

WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.

*Gathering Music #408 “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit” *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place
And I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
Without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place.

*Call to Worship

Leader: In the beginning, when God drew a circle on the face of the deep,

People: Wisdom was there rejoicing, delighting in the human race.

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, with God, and the Word was God.

**People: And the word became flesh and lived among us,
full of grace and truth.**

Leader: In every time and place, God’s love is poured into our hearts through
the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

People: Blessed are you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

*Hymn of Praise #2 “Come, Thou Almighty King” *Italian Hymn*

Call to Confession

By faith in Jesus Christ, we are given access to the grace of God. Standing in
that grace, we now confess our sins before God, seeking forgiveness and peace.

Prayer of Confession

**Triune God, within your own life there is mutuality, equality, and unity in
diversity. Though we are made in your image, we confess that we distort the
triune life. Instead of seeking mutual welfare and the common good, we seek
our own gain. Instead of living in equality, justice, and respect, we construct
systems that are unjust. We devise ways to elevate ourselves over others, and
disrespectful thoughts, words, and actions still surface in us. We allow
differences to divide us and lead to brokenness. Holy God, forgive us. Restore
in us, and in our life together, the divine image you intend. Make us tender in
mutuality. Make us generous in equality. Make us grateful in diversity. We
pray to be one with you and one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silence is kept for private confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, we are still standing in the grace of Christ. Because God’s love
has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, we are set free
to love God and neighbor, and to work for the reconciliation of the world.

**People: We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Prayer Response #288 “Spirit of the Living God”

Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

The Word Spoken

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth,
**the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the
deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.**

Proverbs 8: 1-11, 22-36

Pew Bible, OT, p. 590

The Word and Wonder with All Ages

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson

Trinity Sunday - by Malcolm Guite

In the Beginning, not in time or space,
But in the quick before both space and time,
In Life, in Love, in co-inherent Grace,
In three in one and one in three, in rhyme,
In music, in the whole creation story,
In His own image, His imagination,
The Triune Poet makes us for His glory,
And makes us each the other’s inspiration.
He calls us out of darkness, chaos, chance,
To improvise a music of our own,
To sing the chord that calls us to the dance,
Three notes resounding from a single tone,
To sing the End in whom we all begin;
Our God beyond, beside us and within.

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of Response #174 “Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom” *Madeleine*

Prayers of the People and 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.**

Offertory “Stand By Me”

by Charles Tindley, Arr. Larry Shackley

*Doxology #605 “Praise to God the Father “

Da N’asa

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son.

Praise to God the Spirit; praise to the Three-in-One.

Sing praise; sing praise to the Lord on High.

Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn #450 “Be Thou My Vision’

Slane

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

May Elders of the Month: Graham Pope and Larry Jones
Calendar for May 22 - 29

Today:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship, Pennies for Hunger
	12:00 P.M.	Fellowship Brunch
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service
Monday:	11:15 A.M.	Staff Meeting
Wednesday:	6:30 P.M.	English Choir Practice
Thursday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Saturday:	10:00 A.M.	Swahili Choir Practice and Prayer
Sunday:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Beginning in June, our worship service will be held at 10 a.m.** This will be our worship time for the months of June, July, and August.
- Please join us at 3:00 p.m. each Sunday, for the **Swahili-English service** at Faith Presbyterian, led by Prince Mundeke Mushunju!
- You're invited! Create Worship and Wonder, May 23 – 25, 2016. **"Seasons of the Spirit" Curriculum Development Event.** Join us as we delve into the texts for Lent and Easter 2018 and inspire intergenerational worship and education.
Monday, May 23: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Come for one or all of the sessions! Childcare available upon request.
Lunch and snacks provided.

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SALEM PRESBYTERY CHURCH PRAYER LIST

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FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Please be in touch with the office regarding any additions or corrections to the Prayer List. You may call (336.292.5150) or e-mail (faithpresgsonc@gmail.com).

Rick Barreau	Jo Anne Jennings
Jim Bodkin	Sara Kearns
Priscilla Christiansen	Tommy Knight (Betsy Rule's cousin)
Bertha Collins (Ralph Bazhaw's sister)	Steve Ladds (Laura Maher's colleague)
Davidson Family (Friends of Karen Ware Jackson)	Marge Mack
Vicki Duncan	Andy Moye
Bonnie Evans	Garth and Inky Payne
Clyde Fraley	Georgia Renfrow
Kem Gomo	Dr. John Saunders (friend of Larry and Sandy Jones)
'Cile Gorman	Karen Thomas (Helen Hall's daughter)
Pat Greeson	Stephen Ware (Karen Ware Jackson's father)
Helen Hall	The Family of Ken Wheat
Harold and Sandy Henderson	
Judy Herron and Family	

Bulletin Acknowledgments

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Suzanne writes, "My wisdom cards began with the intention to listen to the Spirit, to intuition, to God's presence in daily living near the end of 2011. When I listen and sit down at the end of the day to let the dust settle, the words I'm meant to keep are placed on a wisdom card. Then I paint. Sometimes I paint as I am letting the dust settle, asking what wisdom I'm meant to carry with me and place on the card. It is a fantastic practice. When I post my cards, I hear so many stories of "that's meant for me" or "you gave me just what I needed today." Those intersections with Wisdom make my heart sing."

Pastoral Team

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson, Pastor
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WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN



We embrace inter-generational worship and welcome the giggles, questions, tears, and even shouts that enliven our oh-so-orderly service. We do have a **professionally staffed nursery** available for babies and toddlers, but we encourage our youngest members to learn with and from us throughout the worship service.

There is a **"PrayGround"** available for children and adults at the front of the sanctuary. Feel free to join our young people in their interactive worship activities! **These experiences are great for active learners of all ages, and our children and their parents appreciate your engagement and support.**

We want to be a true family of faith and that means celebrating the gifts, questions, and talents of each of our members from young in age to young at heart!

May 22, 2016 Service for the Lord's Day
11:00 A.M. Trinity Sunday

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