

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

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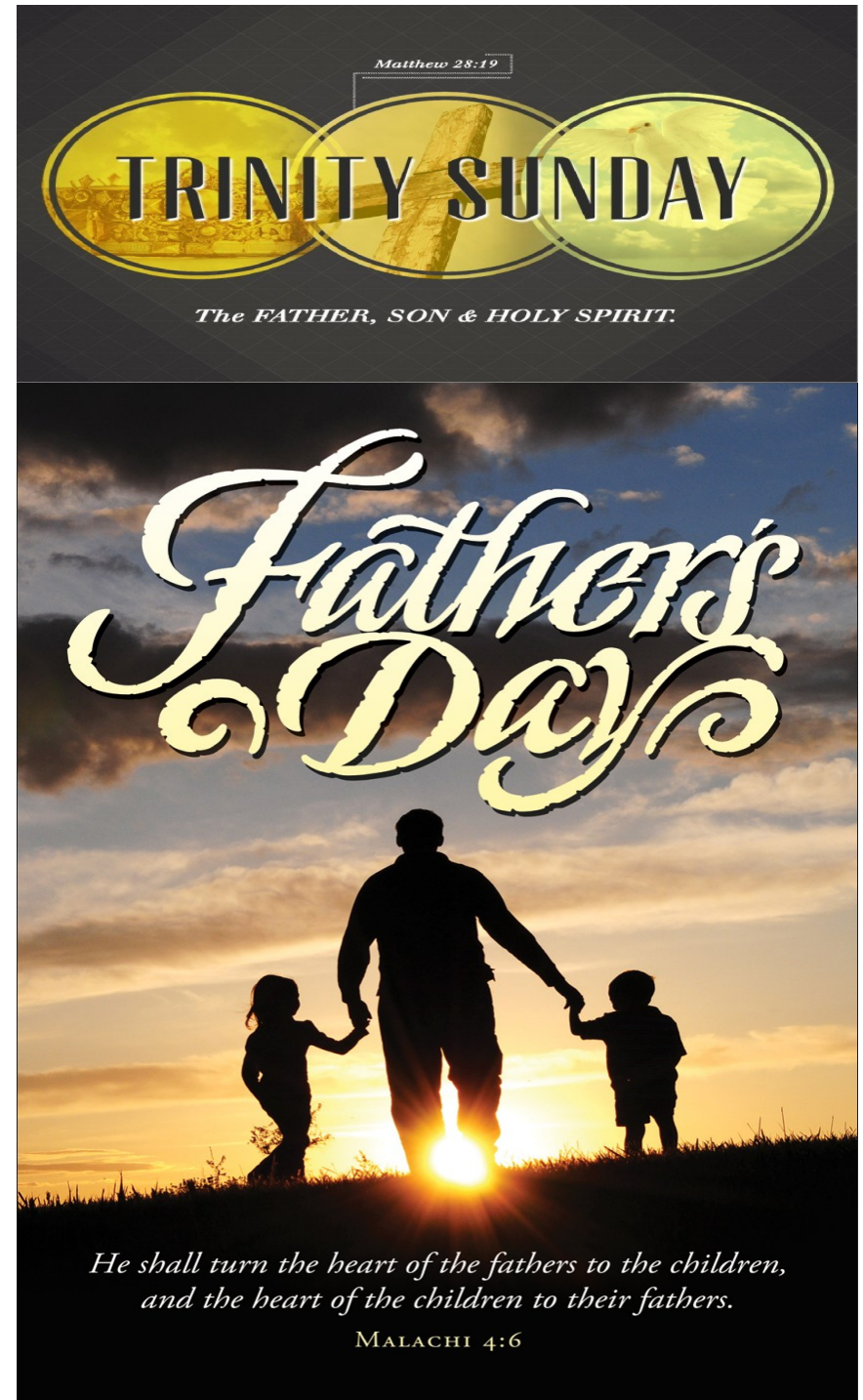
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"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by proclaiming the good news of God's grace and living out Jesus' command to love God and neighbor"

TRINITY SUNDAY

FATHER'S DAY

June 15, 2025 – 10:00am

*(*Indicates standing, as you are able)*

PRELUDE

***OPENING HYMN** *We Have Come Into This House*
(AAHH 174 vs. 1 & 2)

WELCOME, PRAISE, TESTIMONY **Pastor Caldwell**

OPENING PRAYER **Nesta Murray**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Please stand if you are able)*

Leader: God, how majestic is your name! You create, and through creation, we encounter your wisdom and power.

People: How majestic is the name of God, our Creator!

Leader: You redeem, and through Jesus Christ, we encounter your saving love and grace.

People: How majestic is the name of God, our Redeemer!

Leader: You sustain us, and through your Spirit, we encounter your renewing presence.

People: How majestic is the name of God, our Sustainer!

***CLOSING HYMN** *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*
(UMH 133)

***BENEDICTION** **Pastor Caldwell**

POSTLUDE



***OFFERTORY PRAYER** (*Standing and in unison*)

Majestic and holy God, Creator of all that is seen and unseen, we bring these gifts in awe of Your glory revealed in the heavens and here among us. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect your wisdom and share your love, building a world that proclaims your majesty. Through your Spirit, pour your grace into our lives, that our service may mirror the love You have shown us in Christ, lifting our voices with creation to declare, “How majestic is Your name in all the earth!” In the name of the Holy Trinity, we pray. Amen.

([Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31](#), [Psalm 8](#), [Romans 5:1-5](#))

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please be seated)

Visitors' Welcome

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Morning Bible Study with Pastor Caldwell

Wednesdays @ 7:00 am

(Via Zoom: ID: 908 756 2684; Passcode: 07060)

Evening Bible Study with Pastor Bridget Charles

Wednesdays @ 7:00pm

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Sunday School

(Summer Hiatus through September 7)

Free Meals Program—Every Monday @ 5:30 pm

(We welcome volunteers, monetary and food donations)

You're invited to Military Honors for Robert M. Lockery

June 23 @ 11:00 am

Hosted by Robin Lockery

Hillside Cemetery, 1401 Woodland Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ

<https://hbnb.io/e/P4fX/s/l>

Youth Worship Service—June 29

Mock BBQ immediately following

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*cont'd*)

Leader: Come, let us worship the Triune God!

ALL: We gather to worship God, Three-in-One and One-in-Three!

(Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock)

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Please stand as you are able*)

God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole. Amen.

***HYMN** *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* (see insert)

***APOSTLES' CREED** (*Please stand if you are able*)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Please stand as you are able*)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *(Please be seated)*

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

¹ *These are the commands, decrees and laws the LORD your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess,* ² *so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the LORD your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life.* ³ *Hear, Israel, and be careful to obey so that it may go well with you and that you may increase greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, promised you.* ⁴ *Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.* ⁵ *Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.* ⁶ *These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.* ⁷ *Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.* ⁸ *Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.* ⁹ *Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.*

*GLORIA PATRI *(Please stand if you are able)* (UMH 71)

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.

*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON *(Please stand as you are able)*

Ephesians 6:1-10

¹ *Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.* ² *“Honor your father and mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise—* ³ *“so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”* ⁴ *Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.* ⁵ *Slaves, obey your earthly masters with respect and fear, and with sincerity of heart, just as you would obey Christ.* ⁶ *Obey them not only to win their favor when their eye is on you, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from your heart.*

*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON *(cont'd)*

Ephesians 6:1-10

⁷ *Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people,* ⁸ *because you know that the Lord will reward each one for whatever good they do, whether they are slave or free.* ⁹ *And masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with him.*

SPECIAL SELECTION *Father Knows Best*

FATHER'S DAY SKIT

“Four Days Late”

*Nesta Murray, Gerard Simmons, Alexander Hanciles,
Nicole Ra-Amon and Pauline René-Simmons*

MESSAGE

Pastor Caldwell

A Father's Legacy

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

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OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*
(UMH 95)