## **WORSHIP HANDOUT**

Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup> Trinity Sunday Series: Where is God?

**OPENING OF WORSHIP** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**PRELUDE** 

**\*SONG OF WELCOME** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

God our Creator,

we call You Father, Mother, Author of Life:

Draw us closer to You, O God.

Christ our Savior.

we call You the Son, the Messiah, the One who Saves:

Draw us closer to You, O God.

Holy Spirit,

we call You the Advocate, the Inspirer, Breath and Wind of God:

Draw us closer to You, O God.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty;

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory:

Draw us closer to You, O God.

Draw us in, Spirit, Christ and Creator, that we might journey with You more fully and deeply, in this life and beyond. Amen.

**OPENING PRAYER** 

The blessing of Father, Spirit, Son Holy Trinity, Three in One,

<sup>—</sup> posted on Rev Mindi's Rev-o-lution blog.

be in our meeting and our greeting, in the worship we share and the words of our prayer.

The blessing of Mother, Spirit, Son Holy Trinity, Three in One, be in our living and our breathing, that through our hearts and our words your truth may be heard. Amen.

~ written by John Birch, and posted on **Faith and Worship.** <a href="http://www.faithandworship.com/">http://www.faithandworship.com/</a> adapted by Rev. Andrew Scott

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** 

**ANTHEM** 

TIME OF PRAYER
PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC)
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 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 now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

## LESSON I: **Romans 8:12-17**

12 So then, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation, but it isn't an obligation to ourselves to live our lives on the basis of selfishness. 13 If you live on the basis of selfishness, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the actions of the body, you will live. 14 All who are led by God's Spirit are God's sons and daughters. 15 You didn't receive a spirit of slavery to lead you back again into fear, but you received a Spirit that shows you are adopted as his children. With this Spirit, we cry, "Abba, Father." 16 The same Spirit agrees with our spirit, that we are God's children. 17 But if we are children, we are also heirs. We are God's heirs and fellow heirs with Christ, if we really suffer with him so that we can also be glorified with him.

May God add a blessing to this reading.

## \*LESSON 2 **John 3:1-17**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a Jewish leader. <sup>2</sup> He came to Jesus at night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one could do these miraculous signs that you do unless God is with him." <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, "I assure you, unless someone is born anew, it's not possible to see God's kingdom."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Nicodemus asked, "How is it possible for an adult to be born! It's impossible to enter the mother's womb for a second time and be born, isn't it?"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "I assure you, unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, it's not possible to enter God's kingdom. <sup>6</sup> Whatever is born of the flesh is flesh, and whatever is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Don't be surprised that I said to

you, 'You must be born anew.' <sup>8</sup> God's Spirit blows wherever it wishes. You hear its sound, but you don't know where it comes from or where it is going. It's the same with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

<sup>9</sup> Nicodemus said, "How are these things possible?"

<sup>10</sup> "Jesus answered, "You are a teacher of Israel and you don't know these things? <sup>11</sup> I assure you that we speak about what we know and testify about what we have seen, but you don't receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup> If I have told you about earthly things and you don't believe, how will you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup> No one has gone up to heaven except the one who came down from heaven, the Human One. <sup>14</sup> Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so must the Human One be lifted up <sup>15</sup> so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life. <sup>16</sup> God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him won't perish but will have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> God didn't send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be

This is the Word of God for all people.

Thanks be to God.

saved through him.

MESSAGE Head in the Clouds, Heart in the world, Feet on the Ground

\*HYMN

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

**UMH 95** 

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## \*UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you not with our words only, but with our whole lives. Amen.

\*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE**