Trinity Church

Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts



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> Trinity Sunday June 16, 2025

As an open and affirming congregation the Mission and Purpose of Trinity Church is to:

Gather as God's people.



Grow in faith, love and service.

Go into the world as disciples and apostles.

Order of Worship

We welcome all of you to our worship service this Sunday! If you are visiting, please sign our guest book or fill out a welcome card in the pew so we can better welcome you!

* = Please rise in body or Spirit. We kindly ask for your cooperation in keeping our space fragrance-free.

Prelude

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN

"SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD" (UMH 393, sung twice)

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Proverbs 8)

Doesn't Wisdom call out?

Doesn't Understanding raise Her voice?-

in the gathering crowds of the righteously rageful,

on the path of compassion,

at the corner of the city block

where our unhoused neighbor reaches out Her hand-

"To you, O people, I call out;

I raise my voice to all humankind.

I was formed long ages ago,

at the very beginning, when the world came to be."

Bless us with Your song, O Wisdom-

a lullaby awakening our Ancient Knowing,

a song of our Unbreakable Connection.

OPENING PRAYER (Discipleship Ministry)

Let us pray... God our Potter, God who becomes clay, God who shapes us in the fire, we are made new in your presence. We come seeking your wisdom, crying out our concerns, needing your peace. Use this time to form us as community, connected through your breath, life, and hope that propels us as your body in the world. Amen.

TIME FOR ALL AGES

FIRST READING

*GOSPEL READING

SERMON – "Hope Does Not Put Us to Shame"

Pastor Benjiman Durfee

ROMANS 5:1-5

JOHN 16:12-15

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray together the Lord's Prayer, using whichever words or language are closest to our hearts (some versions may be found at UMH 894).

INVITATION TO OFFERING (BCP 376)

Walk in love, as Christ loved us.

Let us with joy and gratitude present our offerings to God.

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise God, all creatures here below Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ and Spirit one. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (adapted from *Enfleshed*)

Let us pray... Cosmic Love, we pray that our gathered resources and gifts may be used wisely. That we may be bold enough to have a disposition not of fear, but of abundance. That all may receive what they need in the web of your kin-dom. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Let All Things Now Living" (TFWS 2008)

*BENEDICTION (from *Enfleshed*)

Holy Wisdom brims forth in the mountains, oceans, and fields.

She is found in places both extraordinary and humble.

She calls out on the streets.

She dances with God and reveals Herself in the ordinary corners of our lives.

Wisdom awaits, beloveds, let us meet Her with hope. Amen

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN" (UMH 673, V. 1)

Postlude

Today's Worship Ministers

Presider & Preacher: Pastor Benjiman Durfee

Guest Organist: Anne Howland Acolyte: Nicole Porter Reader 1: Dusti Dufresne Reader 2: Lois Bascom Usher: Sue Mead Videographer: Ginny Ray