

First Sunday after Pentecost
Trinity Sunday
May 30, 2021

10:00 A.M.

White



(You are invited to a time of quiet preparation for worship during the Prelude.)

Prelude ***Triple Fugue in Eb Major – J. S. Bach***

In this triple fugue, Bach paints a musical portrait of the Trinity, in the key of Eb (3 flats).

The first fugue is written in the ancient style (God, Creator);

The second fugue is lively, in the modern 19th century style (God, the Son, living on Earth);

During this fugue, Bach weaves in the theme of the 1st fugue.

*The third fugue is a dance (God, the spirit). Bach again weaves in the themes
of the previous two figures, so that all Three parts of the Trinity form One.*

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome and Informal Moments

Musical Introit ***Holy, Holy, Holy – arr. Charles Callahan***

***Call to Worship**

L: For the blessings of the earth, the gift of life, the joys of creation -

P: Creator God, we worship you!

L: For the gifts of transforming grace and abounding love -

P: Redeeming God, we praise you!

L: For the ever-present and ever-leading nature of our God -

P: Sustaining God, we adore you!

L: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we gather, in body and in spirit, to
worship you!

P: Creating, Redeeming, and Sustaining God – we are your church!
Come, let us worship.

Opening Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy!

No. 10

Unison Prayer of Confession & Lord's Prayer

**Gracious God, we strive to be a blessing as we follow you. Still, at
times, we fall short. When we do not create goodness, forgive us and**

help us to produce righteousness. When we seek our sustenance from places that harm and hurt, transform and sustain us by your grace. When we struggle, stumble, and stray, redeem us forever by your love which knows no bounds. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray saying, “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.”

Words of Assurance

Scripture

John 3:1-17

Margot Stiassni-Sieracki

Musical Offering *Meditation on Holy, Holy, Holy* – arr.
Charles Callahan

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Musical Prayer Response *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*

Invitation to Offering

(The offerings placed in the plate at the back of the church will be brought forward as we bless all good gifts of time, talent, and treasure, which make our ministry possible!)

Mission Moment

MESOM

Rev. Dr. Ron Baard, Dean

***Doxology**

No. 44

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Good and Gracious God, bless the gifts that we offer before you. May the ministries they create and sustain bless our communities and our world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Sermon

“The Gift of Mystery”

Rev. Josh Fitterling

(Following the sermon, the congregation will be invited to process outside to sing the final hymn and sung benediction together. Please keep your masks on for the singing and distance appropriately).

*Closing Hymn

Let There Be Peace on Earth

No. 512

*Benediction

*Sung Benediction

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.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Postlude

The Navy Hymn – arr. Dan Miller



*All who are able may stand.

Minister: *Rev. Josh Fitterling*

Interim Organist: *Mr. Ray Cornils*

Office Administrator: *Ms. Janet Leonard*

Sexton: *Ms. Mary McKinney*

Those Serving You Today

Ushers: Misty Parker, Linda Winterberg, Anne Harris

Flowers: Nancy Roby

Soloist: Beth Whitney

Thank you to our live streaming team!

Announcements

Sunday Worship—In-Person and Online

No sign-ups! Our Sunday Worship continues in our hybrid model (in-person attendance and continued virtual option). As Council voted to lift capacity limits and ease distancing per the latest CDC guidance, sign-ups will no longer be required! All are welcome to attend o Sunday! Masks are still required for the time being and the Church Council will consider any further changes at our next Council meeting on June 16th. The service will continue to be livestreamed on Zoom and Facebook, with a recording of the service available later in the day each Sunday on YouTube.

You can find a letter detailing these latest changes on the homepage of our website: www.uccwiscasset.org. Thank you to everyone who continues to make our services possible!

Coffee Hour Back Soon!

Coffee Hours will resume beginning on June 20th, Father's Day. It will be held outside (weather permitting) on the front lawn. For now, only coffee and tea will be service. To avoid disposable cups as much as possible, please bring your own mug, but if you forget, disposable cups will be there for back-up.

Habitat for Humanity—Third Spring Walk, June 15, 6:30pm

Coming up in mid-June is our final Spring Walk for our Habitat for Humanity fundraiser. We will gather in front of the church and take a 2.2 mile walk around the village and across the bridge. Afterwards, we will celebrate the end of the school year and our success in fund-raising for Habitat with an ice cream social! (*Rain date is the next evening, June 16*)

Donations can be made online at

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/first-congregational-spring-walk->

[to-build-2021](#). Donations by check can be made out to H4H/7 Rivers Maine and mailed to the church.

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Clement at cindytabaclement@gmail.com or phone 301-788-1838.

Sunday Night Bible Study on Zoom—Tonight, 7pm

Sunday Night Bible Study will continue on Genesis on May 30rd at 7pm. If you have questions or would like Zoom information, please contact Rev. Josh at joshfitterling@myfairpoint.net or cell 610-750-2688.

Summerfest—July 24, 2021!

Summerfest is on! We are now ready to accept all those things that you have been sorting out during our recent at-home time. Items can be dropped off during regular church office hours – 9-12 Tuesday through Thursday. Starting Thursday, June 3rd, from 9-12, we will be organizing donated items for yard sale and treasures and welcome any volunteers who can spend a few hours helping us with that task so that we can spread the work among many hands. Contact Beth Maxwell for more information (emaxwell@myfairpoint.net or 207-882-6180).

Sign-Up Online to Support our Worship Experience—Provide Flowers, Read Scripture, or Usher!

Many hands and hearts make our worship services possible and we need you! Would you like to usher, read scripture, or provide flowers? You can sign-up online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c48aea82aa3f8ce9-church> or by calling the church office at 207-882-7544.

Additional roles such a virtual ushers, livestream techs, and soloists are also vital and needed. Contact Rev. Josh at joshfitterling@myfairpoint.net or 610-750-2688 to learn more or share your interest!

Supporting the Ministry of our Church

Thank you for your continued support in sustaining our ministries! Offerings can be mailed to the church at First Congregational Church, P.O. Box 350, Wiscasset, ME 04578.

Thank you!

10 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark-ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see;
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y;
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y;

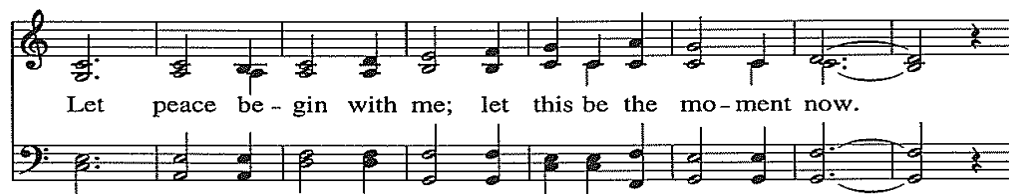
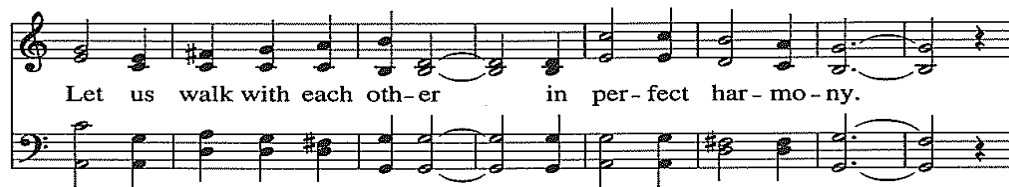
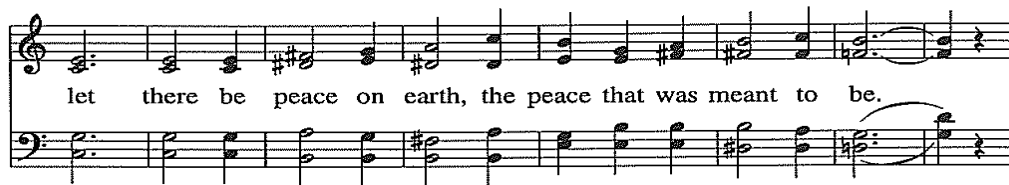
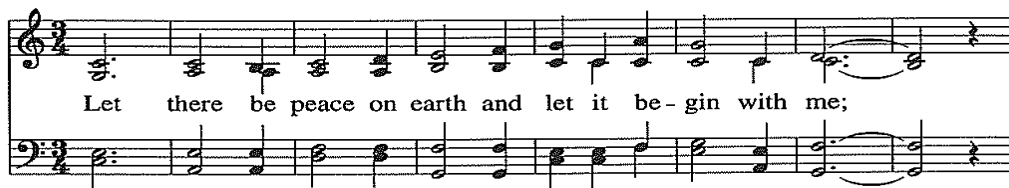
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 God ev - er - liv - ing, through e - ter - ni - ty.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

WORDS: Reginald Heber, 1826, alt.
 MUSIC: John Bacchus Dykes, 1861

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For this hymn Reginald Heber, Anglican Bishop of India, drew heavily on the imagery of God in heaven found in Revelation, chapters 4 and 5.

Let There Be Peace on Earth



* Original words: "With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony."

WORDS: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson, 1955, alt.

MUSIC: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson, 1955; harm. Charles H. Webb, 1987

Sy Miller and spouse Jill Jackson have collaborated in writing eighty-five songs.

WORLD PEACE

Int.

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With ev - ery step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow:

to take each mo-ment and live each mo-ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.

Let there be peace on earth and let it be - gin with me.