The Church of the Holy Trinity
6pm Vespers

First Sunday after Pentecost:
Trinity Sunday
Opening Song  

*Until These Tears are Gone*

**Verse 1**  
Flood this heart / with assurance of your mercy  
Fill this mind / with knowledge of your love  
Hold me fast / through the deep and steady current  
How long / how long / till these tears are gone

**Verse 2**  
Every hour / awake me to your presence  
Shine your light / brighter than the dawn  
Send your joy / illuminate the darkness  
How long / how long / till these tears are gone  
How long / how long / till these tears are gone

**Chorus**  
I’ll fix my eyes / on eternity above  
Where every lie / is uncovered by your love  
I’ll fix my eyes on eternity above / where every lie  
Every shadow / is uncovered by your love
Verse 3  Lord you hear / the pleading of the faithful
I search for you / hide not your face
Here I drift / a shell among the ruins
How long / how long / till these tears are gone
How long / how long / till these tears are gone

Chorus   I’ll fix my eyes / on eternity above
Where every lie / is uncovered by your love
I’ll fix my eyes on eternity above / where every lie
Every shadow / is uncovered by your love

The Collect
OFFICIANT   The Lord be with you
PEOPLE     And also with you
OFFICIANT   Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.

PEOPLE     Amen
LECTOR  A reading from the Book of Genesis

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light
upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given
you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every
tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast
of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the
earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant
for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed,
it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth
day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude.
And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he
rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God
blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all
the work that he had done in creation.

LECTOR The Word of the Lord

PEOPLE Thanks be to God

**Gospel Song**

*We Give You Thanks*

Verse 1 We bless you / creator / provider / we bless you
We bless you / redeemer / oh Jesus / we bless you
By the means of grace / and the hope of glory

Chorus Almighty God / father of mercies / we give you thanks
For all your goodness / for how you love us
We give you / we give you thanks
Verse 2 We praise you / creator / provider / we praise you
We praise you / redeemer / oh Jesus / we praise you
By the means of grace / and the hope of glory

Bridge All honor and glory forever / from now till the end of the age

The Gospel Matthew 28:16–20
LECTOR A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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Reflection

John Beddingfield
Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity
Preparation for Prayer

Part 1  Holy Father Son and Spirit / Holy Communion Three-in-one

Part 2  Come with your peace / with your invitation

Bind us together in holy love

Prayers of the People

After each petition the refrain is sung by all.

Refrain  

Hear our prayer o Lord / hear our prayer o Lord

Incline thine ear to us / and grant us thy peace

(the prayers continues until the following or something similar is said)

...and now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

PEOPLE  Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.
Closing Song

Verse 1  He brought me to his banqueting table
       (He brought me to his banqueting table)
       He brought me to his banqueting table
       (He brought me to his banqueting table)
       And his banner (and his banner) / over me (over me) / is love

Verse 2  I am my beloved’s and he is mine
       (I am my beloved’s and he is mine)
       I am my beloved’s and he is mine
       (I am my beloved’s and he is mine)
       And his banner (and his banner) / over me (over me) / is love

Chorus   And we can feel the love of God in this place
       We believe your goodness / we receive your grace
       We delight ourselves / at your table oh God
       You do all things well / just look at our lives

Blessing