



Sunday Worship
Sunday, May 31, 2026
National City Christian Church

The Service of Worship

Prelude

Kevin Biggins Jr.

Sancta Trinitas

*Processional Hymn

Congregation

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye made blind by sin thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Welcome

Pastor Stephanie

***Call to Worship**

Pastor Stephanie

One: God, whose fingers sculpt sun and moon and curl the baby's ear;

All: Spirit, brooding over chaos before the naming of day;

One: Savior, sending us to earth's ends with water and words:

All: startle us with the grace, love, and communion of your unity in diversity,

One: that we may live to the praise of your majestic name,

All: in peace and agreement with your Spirit and one another, Amen.

*** Hymn of Spiritual Readiness**

Congregation

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav-en - ly Dove, stay right here
with us, fill - ing us with your love; and for these bless - ings
we lift our hearts in praise; with - out a doubt we'll know that
we have been re - vived when we shall leave this place.

The image shows a four-system musical score for the hymn "Sweet, Sweet Spirit". Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The music is in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The score includes various musical notations such as chords, beams, and rests.

The Service of the Word

Prayers of the People

Karla Williams

As we enter a time of prayer together, we ask that you hold the following people in your heart and lift them up to God: Loretta Franklin, Revs. Drs. Stephanie and William Crowder, Dick Hamm, Norman Kruse, Dorothy Davis, Betty Jones, Warren Brooks, Tim Schaefer, Eddie Franklin, Wes Strotman, Will White, Lon Schreiber, Monte Hillis, Carol Gesell, Bill Kambic, and Angie Bradley.

**If you would like to add your name to this prayer list,
please reach out to Pastor Stephanie or Terri Malone, Elder and Worship Chair.**

Sacred Text: 2 Cor. 13:11-13 (NRSVUE)

Gina Ramirez

Hear these words from the book of Acts. Let us open our hearts to receive the Good News once more:

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

One: The Word of God, for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God

***Song of Response**

Congregation

**They'll Know We Are Christians
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Message

Pastor Stephanie

They'll Know We Are Christians

1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are
2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will

one in the Lord, We are one in the
walk hand in hand, We will walk with each

Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, And we
oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, And to -

pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re -
geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our

stored:
land: And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our

love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are

Chris - tians by our love.

The Service of Community

***The Lord's Prayer**

Jude Williams

*You're invited to rise as you are able and join in the Lord's Prayer
using the words and the language that resonates most with your relationship to God.*

**Our God who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Your name,
Your Kindom come, Your will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the Kindom and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen**

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Gina Ramirez

Offertory

Alia Waheed-Ky, Soloist

Then Sings My Soul

*O Lord, my God when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.*

*When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. (Refrain)*

*And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin.*

*When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" (Refrain)*

*Refrain: Then sings my soul my Savior God, to thee:
how great thou art!*

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all peo - ple
 high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise
 God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it
 one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

***Passing of the Peace**

Pastor Stephanie

One: The Peace of Christ be always with you!

All: And also with you.

***Hymn of Response**

Congregation

**Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ
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***Moment of Centering: Psalm 100:3-5**

Congregation

*Know that The Lord is God! God made us, and we belong to the Creator,
 We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.
 Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and the courts with praise!
 Give thanks to God! Bless God's Name! For God is good;
 God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness to all generations.*

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one; at the ta - ble he
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a



shout of joy: bread is bro - ken; the wine is poured;
sets the tone, teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,
world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:

Refrain



Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
love in word and in deed ex - press. Je - sus lives a - gain;
God (Im - man - u - el) ev - ery - where!



earth can breathe a - gain; pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

The Service of the Table

All are welcome to take communion. The elements are alcohol free and gluten free.

If you would like a deacon to bring communion elements to you in your pew, please raise your hand.

If you're in need of prayer, an elder is available at the back of the sanctuary.

Invitation to the Table
Prayers for the Bread and Cup
Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor Stephanie
Rachel Evans
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The Service of Going Forth

***Hymn of Going Forth**

Congregation

**Go to the World!
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***Benediction**

Pastor Stephanie

Postlude

Kevin Biggins Jr.

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity



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If a call to membership has been placed on your heart, please see Pastor Stephanie

Go to the World!



1. Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth. Go
 2. Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
 3. Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless and pray. The
 4. Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, For



preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth, Bap -
 Go live the Word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
 nights of tears give way to joy - ous day. As
 I am with you till the age shall end, When



tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space. Al -
 ser - vant Church you fol - low Christ's own way.
 all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"



le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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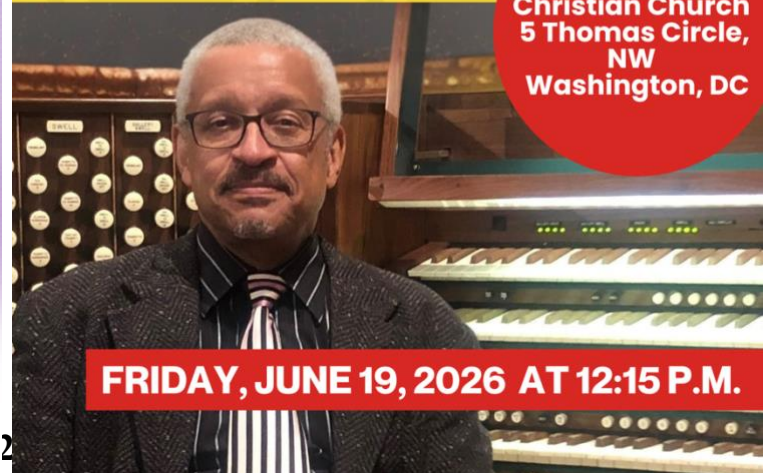
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