Trinity Sunday

9:30 a.m.

GATHERING

The people of God come together in the Lord's name

Prelude - Andante Cantabile - Camille Saint-Saëns

Call to Worship Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts the whole earth is full of his glory. The Lord called, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Here am I; Send me!

Opening Hymn 64** - Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim, falling down before Thee, which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see; only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Invocation

Almighty and everlasting God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and ever live and reign in the perfect unity of love. Grant that we may always hold firmly and joyfully to this faith, and, living in praise of your divine majesty, may finally be one in you; who are three Persons in one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

The Word of God is read and proclaimed for all ages.

Scripture Reading - Isaiah 6:1-8 This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

God's Word for Young Disciples

Gloria Patri (sung)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Anthem - Nothing But the Blood of Jesus - Craig Courtney

Sermon – Here Am I

RESPONSE

Pastor Jon Priebe

The people of God respond to the Word

Hymn of Response 340** - Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow'r.

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; true belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.

Lo! th'incarnate God, ascended, pleads the merit of His blood; venture on Him, venture wholly; let no other trust intrude.

Discipleship Moment

Offertory - Nimrod - Sir Edward Elgar

Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People/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, forever. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

The people of God are sent forth to serve others and witness to their faith

Closing Hymn 358** - Dear Lord and Father of Mankind Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard beside the Syrian sea the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

Benediction and Choral Response - (Hymn 668)

Postlude - Toccata on "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" - Franklin Ashdown



The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and given

in loving memory of James and Dorothy Ward, by Carol Spidle, Jim and Zetta Ward in loving memory of Robert and Edna Keyser, by Millie Keyser and Dale Gilbert

Service Music – Summer Choir Music: One License A-731491

NEXT STEPS

<u>Humility</u>

vs. 3 - Isaiah is met with God's glorious holiness

but *guilt* and *insecurity* prevent him from hearing God's voice

Cleansing

vs. 8 – God's call becomes clear after Isaiah's concerns are met

what holds you back from *hearing* or *heeding* the call of God?

Questions for Reflection: Throughout the book of Isaiah, fire is used to symbolize cleansing. Such as the image in Isaiah 1 of a fire purifying the city of Jerusalem or the coal that cleansed Isaiah when it touched his lips. The cleansing of Isaiah through a coal touched to his lips reminds us of Jesus announcing that Peter was clean because his feet were washed. Isaiah and Peter were cleansed because God willed it. You are holy and acceptable to God because God wills it to be so. *Reread Isaiah 6:7-8 a few times while replacing "you" with your own name.*

Question for Discussion: When Isaiah heard God's call, he responded as an Israelite servant would respond when called: *Hineni*, or "Here am I." This is a frequent response of God's people when they were called but also simply expressed presence and willingness to serve. How do you present yourself to be available to God?

Memory Verse: Isaiah 6:8 – Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Readings for this Week: John 21:4-19, 1 Samuel 3:1-20

CHURCH NOTES

Men's Time Out: Join the men of First Church for this monthly gathering on Saturday, June 1, at 8:30 a.m. Food, fellowship, and fun!

Vacation Bible School Deadline: The deadline for registering for VBS is fast approaching. You may register online at https://fumccf.mycokesburyvbs.com or pick up a flier at the Welcome Center or the office.

VBS Teacher Training: A mandatory make up session for those who couldn't make it on the 29th will be held next Sunday, June 2, at 10:30 a.m..

Giving Board: Please check out the Giving Board in the Breezeway where we have placed cards requesting the donation of certain items for our programs. All items should be returned no later than June 7.

Chess Camp: Chess Camp is for children going into grades K and up. It will take place 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. the week of June 24 – 28. Beginners through advanced chess players are all welcome for a cost of \$25. This will include lunch each day. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center, in the church office and on our website.

Annual Golf Outing: It is time for the 18th Annual Bud Mills Memorial Golf Outing to benefit the Epworth tour of 2025. The outing is at Brookledge on June 22 at 1:30. You may play in the event for \$90. We are seeking hole and cart sponsors as well at the \$150 and \$25 levels.

First Friday Picnic: Join us on Friday, June 7, at Waterworks for a picnic and time for fellowship with our church family! We will start gathering at 5 p.m. and eat around 6. Please bring a dish to share. Meat, paper products, and water will be provided.

Paper Bins: The paper bins located in our parking lot will be removed in the next few weeks. The company has made the decision to reduce the number of bins that they have. Thank you for your past contributions!

Good Neighbors: We've received a current "wish list" from Good Neighbors which includes: dish soap, deodorant, laundry soap, shampoo, canned meats, canned fruit, salad dressing, decaf coffee, and ramen noodles. If you are able to supply any of these, please bring them to the bins located by the church library.

Retirement: Kathy Kuzas will be retiring from First Church after over 35 years of service. Please join us in congratulating her and wishing her all the best for the future. We will host a farewell gathering in her honor on Sunday, June 30, after the worship service. During the month of June, we will have a card shower for Kathy. Please place any cards or notes in the basket on the Welcome Center.

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MEMBERS TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Scott Adie	Becky Petty
Bob Ahonen	Kathi Sawyer
Debbie Amundsen	Bonnie Shultz
Mary Ellen Atwood	Karen & Michael Taucher
Mark & Cindy Blaser	Ken Tunstall
Mary Griest	Sandy Wardell
Jim Henes	Rose Ann Youngkin
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DEEPEST SYMPATHY & PRAYERS:

Cheryl Shaw on the death of her daughter, Christina Shaw, on 5/23

FRIENDS OF FIRST CHURCH FROM WHOM PRAYER IS REQUESTED:

Colton Reed Carl Hamilton Tate Newland Larry Anderson Jerrie McClain Victoria Lauranti Judy Fisher Dan Roese Dr. Pamala Hammonds Emma Peck Jeanne Kindry Judy Fisher Pam Cole, Lanna Martoranna & Wes Sandmann Allv Gohr Ben McCue Sharon Haverlock Louise Heydorn Stan Remy Tom Miller Paul Raines and family Tony Donatelli Mike Thompson Pam Brodie Julia Finnegan Ruby Wepler, Phylis Clapper & Fred Johnson Noah Boettner **Debbie Baker**

Family of Barb and Jim Campbell Father of Brent Meyers Friend of First Church Friend of Lvnda Schmidt Friend of Sue Gohr Niece of Sue Gohr Friend of Shirley Asher Friend of Carol Lewis Niece of Tom Hammonds Granddaughter of Dave & Mae Peck Friend of Millie Keyser & Dale Gilbert Friend of Shirlev Asher Friends of Donna Curfman Granddaughter of Sue Gohr Son of Steve & Michelle McCue Niece of LeAnn Lloyd Friend of Janet & Fred Dodson Brother of LeAnn Lloyd Friend of Wade & Kim Kerr Brother of Bess Raines Cousin of Rose Gregory Brother-in-law of Janet Thompson Sister-in-law of Carol Lewis Daughter-in-law of Jean Finnegan Friends of Fred & Janet Dodson Grandson of Carl and Pat Koltas Wife of Rev. David Baker

REMEMBER OUR MEMBERS, FAMILY & FRIENDS WHO ARE CURRENTLY IN THE MILITARY:

Nicholas & Sakura Drake, Jason Dardas, Zachary Griffiths, Patrick Butler, Isaiah Nelson, Geoffrey Stimler, Kaz Lewis, Garrett J. Boyd, Amanda Green, Colton Jesson, Hunter Tausch, Steven Shafer, James Rainey