

TOWNLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Trinity Sunday
Father's Day
June 16, 2019

829 Salem Road - Union, New Jersey

Building Faith, Changing Lives, Sharing Christ

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAY LEADER

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

LAY LEADER

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

**Your voice causes the seas to roar
and the winds to howl.**

**You have set your glory above the heavens.
The moon and the stars sing your praises.**

What are human beings that you are mindful of us?

Who are we that you care for us?

Yet you have made us a little lower than the angels.

You have crowned us with glory and honor.

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

OPENING PRAYER

LAY LEADER

Holy Wisdom, Spirit of truth,
we behold your glory in the starry heavens,
and your wonder in the earth and sea.

Who are we that you care for us so deeply?

Why do you love us so completely?

May we heed your clarion call
to lead lives steeped in your wisdom,
and to take delight in all of your goodness.

Come into our lives and lead us into the fullness of your truth,
that our lives might glorify you
in all that we say and do. **Amen.**

***HYMN: #15 “All Creatures of Our God and King”**

CALL TO CONFESSION

LAY LEADER

By faith in Jesus Christ,
we are given access to the grace of God.
Standing in that grace,

we now confess our sins before God,
seeking forgiveness and peace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

ALL

**Spirit of truth,
we long to take delight
in the wisdom you would share with us,
but it is often too much to bear.
We yearn to joyfully receive the blessings
that Wisdom seeks to bestow upon us,
but we have trusted our own wisdom,
turning away from the fullness of truth
that you alone reveal.
Forgive our inattention,
and guide us into the sheer delight
of bearing witness to your glory,
that Wisdom may delight in us now
as when the world was young. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

LAY LEADER

When God fashioned us from the dust of the ground,
Wisdom rejoiced before the Lord,
delighting in the human race.
Wisdom calls to bless us and delight in us now,
not to curse us.
Have hope and take heart.

***GLORIA PATRI**

ALL

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.**

***THE PEACE**

LAY LEADER

Jesus promises to send us the Spirit of truth
to guide us into all truth.

May we express the truth of God's love in the Spirit,
as we share the peace of Christ with one another this day.

The Peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you.

ANTHEM: "God Is There" by J. Paul Williams and Jimbo Stevens

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION **PASTOR**

SCRIPTURE: **PASTOR**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

SERMON "*The Trinity*" **PASTOR**

***HYMN:** #4 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

A TIME OF SHARING – JOYS AND CONCERNS **PASTOR**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER **PASTOR**
(Responsively)

Holy God, you are more than we can know or name,
yet we call on you again and again
for you alone are God.

God, in your wisdom, hear our prayer.

We cannot live apart from you,
for you have called us into your triune life.
Your steadfast love surrounds us all our days.
Wherever we may be—
on a high mountain or a path in a shadowed valley,
at a crossroads on our journey,
outside the gates of welcome or in some inner circle—
you call to us, delighting in the human race.

God, in your wisdom, hear our prayer.

We come before you in thanksgiving
for all the gifts you have given that delight us so:
for the beauty of this season;
for the lives of those who bless us beyond their knowing;
for this community of faith by which we are nurtured and challenged;
for opportunities to serve you by serving others;

for goals accomplished;
and for the gift of life granted yet again today.

God, in your wisdom, hear our prayer.

We come before you humbly and hopeful in need:
for those we know who are suffering today
because of illness in mind, body, or spirit;
for those trying to make a difficult decision;
for those grieving a loss, an ending, a dream deferred.
We pray for healing and strength in every broken place of our lives.
We long for the hope you alone can give—
hope that does not disappoint us
but rolls away stones of death and despair.

God, in your wisdom, hear our prayer.

We pray for those whose livelihood is precarious,
for those who live at the edge of poverty's precipice,
and for those who live in temporary shelter and tenuous provision.
In the public square and in the privacy of our conscience,
help us find the will and the way toward a common good.

God, in your wisdom, hear our prayer.

We come before you earnestly and urgently for this world in turmoil:
for the chaos loose in the natural world—
drought and floods, earthquakes and tornadoes—
heal the earth, we pray.
May those who are starving, thirsty,
or left in destruction's debris be restored.
We pray for the turmoil we cause
through war and violence, hatred and prejudice,
by our indifference and by our calculation.
Bring an end to our warring ways,
until civilians and soldiers live in safety and peace.
Root out of our hearts the seeds of bigotry and narrow-mindedness.
Stir us from apathy, increase in us empathy
that we may love as you love.

God, in your wisdom, hear our prayer.

As we pray in the name of the One who taught us to pray, saying...**Our Father...**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

LAY LEADER

Bring your different gifts,
your many languages,
your unique ways of offering yourself to God and God's world.

All of your gifts are welcome here,
in whatever way you are ready to offer them.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE: HYMN #175 “Seek Ye First”**

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!*

*Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!!*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

LAY LEADER

Sovereign God, you have set us as stewards
over the works of your hands.
May the offerings we bring you this day
reflect the seriousness of your commission
to be stewards of your gifts;
may they be signs of our willingness
to joyfully share your bounty with the world. **Amen.**

***HYMN: #757 “Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”**

CHARGE and BLESSING

PASTOR

POSTLUDE

WORSHIPPERS AND GUESTS ARE INVITED:

Join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall following this worship service for snacks and fellowship.

Bible Study Wednesdays at 6:30 PM
6 Themes of the Bible Everyone Should Know
See Pastor Ron for a book if you plan to attend.

“A Time for Prayer” –
Mondays at 4:00 PM

Book Club Resumes
Sunday, June 23 – after Service

Movie Night
June 26 – 6:30 PM

FOOD BANK SUNDAY

Townley’s Program Task Force is spearheading a *Food Bank Sunday*, where on each 4th Sunday they will receive donations of non-perishable food items to contribute to the Connecticut Farms Food Pantry. We are asking our members to support this initiative by giving one non-perishable food item (or \$1) per week. Kindly drop off your items in the **Food Box** in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June Donohue	2
Nancy Segale	5
Lynn Bailey	10
Bruce Tangowski	16
Cynthia Manno	21

A Note from Our Treasurer: 6/9/2019
We received \$1029 in pledge & plate, \$80.95 Per Capita, \$5 One Great Hour of Sharing & \$5 Deacon’s Fund.
Janet Sangekar

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