

# **FRIENDLY REMINDER**

**Our Sunday service is live-streamed, and microphones pick up sound throughout the sanctuary.**

**Recording begins at least 15 minutes before the service to include announcements.**

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# Prelude

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*Holy Trinity  
Sunday/ Father's  
Day*

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WELCOME,  
ANNOUNCEMENTS,  
and  
CELEBRATIONS

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# CALL to WORSHIP

*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!**

# CALL to WORSHIP

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

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

# CALL to WORSHIP

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

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

# CALL to WORSHIP

*Leader:* Come, let us worship the Triune  
God!

*People:* **We gather to worship God,  
Three in One and One in Three!  
Amen!**

# OPENING PRAYER

**God our Potter, God who  
becomes clay, God who  
shapes us in the fire, we  
are made new in your  
presence. We come  
seeking your wisdom,  
crying out our concerns,  
needing your peace.**





# OPENING PRAYER

**Use this time to form us  
as community, connected  
through your breath, life,  
and hope that propels us  
as your body in the world.  
Amen.**



# “How Majestic Is Your Name”

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WORDS and MUSIC: Michael W. Smith 1981

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name  
in all the earth.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name  
in all the earth.

O Lord, we praise your name.

O Lord, we magnify your name: Prince of  
Peace, mighty God; O Lord God Almighty.

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A photograph of three children running through a vast field of colorful flowers, likely cosmos, under bright, warm sunlight. The children are seen from behind, moving away from the camera. The field is filled with a variety of flower colors including orange, yellow, pink, and white. The background is slightly blurred, emphasizing the children and the foreground flowers.

# **Young Disciples' Message**

# SILENT REFLECTIONS



# **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God,  
fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me,  
use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall  
afresh on me.**







Genesis 1: 1 - 2, 26 - 31

NRSVUE

**1** When God began to create the heavens and  
the earth,

**2** the earth was complete chaos, and darkness  
covered the face of the deep, while a wind  
from God swept over the face of the waters.

**26** Then God said, "Let us make humans 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."



**27** So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

**28** 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."

**29** 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.

**30** 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.

**31** God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.



John 1: 1 – 5, 9 – 11, 14

NRSVUE

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

<sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God.

<sup>3</sup> All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being.

What has come into being

<sup>4</sup> in him was life, and the life was the light of  
all people.

<sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the  
darkness did not overtake it.

**9** The true light, which enlightens everyone,  
was coming into the world.

**10** He was in the world, and the world came  
into being through him, yet the world did not  
know him.

**11** He came to what was his own, and his own  
people did not accept him.

**14** And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.



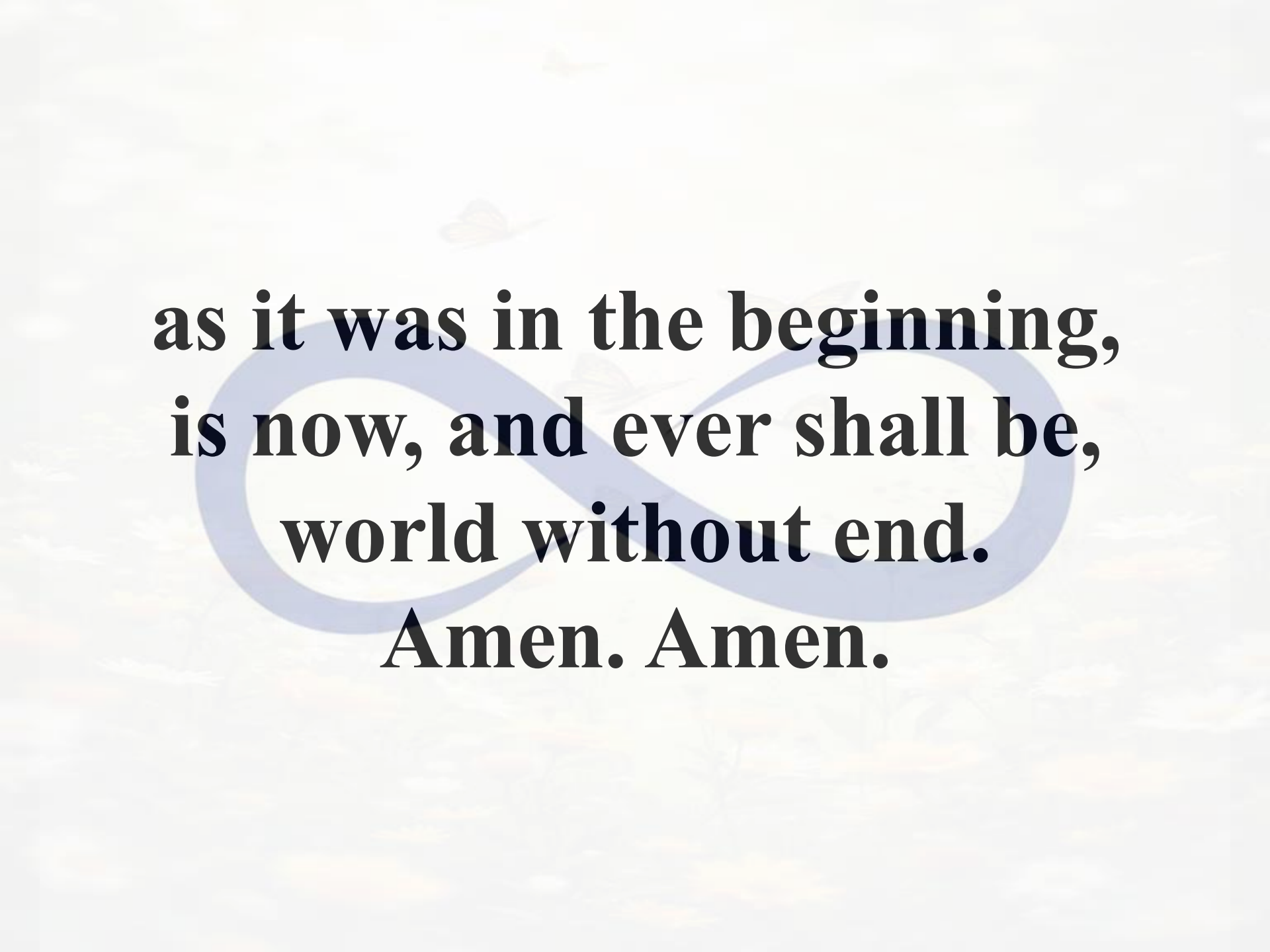
# Glory Be to the Father

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WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.



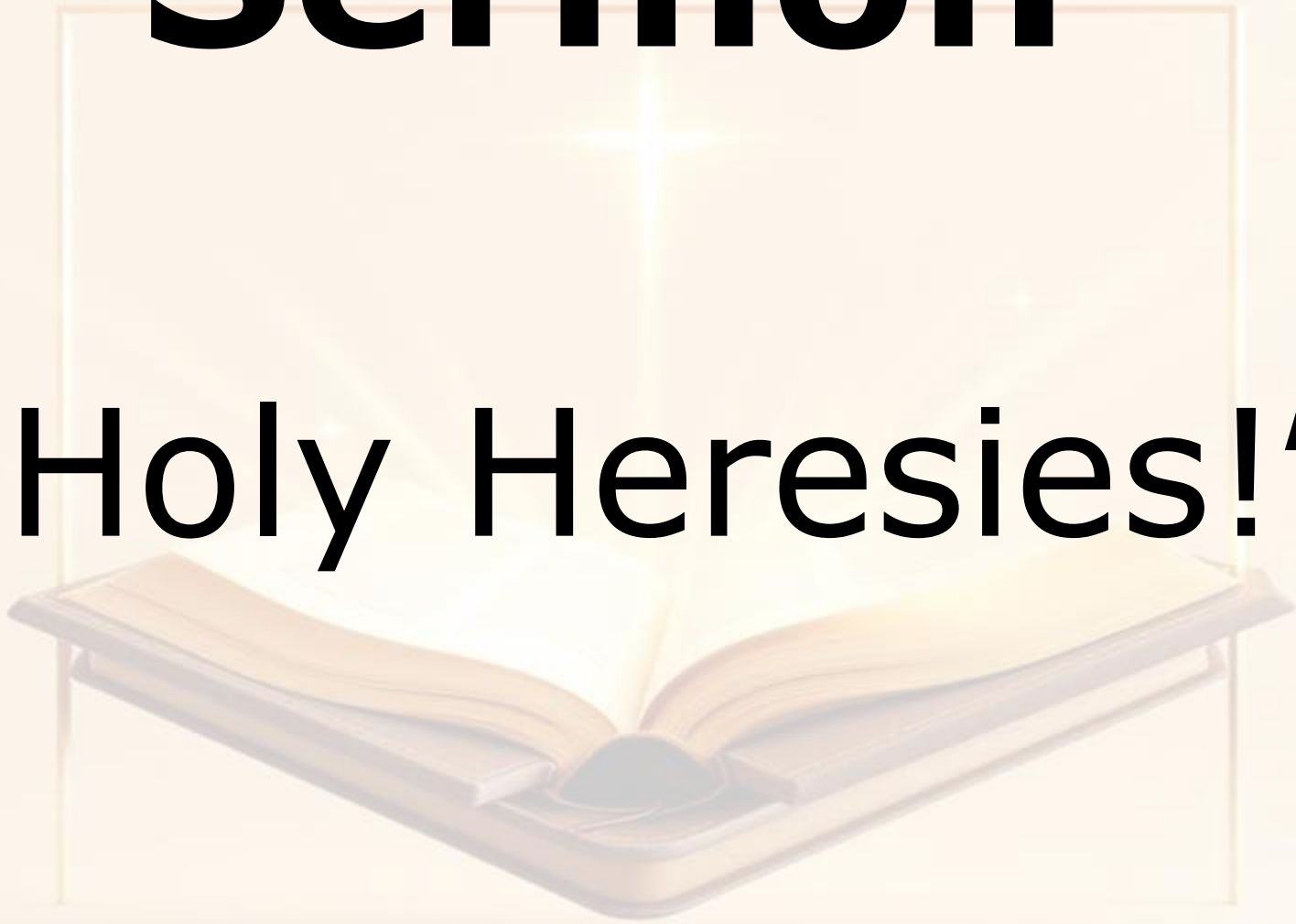
**Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost;**

The background of the image is a soft-focus photograph of a field of yellow wildflowers with several butterflies fluttering around. A large, light blue infinity symbol is centered behind the text.

**as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.  
Amen. Amen.**

# Sermon

**“Holy Heresies!”**



# “Spirit of the Living God” UMH 393

WORDS and MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

Spirit of the Living God,  
fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God,  
fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God,  
fall afresh on me.

# AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

## The Nicene Creed UMH 880

We believe in one God, the Father,  
the Almighty, maker of heaven and  
earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally

begotten of the Father, God from  
God, Light from Light, true God from

# AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

## The Nicene Creed UMH 880

true God, begotten, not made, of one  
Being with the Father; through him  
all things were made. For us and for  
our salvation he came down from  
heaven, was incarnate of the Holy  
Spirit and the Virgin Mary and  
became truly human. For our sake he  
was

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## The Nicene Creed UMH 880

crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and

# AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

## The Nicene Creed UMH 880

the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.



# AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

## The Nicene Creed UMH 880

We believe in the one holy catholic  
and apostolic church. We  
acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins. We look for the  
resurrection of the dead, and the life  
of the world to come. Amen.



# Prayers of the People

**Lord,**  
hear our prayers  
as we lift up to  
you, our joys  
and concerns.



# Pastoral Prayer

# The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be  
done

on earth as it is in heaven.

# The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as  
we forgive those who trespass  
against us.

# The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895



And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power,

and the glory,

forever.

Amen

# **Tithes and Offerings**

**Worship through giving**





# "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapted by Gilbert H. Viera, 1978

MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesange, 1623; harmonized by Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

***Please stand as you are able and comfortable.***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!





# *Offertory Prayer*

# “How Great Thou Art” UMH 77

WORDS and MUSIC: Stuart K. Hine, 1953

*Please stand as you are able and comfortable.*

O Lord my God!  
when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds  
thy hands have made,  
I see the stars,  
I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout  
the universe displayed.

A soft-focus photograph of a field of daisies in shades of pink and white. The sun is shining from the upper left, creating a warm, golden glow and lens flare effects across the scene. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some in sharp focus in the foreground and others blurred in the background.

*Benediction*

# BLESSING AND BENEDICTION



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

This service has ended, and now  
your service in the world begins!

# **Rectortown United Methodist Church**

**serving God with  
Prayer, Action, and Love  
through Service.**