will partake together.

Communion Music- Come Down, O Love Divine, #582 Chalice Hymnal

## **GIVE**

### **Offering**

Please come forward to place your offering in the offering plate. You can also give online by going to our website, fccsaintpaul.org/give.

Offering Music- All My Hope on God Is Founded, #88 Chalice Hymnal

### **Offering Prayer**

#### **Prayer After Communion:**

All: Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all.Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.

## **BLESS**

One: May the blessing of the Trinity—holy, holy, holy Lord—be with you now and always.

Many: Alleluia!

Closing Song: Holy, Holy, Holy, #4 Chalice Hymnal

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## WELCOME

## **Greetings!**

If this is your first time at First, welcome! We are so glad you came to worship with us. To learn more about our faith community, please go to fccsaintpaul.org.

## **Meet the Disciples**

First Christian-St. Paul is affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), a "movement for wholeness in a fragmented world." You can find out more about our tradition by going to disciples.org.

## **Offering**

We encourage you to continue your tithes and offering during this time we are apart. Now more than ever, First Christian is called to be a presence in our community and online. You can also support the Ministry of First Christian by giving online: fccsaintpaul.org/give.

If you would like to mail a check, send it the following address:

First Christian Church of St. Paul 650 Wildwood Road Mahtomedi, MN 55115

## **Prayer**

If you have a concern you'd like the church to pray for, please contact the church either by phone (651-340-0950) Or by email at prayer@fccsaintpaul.org.

## Taking the Next Step?

Thanks for joining us in worship. If you would like to learn more about First Christian or have questions on faith, please fill out our welcome form on our website fccsaintpaul.org/ welcome.

## **Mask Update**

As of March 27, 2022, wearing of masks is now considered optional. Thanks for your cooperation!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Prayer and Coffee**

Join us for a cup of coffee and fellowship after worship today with Prayer and Coffee. We gather in the library and the sanctuary. All are welcome to attend.

### **Paper Bags Needed**

Do you have paper bags taking up space in your kitchen? Bring them in and we will donate them to the Mahtomedi and White Bear Lake foodshelves. We will accept them until Sunday, June 19.

### **Peanut Butter for Pentecost**

We are extending the Peanut Butter Drive to June 19. We will collect the peanut butter to give to local foodshelves. Our goal is to collect 25 jars to donate. We hope you will take part!

#### **Ukraine Relief**

If you want to help Ukrainian refugees as they escape from the war with Russia, you can give to Wee of Compassion. The Disciples of Christ's relief agency is working with partners on the ground to bring relief to Ukrainians. You can write a check to First Christian making sure to write Week of Compassion-Ukraine in the memo line. You can also go to www.weekofcompassion.org/donate.html to give online. Make sure you choose "International Emergency Response. We will also collect loose change today that will go to Church World Service for Ukrainian Relief.

### **Giving Online**

You have another way to give to First Christian online. On the front page is a QR code. Scan it with your smartphone and that will take you to our giving page where you can make your church offering online.

#### **Mask Policy**

As of March 27, 2022, masks are now optional. If you feel the need to wear a mask, you are free to do so. If you are fully vaccinated and not ill, you are free to not wear a mask. Thank you for your cooperation over the last few months!

#### **PASSAGE OF THE DAY**

### Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. 3And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

- Prayers for the family and friends of Sharon a friend of Michael Le Bruhn who died recently.
- Prayers for the community of Ames, Iowa as they deal with two women who were killed Thursday in a church parking lot by a shooter.
- Prayers for the community of Uvalde, TX in the aftermath of the recent shooting of an elementary school.
- Prayers for the communities of Buffalo, NY and Laguna Woods, CA in the aftermath of mass shootings.
- Prayers to find ways to lessen gun violence
- Prayers for Beth Hamilton who is dealing with illness.
- Prayers for our congregation as we go about selling our building and looking for a new worshipping space.
- Prayers for relatives of Roman Dziuba who live throughout Ukraine. Prayers as his cousin and family come to the United States as refugees and settle to new life in America.
- Prayers for the people of Ukraine and Russians

- speaking out against the current war.
- Prayers for Patricia Black, cousin of Lisa Smith Winn who was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer.
- Prayers for Ake Niemi.
- Prayers for Plymouth Creek Christian Church in Plymouth as they discern their future.
- Prayers for Merete Hamilton, a relative of Carol Hamilton who is dealing with a recurrence of cancer.
- Prayers for Sunrise Park Middle School in White Bear Lake.
- Prayers for Jan Paulson as she recovers from a low white blood cell count.
- Prayers for our homebound members,
- Charles Moore and John and Jan Paulson.

Do you have a prayer request? You can send it by email to prayer@fccsaintpaul.org, by phone at 651-340-0950 or filling out the prayer request form at fccsaintpaul.org/pray.

## STATEMENT OF WELCOME

You Are Welcome Here.

"The First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of St. Paul, Minnesota, is an open and affirming ministry, openly welcoming persons of all gender expressions, sexual orientations, races, ethnicities, creeds, classes, ages, marital status and physical and mental abilities, to join us in following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ our Lord and in a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world."

-Open and Affirming Statement of First Christian Church of St. Paul

## **OUR VALUES**

First Christian Church is a suburban congregation, united in Christ and grounded in the values of diversity, fellowship and witness.

-First Christian Values Statement

# **OUR VISION**

"Gathered for worship. Scattered for service."

## STAFF, HOURS

Lead Pastor: Dennis Sanders

Cantor/Music Director: Momoko Tanno

Adjunct Pastor: Robert Hamilton

Accompanist: Luke Swanger

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Wednesdays & Fridays: 2:00-5:00 PM

