

First Church of Christ in Mansfield (Congregational) United Church of Christ

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY + MAY 30, 2021

Greeting May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

Call to Healing and Opening Prayer

Hear these words of Book of the Prophet Isaiah, "In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a person of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

When in this past week have our lips been unclean with words that hurt and cut down? When have failed to remember that we have been forgiven and our sin blotted out?

Holy, holy, holy God, fill us with strength and courage, with discernment and compassion, that we may be your instruments of justice and love in this world, that it may be on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.



Sacred Scripture Romans 8:12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the fleshfor if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ--if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Reflection

Call to Prayer Hear Us O Lord



Prayers of the People and the Prayer of Jesus

Our Father/Mother/Creator,

who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts/sins/trespasses,

as we forgive our debtors/those who sin/trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Holy Holy Holy

As we share this musical offering, I invite you to hold your financial offering in your hand, envisioning the ministry and mission it will enable in the days ahead. At the conclusion of worship, please place your offering in the mail. (First Church of Christ in Mansfield UCC. Box 36. Mansfield Center, CT 06250) or go to <u>www.myfcc.info</u> and click on the green box to make an online gift via credit card or bank transfer.

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee: holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee; casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, God ever-living, through eternity.

3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see; only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Benediction Sent to Live Resurrection