



Trinity Sunday
June 15, 2025 10:30 a.m.



Week 1: Leaving Home

Sojourning God, your Spirit exists everywhere, on every path, inviting us to move with curiosity and compassion toward each other. Give us courage to leave the familiar, to venture out beyond our walls, taking leave so that we will see with wider vision, know with deeper appreciation, exist with expanded perception. Nudge and guide us, we pray. Amen.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

RINGING THE BELL

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

PRELUDE "God of Grace, God of Glory"

Paul Manz

() Indicates that all are invited to stand*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Leaving home, we set our course, on a quest for deeper meaning.

All: What we find can change us for the love of all creation.

One: Come, let us worship God, who guides us through all our journeys!

***GATHERING HYMN: “Holy, Holy, Holy” #277 *New Century Hymnal* vv.1-3**

(For full music, the New Century Hymnal is located in each pew rack)

Holy, holy, holy! God the Almighty! Early in the morning we praise your majesty.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Saints adore you truly,

casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

cherubim and seraphim bow before you only, from the beginning, God eternally.

Holy, holy, holy! Though we know but dimly,

through the eyes of humankind your glory may not see,

You alone are holy, you alone are worthy, perfect in power, in love and purity.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(unison)*

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole hearts and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, through what we have done and left undone. Forgive us when we turn away. Guide us as we seek to turn around toward greater love. Lead us to travel in your ways. *(silent confession)*

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Know this: At the moment of despair and unknowing, Jesus appeared to the disciples on the road. He is our constant companion and invites us always to break open our lives to the gift of grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Holy, Holy, Holy” v.4**

Holy, holy, holy, God the Almighty!

All your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

***PASSING THE PEACE**

CONVERSATION WITH OUR CHILDREN

LISTENING

God speaks to us in the Word proclaimed.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 13:17-22 Pew Bible p.53

A Word of God that is still speaking, **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

SILENT MEDITATION

HYMN OF REFLECTION “Guide me, O My Great Redeemer” #18 *New Century Hymnal*
(For full music, the *New Century Hymnal* is located in each pew rack)

**Guide me, O my great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.**

**Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journeys through.
Stronger deliverer, strong deliverer, ever be my strength and shield,
Ever be my strength and shield.**

**When I reach the River Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death, and hell’s destruction, land me safe on heaven’s side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever sing to you,
I will ever sing to you.**

RESPONDING

We respond to God’s Word through our prayers and our gifts.

NAMING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY “All Praise to Thee”

Paul Manz

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* DOXOLOGY #781 *New Century Hymnal*

**Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; One God, Triune, whom we adore.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***COMMISSIONING HYMN: “You are Salt of the Earth, O People” #181**
(For full music, the New Century Hymnal is located in each pew rack)

You are salt for the earth, O people: salt for the reign of God!

Share the flavor of life, O people: life in the City of God!

**Refrain: Bring forth the reign of mercy, bring forth the reign of peace;
Bring forth the reign of justice, bring forth the City of God!**

You are a light on the hill, O people: light for the City of God!

Shine so holy and bright, O people, shine for the City of God! Refrain

You are a seed of the Word, O people: bring forth the reign of God!

Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice, grow in the City of God! Refrain

We are a blessed and a pilgrim people: bound for the reign of God!

Love our journey and love our homeland; love is the City of God! Refrain

***COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Postlude Trumpet Tune on "Amsterdam" Jerry Westenkuehler

SENDING

With God’s blessing, we are sent forth to follow Christ in the world.

Worship Endnotes

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A Spiritual Travel Journal Week One: Leaving Home

Leaving home can be filled with anticipation and excitement, but also trepidation about the unknown. When the going got rough in the desert, the Israelites began to pine for Egypt, even though it was a place where they had been enslaved. Sometimes leaving the familiar, even when we know we must all at some point do this, can seem overwhelming. Embarking on a new adventure into the unfamiliar, such as a new job or new relationship or a new travel route, can often lead to a moment of questioning: “why did I think this was a good idea?” Of course, further down the road, we often see the advantages, we learn and grow in ways we could not have if we had not left the comfort of the known. This is where trust and faith come in... at the beginning of the journey we have to remember that God has always been present and this will not change.

What mindsets are we in need of changing in order to live out the commission to love our neighbor as ourselves?

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