Trinity Presbyterian Church May 14, 2023 A.D. Mother's Day

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson - Pastor

Gathering Music Welcome & Announcements Prelude

Call to worship

L: We've come to worship God,

P: who loved us before we were yet born,

L: who knows us even better than we know ourselves,

P: whose presence never leaves us,

L: and whose love for us never ceases. This is our God. Let us worship together on this day. Amen.

(Based on Psalm 139)

Call to Confession

L: The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us; because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence.

In Unison: O Creating God who loved us into being, we your children praise you. When we fall, you lift us up, when we fail you restore us, when we are wounded you nurse us, when we grieve you weep with us, when we celebrate you laugh with us. But sometimes we don't reach out to you, we are embarrassed, or we forget, or we feel silly. Help us to reach out to you at any and all times of our lives we pray. Amen

Pastor: Truly as far as the East is from the West, so far has our loving God removed our transgression from us. Friends, believe in the Good News of the Gospel. In Christ, we are all forgiven. Amen.

*Our Response What a Friend We have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn - Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty #482

The Morning Scripture Lesson: John 2:1-12

Jesus Changes Water Into Wine

- **2** On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."
- ⁴ "Woman, [a] why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."
- ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."
- ⁶ Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.^[b]
- ⁷ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

⁸ Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, ⁹ and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰ and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

¹¹ What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

¹² After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother and brothers and his disciples. There they stayed for a few days.

Sermon: The Gift of Jesus' Mother at a Wedding Party

*Hymn - All Things Bright and Beautiful #267

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn #592)

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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer *Sending forth and Benediction

*Choral response God be with You Till We Meet Again

God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

Liturgist: Barbara Rinker

Head Deacons: Megan Davis & Kathy Stevens

Rev. Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson Music Director: Pamela Carroll

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