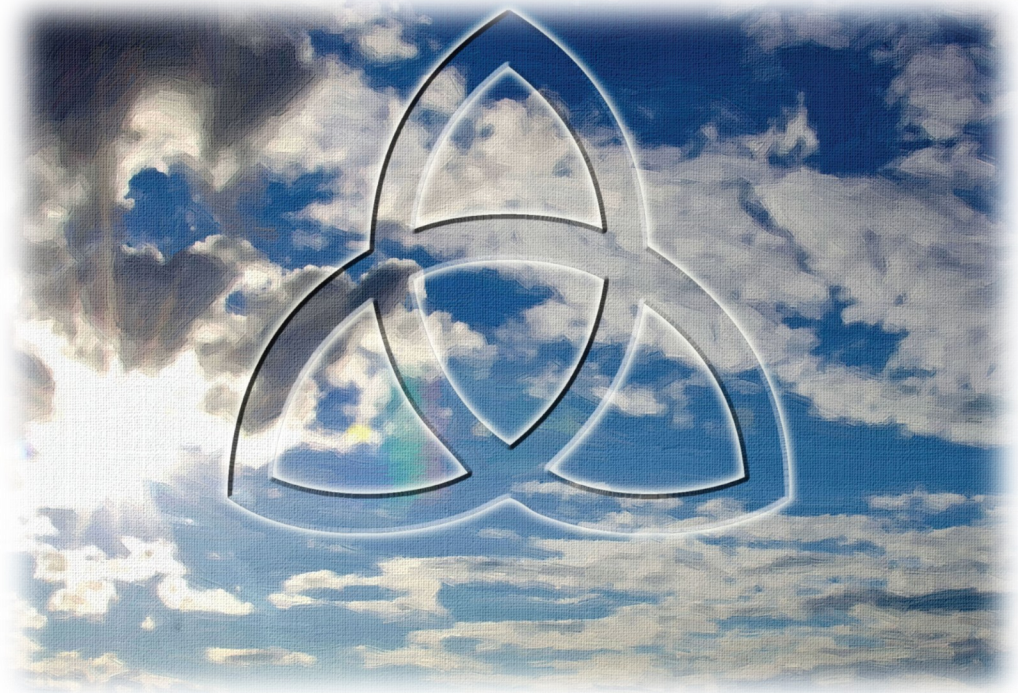


# Service of Worship

*May 26th, 2024*

*Trinity Sunday*



First Presbyterian Church of Fort Thomas

*Rev. Abby King-Kaiser, Guest Pastor*

*Dave Zeng, Music Director*

*Christina Seal, Pianist/Organist*

Fanfare

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Christina Seal

**The Gathering**

\*Call to Worship

Terry Spencer

One: God's thunder sets the oak trees dancing a wild dance, whirling; the pelting rain strips their branches. We fall to our knees—we call out, "Glory!"

**All: Above the floodwaters is God's throne from which power flows, from which God rules the world.**

One: God makes people sing. God gives people peace.

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*Opening Hymn

"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"  
(v. 1, 2 & 4)

Hymn #396

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

For times we embrace war when you call for peace. **Forgive us.**

For times we dehumanize our neighbor instead of loving them. **Forgive us.**

For times we serve powers and principalities rather than you, our Servant Savior. **Forgive us.**

For times we domesticate you to our national or tribal identities. **Forgive us.**

For selectively hearing your good news of grace for us without considering the same for others. **Forgive us.**

For seeing ourselves less than the full person you created in beauty with delight. **Forgive us and grant us peace.**

\*Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

Hymn #240, Chorus

**"Alleluia Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Praise to His name."**

Greeting in Christ's Name

In this Easter Season we greet each other with the ancient call and response:

**Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!**

## *The Word*

Special Music  
Time with our Children  
Prayer for Illumination  
Scripture Reading

John 3:1-10

Men's Ensemble  
Paul Winkler  
Pew Bible, pg. 93

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

Sermon

Rev. Abby King-Kaiser

## *Response to Grace*

Hymn of Response

“As the Wind Song”

Hymn #292

Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Call for the offering

Offertory

Doxology

Hymn #608

**“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit ever more; praise Triune God, whom we adore.”**

Prayer of Dedication

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. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

# *The Sending*

Closing Hymn

“To God Be the Glory”

Hymn #634

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

Hymn #726 v. 5

**“Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name,  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.”**

Postlude

Christina Seal

WORSHIP NOTES

Acolyte: Elsie Wen

\*All are invited to stand in body or spirit

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The flowers today are given by *Roger Neff*

***In honor and in memory of family, friends and loved ones  
who have served our country***