

# Burlington Baptist Church

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A graphic for Trinity Sunday featuring the text "Trinity Sunday" in a white, elegant cursive font. The text is centered on a dark purple background with vertical, wavy light purple and pink streaks, creating a sense of movement and depth. The overall aesthetic is modern and spiritual.

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Sunday, May 30, 2021

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**Responsive Reading**      Psalm 8 – a paraphrase by James Taylor

**LEADER:**    O God, our God, how wonderful you are!  
There is nothing like you in all the earth.

**PEOPLE:**    **We look to the skies, and we see you there.  
Babies and infants open their mouths,  
and we hear them cry your name.**

**LEADER:**    Compared to you, our inventions and weapons,  
our power to create and to destroy,  
dwindle into insignificance.

**PEOPLE:**    **On starry nights,  
with your glory splashed across the heavens,  
we gaze into your infinite universe, and wonder:  
Who are we? Why do we matter?  
Why do you care about mere mortals?**

**LEADER:**    We humans are less than specks of dust  
in your universe. We have existed less than  
a second in the great clock of creation.  
Yet you choose us as your partners.

**PEOPLE:**    **You have made us only a little lower than yourself.  
You share the secrets of the universe with us.  
You give us a special place in your household.**

**LEADER:**    You entrust the care of the earth to us –  
sheep and cattle and all animals, birds and plants,  
and even creatures we have never seen  
that dwell in the depths of the seas.

**ALL:**        **O God, our God, how wonderful you are!  
There is nothing like you in all the earth.  
Amen.**

**A Gift of Song**                      “I Will Extol Thee” (Alfred V. Fedak)

Malcolm Paterson

## WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

### Prayers of the People of God

#### The Offering

“Sing Ye Praises”

Allison Thornton

(R.B.Y Scott/ Aitutakian melody; arr. Austin C. Lovelace)

\* Offertory Prayer “For the Life That You Have Given” 717 - GG

*For the life that you have given,  
for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and labour,  
with these gifts that are your own;  
here we offer, Lord, our praises;  
heart and mind and strength we bring;  
give us grace to love and serve you,  
living what we pray and sing. Amen.*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

### The Scriptures

Allison Thornton

Epistle Lesson: Romans 8: 12 - 17

Gospel Lesson: John 3: 1 - 12

Sermon: “Speaking of Heavenly Things”

## GOD SENDS US FORTH

\* Hymn of Response “The Play of the Godhead” 9 - GG

*1. The play of the Godhead, the Trinity’s dance,  
embraces the earth in a sacred romance,  
with God the Creator, and Christ the true Son,  
entwined with the Spirit, a web daily spun  
in spangles of myst’ry, the great Three-in-One.*

2. *The warm mist of summer, cool waters that flow,  
turn crystal as ice when the wintry winds blow.  
The taproot that nurtures, the shoot growing free,  
the life-giving fruit, full and ripe on the tree:  
more mystic and wondrous, the great One-in-Three.*

3. *In God's gracious image of co-equal parts,  
we gather as dancers, uniting our hearts.  
Men, women, and children, and all living things,  
we join in the round of bright nature that rings  
with rapture and rhythm: Creation now sings!*

## Benediction

### Postlude

“St. Patrick's Breastplate”

Malcolm Paterson

(ascribed to St. Patrick/Irish hymn; arr. Charles Villiers Stanford)