



**Church of the Redeemer United Church of Christ
Order of Worship for June 7, 2020**

Trinity Sunday

The Celtic tradition invites us to look with the inner eye. In all people, in all places, in every created thing the light of God is shining
~ J. Philip Newell

Prelude

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ
J. S. Bach, arr. Busoni
Jason Aquila, Organist

Call to Worship

MANY: God, whose imagination saw all
ONE: that is good, beautiful, and loving,
MANY: continues to see us as beloved children in the divine family.
ONE: The Word which called forth the stars in every universe,
MANY: speaks to us of giving ourselves through the baptismal life.
ONE: The Spirit, which moved over creation, breathing life into all things,
MANY: fills us with peace and patience, with hope and healing to share.

Hymn #32

God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale

Prayer of Invocation

Merciful and Just God, we gather here this morning, each of us with many concerns on our hearts. Our hearts are concerned with systems of injustice which strip people of their dignity and their very lives. Help us to be those who would seek peace with justice, who would fight for those who are oppressed, offer voices for the voiceless and dignity for all humankind. Be with us this day and remind us that we are all created in your image. Amen.

Message for Young Christians

Pastor Brooke

Special Music

Beloved Let us Love One Another
Redeemer UCC Chancel Choir
Carol Peddie, Director of Music

Choplin

Recognition of our Graduates

Scripture

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 (NRSV); Matthew 28:16-20 (NRSV)

ONE: Our God is still speaking.
MANY: Thanks be to God

Scripture

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Sermon

What Does it Mean to Have Dominion?

The Rev. R. Brooke Baker

The Pastor's Prayer and Lord's Prayer**Prayer of Confession**

We have been created for goodness by you, Artist of all things, but we continue to be filled with bitterness. Your Word would enable us to speak of joy to others, but we offer only judgment. The Spirit which breathes hope into us could be shared with everyone we meet, but we are tempted to hold our breath, rather than giving peace to those around us. But you have said that everything created is good, even we foolish children of yours, God of wonder and grace. With the Spirit as our sister, we know we can bring healing and hope to those who need it most. Amen.

Hymn #349

I Come with Joy

The Sacrament of Communion**Communion prayer**

Gentle Host, rest upon us as you rested upon water and light, earth and creatures, human beings, all in your image, and holy Sabbath. Send your Spirit of life and love, power and blessing upon your children who are staying at home so that this Bread may be broken and gathered in love and this Cup poured out to give hope to all. Risen Christ, live in us, that we may live in you. Breathe in us, that we may breathe in you. Amen.

Blessing of the elements**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

O Holy One, our tongues have tasted the good news and our lives are filled with the Spirit that hovered over creation and blew fresh hope on Pentecost. Creator open our hearts. Word, speak peace in our voices to all the people in all the hotspots and hurts of the world. As we journey masked through our lonely or dangerous or over-busy day, Holy Spirit, fill us with this blessing — that it is good. Amen.

Hymn #273

Praise with Joy the World's Creator

Benediction**Postlude**

Song Without Words No. 26

Mendelssohn

Jason Aquila, Organist

Call to Worship, Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, and Words of Assurance adapted from lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com; Prayer of Invocation adapted from Worship Connection at ministrymatters.com; Communion prayer and Prayer of Thanksgiving by Maren C. Tirabassi at giftsinopenhands.wordpress.com.