

TRINITY SUNDAY

May 31, 2026 | First Presbyterian Church, Petaluma CA



GATHERING CHIMES

PRELUDE

Jenny Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor John

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLES (at FPC and in our homes)

Kate Glose

We light these candles to remind ourselves of God's presence, not only in this place, but in all places. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Almighty God, before you angels sang for joy
when you created with your voice the heavens and the earth.

**Hear our voice this day and accept our praise
and thanksgiving for the gifts of speech and song,
which we on earth share with the heavenly host.**

O Jesus Christ, you are the Word made flesh,
the firstborn of many children in the family of God
who have heard your music in their hearts.

**Open the ears of our hearts this day, that all we say
and all we sing may reveal you in us and us in you,
whose body and voice we are in this world.**

O Holy Spirit, with tongues as of fire you have inspired
the speech and song of evangelists, preachers, poets, and musicians.

**Visit us this day to kindle anew the fire of love
and the light of understanding, that your church
may live in the counterpoint of community.**

O Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
you are three persons in one God living in harmony.
As your church, our many voices, our many lives
become one chorus to praise your holy name.

**Bless our coming together now so that we,
in communion with your saints,
may hear your voice and sing your words
this day and always. Amen.**

PRAYER AND SILENT LISTENING TO GOD

Let us pray. Holy, holy, holy, God in three Persons, we worship
and adore you. Today in our worship we long for a glimpse of
your glory, seen perfectly in Christ, our Lord. As we worship, may

we gain new insight about the mystery and wonder of your love.
And may we sense new ways to mirror that love in our world. In
this time of silence, speak, Lord, for we, your people, are listening.

***HYMN**

Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise: Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,
come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word, merciful, mighty Lord,
our prayer attend. Come, and they people bless,
and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be,
hence ever more! Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Kate Glose

Let us confess our sins to God,
whose loving-kindness endures forever.

**Holy and uncontainable God, for trying to contain you,
forgive us. Loving and limitless God, for trying to limit
you, forgive us. Gracious and boundless God, for trying
to bind you, forgive us. Sometimes we are foolish
enough to believe that it is to our advantage to reduce
you to something we can comprehend. Forgive us,
Unfathomable God.**

Silence, a time for personal confession.

them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTING ON THE WORD

Pastor John

*HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, 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,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, 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!

OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

In the name of the Triune God,
let us pray for the church, the world, and all
for whom we are called to be stewards, saying,
God of all goodness, hear our prayer.

We give you thanks, O God, for our world,
which you made and renewed
in the power of Jesus's resurrection.
Make us wise and careful of your gifts as we live on Earth.
God of all goodness, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that the love which passes ceaselessly
between the Father and the Son in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
may renew and deepen the life of each Christian
and draw us all into your unending life.
God of all goodness, **hear our prayer.**

For the leaders of the church:
for Protestants, Roman Catholics, and the Orthodox;
for Sunday school children and youth;
for the elderly whose wise counsel is sorely needed in all ages;
and for all ecumenical endeavors
that seek to bring us closer to each other and to you.
God of all goodness, **hear our prayer.**

For Earth and all creatures and plants;
for healthy water and air and soil;
for policies and laws that regard our home in God's universe
as a precious gift.
God of all goodness, **hear our prayer.**

For our families, our households, and our communities,
that your life together—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—
may show us the like importance of each of us,
and so strengthen us in your grace and truth.
God of all goodness, **hear our prayer.**

For the sick and those who suffer in any way;
for those who struggle to pay rent or a mortgage;
for those who have no home;
for those who are neglected and abused in our communities;
for people who long for family and are instead alone;
for children who do not have a good guide to raise them up;

and for whatever else you see that we need.
God of all goodness, **hear our prayer.**

For all those needs still unnamed but placed before you now,
either silently or aloud . . .

[spoken or silent prayers are welcome at this time]

God of all goodness, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands we entrust all that is of concern this day,
sure that you hear our pleas,
grateful that your will be done on earth as in heaven.
We pray this in the name of the Savior, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(or in your preferred version)*

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.

***CHARGE**

***CLOSING RESPONSE**

From where we are
to where you need us,
Jesus, now lead on.

From the security of what we know
to the adventure of what you will reveal,
Jesus, now lead on.

To refashion the fabric of this world
until it resembles the shape of your reign,
Jesus, now lead on.

Because good things have been prepared
for those who love God,
Jesus, now lead on.

Surround us with your presence,
inspire us with your purpose,
confirm us in your love.
Amen.

***BLESSING**

***CLOSING SONG** *Go Now In Peace*

Go now in peace, never be afraid.
God will go with you, each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
Know he will guide you in all you do.

Worship Leaders: Pastor John Chase, Kate Glose, Student Ministries and Events
Coordinator Grete Hansen, Music Director Jane Shelly, Organist/Pianist Jenny Smith, Choir,
Meagan Dowdall and Emma Rugani, Worship Ensemble

Credits

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