

MCKINLEY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 31, 2026, 10:30am

Trinity Sunday



Trinity by Kelly Latimore

**Indicates please stand as able; rise in body or spirit*

GATHERING TONES

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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Holy, Embodied, and Present God — how majestic are your many names in all creation! In you we find direction, inspiration, and encouragement.

Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice?

Creator, Christ, and Compassion — we turn to you in praise, prayer, and hope to be made new, set free, and empowered.

Does not love call and understanding raise her voice?

Source, Sustainer, and Spirit — your abiding presence gathers, connects, and strengthens us. You make us a community that participates in your kingdom.

Does not truth call and understanding raise her voice?

***LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

I invite you to join me in lighting candles of hope and peace for the world.

May our prayers for peace shine through our lives and into the world.

All are invited to come forward to light candles.

VOLUNTARY

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us approach the God whose love is beyond our imagining — the God who set the stars in motion, who knows us each by name, and who reaches toward us even when we turn away. With open hearts, let us offer our confession.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great God of all creation, who are we that you are mindful of us? You who set the stars in motion, who launched waves crashing against the shore, who knows the heights and depths of the world — why do you bother with us? You count the hairs on our heads and call us each by name. You give us your wisdom and uphold us by your Spirit. You tend to us and care for us, and we do not understand why.

We cannot grasp your love for us, O God, for it is unlike us to be that loving and forgiving. We become enmeshed by our own needs and wants and desires, and we fail to see beyond our own little circles.

Turn us around, O God. Help us to see as you see and to reach out as you reach out. Remind us once again of the sacredness of our ordinary, day-to-day lives. By your Spirit, teach us to live truly as beings little lower than angels. In your mercy, O God, forgive who we are and bless who we will be. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved of God — the Holy One who created you, who walked among us in Christ, and who breathes life into us still through the Spirit — that God does not hold our smallness against us. Holy Love meets you with grace and gladness. You are known, you are held, you are free.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

***HYMN #277**

“Holy, Holy, Holy!”

Nicaea

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of God be with you! **May the peace of God be with us all!**

**You are invited to stand and greet your neighbors with a handshake or gesture of peace.*

ANTHEM

“See Me”

Rev. Dr. Raymond Wise

REFLECTIONS FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

GOD, THE HOLY

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40:28–31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted, but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

REFLECTION

Leslie Crowley

Silence is kept

JESUS, THE EMBODIMENT

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Matthew 11:28–30

“Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

REFLECTION

Julie Birdwell

Silence is kept

HOLY SPIRIT, THE PRESENT GOD

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1–4,17–18

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

[Peter, quoting the prophet Joel, continues:]

"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy."

REFLECTION

Alonza Lawrence

Silence is kept

*HYMN #547

"Amazing Grace"

Amazing Grace

PRAYER

Tom Shuman

**Give us just a spark
on this day, Imaginative God,
to kindle our smoldering apathy
until we burst into bonfires
to melt all the injustice
which threatens to consume the world.**

Give us just a word
this day, Poet of Pentecost,
that we might be the voice
of those dispersed by fears,
that we might proclaim the good news
to all we would meet.

**Give us a cool breeze
this day, Shattering Spirit,
stirring and shaking us
until we become a storm**

**of hopes to clear the despair
from all our neighborhoods and lands.**

Give us yourself this day,
God in Community, Holy in One,
even as we pray as we are taught...

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(Māori, from the New Zealand Book of Common Prayer)*

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
May the way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on
earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one
another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free
us.**

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

*Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth. Please pass the
offering plate down the pew. When it gets to the end, turn around and give it to the
person immediately behind you.*

INVITATION TO OFFERING

We are a community shaped by Wisdom, sustained by the Word, and moved by the
Wind of the Spirit. What we offer today — our time, our money, our lives — is our
participation in the work of this triune God who is always creating, always
redeeming, always renewing. Let us give generously.

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy One, receive these offerings as signs of our partnership in your work in the world. We are made new in your presence. Use what we give and who we are to form community, to speak truth, and to carry your love into every corner of the world you so dearly cherish. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUE Praise

God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below. O praise God! Alleluia!

Praise God above ye heavenly hosts! Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost!

O praise God! Alleluia! O praise God! Alleluia! Allelu—ia!

(During the doxology the congregation is invited to gather around the communion table for the prayers of the people.)



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Prayer of Intercession from The PCUSA Book Of
Common Worship

To provide a safe space for those worshipping in person, we will mute online audio as we share our prayers out loud. For those worshipping online, please use this time of silence to join us in prayer.

A time of silence may be kept after each petition.

**Holy One, who came as a child, we pray for your children everywhere.
For those who are hungry, we pray for nourishment. . . .
For those who are fleeing, we pray for safety. . . .
For those who are ill, we pray for your healing. . . .
For those who are grieving, we pray for your peace. . . .
For those who are suffering, we pray for your presence. . . .
Holy Three, who patterns community, we pray for communities everywhere.
For those who are divided, we pray for unity. . . .
For those who are isolated, we pray for connection. . . .
For those who are afraid, we pray for your courage. . . .
For those who are frustrated, we pray for new hope. . . .
We pray especially for those in our own community who suffer this day . . .
Holy Three-in-One and One-in-Three, bless us in the work of faith, that we
might be
truly faithful. Nourish us in the labor of love, that we might show your love.**

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (*You are invited to be seated and listen to the Postlude or depart quietly in respect of those who stay to listen.*)

Assisting in Today's Service

Liturgist: Jessica Ballard-Lawrence

Leading: Barbara England

Reflections: Leslie Crowley, Julie Birdwell, Alonza Lawrence

Director of Children's Education, Sara McHenry

Director of Music, Dr. Alonza Lawrence

Organist, Andrew Woodruff

How to Contact Church Staff

All church staff may be contacted through the McKinley website at

www.mckinleycu.org.

How to Give

Online contributions and pledges are accepted at tithely.com/give?c=2133263 or by mailing your donations to: McKinley Presbyterian Church, 410 E. Daniel St., Champaign, IL 61820



Coming this Week:

Monday, June 1	11:30 a.m.	McKinley Staff Meeting
	5:30 p.m.	Giving Garden
Tuesday, June 2	11:00 a.m.	Buildings & Grounds Committee
Wednesday, June 3	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday, June 6	5:00 p.m.	Social Justice Celebration & Fundraiser
Sunday, June 7	10:30 a.m.	Children/Youth Service; Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Youth Group

Announcements

Meet This Year's Inspiring Grant Recipients

Imagine a community where every voice is heard, every dream is supported, and every step forward is celebrated. On Saturday, June 6th at 5:00 p.m., join us at the McKinley Foundation at the University of Illinois for the Social Justice Celebration & Fundraiser—a night dedicated to honoring this year's inspiring community grant recipients and fueling the hope for a brighter tomorrow.



Your presence will make a difference. Together, we can uplift the stories that matter and raise essential funds to keep the momentum going. Don't miss this chance to be part of meaningful change—because when we come together, our community thrives. Can't make it to the celebration? Consider making a donation. 100% of your gifts go back to the community.



McKinley Presbyterian Church is a community of faith
Offering genuine welcome,
Working for reconciliation, and
Daring to speak words of abundant hope to a world in pain.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
OF COUNTRY / FIRST
PEOPLES**
*(An act towards
reconciliation)*

For thousands of years, Indigenous people have walked on this land, in their own country. Their relationship with the land is at the center of their lives.

We recognize and acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Peoria, Kaskaskia, Piankashaw, Wea, Miami, Mascoutin, Odawa, Sauk, Mesquaki, Kickapoo, Potawatomi, Ojibwe, and Chickasaw Nations, past, present, emerging.

We are grateful for their stewardship of this land throughout the ages. These lands continue to carry the stories of these Nations and their struggles for survival and identity.