

**Order of Worship**  
May 22, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.  
Trinity Sunday

Introit

Welcome & Announcements

**PRAISE AND ADORATION**

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 8)

Leader: O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**People: You have set your glory above the heavens.**

Leader: When we look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established,

**People: We have to ask, what are human beings that you are mindful of us, mortals that you care for us?**

Leader: Yet you have made us in your image and crowned us with glory and honor.

**People: We are deeply grateful for your love and care.**

**All: O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

\*Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" # 138

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

**Holy God, we confess that we have not always lived as your faithful people. We abuse and neglect your call to be good stewards of creation by our careless use of the earth's resources and by wasting precious food and water. We abuse and neglect your call to be good neighbors by ignoring the needs of others and by holding selfishly to the blessings you have given us. We also abuse and neglect ourselves by not listening for the voice of your Spirit as we make decisions and live out our lives in this world. Forgive us, Divine Creator; have mercy on us, Lord Jesus; continue with us, Dear Spirit; so that we may be empowered to live more fully and faithfully as people called by your name. This we humbly pray. Amen.**

Confession Response: **"Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us."** # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

\*Response "Gloria Patri" # 579

**HEARING THE WORD**

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: John 3:1-17

Sermon: "Unnatural Birth" Elder Ann Dietz

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*Hymn: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" # 309

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

\*Doxology # 592

\*Prayer of Dedication

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Hymn: "Come, Great God of All the Ages" # 132

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response: "Amen"