



THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH CANTON CENTER, CT

May 31, 2026 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Trinity Sunday

In Person & Live Streamed

Sermon: *Beyond Our Understanding, Embraced by Faith*



*The Trinity is the basis of the gospel,
and the gospel is a declaration of the Trinity in action.*

~James Innell Packer, theologian

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~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~

Please stand if able. **Bold denotes unison response.*

CHIMES

Karen Needham

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements from the congregation are welcome. Those wishing to make an announcement are asked to be in the front pews at the start of the announcement period.

PRELUDE

Creation Will Be at Peace

J. Paul Williams/ Anna Laura Page

{During the prelude feel God's love and peace surround you}

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us enter into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing, and rejoicing.

We join with one another in this sacred space offering our gratitude in praise, song, and celebration.

Let us shout with joy to the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, our Maker, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

We trust and delight that God's love never fails, Christ's mercy never ends, and the Spirit's presence never leaves us.

The love of God is steadfast, the grace of Christ is overflowing, and the Spirit's faithfulness reaches every generation.

With joyful hearts, we praise the Triune God, whose goodness and love endure forever.

*HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy. Lord God Almighty

Chalice (Blue) #4

*GATHERING PRAYER & *THE LORD'S PRAYER

Holy Trinity, gather us now in Your presence. Open our hearts to Your mystery, our minds to Your truth, and our lives to Your transforming love. You are the Love that creates, the Love that saves, and the Love that sustains. As we gather in Your name, draw us into Your life. Make us one people, held in Your one eternal love. Amen.

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.

***Gloria Patri**

*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.*

MISSION MOMENT

Educated Canines Assisting with Disabilities (ECAD)
~Christina Reiser

(The youth are excused for Church school)

OFFERING

On this Trinity Sunday, let our offering be a response to the generosity of the God whose very nature is generosity. Life, grace, and power flow from God's heart into ours. As we bring our gifts, we join that divine flow, sharing what God has entrusted to us for the healing of the world. Let us now receive our Sunday morning offering.



OFFERTORY



It is Well with My Soul
Senior Choir

John Ness Beck

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below,
Praise God for all that love has done,
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, receive these gifts we offer. Use them to bring life where there is need, grace where there is hurt, and power where there is despair. Make our giving a reflection of Your giving, and our lives a witness to Your love. Amen.

SCRIPTURE



John 14:1-20

SERMON

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

***HYMN**

Come, Thou Almighty King

Pilgrim (Red) #246

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE Amen**

How Can I Keep From Singing
Senior Choir

Early Quaker tune

***POSTLUDE**

Lord, Above All Other Treasures

J.S. Bach arr. Roberta Bitgood

Worship is ended ~ Our Service Now Begins