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The Worship of God – Trinity Sunday  
May 31, 2026 • 11:00 AM



Pompeo Bondi - *Saint Peter* - 1740



Third Baptist Church

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**We invite you to silence all cell phones and other devices.**

*\* = Please stand in body or spirit*

### Prelude

**Brent Johnson**

Healey Willan: Prelude on 'Nicaea'

*The most prominent Anglo-Canadian organist of the last century was Healey Willan (1880 – 1968), who created many organ preludes for the two congregations he served in Toronto. Here he was inspired by the stirring hymn from the splendidly named John Bacchus Dykes, a clergyman and organist in the northeast of England in the Victorian period.*

### Introit

**Choir**

Peter Hurford: Litany to the Holy Spirit

*The British organist Peter Hurford (1930 – 2019), acclaimed for his interpretation of Bach, directed choirs in both Leamington Spa and St. Alban's Abbey. For the former, he composed this stately setting of the verse of Robert Herrick, a 17th century clergyman and poet from the generation following John Donne.*

In the hour of my distress,  
When temptations me oppress,  
And when I my sins confess,  
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

When I lie within my bed,  
Sick in heart, and sick in head,  
And with doubts discomfited,  
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

When the house doth sigh and weep,  
And the world is drowned in sleep,  
Yet mine eyes the watch do keep,  
Sweet Spirit, comfort me.

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## Welcome

Rev. Drew Phillips and Children

Leader: We invite you to greet one another either here, or online by reaching out in the Chat or through a text or email. And we will conclude this Welcome in our traditional way with the Doxology.

## \*Passing the Peace of Christ and Doxology #815

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. Amen.

## Poem

Robin Bailey

### George Herbert: Trinitie Sunday

*Everything about this poem from the Welsh clergyman George Herbert (1593 – 1633) speaks to the Trinity. It is composed in three stanzas, each one containing three lines. The successive lines of the first stanza pertain to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. The second stanza declares our actions past, present, and future. Finally, each line of the third stanza contains a group of three nouns or verbs.*

Lord, who hast form'd me out of mud,  
And hast redeem'd me through thy bloud,  
And sanctifi'd me to do good;

Purge all my sinnes done heretofore:  
For I confesse my heavie score,  
And I will strive to sinne no more.

Enrich my heart, mouth, hands in me,  
With faith, with hope, with charitie;  
That I may runne, rise, rest with thee.

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## \*Hymn of Welcome

#3 Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

## Offertory Prayer

Candace Thomas

## Offertory Meditation

Brent Johnson

Amy Summers: O Lux Beata Trinitas

*A graduate of Nottingham University and London's Trinity College of Music, the young British composer Amy Summers (b. 1996) divides her time between writing for film and choir and organ. Here she elaborates the plainchant hymn that translates "O Blessed Light, O Trinity!"*

## Responsive Reading

Tammy Lamb

Psalm 8

Leader: Lord, our Lord, how excellent is your name in all the earth!

**People: You set your glory above the heavens!**

Leader: Out of the mouths of infants and nursing babies you have established strength because of your adversaries,

**People: ... to silence the enemy and vengeful foe.**

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

**People: ... the moon and the stars that you established**

Leader: What is man that you take notice of him

**People: ... or the son of man that you pay attention to him?**

Leader: You made him a little less than divine,

**People: but you crowned him with glory and honor.**

Leader: You gave him dominion over the work of your hands,

**People: you put all things under his feet:**

Leader: Sheep and cattle—all of them, wild creatures of the field,

**People: ... birds in the sky, fish in the sea—**

Leader: ... whatever moves through the currents of the oceans.

**People: Lord, our Lord, how excellent is your name in all the earth!**

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## Anthem

Choir

Ken Naylor: How Shall I Sing The Majesty? (arr. J. R. Daniels)

*Ken Naylor (1931 – 1991), an English teacher in Cambridge, in a lull between lessons, contemplated the marshland adjacent to his school named Coe Fen and conjured up a hymn tune that he titled after that marsh, and which we present today in an arrangement by the Pittsburgh organist, J. R. Daniels. The verse was written by John Mason (1645 – 1694), an Anglican priest with clear sympathies for the Dissenters, and who numbered several Nonconformist ministers among his close friends. About a month before he died, he had a vision of Jesus wearing “a glorious crown, and a look of unutterable majesty in His face.” When he subsequently preached on this revelation, his entire village was flooded with believers anticipating the Second Coming; while the excitement still raged, Mason himself died.*

How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie; sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around thy throne, O God most high;  
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears, whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
A sound of God comes to my ears, but they behold thy face.  
They sing, because thou art their Sun; Lord, send a beam on me;  
For where heaven is but once begun there ‘Alleluias’ be.

Enlighten with faith’s light my heart, inflame it with love’s fire;  
Then shall I sing and bear a part with that celestial choir.  
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold, with all my fire and light;  
Yet when thou dost accept their gold, Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is thine, which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line to sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore, a sun without a sphere;  
Thy time is now and evermore, thy place is everywhere.

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## Scripture Reading

1 Peter 4:7a

Dr. Tommy Simons

The end of all things is near...

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

Letter from Babylon: The End of the World As We Know It

Dr. Tommy Simons

## \*Hymn of Invitation and Declaration

All Hail, Adorèd Trinity

DUKE STREET

1. All hail, a - dor - èd Trin - i - ty!  
 2. Three per - sons praise we ev - er - more,  
 3. O Trin - i - ty! O Un - i - ty!

All hail, e - ter - nal U - ni - ty!  
 One on - ly God our hearts a - dore:  
 Be pre - sent as we wor - ship thee;

O God the Fa - ther, God the Son,  
 In thy sure mer - cy, ev - er kind,  
 And with the songs that an - gels sing

And God the Spi - rit, ev - er One.  
 May we your strong pro - tec - tion find.  
 U - nite the hymns of praise we bring.

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**Benediction**

**Rob Lamb**

**Postlude**

**Brent Johnson**

Postlude: Georgi Mushel: Toccata

*Serving as professor of composition at the Tashkent Music Conservatoire in the Soviet Republic of Uzbekistan, Mushel (1909 – 1989) fused Western forms with Uzbek folk music.*



## Prayer List

### Nursing care and rehab facilities

Delilah Canning, Friendship Village, Chesterfield, MO

Juanita Wallis, Cape Albeon, Valley Park, MO

Margaret Warman, Delmar Gardens of Chesterfield, Chesterfield, MO

### Praying for our Missionaries

Dr. Dan and Sarah Chetti – Middle East and Northern Africa

Jana Lee – Cyprus

Scarlette Jasper – Corbin, Kentucky, USA

Kihomi Ngwemi & Nzunga Mabudiga – Dominican Republic

Dr. Tim and Kathy Rice – The Democratic Republic of the Congo

Kit Ripley – Northern Thailand

### Prayer Requests

Harold Beasley

Fran Blake

Jersey Dukes

Glass Family of Maui

LaVerne Graham

Adam Grisson

Judith Hawk

Peggy Hemphill

Laverne Hulett

Glenn Jefferies

Chris Lee

Herma Nelson, Ruby Whiteside's sister

Dr. Tim Rice

Declan Rutan

Officer Steve, School Security Guard

Karen Stewart

Lydia Thiems

Alice Worrell



Please send updates, additions, or edits to this list via email to Sally, Ella or Pastor Tommy (sallyoando@att.net, ebanks@third-baptist.org, tsimons@third-baptist.org)

If you're a visitor today, we would love to meet you. Please fill out a visitor card and leave it in the offering plate or use the QR code below to connect with Third Baptist online.

## Calendar for May 31 – June 7

### Sunday, May 31

- 9:30 AM Doughnut Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 AM Sunday School, Various
- 11:00 AM Worship, Sanctuary and online via Facebook and YouTube
- 12:00 PM Fellowship, Pillsbury Threshold
- 6:00 PM Spring Concert with Isobel Ramsey, Sanctuary

### Wednesday, June 3

- 12:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 5:15 PM Dinner and Adult Bible Study, Room 2
- 5:45 PM Youth Group

### Sunday, June 7

- 9:30 AM Doughnut Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 AM Sunday School, Various
- 11:00 AM Worship, Sanctuary and online via Facebook and YouTube
- 12:00 PM Fellowship, Pillsbury Threshold

## **Pastoral and Music Staff**

Dr. Tommy Simons, Pastor

Rev. Drew Phillips, Minister to Families

Dr. Philip Barnes, Director of Music

Lansin Lim Kimler, Pianist

