

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church
Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024

Reflection: "Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another." – 1 John 4:11

PRELUDE: "Variations on "Beach Spring" – Hal Hopson

WELCOME

INTROIT: "In Thee It Gladness" – JS Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Come to the vineyard of God.

People: We seek Christ, the vine of great love.

Leader: Drink from the waters of life.

People: We live in the light of God's grace.

Leader: Come to the vineyard of God.

People: All are welcome here.

***OPENING HYMN: "How Can We Name a Love" #111**

***OPENING PRAYER:**

God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us with the strength of Christ, the vine of everlasting life. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

***ACT OF PRAISE: "Blessed Be the Name" #63**

THE PEACE:

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also, with your spirit.
(The people pass the peace)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Epistle Lesson

First John 4:7-21

***Gospel Alleluia**

#2043

***Gospel Lesson**

John 15:1-8

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

ANTHEM: "Holy Manna" – arr. Joel Raney

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Improvisation" – Hugh Livingston

***PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

***DOXOLOGY**

#94

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:**

Gracious God, as we offer our gifts today, we reflect on the wisdom in the words from John's Gospel. In this imagery, we recognize our role as branches, connected to you, the source of our strength and vitality. Help us stay rooted in your love, producing fruit that brings glory to your name. May these gifts signify our commitment to abide in your teachings and work joyfully in response to your love. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:**

"Come and Find the Quiet Center"

#2128

WORDS FROM THE ACTS

Acts 8:26-40

MESSAGE: "What is to prevent me?"

***CLOSING HYMN: "Go, Make of All Disciples"**

#571

***BENEDICTION:**

POSTLUDE: "Postlude on "Lancashire" – Stanley Saxton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH PRAYER LIST: Linda Phillips, Tuckerman Ferris, Norman St. Hilaire, Beth Daley, Linda Kulju, Virginia Pickett, Sarah Pena, Linda Murphy, Sarah & Libby MacQuarrie, Laurie Wilson, Mark, Joanne Smith, Jeanette, Mary, Millie Ward, Bridget, Rev. Higgins, John, Jean, Ritchie, President Carter, Peace in Ukraine, June, Ray & George, Marj Stark, John Douglass, Sandy Gray, Barbara Towski, Jean Ebb, William Drury, Shirley Teague, Nancy Higgins, Sharon & Ivey Dunbar-Link, Philippa & Luke Ottevanger, Sue White, Betty Spencer, Betty & Bob, Lillian Gillis, Nancy Tiskis, Dree, DeeDee, Ostrom Family, Pat Gagnon, Pamela Drury, Susan Ellis, Luke & Philippa, Debbie Campbell.

JOYS AND CONCERNS for prayer time can be emailed to Pastor Matt at mjwissell@gmail.com or texted to 978-430-2749 (please leave your name as well as your request).

PASTORAL VISITATION: If you would like a visit from Pastor Matt, please notify him at mjwissell@gmail.com or call his cell phone at 978-430-2749. You may also contact the church office at htumchurch@gmail.com or 978-777-7408.

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EVENTS

Sunday

Church Service and Sunday School 9:30 am
Followed by fellowship coffee hour

First Sunday of every month, Fill a red grocery bag for the
Danvers People to People Food Pantry

Monday

Tuesday

Samaritan Circle: Second Tuesday of the month

Wednesday

Friendship Ring: First Wednesday of the month (off-site)

Thursday

Children's Music 4:30pm
Family Dinner 5:15pm
Bell Choir 6pm
Choir Rehearsal 7pm

Friday

Saturday

The Gathering – 2nd Saturday of the Month 10:30am-Noon

AA 7:30pm

SAVE THE DATES

April 28 – Pizza Brunch
May 12 – Mother's Day
May 19 – Children's Sunday
May 19 – Church Spirit Wear Day
May 26 – Peace With Justice Sunday
June 16 – Father's Day
June 23 – Matt's Farewell Party
(more info to follow)

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April 28, 2024

The Reverend Matthew J. Wissell, *Pastor*
Nancy Rodriguez, *Christian Education Director*
Dr. Karl Henning, *Director of Music*
Rev. Barbara Otto, *Organist*
Jodi Armstrong, *Office Administrator*
Kevin O'Brien, *Sexton*



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MAY 19th

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