

\* Praise of God *We Give Thee But Thine Own*  
**We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee**

Prayer of Dedication

**We Depart in God's Name**

- \* Hymn 485 *To God Be the Glory*
- \* Benediction and Sending
- \* Postlude

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**Usher/Greeter Team for May**

Douglas Anderson & Avery Dickson

**Morning Worship  
May 27, 2018  
Trinity Sunday**

**Prayer List as of May 27, 2018**

Benny Moore            Dee Pierce  
Gerry Rogers           Pam Chapman

Residents at Presbyterian Communities of SC  
Artha Sompayrac – Summerville  
B. J. Moore - Summerville

**The Church This Week (5/27/2018)**

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Mon.		Office Closed
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

**Nursery/Pray N' Play**

May 27            Andy Beck

## We Gather in God's Name

Greeting Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold  
The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

\*Call to Worship Dan Tillman

Blessed be God: Eternal Majesty, Living Word, Abiding Spirit.

**Glory to God forever. Amen.**

Jesus said, the way to see God's dream for the world is to be born from above by the Spirit.

**That gift is available this day. May we rejoice in God's Spirit and dwell more deeply in love divine.**

Let us worship God.

\*Prayer of the Day

**Holy God, source of all goodness, you gave your Son for the life of the world and sent your Spirit that your love might abide within us. Teach us how to love each other this day, that we may have life, and have it abundantly, with you, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

\*Hymn 138 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Call to Confession

We can rejoice that we are always in the care and presence of our loving God, even when we forget that, or when the stresses of life cloud our vision. Right now and still again, God calls us to be assured of the great love that is ours in Christ. Let's join our voices in our Prayer of Confession.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Holy God, we know that you are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back into fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for you to lift us up and help us start again. Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with you, ourselves, and each other, through the power of Christ and the gift of your Spirit. Amen.** (Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Sisters and brothers, hear the good news: We did not receive the spirit of slavery, but rather the spirit of adoption. Your guilt has departed; your sin is blotted out, for you are God's beloved children – forgiven, loved, and free.

May Christ's peace be with you.

**And also with you.**

Holy Interruption *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

## We Receive God's Word

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson Proverbs 8:27-31

New Testament Lesson John 1:1-4,14

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Alan Arnold  
"Theology in Life"

## We Respond to God's Word

\*Hymn 398 *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

\*Declaration of Faith (*Colossians 1:15-20*)

**Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible.**

**All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.**

**He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.**

**For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.**

\**Gloria Patri* (hymn 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

Prayers of The People (concluding with the 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering Invitation

Offertory