



Pensacola, Florida
August 2, 2020 • 10:00 a.m.

Prelude "Lead On, O King Eternal" Henry Smart/Ron Boud

Call to Worship

Glory to God whose word gives hope and shapes our dreams,
whose love has conquered death.
Glory to God who orders our way and guides our steps,
who leads us into life.
Glory to God who welcomes us home and invites us to begin again,
whose love never fails, and whose grace renews our hearts, our hopes, our joy.

Hymn "To God Be the Glory" Fanny Crosby/William Doane
Performed by Royal Albert Hall
Tune: TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Opening Prayer (UNISON) (*Word & Witness*, August 14, 2005)

Like brothers and sisters estranged for too long, you call us to new places of peace and reconciliation. Like a heartbroken parent who feels great joy when children finally come together in harmony, we enter your house with a promise of hope and healing that is ours by faith alone. Like lovers who fly back to their beloved ones after long separation, we reunite with you, O Lord. We approach, and the doors of your dwelling place swing wide to welcome all the peoples of the earth. Rejoice with us in your house of prayer; our home! Amen.

Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Please greet each other, "Peace be with you."

Gloria Patri

Announcements & Updates

Children's Moment

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 32

Hymn "Will You Come and Follow Me" (The Summons) Jill Bell/Graham Maule
From Spirit and Song Recording
Tune: KELVINGROVE

Scripture Reading: Genesis 35:1-5

Sermon "Come Home to Bethel" Hugh Hamilton

Anthem "Bring Me Back" From Ever Awesome One Recording
soloist, Clara Riggleman

Pastoral Prayer* and the Lord's Prayer

Lord God, thank you for calling us back home to you, for giving us time to still our tongues so as to listen for a while. As we listen, may we not listen only to our desires, strong as they are, selfish though they may be, but may we listen to you.

Thank you for a place and a time with you, for the time it gives us to be restored. We've been trampled so often by the news and events of our days, by consequences of this COVID-19 pandemic, by tensions in our culture and society, by the complexity of this world and the endless barrage of news and needs. We so badly need a place where we can be quiet for a spell, be restored, and regain our balance.

As you called Jacob back to Bethel to be restored, to be made whole once again with the freshness of the vision once caught, so restore us again today, we ask. And while we are here, quiet before you, may we hear that intuitive voice within, calling us back to what we know and trust in you; back to what we know is good and trustworthy about us. Thank you for insights that can only be restored by time spent with you. For memories we recall, for possibilities beginning right now and enduring forever, which you offer us, and by which you challenge us, thank you. For words and thoughts, images and insights, coming to us at our Bethels, and for decisions and commitments emerging from our hearts as your Spirit speaks deep within us, thank you.

We pray for others who suffer at this moment; for those who are ill; for those who grieve; for those who are uncertain what to do. Make your presence known to them and bring them security in your love. For those who deceive themselves, who hide from themselves, who are afraid to acknowledge before you the truth of their poor choices, forgive and bless them, Lord; renew their hearts and souls and minds and strength. Be merciful to all who crave cheap pleasures but who whine when they suffer the consequences which they set in motion. Help them, and us, to set aside our foreign gods, our cheap idols, and to walk with you, Lord; to live for you and to honor you.

Give us now the ability to face reality about ourselves, to face the needs of others, and the willingness to risk coming back to Bethel and starting over. Lord, also, be merciful to the timid among us who risk nothing, who enjoy our freedom without paying attention the needs of those around us, without noticing or helping to fix what needs fixing.

Would you now speak to our hearts, so that we not say more while you speak to us... while you speak to *me....(silent meditation)...*

In Christ our Lord who taught us to pray...

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.

Hymn

"The Lord of Sea and Sky"

Daniel Schutte
Performed by Collin Raye
Tune: HERE I AM

Benediction

Postlude

"Fugue in G Minor BWV 542"

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Hugh's Pastoral Prayer is prompted by Hugh's youthful handwritten notes from a prayer in the 1970's by his pastor, the Rev. Dr. Fred Poag, First Presbyterian Church-Spartanburg, SC, following his sermon on Jacob's return to Bethel. I am much obliged to his words and thoughts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS

WELCOME! To learn about Trinity's life and service or about becoming a member of Trinity, visit www.trinitypcola.org.

WORSHIP ONLINE: Sunday at 10 a.m. here (<http://trinitypcola.org/media/sermons/>) to watch this week's or past worship services.

VIEW SUNDAY SERVICE ON VIMEO! Using the Vimeo App on your Smart TV's menu, search for *Trinitypcola* and you'll find our Vimeo videos. Rather than your laptop, you may use your Smart TV, Roku, or other streaming devices.

YOUTUBE CHANNEL Search Trinity Pcola for our videos.

SEND US A PHOTO of you watching church online! We miss seeing each other. Text Colette at 850-791-1886 and include a message to your church family! Your photo may be included on our social media posts.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE Verses of Comfort can be found at trinitypcola.org > ministries > congregational care > other services – [click link there](#).

ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS are invited! Hugh Hamilton will be facilitating the Serendipity Class study of The Sermon on the Mount, beginning Sunday August 2, 8:45AM on Zoom. If you wish to sit in on these six sessions, and to receive the weekly guide sheet for Bible readings and reflections, email the church office (info@trinitypcola.org) and we will add you to the email distribution list and include the Zoom videoconference link.

CONCERNS OF THE TRINITY FAMILY

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Butch Crooke
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Richard & Sue Peden
Lamar & Cheryl Wasdin
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Bobby Allmon (cousin of Shari Trujillo)
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Nathan Dille (friend of Diane Millas)
Ann Dobie (family of Mary Ruth Dobie)
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Tina & Roger Jaskot (friends of Jon & Karen Nagel)
Chris & Jenni Jennings (niece of Pat Drlicka)
Jerry LaFlamme (request of Linda Gamble)
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Angelica Makepeace (request of Alison John)
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Mary Eloise Smith (mother of Jan Beck)
Richard & Diane Swalin (request of Mary Ruth Dobie)
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Jo Winford (sister of Jayne Felix)
Saffron Young (family of Mary Anne Meier)

Prayer Warriors have been praying for our Concerns of the Trinity Family list during this time of isolation. We are grateful to Sally Zorn, Linda Gamble, Jill Clark, Sharon Gensemer, Sandra Holman, Kathy Webb, Marshall Arrich, Jane Patterson, Pat Harris, Dawn John, and Betty Petree. Thank you all!