



NEWTOWN United Methodist Church

May 26, 2024 – Trinity Sunday

Worship is a time to move close to God and receive spiritual energy for living courageously and serving others faithfully.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn "America the Beautiful" UMH #696

*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather today with hearts open to the Spirit of God. We are no longer slaves to fear but children of God, led by the Spirit.

People: We welcome the Spirit and come seeking the light of Christ, who leads us from darkness into life.

Leader: Jesus told Nicodemus, "You must be born from above to see the kingdom of God."

People: We open our hearts to the renewing power of the Holy Spirit to be born anew in Christ.

Leader: For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

People: We thank You, Lord, for Your boundless love and amazing grace.

Leader: Let us worship the Lord our God, who gives us abundant life.

People: We worship with joy and gratitude, honoring the all-consuming presence of the Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" UMH #64

*Opening Prayer

Gracious and Loving God, we come before you with hearts and lives full of questions and seeking your guidance, just as Nicodemus did. We come with hope, believing that you can provide the answers and healing we seek. Even when doubts cloud our minds, we trust in your boundless love and wisdom. Open our hearts to your Spirit, that we may grow in faith and become better servants of your Word, your Will, and your Way. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Epistle Reading Romans 8:12-17 Pew Bible pg. 157

Special Music "King of Kings" Fraser, Ingram, Ligertwood

*Gospel Reading John 3:1-17 Pew Bible pg. 93

Message "I Don't Get It" Pastor Rodney Brailsford

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 "Lift High the Cross" UMH #159

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*Response

Doxology, UMH #94

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love TFWS #2223

*Dismissal and Blessing

Postlude

*Please Stand if able



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