Trinity Church: July 5, 2020 Brunch Sunday

*This song list can be found on Indy Trinity Worship Playlist on Spotify (click any song to get there)

COMMUNAL SONGS

Wake up

Waymaker

You Are Good

The Table

GAHTERING PSALM

Reading of Psalm 145.8-14. This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

LITURGY OF RELEASE & FEASTING AT THE LORD'S

Leader: On this Independence Day weekend, we give thanks for the freedoms we have, but know they have come through great sacrifice, loss, and much harm. We also know that not everyone in our nation is extended the same liberties and rights.

ALL: Gracious God, grant that we, and all the people of this land, may have courage to speak truth about our history, grace to serve our neighbor, and courage to pursue equity.

Leader: The ground upon which we have stood and Gathered as Trinity Church is sacred ground. Long before it was known as 6151 Central Ave, it was home to Indigenous Americans, the Miami people. Together, we lament,

ALL: the harm done to native people who drew near to the Holy One, deeply connected to this land, while our white ancestors dehumanized, killed, and eventually stole this land for colonizing purposes.

Leader: The land continues to whisper the names of those who have come before us, as the soil holds history of those who were birthed here. Trees remember sunrises and sunsets unhindered by buildings. Birds remind us that at one time, unpolluted air gave way to unfettered flight, in grand witness to the freedom that God desires for all Creation. Together, we recognize,

ALL: the beauty that has been, and how capitalism continues to blind our souls from the magnificence of the Lord, disconnecting us from Christ and one another.

Leader: For those who have freely gathered as God's people and followers of Jesus in this building before us – Central Baptist and Common Ground -

ALL: we lament all the ways we've benefited from their positions of privilege. We pray that their legacy is one of goodness, standing among the oppressed, and actively joining the Spirit in the reconciling work of God in the world. That all people who live because of their existence may foster a haven of belonging that enfolds all people into the kingdom of God.

Leader: For those who have poured tears, sweat, hours, prayers, and much heart into, and out of, this place we call Central Space,

ALL: may they – may we – release this land, this building, into the hands of the One who knows the story unfolding before us.

Leader: For those who have joined in community here through worship, raising of children, baptism of saints, commissioning to service, and deep relationships that live on in our shared story, woven into the fabric of our existence.

ALL: we continue to entrust the community of faith - who we have been, who we are, and who we are becoming - to your faithful purposes, Jesus, our constant companion, friend, and guide.

Leader: We, the Church, shall never be defined by brick and mortar, but by who we are as the body of Christ, gathered together in varied forms, sizes, and locations. We, Trinity Church, continue

ALL: fostering a haven of belonging where wanderers and wonderers gather to discover and embody the love of Jesus in the world. Leader: Today, and everyday to come, we claim that to gather joyfully is indeed a serious affair, for feasting and all enjoyments gratefully taken are, at their heart, acts that confront darkness and breathe life into our community. And so today, we feast together!

ALL: In celebrating this feast we declare that evil and death, suffering and loss, sorrow and tears, will not have the final word. Leader: But the joy of fellowship, and the welcome and comfort of friends new and old, and the celebration of the blessings of food and drink and conversation and laughter are the true evidences of things eternal, and are the first fruits of that great glad joy that is to come and that will be unending.

ALL: So let our feast this day be joined to those sure victories secured by Christ,

Leader: Let it be to us now a delight, and a glad foretaste of God's eternal kingdom.

ALL: Bless us, O Lord, in this feast.

Leader: Bless us, O Lord, as we linger over our cups and over this table laden with good things, as we relish the delights of varied texture and flavor, of aromas and savory spices, of dishes prepared as acts of love and blessing, of sweet delights made sweeter by the communion of saints. May this shared meal, our pleasure in it, bear witness against the artifice and deceptions of darkness that would blind this world to hope.

ALL: May it strike at the root of the lies that would drain life of meaning, and the world of joy, and suffering of redemption.

Leader: May this our feast shatter the gloom, reawaken our hearts, stir our imaginations, focus our vision

ALL: on the kingdom of heaven that is to come,

Leader: on the kingdom that is promised,

ALL: on the kingdom that is already, indeed, among us,

Leader: For the resurrection of all good things has already joyfully begun. May this feast be an echo of the great Supper of the Lamb,

ALL: a foreshadowing of the great celebration that awaits the children of God.

Leader: Where two or more of us are gathered, O Lord, there you have promised to be.

ALL: And here we are.

Leader: And so, here are you. Take joy, O King, in our feast. Nothing good and right and true will be lost forever. All good things will be restored. Feast and be reminded!

ALL: Take joy, O King!

Leader: Now beloved, prepare your hearts and give yourself wholly to this celebration of joy, to the glad company of saints, to the comforting fellowship of the Spirit, and to the abiding presence of Christ who is seated among us both as our host and as our honored guest. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, take seat, take feast, take delight!

ALL: Amen!

FELLOWSHIP & OFFERING OF WORSHIP

Let's feast! Consider how your conversation might spur one another to naming and sharing the good news at home, work place or school, family, Trinity (Offering Basket), neighborhood and world.

DEPARTING BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord be with you. **ALL: And also with you.**