



FAIRLAWN

Connect with what matters in life.



**Fairlawn Avenue United Church
Sunday, June 15, 2025 10:30am
Trinity Sunday**

**Rev. Rob Metcalf
Eleanor Daley, Director of Music
Fairlawn Avenue Senior Choir**

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*Indicates when the congregation is to stand, as able.

Congregational responses, singing and readings in unison are indicated in **bold text**.

Welcome and Acknowledgement

***Processional Hymn** Praise with Joy the World's Creator

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**Praise with joy the world's Creator,
God of justice, love, and peace,
source and end of human knowledge,
God whose grace shall never cease.
Celebrate the Maker's glory,
power to rescue and release.**

**Praise to Christ who feeds the hungry,
frees the captive, finds the lost,
heals the sick, upsets religion,
fearless both of fate and cost.
Celebrate Christ's constant presence:
friend and stranger, guest and host.**

**Praise the Spirit sent among us,
liberating truth from pride,
forging bonds where race or gender,
age or nation dare divide.
Celebrate the Spirit's treasure:
foolishness none dare deride.**

**Praise the Maker, Christ, and Spirit,
one God in community,
calling Christians to embody
oneness and diversity.
Thus the world shall see reflected:
God is One and One in Three.**

***Gathering Prayer**

***Introit** Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts

E. Daley

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.
(Isaiah 6:3b)

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Christ our light!

Thanks be to God!

Sharing Peace

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

And also with you.

Scripture John 16:12-15 (Good News Translation)

Reader: Sue Metcalf

"I have much more to tell you, but now it would be too much for you to bear. When, however, the Spirit comes, who reveals the truth about God, he will lead you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own authority, but he will speak of what he hears and will tell you of things to come. He will give me glory, because he will take what I say and tell it to you. All that my Father has is mine; that is why I said that the Spirit will take what I give him and tell it to you."

Anthem Arise and Sing

Dave and Jean Perry

Arise and sing, the Lord is King of all creation.
Through all the land we raise a song of jubilation.
We sing with praise for all the wonders to us given.
Arise and sing, the Lord is King of all.
Alleluia!

All glory be to God on high, our great Creator.
We worship Thee, give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory.
To earth bring peace, goodwill to all to last forever.
O Lord, our God, our heav'nly King of all.
Alleluia!
(Dave and Jean Perry)

Reflection Trinity

Rev. Rob Metcalf

***Hymn** Come Touch Our Hearts

**Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion,
from failing embers build a blazing fire;
love strong enough to overturn injustice,
to seek a world more gracious,
come touch and bless our hearts.**

4. **Come touch our souls that we may know and love you,
your quiet presence all our fears dispel;
create a space for spirit to grow in us,
let life and beauty fill us,
come touch and bless our souls.**

**Come touch our minds and teach us how to reason,
set free our thoughts to wonder and to dream;
help us to open doors of understanding,
to welcome truth and wisdom,
come touch and bless our minds.**

**Come touch us in the moments we are fragile,
and in our weakness your great strength reveal;
that we may rise to follow and to serve,
steady now our nerve,
come touch and bless our wills.**
(Gordon Light, 2002)

Introduction of Offering

Offertory Anthem Christ Hath a Garden

K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

Christ hath a garden walled around,
A paradise of fruitful ground,
Chosen by love, and fenced by grace
From out the world's wide wilderness.

Like trees of spice, his servants stand,
There planted by his mighty hand;
By Eden's gracious streams that flow
To feed their beauty where they go.

Awake, O wind of heav'n and bear
Their sweetest perfume through the air:
Stir up, O south, the boughs that bloom,
Till the beloved Master come:

That he may come and linger yet
Among the trees that he hath set;
That he may evermore be seen
To walk among the springing green.

(Robert Bridges, 1844-1930, after Isaac Watts, 1674-1748)

**In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today,
to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ, your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father and Mother, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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 trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And let us not fall into temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

***Recessional Hymn Spirit, Open My Heart**

***Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.***

**God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender.**

**Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory.**

**May I weep with those who weep, share the joy of sister, brother.
In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another.**

***Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.***

(Ruth Duck, 1994)

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***Blessing**

***Choral Commissioning**

E. Daley

(The choir will sing through once, and then the congregation is invited to join in.)

**May God's love surround you,
may God's wisdom guide you,
may God's light shine upon you,
until we meet again.**

Postlude



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