Trinity Church: June 21, 2020 100 Acres of Wonder

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

COMMUNAL SONGS

For The Beauty Of The Earth

Raise To The Lord, The Almighty

I Shall Not Want

Yahweh

Trinity is fostering a haven of belonging where wanderers and wonderers gather to discover and embody the love of Jesus in the world.

LITURGY OF GATHERING

Reading of Psalm 100. This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

COMMUNITY CONFESSION

Leader: Let us open our hearts and minds to the truth of our lives, and let us offer that truth to God.

Forgive us, O God, when we limit you -

ALL: When we fail to live in wonder,

When we remake you in our image,

When we claim our causes as your own,

When we box you in,

And explain you away,

And in our attempts at understanding, whittle away all mystery.

Leader: Forgive us for our human impulses, and change us:

ALL: Awaken us to your blinding glory,

Confound us by your love and beauty,

Shower us with grace so that we will be made new,

Recreated in your image,

Grateful for all that we cannot know.

In the name of Christ, who brought us closer to you, we pray.

Silent Confession

Leader: Friends, let us proclaim the Good News: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Let us go out into this world as people made new by God.

ALL: Alleluia! Amen.

SHARED EXPERIENCE

On The Way

100 Acres of Wonder - The Beauty of God

Genesis 1 and Psalm 27

*For discussion prompts visit the series page here.

To consider as you walk:

- -Meditate on Genesis 1 and/or Psalm 27. Listen to the Spotify Playlist/Communal Songs.
- -What beauty do you notice today?
- -What is your internal response to that which is beautiful?
- -How might you carry that with you into this week?
- -Where is the Spirit prompting you to reflect the beauty of God in your life?

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S TABLE LITURGY

Leader: Merciful God, we come before you today to lift our prayers for the aching hearts across the world.

ALL: For all the uncertainties that plague our hearts and minds, we pray.

Leader: For the countries that are now the epicenters of the pandemic.

ALL: We lift prayers for those who are sick, for those who have lost loved ones, for those who continue to risk their own health to serve.

Leader: Lord, we give thanks for men all over the globe who love and care for our world.

ALL: We give thanks for your provisions, through those who father us and give of themselves in bringing new life.

Leader: For our country that is so divided, where rhetoric creates further division.

ALL: Speak truth, move through us, and bring healing that we might stand with one another.

Leader: For our LGBTQ+ sisters and brothers whose human rights are violated.

ALL: Lord, illuminate hatred and move us toward justice in our workplaces, schools, and neighborhoods.

Leader: For the incarcerated who have been targets of systemic injustice and for all those who have been impacted directly and indirectly by violence.

ALL: Lord, may justice prevail through systemic change that begins in each of us, we pray.

Leader: For the black community, immigrants, undocumented Americans, and indigenous people who have been systematically oppressed, white-washed and ignored, silenced and forgotten.

ALL: Lord, illuminate our racism and weave the stories of their lives into the fabric of our existence, moving us toward true solidarity.

Leader: We lift prayers for your creation, God.

ALL: During times when Creation cares for us, we ask for protection of your first spoken Word.

Leader: For the elected officials in our local and federal government.

ALL: May the Holy Spirit provide wisdom for them as they lead humbly, with integrity and with human beings' best interests in mind.

Leader: We lift prayers for your Kingdom, Lord.

ALL: For all whom the sun touches, for all who breathe the air, for all whose hearts beat, for all things of your creation.

As followers of Jesus, may we be a light and companions in the darkness, may we be love, may we be a different way of experiencing the world.

Leader: As we remember God's constant presence with us, we choose to respond - to lean in, recognize you at work through that which is beautiful in our world, and to worship. As we remember God's persistence in offering grace to us, and celebrate the joy of following Jesus, we speak of the mystery we know as faith:

ALL: Christ died for all our sins; Christ was raised for all; Christ comes, to lead us into God's presence. Lord, we ask that as we partake of the bread and the cup, your Holy Spirit bless these gifts and transform us, your gathered people, to faithfully love you and our neighbors with all our being.

Leader: Let us commune at the table of the Lord; it is open to all who seek life with God.

RESPONSE & OFFERING OF WORSHIP

Reflections, items, or words to share from the walk.

The Offering Basket

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Created and called to be faithful stewards,

we are sent forth by our God.

ALL: We will take all that is good to places of brokenness,

all that is beautiful to those who live in despair.

Leader: Called and commissioned to be faithful disciples,

we are sent forth by Jesus, Word of hope.

ALL: We follow Jesus to every place he would lead us,

to every person who will bless us.

Leader: Called and filled with the very breath of peace,

we are sent forth by the Spirit, God's grace.

ALL: We will join the Spirit in bring life where there is fear,

in offering love where hate seeks to take hold.

Leader: And now,

may the peace of creation's Imagination,

the peace of grace's Word,

the peace of hope's Spirit,

and the deep, deep peace

of God in Community, Holy in One,

be with you this day and for always. Amen.