



BEDFORD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“The True Trinity in True Unity” by Hildegard of Bingen

May 26, 2024

Trinity Sunday

Prelude

Veni Creator Spiritus - Duo

Nicolas de Grigny

Ringling of the Bells

Introit

Welcome and Announcements

***Opening Sentences** from Psalm 29

Leader: The voice of God is over the waters. The God of glory thunders over the mighty waters.

People: The voice of God breaks the cedars. It strikes with flashes of lightning.

Leader: The voice of God twists the oaks. It strips the forest bare. God sits enthroned over the flood.

People: God gives strength to God's people. The holy one blesses with peace.

***Hymn 132**

Come, Great God of All the Ages
Verses 1, 2, 3

Confession

God, forgive us for the things we do which separate us from you. We fail to live as beloved people. We look for fights, instead of searching for peace. We criticize others, instead of granting mercy. We cling to petty resentments, instead of extending forgiveness. We do not love one another.

Help us to be so filled with your love that we cannot help but share it with others. Help your grace to fill us and to spill out of us. Through Jesus and by your Spirit, we pray.

[Silent confession]

Assurance of Pardon Sung Response

**I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.**

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

You may stand and greet one another.

Time with the Children

*The children are welcome to stay for the service or they may leave
for Sunday Spirit.*

Anthem

Wayfaring Stranger Arr. T. Bone Burnett
Jeremy McEvelly, Baritone Solo

Gospel Reading

John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Sermon

Rev. Courtney Steininger

“Creation, Incarnation and the Trinity”

Offering

Anthem

The Lord’s Prayer

Albert Malotte

Jeremy McEvilly, Baritone Solo

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Our Loving God in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

AND THE SURVEY SAYS...

We will hold an all congregation in-person meeting on JUNE 2 in Fellowship Hall after the service to share the recent survey results, answer questions and get your thoughts and input on next steps.

THE SURVEY RESULTS ARE POWERFUL AND POINT TO SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT.

PLEASE make every effort to come to the meeting and participate in the discussion. Your further input will be invaluable to the committees building plans for change.

Thank you again for showing us the way to a brighter future for our beloved church community.

Please RSVP on one of the paper sign ups or the online sign up genius. Lunch and refreshments will be served.

LET'S TACO - 'BOUT IT!

Join us for a Pot Luck
Summer Kick off Party!

When: Friday, June 14th

Where: Tegtmeyer Home (address to follow)

Time: 6:30 pm

RSVP and food Sign ups will be posted next week.



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INTERFAITH
FOOD PANTRY

BPC Volunteers Needed for Tuesday, June 18th 5 - 7 pm

Please help area families in need select food items at a weekly Pantry distribution. No heavy lifting. Adults and Youth 16+ are welcome and please feel free to bring a friend. Youth 14-15 yrs. old can participate if accompanied by an adult.

If you have any questions please contact Cecilia Rosenblum at rosenblumclr12@gmail.com or Sharon Seidell at sps1256s@gmail.com.

Check the Enews to Sign Up or email Cecilia.

Upcoming Events at a Glance

Sunday, May 26th

10 am

11 am

Worship

Coffee Hour

Monday, May 27th

9 am

MEMORIAL DAY – OFFICE CLOSED

No Yoga

Tuesday, May 28th

12:30 pm

1 pm

7 pm

Lunch with Friends

Quilting

Nativity Farm Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 30th

10 am

4 pm

Bible Study. Please contact

Alan McDougall at

alanmcd@verizon.net

Nativity Farm Work Session

Sunday, June 2nd

10 am

11 am

Worship, Communion and

Youth Collection

Coffee Hour and Survey Review

Our Leadership

Session

Clerk of Session Michelle Gosh (Generosity),
President Brian Hiller-Dupont (Worship),
Anne Bentzen (Vision), Linda Burpee (Mission),
Jessica Cunningham (Personnel),
Amy Drabek (Nominating Committee & Nativity Farm),
Danielle Gamar (Christian Education),
Maria Andrea Laverde (Nativity Farm),
Sarah Ryan (Property & Maintenance),
& Bart Tyler (Finance and Friends & Membership Development)
Moderator Reverend Carol Howard

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Diane Palmento, and Lisa Sayre

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