

# Trinity Sunday

Sunday, May 30, 2021



Pentecost is celebrated on the 50<sup>th</sup> day from Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles. The disciples were filled with the Spirit and spoke in different languages preaching to all the people there who heard the message in their own language. It must have been an amazing site to behold the Spirit descending upon the disciples. That same Spirit is available to us as Christians to teach us and to empower us to continue the work of the disciples and of Christ.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**GATHERING:** Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty  
(Nicaea) arr. Healey Willan

**HYMN: VU326** O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing  
vs. 1, 2 & 5

### CENTERING WORDS

**HYMN: VU382** Breath on Me Breath of God vs. 1 & 2

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER**  
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**MV79** Spirit Open My Heart

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Witiuk of the Church Council

**PARAPHRASE OF THE LORD'S PRAYER** pg.916

**Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be.**

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

### CANDLE LIGHTING

### OPENING PRAYER

God, our Creator and Father/Mother,  
Jesus, our Redeemer,  
Holy Spirit, our Comforter and Sustainer.  
Lord, God, Father/Mother, Son and Holy Spirit.  
**We come before you to learn and do your will.**  
God of Abraham and Sarah, of Joseph and Mary.  
**We come before you in wonder and awe.**  
Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Spirit.  
**We worship and adore you.**  
Three in One and One in Three. **Amen.**

**Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:  
The hallowing of your name echo through the  
universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by peoples of  
the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sus-  
tain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from form one another,  
forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is  
love now and forever. Amen**

### CHILDREN'S TIME

**ANTHEM:** "Christ is our corner-stone"

**SCRIPTURE READING:** John 3: 1-17 read by Sarah  
Witiuk

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY: VU542** We Give You But  
You Own

**HYMN: VU382** Breathe on Me Breath of God vs. 3 &  
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**We give you but your own,  
whatever the gift may be;  
all that we have is yours alone,  
we give it gratefully.**

### SERMON



**OUR LAND** - We remember, as we celebrate God's presence in Worship that St. Andrew's River Heights United Church gathers in Treaty 1 land, the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, and Dakota peoples and in the heart of the Metis Nation. As Treaty people, we seek to live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with all our relations.

## BLESSING

**BENEDICTION MV209** Go Make A Difference  
**Go make a difference, we can make a difference.**  
**Go make a difference in the world.**  
**Go make a difference, we can make a difference.**  
**Go make a difference in the world.**

POSTLUDE: Praise God from whom all blessings flow (Old 10th) arr. Denis Bedard

### Announcements

**A special thank you** to our quartet of singers today: Fred Cross, Chris Donlevy, Diane Wreford & Sarah Witiuk also will be reading the scripture today.

**Our condolences** and prayers are extended to Rev. Dr. Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, her partner Nancy Pinell and her extended family on the death of Loraine's mother, Colleen Shepherd on Saturday, May 15th, 2021 in Victoria, British Columbia. Due to Covid restrictions Loraine and Nancy won't be able to get out to Victoria to be with her Dad and brother and his family until early Sept. after everyone is doubly vaccinated. Loraine is Ministry Personnel at Westworth United Church, Winnipeg.

### Scripture Readings for next week:

1 Samuel 8:4-11, 12-20  
Psalm 138  
2 Corinthians 4:1`3-5:1  
Mark 3:20-35

Each week we will mention people from our congregation who are in care facilities. Remember them in your prayers. This week we will remember those in:

**Ruth Nichols**-Action Marguerite, **Jean Lynas**-Fred Douglas Lodge

**Remember in prayer** Betty and Lou Jubinville in your prayers. Lou's brother, Roger Jubinville passed away a few weeks ago. A service will be held in the fall when restrictions are lifted due to Covid protocols.

**We would** like to acknowledge our University and High School Grads in June so if you are aware of any of our youth and young adults graduating let me know. We would love to list their names and what they graduated from and for the High Schoolers what their plans are for the next year. Send information to the church office or to Rev. Karen Lumley.

**Rita Swan** is enrolled in the Licensed Lay Worship Leader program of the United Church of Canada and we as a faith community support her in this. As part of this class, she must preach twice in the church that supports her. Rita preached on Sunday, April 25th for the first time. Rita is preaching on Trinity Sunday, May 30th for our online church service. Offer Rita your prayers, support and encouragement as she continues this journey of living out her calling.

### ST. ANDREW'S CONTACT LIST

Our heartfelt thanks go out to everyone who helped with today's service—we couldn't have pulled it off without you!

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