

Trinity Sunday, Year A

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Scriptures: [Scripture linked to NRSV at Oremus Bible Browser]
[Genesis 1:1-2:4a](#) (*The Word and the Spirit in the creation of the heavens and earth*)
[Psalm 8](#) (*How exalted is your name in all the world!*)
[2 Corinthians 13:11-13](#) (*Paul's blessing to the church in Corinth*)
[Matthew 28:16-20](#) (*Go, make disciples in the name of the triune God*)

Themes: Trinity, Creation, Glory of God, Baptism, Earth, Call of God

HYMN SUGGESTIONS

Hymn Suggestions link to Hymnary.org, a searchable resource with a wealth of information. The tunes listed here are the ones most commonly associated with the texts, and the biblical/thematic references suggest the hymn's association with the morning's scriptures or themes.

All Creatures of Our God and King (<i>LASST UNS ERFREUEN</i>)	Genesis, Psalms, Trinity
All Things Bright and Beautiful (<i>ROYAL OAK</i>)	Genesis
Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (<i>HYFRYDOL</i>)	Matthew
Come, Thou Almighty King (<i>ITALIAN HYMN</i>)	Psalms, Trinity
Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether (<i>UNION SEMINARY</i>)	Matthew, Communion
From All That Dwell Below the Skies (<i>DUKE STREET; LASST UNS ERFREUEN; OLD HUNDREDTH</i>)	Genesis, Psalms
Go to the World! (<i>SINE NOMINE</i>)	Matthew
God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven (<i>AR HYD Y NOS</i>)	Genesis, Psalms
God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens (<i>HOLY MANNA</i>)	Genesis
Holy, Holy, Holy (<i>NICAEA</i>)	Genesis, Psalms, Trinity
How Great Thou Art (<i>O STORE GUD</i>)	Psalms
I Sing the Almighty Power of God (<i>ELLACOMBE; FOREST GREEN</i>)	Psalms, Acts
Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun (<i>DUKE STREET</i>)	Psalms
Lord, You Give the Great Commission (<i>ABBOT'S LEIGH</i>)	2 Corinthians, Matthew
Morning Has Broken (<i>BUNESSAN</i>)	Genesis
Wind Who Makes All Winds that Blow (<i>ABERYSTWYTH</i>)	Acts
This Is My Father's World (<i>TERRA BEATA</i>)	Genesis, Psalms

ANTHEMS

E = Easy, M = Moderate, MD = Moderately Difficult

All Things Are Yours, My God - E Trinity
Carl Schalk
© 1990, MorningStar Music, 50-9032
SATB, Organ

All Things Bright and Beautiful - E Genesis
ROYAL OAK/John Ferguson, arr.
© 1987, GIA Publications, G-3104
SATB, Xylophone, Flute

Grant Us Thy Peace - M..... 2 Corinthians
Felix Mendelssohn/Olaf Christiansen, ed.
© 1945, Kjos Music, No. 5082
SATB, Keyboard

The Heavens Are Telling - M Genesis
Franz Joseph Haydn/Hal Hopson, ed.
© 2008, Hope Publishing, C 5531
SATB, Keyboard

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name - M Trinity
GROSSER GOTT/ Noël Goemanne, arr.
© 1974, GIA Publications, G-1903
SATB, Organ, opt. Trumpets (2)

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name - M.....Psalms
Tom Fettke
© 1979, Word Music, No. 0-80689-30678-5
SATB, Keyboard

Psalm 8 (Adonai, Adonenu) - MPsalms
Dan Forrest
© 2111, Hal Leonard, HL 08754043
SATB, Piano, opt. Violin, Djembe (also in SSA)

The Spacious Firmament on High - E..... Gen., Psalms
Franz Joseph Haydn/Hal Hopson, ed.
© 2001, Harold Flammer, EA 5162
2-Part Mixed, Keyboard

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I Sing the Mighty Power of God - E..... Genesis
FOREST GREEN/Michael Bedford, arr.
© 2000, Choristers Guild, CGA 884
Unison/2-Part Choir, opt. Congregation, Organ,
Flute, Oboe, opt. Handbells

May the Peace of Christ (Ki Ri Su To No) - M ... 2 Cor.
Japanese Melody/Lori True, arr.
© 2020, GIA Publications, G-7841
2-Part Mixed, Piano, opt. C Instrument

May God Bestow On Us Grace - E..... Matthew
Aaron David Miller
© 2017, Augsburg Fortress, 978-1-5064-2600-6
2-Part Mixed, Piano

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL (Prayers, Poems, Quotes & Liturgies)

*O Love, whose love for love has spun
the earth, the sea, the skies,
who dwells as Christ in everyone,
and prays through our deep sighs,
transfigure by your trinity
the patterns of our love
till in our actions all can see
your Light and Life and Dove.*

– THOMAS H. TROEGER,
from “Love Simple Things to Train the Heart”

*The much-maligned doctrine of the Trinity is an
assertion that, appearances to the contrary
notwithstanding, there is only one God. Father,
Son, and Holy Spirit mean that the mystery
beyond us, the mystery among us, and the
mystery within us are all the same mystery.
Thus the Trinity is a way of saying something
about us and the way we experience God.*

– FREDERICK BUECHNER,
Wishful Thinking, 1973

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 8)

Leader: O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**People: You have set your glory above the heavens,
beyond what we can see.**

Leader: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

**People: The moon and the stars that you set in motion
with the creation of the universe;**

Leader: I think, what are human beings that you are mindful of them,

People: Mortals, that you care for them?

Leader: Yet, you have given us minds that think, and hearts that love,

**People: Voices that laugh, and souls that can look up at
the night sky and stand in awe and wonder.**

Leader: O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**People: And how wonderful that you have given us this life
that we might worship you and care for others.**

– adapted by F. Timothy Moore*

GATHERING PRAYER

(1 Corinthians 12)

O God, who is like us, and beyond us, and within us, draw near to us as we worship. In all the ways that we are scattered, gather us as one in your Spirit. Remind us that you know what it is like to be human, to be mortal. Yet, your power comes from beyond our world, while your presence can be as near as our breath. Help us to rest in that trust and for this time of worship to lay aside our worries and be renewed by your care. With hopeful hearts we pray. AMEN.

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Transforming Trinity:
Help me accept your invitation
to live in you so deeply that I can't tell
where I end and you begin. Amen.

– PETER TRABEN HAAS, Centering Prayers, 2013

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Triune God, we gather in the midst of uncertainty. While we celebrate the Easter resurrection, we wonder what comes next. You left your disciples on a mountaintop assured that your Spirit within them would provide a way. Strengthen our faith, our resolve, to trust that in this time of great need you will again provide a way for us.

We pray for doctors and nurses as they care for the sick and dying and for researchers who are seeking treatments and cures.

We lift up all those whose work provides the food and supplies we need and reminds us of how we are connected and indebted to so many people.

We ask for wisdom for political and corporate leaders, who face tremendous decisions, that they may safeguard human life and provide economic recovery.

And may you enable each of us to encourage the downhearted, use our plenty to provide for those in need, and to remain steadfast in hope. Though we are uncertain of what we will face in the days ahead, we trust in your promise to always be with us, even to the end of the age, and in that trust, we faithfully pray. AMEN.

BENEDICTION

Friends, as you go back into the world,
Rejoice in hope,
Persevere in prayer,
And overcome despair with joy.
And may the love of God,
The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit,
Walk with you every step of the way. AMEN.

* Thanks to Timothy Moore for contributing this week's liturgy and prayers.

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