May 26, 2024



"Born From Above"

John 3:1-17

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street Chagrin Falls, OH 44022



May 26, 2024 Trinity Sunday 10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude We Gather Together/Faith of our Fathers (Arr. R. Mains)

Marcia Snavely, piano

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton

Introit Jesus, Savior, Blessed Friend (Deborah Governor) Fed

Federated Choir; Marcia Snavely, piano

* Call to Worship (responsive)

Rev. Betsy Wooster

One: Holy Spirit of God, you are invisible like the wind, and yet we feel your effects.

Come into our hearts,

All: that we may be renewed and reborn.

One: Open our eyes,

All: that we may see all the gifts you have given us.

One: Expand our minds,

All: that we may believe in the power of your advocacy.

* Passing of Christ's Peace

Hymn My Country, 'Tis of Thee

[Words on back]

Opening Prayer (unison)

Rev. Wooster

Blow, Holy Spirit, Wind of God,

blow away our tight rules that hold us back from trusting, risking, loving.

Blow away our sin that stands in the way of encountering our neighbors.

Ready us for birth. Prepare us for risk.

Equip us with courage and vision for the new thing that waits around the corner.

Fill us with your blowing Spirit, that we may not so much choose the stories we

have inherited but choose instead the stories we become. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity

Rev. Wooster

^{*} Those who are able stand

Federated Choir; Marcia Snavely, piano

* Doxology Halle-Halle-Halleluja

No. 41

Halle, Halleluja (x3) Halleluja, Halleluja

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Throckmorton

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer

Rev. Wooster

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

* **Hymn** Creator God, Creating Still [Words on back]

Scripture John 3:1-17 Rev. Throckmorton

Sermon Rev. Throckmorton

* **Hymn** Rejoice, You Pure in Heart [Words on back]

* Benediction Rev. Throckmorton

Postlude Battle Hymn of the Republic (Arr. M. Hayes) Marcia Snavely, piano

~ Departing to Service ~

<u>Hymn 1: "My Country 'tis of Thee"</u> by Samuel Francis Smith

My country,' tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing; land where my parents died, land of the pilgrims' pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring.

My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills; my heart with rapture thrills, like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song; let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake; let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

Our parents' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Hymn 2: "Creator God, Creating Still"

Words: Jane Parker Huber; Music: Attr. William Croft Tune: St.Anne

Creator God, creating still, by will and word and deed, create a new humanity to meet the present need.

Redeemer God, redeeming still, with overflowing grace, pour out your love on us, through us, make this a holy place.

Sustainer God, sustaining still, with strength for every day, empower us to do your will. Correct us when we stray.

Great Trinity, for this new day we need your presence still. Create, redeem, sustain us now to do your work and will. <u>Hymn 3: "Rejoice, You Pure in Heart"</u> Words: Edward H. Plumptre, alt. Ruth Duck

Music: Arthur H. Messiter

Rejoice, you pure in heart, lift praises to the sky; your festive banner wave with joy, the cross of Christ raise high! [Refrain]

Rejoice, (rejoice), rejoice, (rejoice), rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong souls and spirits meek, raise high your free exulting song, God's wondrous praises speak. [Refrain]

With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise, send forth the hymns the saints have loved, the psalms of ancient days. [Refrain]

Yes, on through life's long path, still singing as you go, from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe.
[Refrain]

Praise God who rules all worlds; the risen Christ adore. Praise God the Spirit, Holy Fire, one God for evermore!

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, June 2nd, 10 AM

Rev. Betsy Wooster preaches

"For we do not proclaim ourselves, we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as those enslaved to you for Jesus' sake."

2 Corinthians 4:5-12