made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

Gospel John 16:12-15 ¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Sermon

Rev. Sharon Carter

Responding to the Word Affirmation of Faith

L: In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit. We trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

P: We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

L: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

P: With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Offering

Prayer, Offertory Music **Response** Glory Be to the Father
#577

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

Going Into the World

- +Sending Song Called As Partners in Christ's Service #343
- +Charge

L: Let us go forth in love to serve others P: May we find ways to serve you, O God, in our homes, work and community.

- +Benediction
- +Postlude





THE BODY OF CHRIST



Community of Faith Presbyterian Church June 16, 2019 Trinity Sunday +Stand as you are able

Leader reads plain type, Congregation reads bold

Preparing Ourselves Prelude Welcome

Call to Worship based on Psalm 8 L: The name of God is grand and magnificent! God's glory is greater than anything!

P: So, why does God care for human beings? Why does God think of us at all?

L: We are God's creations too, along with the earth and everything in it. And we are the highest of God's creations.

P: The name of God is grand and magnificent! God's glory is greater than anything!

Let us pray: Great and loving God, your name is above all in the universe. We are awed by your creations: the moon and stars, the fish and birds, animals and all living things. We are awed by your creation of us too, and wonder at your care and love for us. May our worship please you and bring us closer to you as well. Hear our prayer and as we pray the prayer that Christ taught us: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! #138

Call to Confession

We are God's beloved creations, though we have become separated from God's desire for our lives. We can seek to repair the break by owning up to our sins and trespasses, and seeking forgiveness. Let us pray:

Prayer of Confession

Forgiving God, we confess to you that we are not the perfect human beings you created us to be; we are selfish, self-centered, unloving and full of ourselves. We blame others for the problems of the world and ignore our own part in them. Have mercy on us we pray, O God; teach us the better way, that we might live lives of truth and love. (moment of silence.)

Response to Confession

L: All who are led by the Spirit are children of God, adopted into the family of God by the same Spirit. As we offer our prayers and confessions to God, we know that we are forgiven and we can be at peace.

P: By the power of the Spirit we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sung Response Spirit of the Living God #322 (2x)

+Passing of the Peace

L: As God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another: the peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you.

Anthem We Are More Than Conquerers - Hayes

Hearing the Word Sung Prayer for Illumination (2x)

Listen to the Word
that God has spoken
Listen to the One
who is close at hand
Listen to the Voice
that began creation
Listen even if you don't understand

First Reading Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through

our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Hymn *Spirit* #319

Second Reading

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? ²On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live…

²²The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. ²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸when he