

BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Sunday 30 May 2021

Trinity Sunday/Peace with Justice Sunday

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ENTRANCE

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Announcements

Greeting**: No one has ever seen God;
**If we love one another,
God lives in us, and God's love
is perfected in us. 1 John 4:12 Alt.)**

Praise Choruses: 2016 "Glorify Thy Name"
2018 "Honor and Praise"

Opening Prayer**: Everlasting God:
You have revealed yourself as Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit,
and ever live and reign in the perfect unity
of love.
**Grant that we may always hold
firmly and joyfully to this faith,
and, living in praise of your divine majesty,
may finally be one in you;
who are three persons in one God,
for ever and ever. Amen.**
(Church of South India, 20th Cent., Alt.)

Opening Hymn: 64 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination: 465 "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalter: 761 Psalm 29

Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-17

Hymn of Preparation: 383 "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

Gospel Lesson: John 3:1-17

Sermon: *"All of us"*

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

Peace with Justice Sunday Prayer (see below)

The Peace: Let us offer one another\
signs of reconciliation and love.
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

The Invitation: As forgiven and reconciled people,
let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offering/Offertory

Gloria Patri: 70 "Glory Be to the Father"

Offering Prayer: 87 "What Gift Can We Bring?"

The Lord's Prayer: 895

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SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn: 557 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Closing Prayer: 669 "The Apostolic Blessing"

Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude

Going Forth

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Pease with Justice Sunday Prayer**:

(Response: ***O Lord, deliver us***)

From self-righteousness that will not compromise,
and from selfishness that gains by the oppression of others, **R**

From the lust for money or power that drives to kill, **R**

From trusting in the weapons of war,
and mistrusting the councils of peace, **R**

From hearing, believing, and speaking lies about other nations, **R**

From suspicions and fears that stand
in the way of reconciliation, **R**

From words and deeds that encourage discord, prejudice,
and hatred;

from everything that prevents us from fulfilling
your promise of peace, **R**

Amen. (U.S.A., 20th Cent., Alt.)